

# ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

*Making a Difference*

**Newsletter 5, Term 3**  
**17th September 2015**

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### SEPTEMBER

Fri 18	Book Parade 9.30am & Trivia Last day of Term 3
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#### OCTOBER

Mon 6	School Resumes
Wed 7	St Paul's & Cerdon's Orientation
Thu 8	Parent Group Chocolate Drive
Tue 13	Yr 5 Confirmation
Wed 14	Yr 5 Leadership Day
Thur 15	Y6 Canberra Excursion

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

As we come to the end of a very busy term, I would like to thank the parents for the constant generous support and thank the students for their dedication and enthusiasm. We have had the First Communions, Netball Gala Day, Rugby League State Knockout, Zone Athletics Carnival, Voice of Youth, Delany Cup, Book Fair, Father's Day Stall, Peer support and the Dance Fever lessons and Competition. As you can see we are constantly working together with you the parents to develop your children spiritually, academically and socially here at St Patrick's.

Tomorrow we finish off the term with the book Character Parade and Trivia.

Term 4 commences on Tuesday 6th October with all the students to be wearing the full correct summer uniform. There will be a Parent Information Evening on **Tuesday 27th October at 7pm** to inform you of future direction of St Patrick's.

We wish Miss Lisa Milne and her fiancé Aaron all the best as they get married on Saturday. To Mrs Walker and her husband Brian, we wish them well as they wait for the birth of their second child. Miss Sara Issa will be teaching 6O, we welcome her into the St Patrick's community. We would also like to welcome back Miss Grey and Mrs Sharland who have been on Long Service Leave.

Warm Regards

Philip Mahony  
Principal



### School Term Term 4

Tuesday, 6 October to

Wed 16th December -  
Students finish

Friday, 18 December -  
Teachers finish

### WEEKLY VALUE

*Principals Gold Award*

# Book Week Celebrations

## BOOK FAIR

Once again we are amazed at the generosity of families in our school with our book sales reaching \$11006 this year, earning us a total of \$3583 in commission. This enabled us to choose \$1973 worth of books from the Book Fair and a further \$1610 to spend on other resources for our school. It's very pleasing to think that so many books were bought for the children and to see how much reading is valued by our school community. Thanks to all staff that helped with the running of the Book Fair, it is a very busy week in the library and we very much appreciate the assistance and time given by our wonderful teachers, teachers' aides and office staff.

Thanks to the following people and families who bought and donated books to the library or classrooms:  
Mrs Gambino, Mrs Bakhos, Makhoulouf Family (Maria 2B, Madalene KP)

We look forward to our Book Character Parade at 9.30am and Trivia in the afternoon on Friday when we will announce the winners of the Book Week competitions. We have received a very high standard of entries this year, as always, making it very difficult for the teachers to judge.



## SCHOOL BANKING

What a great term we have had with school banking this term, with lots of prizes received. Unfortunately the Cosmic light beam torch and the Lunar light band have been recalled by the bank due to a potential safety issue.

We appreciate this news may cause some disappointment for students who have been saving tokens to redeem these prizes, the bank is releasing an alternative item to ensure eligible students continue to be rewarded for their saving efforts.

For Term Four students will be able to test their skills with a game of Frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider, which will be available for order while stocks last.

There have been children who are disappointed when they don't receive their prize when they order it. Parents please advise your children all prizes ordered can take two weeks to be received as they are not kept on site and are ordered for each individual.

Thank you  
Banking

## FROM THE R/E COORDINATOR

### FATHER'S DAY LITURGY

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of September we were blessed to be able to celebrate and pray for all Father's and to also take the time to talk to God, our heavenly Father.

Thankyou to all the Dad's that were able to join us on this morning and who stayed to enjoy morning tea with their children. We hope that our Lord continues to bless, guide and protect you as you lead your children and that the Holy Spirit inspires you in word and deed.



