



Newsletter- St Patrick's School Allora

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"Never see a need without doing something about it." - Mary MacKillop

Vision—We are an inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.

Our School Student Protection Contacts:

Miss Donnelly and Mr Maher



Reminders for this week:

Tuck shop— Friday 14th September.
Orders to be in by Tuesday the 11th.

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 Parents and Carers,

One Job? How about Seventeen? - Research (*)has indicated that young people today are likely to have seventeen jobs over five different careers after they leave school. When many of us went to school, we went through primary, secondary and (some of us) tertiary school and got a job that would see us through until retirement. How times have changed! With continual changes across all industries, most of our children will need to be able to embrace the way we now learn and be flexible to the inevitable changes we'll all experience. Students that have a 'growth mindset', and who understand how they best learn will be best positioned to thrive.

A 'growth mindset'; what we want; or a 'fixed mindset'; what we don't want; develops very early in the minds of our children. The 'growth mindset' person says "I don't have it 'YET', but, with effort, I'll get there!". The 'fixed mindset' person says "I don't have it and I probably won't get there". This fixed way of thinking often presents itself for a number of reasons. Some might include:

- It's far easier to blame something or someone else for my lack of progress. We sometimes do this for our children. E.g. "It's okay, I was never good at that either."
- Getting better is hard work.
- "Others might think I'm 'stupid' so I won't try. I'll avoid it!"



Fixed mindset thinking generally develops into a learned helplessness while growth mindset thinking nurtures problem solving and 'outside of the box' thinking.

At St Patrick's, we are making each child's learning visible to them and celebrating this progress. Each class is doing this in different ways from celebrating reading level progress to walls of worked examples in our classrooms that encourage learners to be self critical and ask 'What do I need to do next to make my work better?'

Celebrating the progress learners make and encouraging them to problem solve towards improving their progress, are ways that we can promote the development of the growth mindset. In this way we'll build resilient young people who will be able to adapt to the continuous change of life.

*Charles Fadel and Berne Trilling - "Four Dimensional education....The competencies learners need to succeed" 2015.

God Bless


Tyronne Maher
Principal

"Don't limit a child to your own learning, for he was born in another time. "

Rabindranath Tagore

Read more at: https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/rabindranath_tagore_384372?src=t_learning



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School News

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Assembly Roster

Term 3 Friday 8.50am

Week 9: Leaders

Week 10: Leaders

NAPLAN Results - The results of this year's test have now been made available to us and the process of analyzing this data has now begun. Well done to all of our year 3 and 5 students for the way they resiliently applied themselves over the 3 days. Parent copies should be arriving shortly.

Family Health Week - This week, students are being led through age relevant lessons to do with their bodies and the changes that they go through. Grounded in science, these lessons are aligned with the Australian Curriculum and delivered in such a way that values the unique characteristics of the individual. Questions asked by learners that fall outside what can be delivered at a certain level are referred back to the parent through the student. This way it is at the parent's discretion as to what is or is not shared. Please see you child's teacher if you have any further queries.



Talgai sight word and spelling champions. Well done!

Church Celebration— Congratulations to Joshua Millard, Archie Brown and Marshall Murphy from our parish who received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion last Friday in a wonderful celebration at St James and St John's Church in Clifton. Led by Bishop William Morris, Father Rod MacGinley and Father Don Murray, families from Cambooya, Leyburn, Greenmount, Clifton and Allora joined to celebrate the occasion. We thank Jan-Maree Murphy for leading our local boys through the sacramental program. Thank you also to Miss Preston who played a supportive role throughout the program. Well done.

Dalrymple News

Learning Fun In Dalrymple, we make learning engaging by applying what we have learnt to everyday situations. In maths, we have been learning about money by setting spending budgets. In our literacy block, we have been learning about expressing our point of view by discussing our favourite texts and in the 'humanities and social sciences (HASS), we are learning about the lives of people who live in different places by participating in and interpreting data in surveys. When we apply what we have learnt to a real world context, it makes it easier to see the alignment between what we are learning, why we are learning it and how we can be successful.



You Can Do It! The 'You Can Do It' keys encompass many of the dispositions a person needs in order to be a good learner. We have been developing our resilience through our discussions about 'the learning pit' and identifying the many ways a person can get out.

