

**Our Vision**  
An inclusive  
community  
committed to high  
levels of learning for  
all.

**Our Mission**  
In the spirit of Saint  
Mary Mackillop, we  
strive for excellence  
with love, dignity,  
integrity and justice.

Our School Student  
Protection  
Contacts are:

**Miss Donnelly, Mr  
Maher and Karen  
(school counsellor)**



### Reminders and To Do List

BushKids  
Presentation

2.30pm Multipurpose  
Room

Glengallan 'Genius  
Hour' Presentations  
for parents/family  
5pm to 6pm  
Wednesday 18th  
September

P&F Meeting  
6pm Library—Fete

St Patrick's School – A  
Nut Aware School.

We are aware that  
children  
may have a  
severe  
anaphylactic  
reaction to  
**peanuts.**  
Parents are  
requested to be diligent  
with items packed in  
lunch boxes.



**Dear Families,**  
**Students Rally to Support the Less Fortunate** - We continue to be impressed by the proactiveness of our learners in response to their ever growing awareness of those in our communities that require our support. As mentioned on assembly several weeks ago, a number of our year 6 students began to harvest spinach leaves from our vegetable garden to sell to our families to raise money for the drought relief effort.

Last Thursday was national RUOK Day. Our year 6 students, in the role as Mini Vinnie's members, are inviting all students to wear something yellow or orange tomorrow and to bring a gold coin donation in support of this wonderful initiative that seeks to promote care for one another. Half of the proceeds will go to the RUOK Foundation while the other half will be given to the community in Stanthorpe to support those who are currently experiencing particular hardship due to drought and fire.

Students may wear a yellow or orange shirt or may accessorize their sports uniform with yellow or orange socks, hair bands or hair clips. Hairspray or face paint is not to be used.

Within Catholic schools the thinking of the needs of others demonstrates our vision of being an 'inclusive community'. Well done to these students in coming up with and coordinating this idea.

**2019 Naplan Results**— Recently the year 3 and year 5 student NAPLAN reports were sent home to families. As a school we are very pleased with our progress this year.

This year's year 3 results indicate growth in reading, writing and numeracy. Of particular note for our year 3 learners, was the significant growth in writing achievement.

Our year 5 students, as a group stayed above the state and national average scores with considerable continued improvement in reading.

We acknowledge the efforts of our students and their families in supporting their learning throughout the year. We thank our classroom teachers for their continued collaboration with one another as professionals, and for the collaboration with our families. It is the combined efforts of every person in our team that collectively brings about continued improvement for our students.

God Bless



Tyronne Maher  
Principal



**Effective Learners!** The winners of our 'Effective Learner' design competition have been collaborating on the next level of the designing process with Miss Gilbar. They're designs are now ready to take to a graphic designer!

**'You're never too old to start learning, and you're never too young to aim high and achieve great things.'**

Asa Hutchinson

[https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/asa\\_hutchinson\\_787061?src=t\\_learning](https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/asa_hutchinson_787061?src=t_learning)

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**School News Teaching and Learning—What's our Impact?**—Our professional learning and planning day this Friday sees our teachers travelling to Stanthorpe to work with other schools as part of the Visible Learning project. The focus on this day is around our continued work in impact cycles.

Teachers have been working in this way since the beginning of this year with a particular focus on writing. An impact cycle begins with the teacher identifying an area of need. They then plan the steps that must be taken to address the intended learning before finally measuring the impact of this explicit teaching. These four to five-week cycles are hugely beneficial to us as teachers as we share teaching practices that yield high results for our students.

**Free Short BUSH Kids Presentation Wednesday Afternoon**—BUSH Kids currently provides a range of free allied health services for children and their families through five regional service centres—in Bundaberg, Dalby, Emerald, Mount Isa, and Warwick—each staffed by a multidisciplinary team comprising Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Psychologists and Family Health Support Workers.

Andrew Dunn from our regional 'Bush Kids' office, is presenting in our multipurpose room this Wednesday afternoon from 2:30pm. The short presentation aims to inform families of the free services that can be offered to families. We hope to see you on Wednesday afternoon.