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



Please keep the students from our school and parish in your prayers as they prepare to receive their last Sacrament of Initiation, Confirmation, on 13<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

### MASSES

Parents and friends are welcome to celebrate Mass with the students and Parishioners next term.



Week 1 – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
9am Year 3 Mass  
*Our Lady of the Rosary*

Week 2 – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
9am Year 2 Mass  
*St Callistus I*

### FEAST DAYS

15th September – Our Lady of Sorrows  
16th September – St Cornelius and Cyprian  
17th September – St Robert Bellarmine  
19th September – St Januarius  
21st September – St Matthew  
23rd September – St Pius of Pietrelcina  
26th September – Sts Cosmas and Damian  
28th September – St Wenceslaus, St Kawrence Ruiz and Companions  
29th September – Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael  
30th September – St Jerome  
1st October – St Therese of the Child Jesus  
2nd October – The holy Guardian Angels  
7th October – Our Lady of the Rosary



### Prayer for Justice and World Needs

*"The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt." Matt. 2:13-14*

Compassionate God,

make your loving presence felt to refugees and exiles, torn from home, family and everything familiar. Warm, especially, the hearts of the young, the old, and the most vulnerable among them.

Help them know that you accompany them as you accompanied Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in their exile to Egypt.

Lead refugees to a new home and a new hope, as you led the Holy Family to their new home in Nazareth.

Open our hearts to receive them as our sisters and brothers in whose face we see your son, Jesus.

Fill us with a sense of justice.

Help us in your work, to take the side of the lowly, to defend the newcomer, to welcome the stranger.

Help us now to befriend the friendless, protect the weak children, and work for the rights of all.

Amen

Yours in Christ  
Wardeh Khoury



DANCE FEVER



Father's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea

## DANCE FEVER INTERSCHOOL CHALLENGE



Congratulations to all the students who performed on Wednesday night at the Dance Fever Interschool Challenge. All students (and teachers) had a great time dancing the night away.

St Patrick's won two trophies. The Yr 5 Point score and the Overall Point school for Ballroom. Congratulations to the following students who won awards during the night.

### WALTZ

#### **Year 3**

2nd- Christian C, Rafaella

#### **Year 4**

3rd- Mark- Anthony, Clara

3rd- Mikayla N, Nathan

#### **Year 5**

2nd- Fares, Alice

1st- Jayden C, Christen

#### **Year 6**

3rd- Alana, James C

### SAMBA

#### **Year 3**

2nd- Rex, Victoria

1st- Christian C, Rafaella

#### **Year 4**

1st- Latu , Clara

#### **Year 5**

3rd- Christian M, Shanice

2nd- James C, Jo-Danielle

1st- Ray, Monique

#### **Year 6**

3rd- Dion, Mary

1st- Jayden C, Madison

We are all very proud of how our students behaved and performed on the night. Their Showdance was exceptional, fast and full of tricky dance moves. I can't wait for next year!!!

Mrs Walker



September 2014

## Let's Go Green EVERY DAY!

Dear Parents and Students.

Once again our school has been very successful in promoting a healthy eating life style and developing awareness of using environmentally friendly packaging.

Students were very eager to purchase a fruit kebab last Monday. The students were served a pop stick filled with mouth-watering watermelon, sweet strawberries and juicy rockmelon. Also for an extra treat pineapple, orange, watermelon and strawberry pieces were available. This Monday the whole school took part in the 'Zero Waste' and 'Healthy Lunchbox' day challenge. I was extremely impressed with the efforts that the students and parents took when planning and packing lunchboxes for the day. There were a variety of morning tea and lunch ideas which clearly had a selection of at least 2 fruits and 5 Vegetables. Teachers noticed a significant decrease in the amount of waste that was thrown away in the bins. The school grounds were left cleaner, with not a wrapper in sight, at the end of eating time. This was clearly due to the minimum amount of wrappers that were placed in the student's lunchboxes. I could see a large variety of lunch boxes and containers with compartments which allowed foods to be separated without needing individual wrapping. We had a large number of students try the new salad specials. It was wonderful to see the smiles around the school on enthusiastic student's faces as they showed off their healthy lunches and waste free lunchboxes.

