



ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Strength in Gentleness'

EDITION 27

DATE 03/09/07

Dear Parents,
 Some thoughts worth sharing.
 They're written by Andy Rooney a man who has the gift of saying so much with so few words.
 Enjoy...
 I've learned... That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.
 I've learned... That when you're in love, it shows.
 I've learned... That just one person saying to me, "You've made my day!" makes my day.
 I've learned... That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.
 I've learned... That being kind is more important than being right.
 I've learned... That you should never say no to a gift from a child.
 I've learned... That no matter how serious your life requires to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.
 I've learned... That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.
 I've learned... That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.
 I've learned... That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.
 I've learned... That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK:

Thursday 6 th September	*Assessment @ St Mary's Hall for Yr 6 attending Sion in 2008.
Friday 7 th September	*Mass 9.30am *School Concert 1.30pm *School Concert 7.30pm
Monday 10 th September	*School Concert 7.30pm

VALUE OF THE WEEK

This week we continue the value of thankfulness. Children will learn that thankfulness is about being grateful for what we have. It is about appreciating the little things that happen as much as the big things.

CLASS MASS REMINDER

Year 4/5 is organizing the class Mass for this **Friday 7th September at 9.30am**. We would love to see as many dads as possible – particularly those from children in our class and honour them throughout our Mass. Please mark the date and time in your calendar. Debbie Flanagan.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all our students who competed in the school athletics last week. It was a great day and thank you to all our volunteers who helped out on the day. Your efforts are very much appreciated. Special thanks to Liz Magnuson for the enormous effort put in to make the day a success.

THANKYOU

Our grateful thanks also to all who assisted with Anika and Jo's farewell and the Fathers' Day BBQ last week to ensure a successful evening. Sincere thanks to Dean Moloney for re making the long jump pit.

2007 CONCERT DATES (MECHANICS HALL)

- Friday September 7th 1.30pm & 7.30pm
- Monday September 10th 7.30pm

Preparations are warming up for these gala performances. Music teacher Anita, along with the children and the teachers have put a huge effort into making the shows a success.

It is important that every effort is made to ensure that children attend both evening performances. We appreciate your support with this matter. However, if for some reason it is not possible for child/ren to attend both evening performances please contact the school ASAP so alternative arrangements can be made for their particular role.

REHEARSALS

Children and teachers will be walking to the Mechanic's Hall each day this week for rehearsals.

FULL DRESS REHEARSAL

There will be a full dress rehearsal during normal music class time on **Thursday September 6th at the Stratford Mechanics Hall**.

Given that the year six children will be absent on Thursday they will need their costumes for a dress rehearsal on Wednesday.

Children are asked to bring their concert costumes to school on the day. Any parents who would like to assist with dressing children are most welcome.

As costumes will remain at school after the dress rehearsal, each child is asked to bring a **named** plastic shopping bag and coat hanger for storage of costumes until after the concert performances.

Concert tickets will be available at the door.
Cost \$15.00 per family (2 adults 2 children)
\$5.00 Single

THE SHAMROCK

MORE CONCERT NEWS

Given that seating is limited in the hall and conscious of the need to ensure that there is room for everyone the following is suggested:

Friday Afternoon:

Grandparents and any non working parents to attend.

Evening Performances:

Being mindful of the need to drop off and collect children for both sessions, a suggestion is, that one parent per family attend each performance.

This way everyone is ensured of a seat!

SCHOOL FEES

A reminder to all who have outstanding school fees. **ALL** payments need to be finalized by September 10th. (Next week)

YEAR SIX ASSESSMENT AT SION

External assessments are to be held this **Thursday at Saint Mary’s Hall, Sale commencing 8.45am** for year 6 students who are enrolled at Catholic College Sale for 2008.

Students are required to make their own arrangements with regards transport to and from Sale.

DISTRICT ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Several senior students will be competing in the district Athletic championships to be held at Sale Little Athletics Oval on **Tuesday next September 11th**. Those involved have details attached to this newsletter.

Our school is responsible for providing helpers for the long jump. If you are able to assist please let Liz Magnuson know.

DISTRICT JUNIOR ATHLETICS

These sports for all students from Prep to year 2 will be held on **Thursday September 13th**. More information next week.

THANKYOU

Thankyou to everyone for the wonderful support shown for our book fair. It was very successful and we will be able to get some great new books for our library.

Our colouring competition winners were:

	<u>First</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Third</u>
Year Prep:	Caitlyn G	Kye M	Aimee R
Year 1:	James C	Jackson C	Zoe T
Year 2:	Maggie T	Will W	Tegan H
Year 3:	Harry H	Paige F	Breanna M
Year 4/5:	Bronwyn B	Johanna T	Shani D
Year 5/6:	Claire V	Calliope P	Tahlia H

Sharon Gordon
Librarian

“Loving will never empty your heart and giving will never empty your pocket”

LAWN MOWING ROSTER

August 18th – September 7th: Channing and Brown families.

September 8th – September 21st: Dobson & Schilg families.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
Bryley R, Sallianne B,
Harry H and Eireann H**

LOST

Brayde C has misplaced his woollen jumper. It has his name on it. Could everyone please check to see if it has made its way to your home by mistake.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received the Principal’s award for Thankfulness: Jay B, Raistlin B, Maggie T, Mitchell D, Bronwyn B and Tahlia H.

Also class awards to:

Prep:	Ruby H-T for her fantastic piece of writing. Well Done!
Year 1:	Jackson C for great improvement in reading and writing. Georgia Bristow for being a caring and cooperative class member.
Year 2:	Whole Class for being the wonderful little children you are. Keep up the great work and attitudes.
Year 3:	Kirby D for his everlasting caring and positive nature.
Year 4/5:	Olivia M for a very pleasing effort in reading.
Year 5/6:	Tyler M for taking up the challenges of the senior grade. Sallianne B for her growing confidence with her work.

Best wishes

FROM THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS

*Change of date for Christmas Fete:
Twilight Fete to be held on Friday 30th
November.*

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