**The Classroom as the '2nd Teacher'** - there is much research to suggest the environment of the classroom is the 2nd teacher in learning. A walk through our school would present you with challenges to your own experiences of classrooms.

Displays in classrooms have traditionally gone up at the start of the year only to be taken down at the end of the year. Displays now address the current learning of students both in what they are producing but also in what they are to achieve. After all displays are for students in the classroom and should assist them in becoming more independent in their learning. Anything else becomes a visual distraction to the learning of a student.

Some of our teachers, in a search for more collaborative student interactions and space for learners to work, are challenging the use of furniture. Teachers are asking students what they do and don't need with some interesting results.

**School Fees**— School fees contribute to the resourcing and successful running of our school. Fee statements were emailed recently to all families. If ever payment of fees becomes difficult, it is the responsibility of the family to make an appointment to discuss the fees with Mr Maher. These conversations are strictly confidential and honour that which is most important— your involvement in our school community and your child's education.

**Student Drop Off and Collection**— Please note that we have instructed all students that they are no longer to enter or exit from the entrance on Mackillop Lane. This follows a near miss with a student recently. Students may enter/exit via the front gate on Arnold Street or church gate on Warwick Street.

## Student of the Week Awards—Week 8

**TALGAI** —  
Mahailia Williams for persistence in using challenges as a way of improving her learning.  
**CUNNINGHAM** —  
Tanali Neaubauer for great dedication to improving her learning.  
**DALRYMPLE** —  
Paige Cummins for seeking out strategies that will help her learn best.  
**GLENGALLAN** —  
George Philp for being confident to approach difficult tasks with an open and inquiring mind.

## Mary MacKillop Award Inclusive

**Talgai**—  
Dustyn May  
**Cunningham**—  
Esther Coker  
**Dalrymple**—  
Matilda Gasson  
**Glengallan**—  
Will Brasch

## Student of the Week Awards—Week 9

**TALGAI** —  
Oscar Coker for co-operating with all school members: teachers, school officers and fellow students.  
**CUNNINGHAM** —  
All Cunningham students for confidently coping with the classroom changes over the last week.  
**DALRYMPLE** —  
Angus McArthur for seeking and responding to feedback to improve his learning.  
**Glengallan** —  
Braydan Gilmour for persistence in trying to independently complete difficult tasks.

## Mary MacKillop Award Helpful

**Talgai**—  
Lachlan Ekerick  
**Dalrymple**—  
Harrison Dangerfield  
**Glengallan**—  
Sarah Morris



## Parish News

### LITURGY TIMES

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF MONTH –  
MASS 9AM**

**2<sup>ND</sup>, 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF MONTH –  
MASS 5.30pm**

**4<sup>TH</sup>, 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF MONTH –  
LITURGY OF THE WORD –  
9 AM**

**FETE Friday 18th October  
5pm to 10pm**

Recently each family received a book of Art Union tickets this is the St Patrick's major raffle for the upcoming Fete. The Art Union contributes greatly to the Fete's financial success. The beast and the other prizes of pork, lamb and turkey are usually donated by locals and the parishioners and we are appreciative of this most generous support. The beast in particular becomes the first prize of a side of yearling beef with the second half being used for the BBQ, the savoury mince stall and the meat tray raffles, which helps enormously towards expenses.



St Patrick's School Allora—Parent's and Friends Association

'As many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school'



## Next P&F Meeting—6pm (new time) in the Library on Wednesday 18th September

**St Patrick's Fete**  
*Friday October 18th*  
**5PM-10PM**

St Paddy's Horse Pats Lottery

Kids Entertainment

**BAR & BBQ**

Live Music

Art Union

**Jumping Castle**

Cnr. Warwick & Arnold Streets, Allora

Join us also for the crowd favourites:

ANYTHING GOES RACE, THE BOTTLE STALL, SWEETS & TREATS, TEA'S & TART'S, SCHOOL PERFORMANCES + LOTS MORE. IT'S AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY, NOT TO BE MISSED!

Thank you once again to our wonderful local & district community for your generous Sponsorship and the Donations that we receive.

