

St Patrick's Catholic School Latrobe



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PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

This weekend when we listen to the reading of the Passion on Palm Sunday and then on Good Friday, we can feel like people watching a train wreck in slow motion. Most of us have heard this story many times before yet we still come, stand and listen and in some deep, difficult to define way, know that it is a template for our lives.

As we look at the various incidents in the Gospels we see great emphasis is placed on how the differing people in the story relate to Jesus. The physical sufferings of Jesus are only briefly mentioned for example in Matthew: however, what is more important is how people relate to Jesus. Sadly most fail to live up to the love and respect that Jesus has offered to them. Even the disciples run away and Peter denies that he ever knew Jesus. Right through to the taunting on the cross Jesus remains faithful in love in spite of whatever is thrown at him.

In the love of Jesus through suffering and death, we see a model of love that is almost too dazzling to the eyes. This is not the sweet love of young romance with its glorious rush of delightful emotions – we can all relate to that, some even beyond our youth. This love is quite different. It sees people in all their weakness and squalor of spirit and continues to call them to love and dignity. In the words of St Paul, it continues 'to endure, to trust, to hope' for the best from people even when experiencing the worst. As we hear the Gospel read to us we know that we are being challenged to love like Jesus, even when we know the meanness and pettiness of our own hearts. Maybe that is why we stand in thrall at the Passion. God knows each of our hearts through and through and still invites each of us to love with the Passion of Christ!

Loving God,
in the coming days we hope to share with your Son,
his journey into Passion and Death through to
Resurrection.
May we accept the grace he poured out upon us.
May we forgive with his love and in his reconciling

Spirit. May his love transform the mean, petty, selfish, broken places of our hearts. May his healing spirit transform our angry, hateful, violent impulses.

May we live from the life he poured out.
May his faithfulness to you make us faithful in our relationships.

We ask this in his name, confident that you will hear us.

Regards, Rod Linhart (Principal)

SCHOOL CALENDAR (Items in red are recently added.)

April

Sunday 7th	Daylight savings ends Fire Education Program for all primary classes this week.
Monday 8th	Classes to share an aspect of their class Lent Unit during morning assemblies.
Friday 12th	Final day of term 1
Thursday 25th	9.40am gathering at the corner of James and Bradshaw Streets for the Latrobe ANZAC Day march
Monday 29th	Term 2 begins.
Tuesday 30th	6.00pm School Parents & Friends meeting (staffroom)

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

SCHOOL STUDENT TERM DATES 2019

Term 1:	Thursday 7th February - Friday 12th April
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 Beau Wheeler (Year 5) 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.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep: Aleks O'Toole for working hard and making great progress with her reading writing and spelling skills.

Year 1:

Year 2: Oliver Parry for effectively using decoding skills when reading.

Year 3: Oliver Hartwell for his improved fluency, retell and comprehension when reading.

Year 4: Ruben Clarke for improved focus towards the completion of tasks.

Year 5: Ava Chamley for always knowing when and how to encourage others to join in, or to do their best.

Year 6: Molly Clarke for the consistently positive effort she is putting into her work, in particular writing and ICT.

Student Mobile Online Digital Devices Policy

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

Communicating during the mid-term break

The school office will be closed from 4.00pm Friday April 12th, re-opening 8.30am Monday 29th April. Please ring the school number during the holidays to contact Mr Linhart or leave a message; the school number will be re-directed to Mr Linhart's mobile during the mid-term break.

Fire Education Presentations

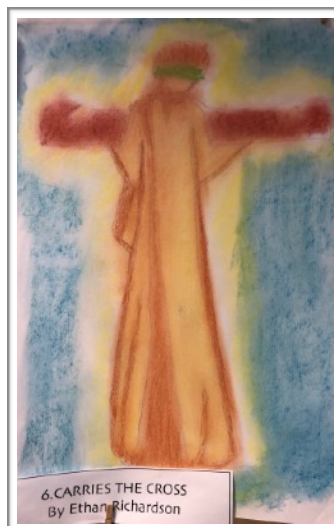
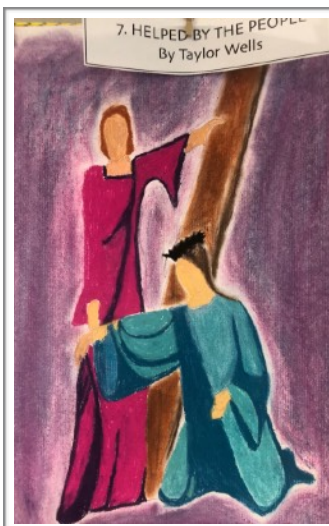
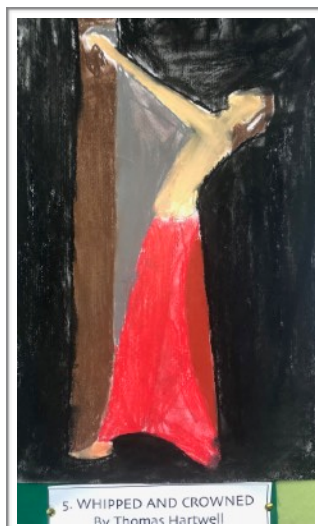
A Fire Fighter from the Tasmania Fire Service is visiting our school this week to present a Fire Safety Program to our students. Due to the Fire Education presentations all week, classes will not be having formal library lessons, however, Mrs Carter will be in the library from 8.30am until 8.50am and students may choose to return and borrow books to use over the holidays during this period.

