



St Patrick's School

Mansfield Park

TERM 1 - WEEK 4 2024

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

MEET THE TEACHER

It was great to see so many parents come to our Meet the Teacher Evening. The evening started with a BBQ followed by a parent information evening about Numeracy and what this means for us at St Patrick's School. I was then able to share our 2023 Annual Improvement Plan and highlight our achievements. Parents were then able to visit classrooms and talk to their child's teacher. Numeracy will be a Curriculum focus for 2024.

SCHOOL BOARD

St Patrick's has a School Board consisting of the Parish Priest, School Staff and parents of the school. The Board allows parents to have a voice in the strategic direction of the school. The School Board meets twice each term. This year it will be in Week 3 and Week 8 of each term from 7.00 - 9.00pm. Board members hold their position for 2 years. We have some vacancies on the School Board. If you would like to join the School Board, please complete the Nomination Form in this Newsletter and return the form as a matter of urgency.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Once again, we are offering our students the opportunity to be involved in Children's University. CUA aims to encourage high quality out of school hours activities for children aged between 7 and 14 years of age, engaging with the wider community as learning partners in this process. The most important principle of CUA is that participation is voluntary, and activities must take place outside of the normal school day. If your child would like to become a member of CUA for 2024, please collect a form from the Front Office, complete the details and return it to school by 25th March along with payment.

MID YEAR RECEPTION ENROLMENTS

We still have vacancies for our Mid-Year Reception class. If you have a child or know of any family who has a child born between 1st May and 31st October, they are eligible to start Reception in July. Enrolment forms must be completed and handed into the Front Office. An interview time will be offered.

PUPIL FREE DAY - TERM 1

Our **Term 1 Pupil Free Day is booked for Friday 8th March**. Please put this date in your diary. We ask that you make childcare arrangements for this day. **There are NO STUDENTS at the school on this day**. Our OSHC service will be available.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will once again take place in Term 1. All students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting the assessments between 13 March to 25 March. A practice test will take place on 27 February. NAPLAN provides additional professional judgements about a student's attainment of literacy and numeracy and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by the school staff.

STUDENT WELLBEING

Student Wellbeing is always a focus at St Patrick's School. Each year, we build on our previous Professional Learning to make our school a safe place for students. This year, we are involved in a Catholic Education system approach and will be part of PBIS Professional learning. PBIS stands for *Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports*. It's a set of practices for improving student behavior and school culture by setting clear behavioral expectations, teaching students how to meet those expectations, and supporting them in this process based on their needs. Alongside this, teachers continue to embed Zones of Regulation into their classroom practice. *Zones of Regulation* allow students to understand where their emotions are and use strategies taught to reach the optimal zone for learning. This year, teachers are also introducing weekly lessons of Friendology 101 from the *UR Strong Program*. Research shows that relationships are the heart of wellbeing & learning. When we get friendships right in schools, children flourish! Parents are able to access the

parent portal of UR Strong for free. This portal has many useful ideas that can support your children. Students who require more individualised support can access the services of our School Chaplain (Monday) or Counsellor (Thursday).

In all things love,

Barbara Ahern & Gennaro Manella

The Leadership Team



NAPLAN

What a busy start we have had to the 2024 year!

Just a quick reminder to the parents of Years 3 and 5 students that the National **NAPLAN** practice test will be held for ALL schools and only on **Tuesday 27th of February**.

The practice test is a mixture of Mathematics and English and is an excellent opportunity for students to become familiar with the NAPLAN online format and ask questions about the routine of the test.

Further information for parents and carers can be found here: [NAP - For parents and carers](#)

If you would like to access any past practice test questions at home to support your child, please visit here: [NAP - Public demonstration site](#)

And here:

[NAPLAN \(acara.edu.au\)](https://acara.edu.au)

Please note, the NAPLAN testing window will be held from the 13-25th March 2024. A parent information pack went home with your child last week – if you DID NOT receive this information, please visit the office or let your child's teacher know.

