

# ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

*'Strength in Gentleness'*

EDITION 18

DATE 18/06/07

Dear Parents

*The writings of Scripture remind us constantly that to live the Christian vocation we require strong faith, the ability to live with contradictions and to remain open, optimistic and childlike. While there maybe times when we wish that we had not received a call to follow Christ because of the difficulties encountered, this the prophets tell us, is a true sign of our Christian calling and the means by which Christ will grow in us. Taking time to simply listen to Christ speaking to us can often give us a deeper understanding of all those various pressures which rain down on us during our day to day living.*

*"Father,*

*We rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus, Your Son.*

*Open our hearts to share His life and continue to bless us with His love.*

*Amen."*

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	>Football Clinic Year 3 > Enrolment day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	> Enrolment day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	>Winter Sports Year 4 – 6 St Pat's V St Michael's 1.45pm.

## ENROLMENTS FOR 2008

*If you have a Prep for 2008 and have not made an appointment for an interview, please do so now. Enrolment interviews are tomorrow, Tuesday June 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.*

## VALUE OF THE WEEK:

This week's value is tolerance. Children will learn that tolerance is about accepting things that we can't change, or we wish were different. Tolerance is practised when we accept things about people that we don't like.

## OPEN DAYS AND DISPLAY IN GIPPSLAND CENTRE

Last Thursday and Friday, as part of the Wellington Catholic Schools promotion, a display was held in Gippsland Centre Sale. Saint Patrick's School Choir, Recorder Group and Guitarists performed on Friday afternoon. Children presented an admirable performance in front of a big crowd. Our congratulations to these children and sincere thanks to Anita Hensen for her huge efforts to prepare the children. Thanks also to Carmel Boyd and Jaynee Bristow for preparing the display at Gippsland Centre.

Thanks also to the parents who generously gave their time and also provided morning tea to welcome visitors during Open Day at the school last week.

*"Get back to basics and make excellence the result"*

## SPORTS EXCURSION YEAR THREE

On **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June** the **Year 3** students will be attending a football clinic at Sale Football Ground. Players from the AFL Hawthorn Club will be in attendance.

## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

**The term 2 Active After School program concludes this week.**



## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Brodey R**

## WINTER SPORTS:

Winter sports this week, for students from **Years 4 to 6** will be held on **Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup> commencing at 1.45pm (NB Change of day and early start.)**

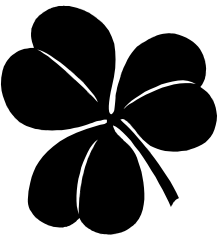
Children will be competing against St. Michael's School. Tee ball and 'B' netball team will be played here at school. The 'A' netball team and the footballers will go to the Stratford Recreation Reserve. All competitors will need to bring an orange. Sports uniforms to be worn. Parents welcome to attend and offer support.

## STUDENT REPORTS

Teachers are in the final stages of preparing mid year reports. If everything goes according to plan, these will be sent home next Monday with the newsletter. Teachers have requested an interview with some parents. This will be mentioned on the cover letter of the reports. Interviews are to be held on Tuesday June 26<sup>th</sup> after school.

*If you have been asked to attend an interview please make every effort to attend at the suggested time; however we do appreciate that for some of you this*

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will be impossible, so you will need to contact the classroom teacher and arrange an appropriate time. For those of you who have not been asked to attend an interview, but would like to do so, please make the appropriate arrangements with the classroom teacher.

### HEAD LICE

A head lice check was carried out on Friday for those students for whom we had permission. A further check will be held early next term.

### LAWN MOWING ROSTER

June 16<sup>th</sup> – July 6<sup>th</sup>: Ross and Szalanda families.

### SITUATION VACANT

Applications are being called for a coordinator/supervisor of the Active After-School Communities program to be held at the school on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3.45pm to 5.00pm during terms 3 and 4. An honorarium amount is paid per session. The position includes purchasing and preparing afternoon tea for the students, overseeing the program as presented by the deliverers, dealing with any misbehavior, first aid etc. Contact the school office for further details if interested.

### SCHOOL CONCERT

As mentioned previously the annual school concert will be held next term. Dates for the concert are **Friday 7th September** and **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**.

Anita is still in need of volunteers to help with the arduous task of costume making. If you think you may be able to help in anyway please contact Anita on 51457090 or Anya 51457104 or let us know at the office.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to Will Webb who received second place in a drawing competition conducted by Wiggies of Maffra. Will's drawing of a chain saw earned for him a certificate and thanks to Will, the school receives a brand new wheelbarrow.

**Congratulations** to the following students who received the Principal's award for flexibility: Georgia B, Kaitlyn C, Harry H, Reece D and Patrice W.

Also class awards to:

Year 1:	Raistlin B for quietly working at all set tasks to a high standard.
Year 2:	Alyssa S for a great project on Elephants.
Year 3:	Ryleigh G for his kindness.
Year 4/5:	Bronwyn B for excellent effort and enthusiasm.
Year 5/6:	Harrison L and Tyler M for their love of learning. Well done.

### UPDATING SCHOOL RECORDS

Families who live out of town and have been given a new number for their address are asked to contact the school office so that the school records can be updated.

### END OF TERM

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June** is the last day of term for students. At **12.00 noon** we will hold an assembly and short end of term liturgy. Children will be dismissed at approximately **12.30pm** As there will be no buses at this time, bus travellers need to make alternative arrangements.

Please join us for the liturgy as we give thanks to our teachers, students and families.

Best wishes



### FROM THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS

#### TUCKSHOP

The Parents & Friends will be holding a Tuckshop day on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June**. Please have your orders back by **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**.

Thank you

#### RECIPE BOOKS

A reminder that the Parents and Friends are looking for recipes from students for a Recipe Book. They have requested that each child bring to school two favourite recipes, one of which will be used to produce the book.

#### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### HARRY POTTER AT YOUR LIBRARY

*You are invited to dress up and come along to your local library for stories, games and craft activities.*

*Sale Library - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July  
10.30am*

*Stratford Library - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July  
@ 2.30pm*

*Maffra Library - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July @  
2.30pm*

#### STRATFORD AUSKICK

**The last Auskick for Stratford will be on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June from 5.00pm – 6.00pm. There will be a sausage sizzle provided for the Auskick children at 6.00pm**