Parent-Student-Teacher Meetings - Thursday 11th April

A confirmation of times has been communicated to families and teachers are preparing for these short but important opportunities to have a focused discussion of your child's learning outcomes.

Year 6 News

The Year 6 students have been busy learning about the events of Holy Week, especially focusing on the Stations of the Cross. We have completed some iMovie's that retell one of the story's of Jesus' last few days before he is crucified. We used the stop motion animation technique and our Lego building skills in order to create some amazing productions. We have also completed some artwork, using pastels, of the Stations of the Cross. All students deserve to be proud of their efforts with the Holy Week tasks.





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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Devonport Junior Soccer Association

Many thanks to the enthusiastic and positive start to the Devonport Junior Soccer Association's 2019 season. Our seven teams enjoyed the beautiful weather to experience the 'highs and lows' of the competition. Thank you to our wonderful coaches and to the positive, affirming support of families. We will inform families of coaching times and days when coaches inform the school (Under 9 train at school from 3.00 to 3.40pm.)

'Inquiring Minds' - Set-up for Success.

Mrs Stoessiger and Mrs Klug will be offering 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.



St Brendan-Shaw College visit

We received a visit from Piper and Lucas, two former students of St Patrick's who are now students in Year 7 at St Brendan-Shaw. The discussion provided students with an insight into life in Year 7 at St Brendan-Shaw College.

ST PATRICK'S PARENTS & FRIENDS

Many thanks to Tameka, Anita and Hannah for their support of the P & F Hot Dog day last week which raised \$283.

REMINDERS & COMMUNITY NEWS

ANZAC Day - Thursday 25th April

ANZAC Day falls in the second week of the holidays this year, however, it would be wonderful to see as many students attend as possible. Details for your attention include:

- Students to march in **full winter uniform** please.
- Students may wear medals on the right side of their shirts or jumpers, if this is your desire.
- The parade assembles outside the Latrobe Memorial Hall in James Street from 9.30 am and steps off at 9.50 am.
- St Patrick's Catholic School staff will be available to assist with marshalling the children from 9:40am.
- When the parade arrives at the Cenotaph we have been advised that students would be best to find their parents amongst the crowd - ideally, parents should be located on the Latrobe Baptist Church side of the Post Office Reserve, near the Library. Our school captains will lay a wreath on behalf of the school. I look forward to participating in this important day in our community calendar with as many students as possible.



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 this newsletter.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNbUnrqyOUXfWA5UvqohPW7zW-4T_MqJc-UC1lil1fYYZN3g/viewform

School Canteen

The school canteen will be selling Hot Cross Buns up until Easter for \$1.50 each.

Summer-Winter Uniform Change-Over

Students may wear the full winter uniform from Monday 1st April. The two week change-over (weeks 9 and 10 of term) allows families until Monday 29th April (first day of term 2) for this transition to winter uniform.

Easter Egg Raffle

As part of our fund-raising in support of the Year 5 and Year 6 Canberra Trip in September, families have received a raffle book for three Easter Egg Baskets (with last week's Newsletter). These hampers will be drawn on the final day of term 1, Friday 12th April - please ensure your tickets are returned prior to this date. Extra raffle books will be available from the school office. Thank you for any support.

Wells Mitre 10 Colouring-in Competition

Mitre 10 Easter bunting colouring in competition: be in the running to win a chocolatey Easter pack to share with your family. Pick up an entry form in store at Wells' Mitre 10 in Latrobe and join in the Easter fun! Winners drawn on April 18th, categories are: under 4s, under 8s and under 12s. All artwork will be on display over the Easter period.



**Fifth Sunday
of Lent
7th April 2019**

**Caritas
AUSTRALIA**

Salma was just 18 years old, pregnant and fearful for her life and that of her unborn child, when she featured in Project Compassion 2013. In Bangladesh, maternal and infant mortality rates are tragically high. During her first pregnancy, Salma was very sick and in distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.



Please donate to your Project Compassion Box 2019 to help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and provide hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.

Lives change when we all give 100%

Project Compassion Boxes can be brought to school during the last week of term.