

# St Patrick's Catholic School Latrobe



School Newsletter Number 11 April 30th 2019

## PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

Joseph Addison, the eighteenth century playwright, is attributed as saying, "There are three grand essentials to happiness in this life: something to do; something to love; something to hope for." This hope for the future is what drives a good teacher to spend the extra minute with the 'challenging child'; it is what allows us, as parents, to tip-toe into our child's room when they are asleep and look on in wonder at the potential of the young life before us; it is the lightness of our hearts when we know that, although trying our best, we don't succeed, but are encouraged in the knowledge that we are hopefully judged reasonably by our best intentions, not the comparisons to others.

Alfred Tennyson wrote that he was part of all that he met. Schools, as with many other 'institutions', bring individuals from greatly diverse backgrounds together for a common purpose and a system develops within each of these 'institutions' that reflects a sense of hope. If I was to stop and ask you what brings you to St Patrick's, I would expect the word 'hope' to be used somewhere early in the conversation. We are still in the Easter season and it is my hope that all in our school community may become people who make a positive difference in the lives of others, reflecting on our collaborative efforts to help bring 'fullness' of life, which implies not coming at the expense of others.

The Easter message is one of hope; hope amidst cruel injustice, and it is this one, small word that will carry us through difficulties that accompany each person's journey. Our staff express their hope for our students in their own impressive work ethic and positive approach to their jobs. I am encouraged by the people I work with and, like Tennyson, become changed by them. My hope is that I am not changed to the detriment of offering hope to others and that I work hard to make a positive difference – a mantra that has reflected our Lenten journey over the past few weeks.

Many thanks to those in our school community who participated in last Thursday's ANZAC Day march, our involvement in representative sport and for the support of our recent parent-student-teacher

meetings. It is through such generous, altruistic gestures that our words can be expressed through actions. I am proud to be part of such a school that lives out its stated values in so many ways, both explicit and subtle, and I look forward to collaborating with you over the next busy ten weeks of term 2.

Regards, Rod Linhart (Principal)

## SCHOOL CALENDAR (Items in red are recently added.)

### April

Monday 29th Term 2 begins.  
Tuesday 30th 6.00pm School Parents & Friends  
'Fair Feedback' meeting (Belly's)

### May

Monday 6th 9.00am Year 5 morning prayer assembly  
Presentation of our school Validation of  
the Archbishop's Charter

Wednesday 8th 9.30am Years 5 and Prep attend parish  
Mass

Friday 10th 8.00am Mother's Day Breakfast - school  
assembly hall

**Sunday 12th Mother's Day**

**Monday 13th Year 4 camp - Camp Clayton**  
**9.00am Year 6 morning prayer assembly**

**Tuesday 14th Year 4 camp - Camp Clayton**  
**NAPLAN testing (Years 3 & 5)**

**Wed 15th 9.30am Years 6 and 2 attend parish**  
**Mass**

**Thursday 16th NAPLAN testing (Years 3 & 5)**  
**Monday 20th NAPLAN testing (Years 3 & 5)**

**6.00pm School Board meeting**  
**9.00am Year 2 morning prayer assembly**

**Wed 22nd 9.30am Years 2 and 6 attend parish**  
**Mass**

## SCHOOL STUDENT TERM DATES 2019

Term 2: Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July

Term 3: Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September

Term 4: Monday 14th Oct - Wednesday 18th December.

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## SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT, W.E.S.T. and MERCY VALUES

### WEST Award

Congratulations to Ruby Meech (Year 6) who received a WEST certificate during Monday's morning assembly. We will continue to acknowledge those students who exhibit WEST (Welcoming, Encouraging; Sorry; Thankful) qualities and Mercy Values (Hospitality, Compassion, Mercy and Respect) by presenting awards at our Monday morning assemblies. Families are always most welcome to attend our weekly assemblies.

### House Raffle Winners

**Dooley House:** Eva Wescombe

**Byrne House:** Taylor Goss

**Martyn House:** Blake Kenny

### Character

Helen Keller, a person of great inspiration who overcame numerous personal challenges, stated that character cannot be developed in ease and quiet; St Patrick's certainly focuses on efforts to improve academic progress, however, just as important are our endeavours to assist families in the development of character in our children. Thank you to all families for complementing our stated Mercy values (Mercy, Respect, Compassion and Hospitality) by their examples at home - it contributes significantly to a more productive working relationship.

### Stations of the Cross. Created by Samuel Ling

S	is for	Shock! Jesus is crucified
T	is for	The soldiers who whipped him
A	is for	Attending the Last Supper
T	is for	Taken to a tomb when dead
I	is for	In the tomb he rose after two days
O	is for	On the day he was put on the cross, he was put next to two robbers
N	is for	Nothing was going to stop Jesus from seeing his Father
S	is for	Sacrifice which is what Jesus did for us
O	is for	On the day of the Last Supper the disciples had bread and wine
F	is for	For us he gave His life
T	is for	The ultimate sacrifice is death
H	is for	He was a man of hope and trust
E	is for	Everything he did was for us
C	is for	Come and follow in Jesus' footsteps
R	is for	Respect and be nice to everyone
O	is for	Oh remember Jesus always loves us, no matter what
S	is for	Sacrifice something this Lent
S	is for	Save the world from violence

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Prep:** Zander Bloomfield for trying his best in all learning areas.

