

### ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL LITHGOW

# ~PATROL~

"Never see a need without trying to do something about it."

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### **DIARY DATES**

Monday 26th August, 2019 Father's Day Craft

Thursday 29th August 2019 NAIDOC Week Mass at 9.30am

Mufti Day wearing colours of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Flags Red, Black, Yellow, Green, Blue & White

Wednesday 4th September – Friday 6th September 2019 Year 6 Canberra Excursion

> Friday 6th September 2019 Father's Day Breakfast

Sunday 15th September 2019 First Eucharist

Wednesday 18th September P&F Meeting

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September Yr 3 Excursion Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE BOOK PARADE AND BOOK FAIR THE STUDENTS REALLY ENJOYED THE DAY





## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a wonderful Book Week we have had here at St Pat's. Mrs Angela Best, our Librarian, has done an amazing job planning and preparing for this year's Book Week once again and I congratulate and thank her for all of the hard work that she has put into this event. Thanks also to Mrs Hancock for her work in organising the shared morning tea and Meal Deal. I was absolutely amazed to see all of the incredible costumes at the parade and I thank the parents for putting so much time, effort and thought into the costumes. We also thank our school community for supporting the Book Fair so well – sales were amazing, many books were donated to the school and we will be able to purchase more books as a result of the sales commission we will receive. This year's Book Week theme, "Reading is my Secret Power" really does ring true. Reading empowers our children in so many ways and fostering a love of reading in our children truly sets them up to take on so many challenges in life.

It is a very busy time for Year 6 who went to a wonderful performance of Hitler's Daughter at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre this week. The Year 6 teachers were lucky enough to be able to secure a visitor from the play's director, who delivered a drama workshop for the Year 6 students here at school on Wednesday. This was an amazing opportunity and I thank Mrs Sutherland and Mrs Ticehurst for organising this. I thank them also for the wonderful parent information session they facilitated this week, where they outlined the details of the upcoming Canberra excursion.

Next week Mrs Marshall and I will be attending a Professional Learning day with Dylan Wiliam, who is a world-renowned expert in the area of formative assessment. Formative assessment is an area of focus in the upcoming Professional Learning staff will be engaging in, so Mrs Marshall and I are thrilled to be able to have the opportunity to engage with Dylan Wiliam in the lead up to this.

Sarah MacDonagh, an expert in the area of Reading, will return to our school next Wednesday to deliver Professional Learning to our staff around explicit reading instruction. The Infants teachers are already implementing some of Sarah's programs and strategies in the classrooms and are seeing pleasing results. Sarah will also visit classrooms, model strategies and give the teachers feedback on how they are implementing the program.

Thank you to the parents who attended the P&F Meeting last night and for the wonderful work the committee has done already this year. It was proposed that we trial a change of day for the next meeting as Thursday's appear to be problematic for many families.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th, September at 7pm in the staff room and all parents are invited to come along.

I am sure everyone will have a very restful weekend after a huge Week 5!



Mrs Renae Dunleavy

## FROM THE REC

<u>Monday Morning Prayer:</u> Thank you to Mrs Marshall, Miss Wilson and Year 4 for a very special Morning Prayer this week with a theme of 'God's Precious Creation.' Please join with Year 5 on <u>Monday 26th August (Week 6)</u> at 9am, who will be leading our morning prayer to start our NAIDOC Week celebrations.

<u>First Eucharist Preparation Groups:</u> Preparation Groups continue this weekend before Mass. If you have not enrolled your child and you wish for them to make this Sacrament, please contact Miss Toole ASAP.



NAIDOC Mass: Please join with us in the Church next Thursday 29th August at 9.30am as we come together and celebrate NAIDOC Week with a special Whole School Mass.

## **AP REPORT**

<u>School Wide Positive Behaviours for Learning</u>: Congratulations to the following students who received 'BEEn spotted' awards for being safe this week.

| Kinder         | Year 1                            | Year 2                               | Year 3                        | Year 4        | Year 5                                | Year 6                        |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Taylor<br>Kase | Hannah<br>Nate<br>William<br>Beau | Bellah<br>Tyler<br>Kunwar<br>Neorrah | Kadi<br>Harry<br>Angus<br>Mia | Ziggy<br>Ally | Jorja<br>Isaac<br>Lorissa<br>Mitchell | Nate<br>Amy<br>Alyssia<br>Mia |

#### Week 6 focus is:



BE RESPONSIBLE: I am responsible when I accept ownership for my actions

**School bus travel:** To ensure the safety and well being of our students who travel to and from school on the bus we ask all of our St Patrick's students to sit at the front of the school bus together. Our teachers will be monitoring this and reminding all students of this requirement. It would be wonderful if all parents could remind their children to do this as well. Should your child be having problems on the school bus the first point of action is to make contact with the bus company. The bus company always informs the school of any major incidents involving our students. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

Staff car park. The car park at the back of the school is to be used by school staff only. Please do not drive into this car park to drop your children off in the morning or pick up in the afternoon. It is very dangerous to have a lot of cars in this small area at these busy times of the day.

Diocesan Athletics Carnival: Today we had a very talented group of students travel to Dubbo to represent our school at this year's Diocesan Athletics Carnival. We wish them all the best and know that they will have a great day representing St Pat's!

Aydin Bayer-Barrow ~ High Jump and Shot Put Josie Brown ~ 800 meters and 1500 meters Annika Della Bosca ~ High Jump and Long Jump Elka Lee ~ Shot Put, High Jump and Discus Jake Maranda ~ High Jump Addisen Welch ~ Discus Aidan Maranda ~ 100 meter, Shot Put and Discus



## STARS OF THE WEEK!

#### <u>Ian Miller - KO</u>

For his happy nature and always giving his best effort in the classroom.



<u> Toby Robinson - 3HD</u>

For his wonderful manners and helpful attitude.

## MASS TIMES

#### SATURDAY VIGIL ST PATRICK'S

5pm - (April – September) 6pm - (October – March) SUNDAY

ST PATRICK'S

10am

Children's Liturgy is held during school term.

## ALTAR SERVERS

FOR THIS WEEK:

#### ST PATRICK'S VIGIL

Volunteers needed

#### **SUNDAY**

Eliza Platts, Serena Ma & Josie Brown Sunday Mass is also available at St Vincent's Portland and Sacred Heart Church Wallerawang. For more details see the Lithgow Parish website and the Portland Parish website.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

Our Uniform Shop is located in the old canteen and is operated by volunteers for which we are very grateful. Days and times shop open are:

Monday - 2.30pm - 3.05pm <u>Tuesday</u> - 8.40am - 9.30am <u>Friday</u> - 2.30pm - 3.05pm



## **EISTEDDFOD DATES**

Eisteddfod dates for Week 8 are as follows:-

<u>Monday 9th September</u> - 1 pm session - String Ensemble <u>Tuesday 10th September</u> - 1 pm session - St Pats/La Salle Combined Choir

<u>Wednesday 11th September</u> - 10am session - Year 2, 1pm - Senior Choir <u>Friday 13th September</u> - 10am session - Kinder percussion, Year 1 percussion & Handbell Ensemble

#### **FATHERS DAY STALL**

A reminder that gifts for the stall need to be ordered by MONDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST



## CANTEEN ROSTER

<u>Week 5 - Term 4</u>

Wednesday: M. Haynes <u>Thursday</u>: K. Clarke <u>Friday</u>: B. Smith & A. Fittler