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**Harmony Day**

Come and celebrate living in Australia
Meet local services, employ multicultural food and entertainment. There will be fun and activities for everyone. Have a game of mini golf, giant connect 4 and/or snakes and ladder. Check out the henna tattoos, face painting and art stations. Make an apple slinky or just enjoy the food and entertainment.

Everything is FREE.
When: Monday 21 March 12.30pm to 2.30 pm
Where: Kilburn Community Centre 59 Gladstone Avenue, Kilburn
Cost: Free
Contact: Kilburn Community Centre- 8405 6730

Chan Tran and Hoong Nguyen School Community Workers
North West Communities for Children is funded by the Australian Government

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

All students have been supplied with a new hat with their house colours. These hats have been named. If your child loses their hat you will need to purchase a new hat from the uniform shop.

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**Canteen Volunteers**

HUONG VO
JACQUELINE TERRYSCHILD
EILEEN PRIOR
MARIANNA KONDRAI
VAN NGO

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

EVAN BOK
BIANCA NORTH
ISAAC NORTH
JUSTIN HUYNH
TIYANA POWER
KEVIN DIEP
RILEY PASCOE
MAI LINH CARR
ANTON LUC
DECONTEE GAYE
PRESLEY PRACH
JAIHEN NGO
DASYAL VASANTHA KUMAR
SUMMER ERTINGTON
SHARNIQKA PIN

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**March Birthdays**

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

**Italian news**

Benvenuti ad un nuovo anno scolastico!
(Welcome to a new school year!)

This term our learning has begun with the cultural celebration of Carnevale. This is a major and significant event in Italy that begins 10 days prior to Ash Wednesday. Everyone gets involved in the spirit of the festivities which include fancy dress costumes, masks, face painting, lots of yummy food and of course playing practical jokes on each other! The celebrations always end with a spectacular display of fireworks.

The students have been discussing the events of Carnevale, looking at images of amazing masks and costumes and Venice – the city on water. The students in the Junior Primary have been singing songs and focusing on Arlecchino – the joker of Carnevale and other students have been focusing on Carnevale characters and creating a postcard from beautiful Venice.

I look forward to getting to another great year of Italian learning at St. Patrick’s School.
Signora Radetti

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**ABSENTEE INFORMATION**

TEXT ABSENTEE DETAILS TO 0408 510 583
EMAIL ABSENTEE DETAILS TO info@stpatsmp.catholic.edu.au

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**Term Dates**

TERM 1
END 9TH APRIL
12.30PM FINISH

TERM 2
BEGIN 2ND MAY
FINISHES 8TH JULY

TERM 3
BEGIN 26TH JULY
FINISHES 30TH SEPTEMBER

TERM 4
BEGIN 17TH OCTOBER
FINISHES 15TH DECEMBER
3.10PM FINISH

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**Community Corner**

**Dayal Vasantha Kumar**
SUMMER ERTINGTON
SHARNIQKA PIN

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**St Patrick’s School**

33a Dudley Street, Mansfield Park SA 5012 - info@stpatsmp.catholic.edu.au

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**Term 1, Week 6**

IN OMNIBUS CARITAS
‘in all things love’

Office Hours: 8.15am – 3.45pm
Principal: Frank Congedi
APRIM: Anne Marie Platten
CAMP Australia: 1300 105 343 or 0447 141 518

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**Italian news**

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(Welcome to a new school year!)
Dear Parents and Community Members,

Sports Day

Tomorrow we will be having our annual Sports Day and I look forward to seeing many parents and family members at our school to cheer and support of our children.

This is the second successive year that we are having a twilight format which means that we start at 11:50am until 6:00pm. Basically the whole day is shifted forward by 3 hours. This format was very popular with our school community last year as many more family members were able to join us after work and lots of past students were also able to join us when they finished their school. Camp Australia will be providing care in the Mary MacKillop Room for any children whose families requires to go to work and I encourage you to take advantage of the fun program that Camp Australia provides.

I wish our three teams well as they participate in this fun day that promotes the importance of sport and exercise in our lives. I also wish our 5 school captains well as they display their leadership and support the school and other children in the school.

At our last assembly, we announced Betsity as our 6th captain of the MacKillop team

Congratulations Betsity!

Student Absences – Please ring to notify the school

If your child will be away from school, all parents are asked to contact the school in the morning. We have a number of ways to contact the school;
* You can SMS the school on 0408 510 583
* Send an email to info@stpatsmp.catholic.edu.au
* Telephone the school office on 8303 4500

If you call before the office opens, you can leave a message on the school’s answering machine letting staff know the reason for the absence. If we do not hear from a parent, you will receive an SMS from the school indicating that your child is not at school and we have not heard from you. Please respond promptly. I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support in ensuring that we are fully aware of your child’s whereabouts and the reason for their absence.

Student Safety

You may have heard recent media reports regarding a number of safety concerns that have occurred around schools in different parts of Adelaide. Such incidents have involved students being approached by strangers at the beginning and end of the school day.

It is important that staff and all school community members work together and be vigilant as student safety is of highest priority. Students and families are reminded to be wary of approaches from strangers, especially when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. Parents are key partners in issues of student safety and this is a timely opportunity to speak to your child about keeping safe. If your child is approached by a stranger, he/she should not respond or should not accept offers of rides or gifts. Students should seek the assistance of nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible.

As a school we are implementing the Keeping Safe-Child Protection Curriculum. A parent resource with strategies for you to discuss with your child/your person at home has been placed this week as an insert. Additional information can be found on the CES website.

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

God Bless
Frank Congedi
Principal

St Patrick’s Day Whole School Mass

Next Thursday, 17th March, we will celebrate St Patrick’s Day with a Mass for the whole school. St Patrick is the patron Saint of Ireland, the Archdiocese of Adelaide and St Patrick’s School. St Patrick was born in Scotland around the year 387AD. At the age of 17 he was captured by pirates and sent to Ireland as a slave. He worked as a slave in very harsh conditions for many years but eventually escaped and returned to England. Patrick developed a strong relationship with God in his captive years as a slave and when he escaped he became a priest, and later a bishop. He returned to Ireland with a mission of teaching all about the love of God. He is known for bringing Christianity to Ireland.

We look to St Patrick as an example of someone who found God in the hard times and whose faith led him to help others, especially those who were treated harshly.

Please join us for Mass on Thursday 17th March at 9am in the Church.

Friends of St Patrick’s Parent and Carers Group

We have planned a morning tea at St Patrick’s to help us get to know more of the parents/carers of our school. Ms Jackie Terryschild, who supports St Patrick’s in many ways, leads our Friends of St Patrick’s Group and with the support of myself and Mr Congedi. We have has organised a morning tea get together on Friday 18th March @ 9am in the staff room. We would love to see many of our parent/carer community come along and meet people, or catch up with people you already know. At the meeting Frank Congedi will join Jackie and share more about how we would like to build deeper connections with parents and our school community.

We hope to see many of you there.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the Sports Day on Friday. It will be a fun day for all.

God bless,
Anne-Marie Platten

important information

SPORTS DAY - TOMORROW

SCHOOL GATES OPEN AT
11.30AM

Before school care is available, please contact Camp Australia 1300 105 343

SCHOOL BEGINS 11.50AM

SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH AND THROUGHOUT THE DAY

SPORTS DAY ENDS 6.00PM

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR A TOP IN THEIR HOUSE COLOUR

COLOURED HAIRSPRAY, COLOURED ZINC CREAM ETC. MUST BE APPLIED BEFORE COMING TO SCHOOL