**Year 1:** Chloe Anthony for her progress in all areas.

**Year 2:** Frank Dewrance-Milligan for excellent problem-solving in mathematics.

**Year 3:** Claire Simpson for her care and consideration of others.

**Year 4:** Eamon Young for working through challenges with a mature approach.

**Year 5:** Samuel Ling for his creativity in writing an acrostic poem about the Stations of the Cross.

**Year 6:** Logan Lamprey for her wonderful efforts in all her tasks and for her care for others.



**Terms 2 and 3 school canteen menu is included as an insert to this newsletter (and can be accessed via our school website and school Skoolbag app.)**

### Devonport Junior Soccer

Rosters for the remainder of the season will hopefully be distributed to families tomorrow. The rosters will also be available on the Devonport Junior Soccer website.



## Staff News

Mrs O'Toole has resigned from her Monday office duties and we wish her well in her future and thank her for her outstanding work ethic and contributions to St Patrick's; Mrs Harris will temporarily fill this Monday office position. Mrs Meech will teach Year 3 every Friday until the end of the 2019 school year - we thank Mrs Kelly for her work in Year 3 and we wish her good health as the time draws near for the birth of her new child. Mrs Jak, Mrs Fenton and Mr O'Brien will be attending a Literacy PL in Melbourne today and tomorrow; Ms Weber will teach Prep and Mrs Puccetti will teach Year 1 tomorrow.

## Inquiring Minds at St Patrick's

### A play-based Birth - 5 program open to all families

Qualified early years educators plan developmentally appropriate experiences for you and your child to explore together.

Our educators work with families to support parental understanding of the development of early literacy, numeracy and communication skills.



**WHERE:** St Patrick's Catholic Primary Kindergarten Room

**WHEN:** Every Friday during school term

**TIME:** 9am - 10:30am

**WHAT TO BRING:** A hat, water bottle, piece of fruit & gold coin donation

We look forward to welcoming your family to our Birth-5 Sessions

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### 'Inquiring Minds' - Set-up for Success.

Mrs Stoessiger and Mrs Klug continue to offer families whose children are 'birth to five', the opportunity to participate in our 'Inquiring Minds: Set-up for Success' early years education program. This program is a structured approach based on the Early Years Learning Framework that endeavours to engage parents and caregivers in several important early childhood education learning opportunities that should enable children and parents and caregivers in developing an increased awareness of early years learning. This is an exciting opportunity, which is available to any family whose child or children are not turning 6 in 2019. Families do not need to enrol at St Patrick's and there is no fee associated with this 90 minute session, which will be conducted every Friday morning from 9.00 to 10.30am during school term time. Please contact the school for more information or simply turn-up on a Friday morning.

### School Photos – Pied Piper Photography Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019

Some details regarding this Thursday's school photo day were communicated to families immediately prior to the holidays and yesterday, however, a reminder that, **students from Prep to Year 6 should wear school jumpers and be dressed in full school winter uniform.** Although Thursday is our PE day, Mrs Hayes is aware that children will be dressed in full winter uniform and activities have been planned accordingly. Please ensure photo envelopes are returned as a matter of urgency. Please contact Tameka or Lennice in the school office for any clarification or elaboration regarding the photo day.

## ANZAC Day March

Many thanks to the following staff members and students who represented St Patrick's in last Thursday's ANZAC Day march: Zaria Richardson, Ruby and Lulu Meech, Molly and Ruben Clarke, Lottie Dowling, Luca Adams, Ava and Sophie Franklin, Harry and Thomas Marshall, Rose Evans, Cooper Cody and Claire Simpson; Mrs Adams, Mrs Marshall, Mr Atkins, Mrs Lamprey, Mrs Meech, Mrs McIver and Mrs Kingshott.



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: CO-CURRICULA

Congratulations to Kyle Jordan who has been selected to represent Tasmania in the Aquathon (run-swim-run) in Queensland in the forthcoming week. Such achievements require both ability and considerable training. We wish him well in his endeavours.

## ST PATRICK'S PARENTS & FRIENDS

A reminder that the St Patrick's School P & F will meet at Belly's tonight at 6.00pm to discuss the Fair; all are most welcome.

## REMINDERS & COMMUNITY NEWS

### Friday 10th May - Mother's Day Breakfast (school assembly hall)

Advanced notice: 8:00am to 8:50am Friday 10th May in the St Patrick's School Assembly Hall. Please **RSVP BEFORE WEDNESDAY 8th MAY** via the online registration link (below) or by returning the slip included as an insert to a previous newsletter.

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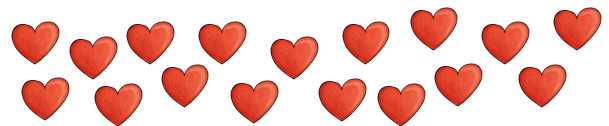


### Student Mobile Online Digital Devices Policy

The School Board has recently ratified the Student Mobile Online Digital Devices Policy, which was included in Newsletter number 10; thank you for reading this policy and for your support of its implementation.



*Lives change when we all give 100%*



*Together, our community  
has helped to change lives!*

During Lent, our school community  
worked together to raise

**\$587.50**

For Project Compassion

Thank you to everyone who helped  
make this possible!



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