Learning talks Talking with students about their learning can be very beneficial for their progress. In Dalrymple, we talk about our journey with the aid of 'Mount Dalrymple'. As we move our characters past the many obstacles on Mount Dalrymple we are able to discuss where we have come from and where we need to go on our learning journey.

Class celebrations Progress and achievement are celebrated in many ways in Dalrymple. Congratulations to the students on their exemplary behaviour over the course of the year which recently earned them a class party.



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Parish News

LITURGY TIMES

1ST SUNDAY OF MONTH –

MASS 9AM

2ND, 3RD SUNDAY OF MONTH

– MASS 5pm

From Sunday 13th May for

Winter

4TH, 5TH SUNDAY OF MONTH –
LITURGY OF THE WORD – 9
AM

Fete

This year's Fete will be held on Friday 19 October.

The 2018 executive is Roy Nott, President; Paul Morris and Paul Bradfield, Vice-Presidents; Lisa Hansford, Secretary and Kerry Haigh, Treasurer. We welcome Lisa to the committee and thank her for being a School P & F representative. New faces and ideas are welcome. **The next meeting is on the 17th September—7pm in the parish meeting room.**



St Patrick's School
Parents & Friends Association

"... as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school"



Next P & F Meeting Wednesday 19 September
7pm in the Library. All welcome.

Fete volunteers required!

Please contact the office if you can assist

St Patrick's Parish and School Fete

Our annual Fete will be held on Friday the 19th of October. Last year, the level of parental representation in the set up, running of stalls and the pack up of the evening was second to none. We'd like to replicate this again this year.

The partnership that exists between school and parish is not to be underestimated. In the last two years the Parish Council has recognized this partnership with a sizeable portion of profits from the evening being donated straight back to the school. Last year, the school shared in the profits of the event with approximately \$5000 going to the school's Parents and Friends Association.

In addition to our school financially benefiting from the Fete, the team building and sense of community that comes from such events cannot have a price tag put on it. The funds that are raised from this wonderful event also contribute to the support of our parish community and the maintenance of our wonderful church.

This year, in addition to the working bee and the running of the barbeque, we are also looking for parents that can help in the running of stalls. **Thank you to those of you that completed the survey that was emailed out 2 weeks ago.** We look forward to this wonderful event and thank you in advance for the sense of community that you bring when you support our fete.

SCHOOL BELL TIMES

8.40am Start of School

10.50am Break start

11.30am Break finish

1.30pm Snack start

1.50pm Snack finish

2.50pm Pack up

2.55pm End of School

UNIFORM DAYS

Monday — Formal

Tuesday — Formal

Wednesday – Sports

Thursday – Formal

Friday – Sports



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What's Happening?

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Last Tuesday our students were treated to 'Treasure Hunt' as a culminating activity to 'Book Week'. This show celebrated stories and got all of the students involved.



Cricket Success

Sarah and Archie Brown travelled to Goondiwindi over the weekend to take part in cricket games that enabled Darling Downs Selectors to select the under 12's boys and girls teams. Archie was one of two ten year old students to take on the 12 year olds. While not successful this time, he thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Sarah impressed selectors and was subsequently chosen to play in Brisbane for the Darling Downs team in November. Congratulations to both of these students.

Fete Meeting

The next meeting is on the 17th September at 7pm in the parish meeting room. Please come along and share your ideas.

PLEASE SEE OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR OUR 2018 ANNUAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE CLAIMERS- 2018

- 10 Sept Family Health Week**
- 14 Sept TUCKSHOP**
- 4 Sept Tuesday—Show—'Treasure Hunt'**
- 7 Sept Confirmation—Clifton—6pm**
- 21 Sept Term 3 Ends**

- 8 Oct Term 4 Starts**
- 19 Oct St Patrick's Parish and School Fete**
- 22 Oct Staff PD day—Student Free Day**
- 23 Oct School Standardised testing**
- 30 Oct Prep transition morning**
- 14 -16 Nov - Year 5/6 Camp—Tallebudgera**
- 30 Nov School Swimming Carnival**
- 4 Dec Christmas Liturgy and Music Presentations**
- 7 Dec 10am—Graduation Ceremony**
12pm—School Year Ends



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