Thank you!

Linda Bain

An Invitation

You are invited to join the St. Patrick's School Board

Our School Board is an advisory body of volunteers who work together to provide ideas and opinions to help the Principal and the School Board make the school a better place for our children's learning.

The School Board needs to represent the diversity of the School community, which includes the parents and caregivers of the students in our School. It gives our School representative the opportunity to discuss educational and general issues and respond to a variety of needs by providing information to parents and community members, getting feedback for them and presenting their views to the School and School Board.

Participation means attending a meeting twice a term from 7.00pm—9.00pm and contributing to the discussions and decisions.

Term of office is 2 years.

So come on! Fill in the nomination form below, return it to the front office and start to contribute to your child's school.

St. Patrick's School
Nomination Form
School Board Nomination 2024

I nominate _____

for membership of the St. Patrick's School Board beginning 2024.

Signature of person accepting nomination _____

Date _____

Learn to play a musical instrument at St Patrick's!



30 minute lessons
during school hours

Choose from...

Keyboard ✪ *Drums* ✪ *Voice*

Other instruments are also possible!

Group Lessons: \$20 per week

Individual Lessons: \$30 per week

**Register your child's interest by
collecting a form from the
Front Office.**

**For more information, please
contact Mrs Meyer at**

JMeyer@stpatsmp.catholic.edu.au



An Urgent Prayer for Peace

God of compassion,
We turn to you with heavy hearts
As we consider the needs of your family.
Israelis and Palestinians, we are all your people,
Each of us loved by You
And called to live in peace and justice.
We lament the dreadful loss of life,
Destruction of property and loss of human dignity.
We are pained by so much suffering.
We beg you to bring healing to this ancient place.
Help your people find a way forward.
Enable everyone to look each other in the eye,
And embrace each other as sisters and brothers,
As they find your image in every face.
We ask that courage and grace
Will help create a wiser and more gentle future,
Where everyone has a home.
God of wisdom, come to our aid.
Amen.

by Michael McGirr, 2023

Photo: MAHMUD RAMS/AFP via Getty Images

COMMUNITY CORNER

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AT ST PATRICK'S 2024

Wednesday

Playgroup, family fun for families with children under 5 years from 9.30 – 11.30 am throughout the terms.

Thursday

Parent, Conversion, Craft and Support School Group will be held at school each Thursday from 9am to 11am.

These programs are free, lots of fun, friendly and open to all. Come and meet new people and get involved in the school community.

Friday

This program is for children aged 3-5 years old from 9.30 – 11.30 (including Library visit) and their parents, to support transitions from Kindy to School.

Note: Playgroup SA has partnered with the Office for the Early Years (Department of Education) to provide free development checks for children aged 12 months to 4 years. The checks provide an opportunity to monitor your child's development, identify any concerns and celebrate milestones. A development check helps to monitor whether a child is meeting the milestones for their age (such as dressing or talking). Please note this is not a health check.

Please contact Chau Tran 8303 4500 if you would like further information or would like to book in child development check.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter

22/02/2024

ST PATRICK SCHOOL



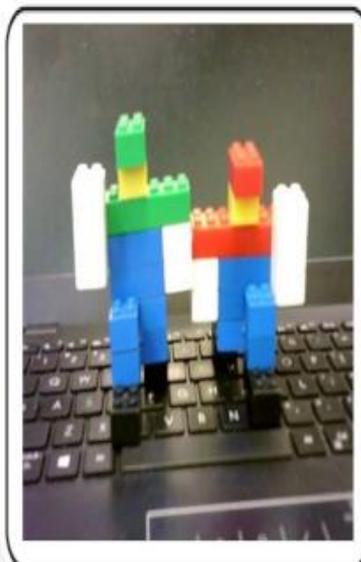
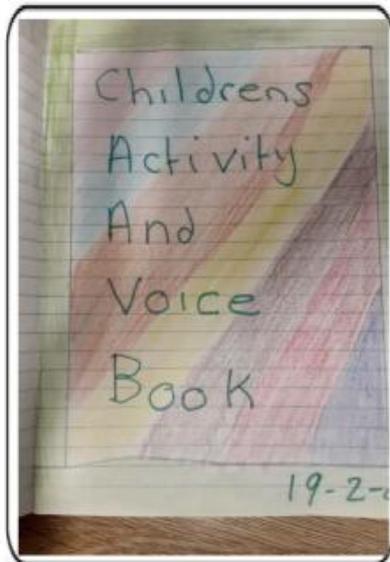
Your
OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