I would like to send out a big thank you to all of the parents Rania Antoun, Rosie Narse, Samantha Keirouz, Tae (KiM) Kyong, Lisa Antoun, Rouaa Sad, Berna Nahas, Mariett Mattouk, Natalie Fontani and Katrina Nasrallah who came into the canteen to help with food preparation and selling of the fruits and vegetables. If it was not for their support we would not have been able to provide these experiences for the children. I would also like to extend my thank you to Mrs Margaret Bakhos in the canteen who also helped to coordinate the promotion and supervise the parents in the canteen.

All of our lovely fresh apples were kindly supplied by Talal Khanafer at 'Trim's Fresh Merrylands' in Stocklands Mall. Other fresh fruits and vegetables were happily supplied by Hilltop Fruit and Veg and donated by Mrs Rania Antoun. All have been very supportive of the programme which helped to make it run more smoothly.

Thank you to all the parents who supported the promotion by encouraging their child to participate in Fruit and Veg Month. I would also like to extend a very big thank you to the students who used their initiative and packed their own morning tea and lunches. I hope to continue to promote the positive message of eating healthy and 'Zero Waste' lunch boxes next term. Keep checking the newsletter for updates on our Fruit and Veg and Crunch and Sip promotion.

Thank you

Miss Deanna Russo  
Fruit and Veg/ Crunch and Sip Coordinator  
St Patrick's Primary School, Guildford



### BREAKFAST MENU As of Wednesday 7th October 2015

Toast—2 slices Jam, butter and vegemite	\$2.00
Banana Bread—per slice	\$3.00
Fresh Fruit served with Vanilla Yoghurt	\$3.50
Cheese Bacon Roll	\$1.50
Finger Bun	\$1.50
Up & Go Chocolate & Strawberry	\$1.70
Milk, Juice and water available	

**Breakfast at St Patrick's  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday from  
8.05am**

**\*\*Help is still needed in the Canteen.  
Please ring the school if you can help.  
Lunch in the summer time is very busy as  
a lot of children want to buy ice blocks  
and the queues can be very long. We  
welcome helpers at any time of the day  
when you can spare the time.**



Delicious Fruit Kebabs!



Zero Waste and Healthy Lunchbox

### **FROM THE SCHOOL LEADERS**

As we come the end of another excellent term, we would like to thank Mr Mahony for continuing to keep our school a great one. Last Wednesday Year 3-6 participated in the Dance Fever competition. Everyone danced beautifully and our school won the overall points. Congratulations to everyone who won a ribbon or made a final, you should be very proud of yourself.

Thank you Mrs Gladwell and Mrs Fogarty for preparing another great book fair. We hope everyone was able to purchase some great books. We have seen so many amazing stories, book characters and colourful pictures, we can't wait to see who wins.

We hope everyone has gained extra knowledge this term and have a safe holiday. See you all next term.

Charlie-Rose El Riachi, Julian Barakat, Josephine Moujaes, Tony Ashkar, Madison Yagki, Teresa Akkarri, Mikayla Issa, Isaac Halloun and George Alam.

### **FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE RESULTS**

Large Baskets: Luke K 1M & John A 3M

Car Wash Kits: Sienna S KP, Francis E KM, Lara Z 1H, Dylan B 6B, Marian A 1C, Joseph S KR, Annabella F 4S,  
Andrew S 1M

Vouchers: Andrew s 1M, Joya A 6W, Sienna S KP, Sienna C KM, Jaydan B 6O, Isaac K 1C

## **ST PAULS CATHOLIC COLLEGE GREYSTANES & CERDON COLLEGE MERRYLANDS**

**YEAR 7, 2016 ORIENTATION DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2015**

### **PRINCIPALS MORNING TEA**

Congratulation to all the children who were awarded Principal Awards for this Term.