## St Patrick's School Musical



## Mermaids V Pirates

Wednesday

20th November

6pm to 7.30pm



**Fete Bottle Stall Competition**—One of the biggest stalls of our Fete is the Bottle Stall. Not only is it an attraction on the night, but it also provides a great competition between classes as to who will get the highest amount of bottles (averaged to account for different class sizes). Jars or bottles can be filled with all sorts of items and brought to school so that the competition can begin. Soft drinks are not permitted. Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

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## What's Happening?



**Strong Not Tough – Adult Resilience**

The Strong Not Tough – Adult Resilience program aims to increase an adult's resilience and coping skills.

Backed by years of research the Strong Not Tough program is evidence based and proven to help participants be the best they can be, and reduce their anxiety by imparting on them many skills and tools such as:

- Develop coping strategies – body language & signals, mindfulness and attention training, being grateful
- How to control and regulate intense emotions
- Relaxation techniques
- Mindfulness skills and attention to stay in the moment, focus and relax
- Develop positive relationships
- To compromise in tricky situations and avoid conflict
- Setting realistic and achievable life or study goals
- Organisation and time skills
- Enjoy a healthy life style

The structure of the Adult Resilience Program is a 2 session course, with each session taking approx 1.5 hours.

Developed by Dr Paula Barrett, the Adult Resilience program has helped the lives of thousands of participants.

It has also helped parents and families become stronger in themselves by applying the skills they learn whilst undertaking the program.

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**BUSHkids Warwick** would like to invite you to the program.  
The program will be presented by Family Health Support Worker (Info Downloaded) – accredited Adult Resilience facilitator.

**When:** Friday's – fortnightly commencing 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019

**Time:** 1.30 – 2.45pm

**Where:** BUSHkids Centre 191 Wood Street

**Cost:** Workbook provided free of charge

**Register:** Phone 4667 1200 or email [warwick@bushkids.org.au](mailto:warwick@bushkids.org.au)

Spaces are limited

If you have any questions - contact BUSHkids as we would be pleased to speak with you.



**2019 ONLINE ANNUAL CALENDAR—LOCATED ON OUR SCHOOL'S WEBSITE**

### **DATE CLAIMERS- 2019**

**Term 3**

18 Sept RUOK? Day—students can accessorise their uniform with yellow or orange for a gold coin donation.  
BushKids Presentation 2.30pm  
Glengallan 'Genius Hour' Presentations 5pm  
P&F Meeting—6pm (Fete)

19 Sept Last Day of Term 3  
Assumption College Transition Afternoon

20 Sept Professional Learning Day - Pupil Free, School Closed

**Term 4**

8 Oct Term 4 begins (Monday 7 Oct—Public Hol.)

9-11 Oct - Yr 5/6 School Camp—Tallebudgera

18 Oct School and Parish Fete

21 Oct Professional Learning Day—Pupil Free

5 Nov Prep Transition Morning

20 Nov 'Mermaids v Pirates' -School Musical



This week and over the holidays to:

- Eddison Barton
- Katelyn Peters
- Darius Olsen
- Jason Deehan
- Molly Williams

**WARWICK BAPTIST CHURCH**  
invites you to a  
**Mental Health First Aid Course**

Facilitated by Sallyanne Keeyers of Talkwise Stanthorpe

This event assisted by grants to community funding from the Southern Downs Regional Council

9 & 10 October 8:45am – 4:30pm Standard MHA

4:30 – 5pm Discussion around Christian context delivered by Rev Darren Muller and Kate Wilson

11 October 8:45am – 1pm MHA for the suicidal person

Participants MUST be over 18 years

Accreditation available after the course.

Founder's Room  
Warwick Christian College  
70 Horsman Road Warwick

**\$85 participant's fee**

Morning tea and lunch provided

Registration by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October (limited spaces)

Contact: Jennifer Parker 4661 7655 or [info@warwickbaptist.net](mailto:info@warwickbaptist.net)







**FREE SWIMMING LESSONS**

FOR UNDER FIVES

3rd and 4th of October

Book in now at WIRAC  
Limited spaces available!