There is a Pupil Free Day on Friday 8th March and we are open for bookings. If you have not registered please do so at <https://campaustralia.com.au/>. We open at 7.00am and close at 6.00pm.

We have developed a children's voice and activity book for them to write in. If a child would like to do a specific activity, please remind them to fill it in the voice and activity book. It is also a place to record the children's discussions at snack time.



Activities coming up

- Tennis
- Handball
- Cheese Pizza

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au



MOUNT CARMEL COLLEGE

Register for
OPEN DAY
today!





OPEN DAY:

Secondary Campus

Thursday 21 March

4pm - 7pm

Visit www.mcc.catholic.edu.au or phone 8447 0500





OLSH

OUR LADY OF THE
SACRED HEART
COLLEGE

OLSH OPEN

SUNDAY 17 MARCH



BOOK NOW

Junior Footy

SMOSH W. L. JUNIORS

U7 - U11

Years 2 to 6

Boys & Girls
All Abilities Welcome



"We are the Lions!"



West Lakes Shore
Oval, Bartley Tce
West Lakes Shore

Training: Fridays
Games: Sundays

Season Played:
April - August

Contact: Brett Hidson
P: 0418 859 723
smoshjfd@gmail.com

Register at: www.smoshwljuniors.com.au

GET A REAL KICK OUT OF THE NEXT SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH

LITTLE NINJAS
VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Little Ninjas is a carefully designed series of sessions, focusing on children of all ages **learning through play** with our interactive sessions of **games, team building exercises, safety and self-defence techniques.**

Here is what some of our schools had to say:

*"The kids absolutely loved it!
All Participated well and the
instructors were friendly"*
- St. Thomas More

*"Sessions went really, the
kids were interested and
wanted to do more"*
- Linden Park Primary

"Kids really loved it!"
- Thorndon Park
Primary

**APRIL
BOOKINGS
OPEN**



NETBALL WINTER TRIALS



Metro Jets Netball Club Winter 2024 Trials



MJNC is holding trials for **ALL GRADES** at
St Michaels, College, 15 Mitton Avenue, Henley Beach as follows:

Age Groups	Dates	Check In	Trial Times
Seniors: 18 & over (Born 2006 & earlier)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		
Inters: 17 & under (Born 2007 & 2008)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		
	Wednesday 06/03/2024	5:30pm	6:00pm - 8:00pm
Juniors: 15 & under (Born 2009 & 2010)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		
	Wednesday 06/03/2024	5:30pm	6:00pm - 8:00pm
Sub-Juniors: 13 & under (Born 2011 & 2012)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		
	Wednesday 06/03/2024	5:30pm	6:00pm - 8:00pm
Primary: 11 & under (Born 2013 & 2014)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		
	Wednesday 06/03/2024	5:30pm	6:00pm - 8:00pm
Sub-Primary: 9 & under (Born 2015 & 2016)	Sunday 25/02/2024	8:30am	9:00am - 11:00am
	Sunday 03/03/2024		

IMPORTANT TRIAL INFORMATION

To register for trials direct via the PlayHQ website: <https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/88c074>
Registrations close **Wednesday 21st February 2024**.

