

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Members of St Pat's School Community,

LAST SUNDAY'S GOSPEL — THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST—JOHN 6: 51-58— *"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."*

In last Sunday's gospel we contemplated the meaning behind Jesus' assertion that he is the living bread and that by eating the bread we will live forever. In her reflection on this gospel passage Sister Veronica Lawson comments that bread is the staple food for much of the Earth's population and that we talk about being able to 'put bread on the table' as a way of identifying that we need to be able to provide for our families. In our Sunday liturgies we use the symbols of bread and wine to represent the body and blood of Christ and, as suggested by Sister Veronica Lawson, to reflect on the mystery we celebrate from week to week as we share the true bread and true drink that offers the promise of life beyond our imagining.

ABOVE & BEYOND WINNERS

This week's Above & Beyond Award winners are -

JUNIOR CLASS—Hanna Cannell for her consistent and positive effort in all areas of the curriculum which is resulting in outstanding results on a regular basis.

SENIOR CLASS—Charlotte Dickinson for the fantastic manner in which she tackles all set tasks and the cooperative manner that she assists others in the school.

PAC

At last night's PAC meeting the following items were discussed -

- Chris Robarts (CEOB Primary Education Consultant) gave a presentation which covered General Information about the operation of School/Parent Advisory Councils. Members were given the opportunity to ask questions of Chris and to clarify any issues they had regarding the operation of this body.
- PAC Operational Guidelines were discussed and modifications to the draft document were made. We hope to recommend these guidelines for ratification by Father Neville at the next meeting.
- Members discussed the document—Integrity in the Service of the Church, particularly Principle 2—Church Workers uphold the dignity of all people and their right to respect, and how

CALENDAR

JUNE

Th/Fr26/27 School Closure—Small Schools Conference

JULY

Mo 14 First Day Term 3

Fri 25 Junior excursion—Little Desert Lodge

Mo 28 School Closure—RE PD

Tu 29 PAC Meeting 7pm

AUGUST

Th/Fr14/15 School Closure—Northern Zone Conference

SEPTEMBER

Tu 2 PAC Meeting

Fr 19 Last Day Term 3

OCTOBER

Mo 6 First Day Term 4

Tu 28 PAC Meeting

NOVEMBER

Tu 25 PAC Annual General Meeting

DECEMBER

Tu 2 PAC Meeting

CLASS TIMES

9am	Class time
11am	Recess
11:30am	Class time
1:00pm	Lunch
1:45pm	Class time
3:15pm	Dismissal

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9am-3:30pm
Wednesday	9am-3:30pm
Thursday	9am-3:30pm
Friday	10am-1pm

ATTACHED

- Junior Excursion Note
- Auskick Note

St. Patrick's Church

Sunday, 29 June — Mass at 9am

Sunday 6 July — L.L.A. at 10am

Sunday 13 July — Mass at 9am



Dear God
Will my life improve if I apologise when I'm wrong and keep quiet when I'm right.
Amen



This week's

GOTCHA!

winner is **Troye McBride**.

Troye was caught using our school rules by displaying safety.

This term during Religion, we have been learning about the life of Jesus. The Junior class ate honey, bread, olives, rockmelon, tuna, figs and grapes. These are the foods that Jesus would have eaten at parties. The Juniors looked at Jesus' clothes. Jesus wore raggy cloth dresses. The games that the Juniors played were skittles, marbles and noughts and crosses because Jesus played those games when he was a boy. The games that the Juniors played was fun. It has been exciting learning about Jesus.
 By Troye.

This term during religion, we have been learning about the life of Jesus. We ate the food that Jesus would have eaten at a party. We ate olives, rockmelon, figs, grapes, tuna, bread and honey. My favourite was the bread and honey. We have looked at the games that Jesus would have played when he was a little boy. We then looked at the clothes that Jesus would have worn when he was a little boy. He wore white clothes that were made out of rags. It was fun eating the food Jesus would have eaten and playing the games Jesus would have played. We played marbles, skittles and noughts and crosses. I have liked learning about Jesus.
 By Nessa.



as PAC members we demonstrate this principle in the work we do for the school.

- The usual reports—Principal, Finance and Sub-committees were tabled and discussed as required.
- The charges for the hire of St Patrick's Community Hall were discussed. The current fee structure has been in existence for four years, since the hall was opened, and the discussion centred around whether the current fees were sufficient to cover the costs of repairs and maintenance. The revision of these fees will be finalised at our next meeting.

iPAD CHARGING

Parents are reminded that it is a condition of the school's ICT Acceptable Users Policy that students bring fully charged iPads to school each day. Recently it has become obvious that many students, mainly in the senior classroom are not charging their iPads at home. We ask that you monitor this process and make sure that iPads are regularly charged at home of an evening.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LANCE McBRIDE

Lance was fortunate enough to play on the MCG last Saturday as part of a local Auskick team. By all accounts Lance had a great time and who knows, he may have been spotted by a talent scout and we'll hear his name in the future playing for an AFL team.

OFFICE CLOSED THURSDAY & FRIDAY

The school office will be closed tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday this week as staff will be attending the Small School's Conference in Murtoa. The office will be open again Tuesday 15 July.

REPORT PARENT COMMENTS

Teaching staff would appreciate the return of the last page of student reports complete with any comments that you have in relation to your child/ren's report/s and/or the reporting process overall. I encourage you to complete this page and return it to school in a sealed envelope in your child's diary. Many thanks in anticipation of your help in providing this feedback.

As always if you have any queries about what is happening at St Patrick's School please contact us on 5391 1575.

Kathryn Bendall, Principal