2024 WINTER FEE STRUCTURE

Teams	Fees	
Sub-Primary	\$350	If using the school sports voucher, register after 1/1/2024
Primary / Sub Junior / Junior / Inters	\$575	If using the school sports voucher, register after 1/1/2024
Seniors (trailing for B grade teams)	\$350	Fees up front or payment plan
Seniors (trailing for AMND & A Grade teams)	\$575	Fees up front or payment plan
Inter players in Futures Program (included in PL pre-season)	\$750	Already invoiced. Codes to be provided so registration for trials can be confirmed
Players trailing for AMND & A Grade teams (included in PL pre-season)	\$750	Sponsorship required. Codes to be provided so registration for trials can be confirmed
Players who are named in Premier League and Reserves teams	\$1250	Sponsorship required. More information to follow from NSA



DENTAL FOR SCHOOLS

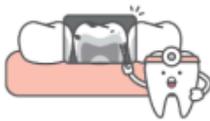
Scan the QR code to fill out an online consent from instead



DFS is scheduled to visit in:

Term 1 - Week 4, 2024

Help us fight dental decay this year at St Patrick's Mansfield by getting your child to participate in our annual dental check-ups. Dental consent forms will be sent out shortly or can be filled in online via the QR code (please fill in a separate form for each child).



Check-up & Clean

Have your child's teeth shining bright again! We will provide a check-up & professional clean. Here we will identify any concerns and let you know if there are any areas that require further treatment.



Take home pack + Report

Participants will receive a take home pack with dental essentials as well as a written report of details of your child's oral health and any concerns.



Visit with friends

Take the stress out of your child's dental visit while they visit with their friends and classmates. Our clinics are fitted with movies to watch while they wait.



E. parents@dentalforschools

W. dentalforschools.com.au

P. (08) 7225 8142



AMBULANCE COVER

Ambulance cover

The school has ambulance cover for students who have accidents here at school or while on a school organised event. However, this cover does not include students with a pre-existing condition such as asthma and anaphylaxis or reactions to allergies.

We will ring an ambulance if we need support in administering first aid, however in the case of students with pre-existing conditions the parents will be charged by Ambulance SA for their service.

This can cost upward of \$900 so we strongly encourage you to take out ambulance cover, particularly

if your child has a pre-existing health condition.

FROM THE FINANCE OFFICER

Hello and welcome to all our new families and a welcome back to our existing families.

I am currently in the process of issuing a school fee statement to all families and this will take place in the next couple of weeks. I will place a statement in the eldest child's school bag so please watch for this.

We offer direct debit, BPay, EFTPOS and also direct deductions from Centrelink payments to cater to the changing financial needs of our families at St Patrick's School. When the direct debit payment option is selected your school fee payment is calculated over the full school year right up until the 31st of December 2023. This means smaller payments are required, making this method the most affordable way to budget for your commitment. Please come into the office or ring me on 83034500 if one of these options would better suit your financial requirements.

School Card 2024 is applied for online. Instructions on how to do this are available at the front office. Please be aware School Card must be applied for each year.

If at any time you are having trouble meeting your school fee commitment, or have any queries, please contact me on 83034500 to discuss this matter.

Christine Lavender

Finance Officer



St Patrick's School

Term 1 - 2024

School office: 8303 4500
 OSHC: 0447 141 518
 Absentee text: 0408 510 583
 Absentee Email: info@stpatsmp.catholic.edu.au

WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
0	22/1 PD – St Pats Numeracy	23/1 PD – St Pats Literacy SWD SEQTA /Timetables	24/1 PD – St Pats CNWC Year Overviews G&T	25/1	26/1 AUSTRALIA DAY	27/28
1	29/1 Students begin Morning Tea for parents	30/1	31/1	1/2	2/2 Presentation of the Lord	3/4
2	5/2 Life Ed Van Community Prayer: Prayer & Liturgy Group	6/2 Life Ed Van Assembly: Leadership	7/2 Life Ed Van Numeracy Coach	8/2 Life Ed Van	9/2	10/11 Family Mass
3	12/2 Oral Health Classes Community Prayer: 3/4J	13/2 Shrove Tuesday	14/2 Ash Wednesday	15/2	16/2	17/18 Presentation Mass for sacramental students
4	19/2 Community Prayer: Prayer & Liturgy Group	20/2 Assembly: 5/6SH	21/2 Meet the teacher evening	22/2	23/2	24/25
5	26/2 Dental Clinic Van Community Prayer:2/3LS	27/2 Dental Clinic Van NAPLAN Practice Test	28/2 Dental Clinic Van	29/2 Dental Clinic Van	1 /3 Dental Clinic Van 5/6 Unit Liturgy	42/3
6	4/3 Community Prayer: 1/2CS	5/3 Assembly: 3/4JJ	6/3	7/3	8/3 Pupil Free Day— NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL	9/10
7	11/3 ADELAIDE CUP	12/3	13/3 NAPLAN begins	14/3 4/5TJ Liturgy	15/3 St Patrick's 60 years	16/17 Sacrament of Reconciliation St Patrick's Day Commissioning Mass
8	18/3 Harmony Week Community Prayer: Prayer & Liturgy Group	19/3 St Joseph's Day Assembly: 2/3LS	20/3 School Board Meeting	21/3	22/3 Harmony Week Celebrations Andrew Chinn	23/24 Sacrament of Recon- ciliation
9	25/3 Community Prayer: 5/6SH NAPLAN finishes HOLY WEEK	26/3	27/3 5/6 Aquatics	28/3 5/6 Aquatics	29/3 GOOD FRIDAY	30/31 EASTER SUNDAY
10	1/4 EASTER MONDAY	2/4	3/4	4/4 3/4JJ Liturgy	5/4 Sports Day	6/7
11	8/4 Community Prayer: 5/6DF	9/4	10/4	11/4	12/4 Captains' Assembly End of term 1 School closes at 12:30pm	13/14



St. Patrick's School

Newsletter

Thursday 2024 Term 1 Week 4



Kính thưa quý phụ huynh/ Giám Hộ,

Thật vui khi thấy rất nhiều phụ huynh đến tham dự buổi tối Gặp gỡ Giáo viên. Buổi tối bắt đầu bằng bữa BBQ, sau đó là buổi tối thông tin dành cho phụ huynh về Toán và vai trò của môn Toán đối với chúng tôi tại Trường St Patrick. Sau đó, tôi chia sẻ Kế hoạch của năm 2023 và nêu bật những thành tựu của chúng ta. Sau đó, phụ huynh đến thăm lớp học và nói chuyện với giáo viên của con mình. Toán học sẽ là trọng tâm của chương trình giảng dạy vào năm 2024.

St Patrick's có Hội đồng trường bao gồm Cha xứ, Nhân viên nhà trường và phụ huynh. Hội đồng Nhà Trường cho phụ huynh có thể đóng góp về hướng đi của nhà trường. Hội đồng trường họp mỗi học kỳ hai lần. Năm nay các buổi họp sẽ vào Tuần 3 và Tuần 8 của mỗi học kỳ từ 7-9 giờ tối. Các thành viên HĐ Nhà trường đảm nhiệm chức vụ của mình 2 năm. Chúng tôi có một số vị trí trống trong Hội đồng Nhà trường. Nếu quý vị muốn tham gia, xin vui lòng điền vào Mẫu Đề cử trong Bản tin này và gửi lại gấp.

Một lần nữa, chúng tôi tạo cơ hội cho các em học sinh tham gia vào chương trình Đại học cho thiếu niên. (CUA) nhằm mục đích khuyến khích các hoạt động ngoài giờ học có với phẩm chất cao cho trẻ em từ 7 đến 14 tuổi, nhằm thu hút sự tham gia của cộng đồng rộng lớn hơn với tư cách là đối tác học tập. Nguyên tắc quan trọng nhất để tham gia vào CUA là tự nguyện và các hoạt động được diễn ra ngoài giờ học bình thường. Nếu con em quý vị muốn tham gia học chương trình của CUA năm 2024, xin vui lòng lấy mẫu đơn từ Văn phòng, điền thông tin chi tiết và gửi lại cho nhà trường trước ngày 25 tháng 3 cùng với khoản tiền thanh toán chi phí.

Chúng tôi vẫn còn chỗ trống cho lớp Khai giảng giữa năm. Nếu quý vị có con em hoặc biết bất kỳ gia đình nào có con em sinh từ ngày 1 tháng 5 đến ngày 31 tháng 10, các em có đủ điều kiện để bắt đầu Lớp Mẫu Giáo vào tháng Bảy. Cần phải điền đơn ghi danh và nộp lại cho Văn phòng. Sẽ có buổi phỏng vấn. Ngày nghỉ học kỳ 1 của chúng ta sẽ vào thứ Sáu, ngày 8 tháng 3. Xin vui lòng ghi ngày này vào nhật ký của quý vị. Xin quý vị sắp xếp việc trông chừng con em trong ngày này. Dịch vụ OSHC (chăm sóc ngoài giờ) của trường sẵn sàng để sử dụng.

Chương trình Đánh giá Quốc gia - Đọc viết và Số học (NAPLAN) sẽ diễn ra trong Học kỳ 1. Tất cả học sinh Lớp 3 và Lớp 5 sẽ thực hiện các bài đánh giá từ ngày 13 tháng 3 đến ngày 25 tháng 3. Bài kiểm tra thực hành sẽ vào ngày 27 tháng 2. NAPLAN cung cấp các đánh giá chuyên môn bổ sung về trình độ đọc viết, toán số của học sinh và không thay thế các đánh giá mở rộng, thường xuyên đo nhân viên nhà trường thực hiện. Phúc lợi học sinh luôn là trọng tâm tại Trường St Patrick. Hàng năm, chúng tôi đề ra chương trình Học tập Chuyên môn để giúp trường học của chúng ta thành một nơi an toàn cho các em học sinh.

Năm nay, chúng tôi tham gia vào cách tiếp cận hệ thống Giáo dục Công giáo và sẽ là một phần của chương trình học tập Chuyên môn của PBIS. PBIS là viết tắt của Can thiệp và hỗ trợ hành vi tích cực. Đó là một tập hợp các biện pháp thực hành nhằm cải thiện hành vi của học sinh và văn hóa trường học bằng cách đặt ra những kỳ vọng rõ ràng về hành vi, dạy cho học sinh cách đáp ứng những yêu cầu đó và hỗ trợ các em trong quá trình này dựa trên nhu cầu của các em. Bên cạnh đó, giáo viên tiếp tục đưa các lĩnh vực quy định vào thực hành với các lớp của mình. Lĩnh vực quy định học sinh hiểu cảm xúc mình ở đâu và sử dụng các chiến lược học hỏi để đạt kết quả cao nhất cho việc học. Năm nay, các giáo viên cũng giới thiệu bài học hàng tuần về Friendology 101 của Chương trình UR Strong.

Nghiên cứu cho thấy mối quan hệ là trung tâm của hạnh phúc và học tập. Khi chúng ta có được tình bạn đúng nghĩa ở trường học, các em phát triển mạnh mẽ! Phụ huynh có thể truy cập miễn phí cổng thông tin dành cho phụ huynh từ UR Strong. Cổng thông tin này có nhiều ý tưởng hữu ích có thể hỗ trợ con em quý vị. Những học sinh cần hỗ trợ cá nhân nhiều có thể liên lạc các dịch vụ của Tuyên úy Trường học (Thứ Hai) hoặc Cố vấn (Thứ Năm) của chúng ta.

Thân mến,

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