IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4

November

Tues 13th Kinder 2013 Orientation
Wed 14th MS Excursion to movies
Sat 24th Sacred Heart Parish Tableau
Wed 28th Golf Day
Fri 30th Primary Swimming Carnival

December

Mon 3rd Infants Intensive Swimming commences
Tues 11th Primary Presentation Evening
Mon 17th K—2 Presentation Morning
End of Term Treat Day
Tues 18th Whole School Graduation Mass
Semester 2 Reports go out
Wed 19th Last Day Term 4

See Moodle page calendar for full
Term 4 dates

Dear Parents

The 2013 Christmas Carnival & Tableau will be held on Saturday 24th November commencing at 5:30pm. The Christmas Carnival & Tableau is a wonderful community occasion, which provides a memorable start to the festive season. Students and teachers from Mt St Primary together with Mt St Patrick College and St Joseph’s Primary are currently preparing for the Tableau, which this year will be presented in the Mt St Patrick Primary School Hardcourt playground.

Many thanks to those students who will participate in this year’s Tableau. Special thanks to all those staff at our school for preparing the students and organising costumes, props etc. I would particularly like to acknowledge Mrs. Jade Dixon for her coordination of this year’s Tableau.

Many people in the schools and the parish are busy making items and organising stalls. On Wednesday 21st November we are asking all students to wear Mufti for a donation of a filled bottle – e.g. bottles filled with lollies, toys etc., for the Parish Bottle Stall at the Christmas Carnival. Donations of saleable items such as cooking, craft, pot plants, second hand books etc. would be much appreciated. These donations may be sent into school or taken straight to the Parish Office. We would encourage you to come along and join us in this special Parish event.

GRANDPARENT’S DAY

Thank you to all the great-grandparents, grandparents (adopted “grandparents”) and parents / friends who came along to our ‘Grandparents Day’. Some grandparents travelled many kilometres to visit their grand-children. The children certainly appreciate having the opportunity to show their classroom and school work with their grandparents. Thank you to the Parents Reps from Year 2D for their organisation of the morning tea. See photos of ‘Grandparents Day’ on page 3 of this newsletter.

FR DAVID GILBEY 25th ANNIVERSARY

Fr. David , Parish Priest of the Sacred Heart, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood on Tuesday 20th November. The Parish will celebrate the occasion on 17th Nov. at the 6.00p.m. Mass followed by a light supper in the Hall. We thank Fr David for his ministry to the people of Lismore and wish him a wonderful anniversary.

KINDERGARTEN 2013 ORIENTATION

This week our school conducted its Orientation Days for our 2013 Kindergarten students. We welcomed 39 future Kindergarten students to ‘Big School’. Throughout both days the boy and girls were involved in a number of ‘playbased’ activities as well as meeting their Year 6 buddies. And 2013 class teachers, Ms Mackney and Mrs Levick. All students are eagerly awaiting their first day of school in 2013.

Brian Laybutt   PRINCIPAL
VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

FORGIVENESS

Everyone makes mistakes. Being forgiving is overlooking the mistakes others make and loving them just as much as before. Forgiving does not mean that all of a sudden you do not feel hurt or that the wrong choice someone made was right. It means that you find it in your heart to give the person another chance. You can even forgive yourself. You sometimes do things that you are sorry for and wish you hadn’t done. Forgiving yourself means to stop punishing yourself or feeling hopeless because you did something wrong. It is moving ahead, ready to do things differently, with compassion for yourself and faith that you can change.

REMEMBERANCE DAY

At the leadership day Year 5 talked about kindness, choices and welcoming. The reason we were learning about those things was because Year 5 are about to be leaders. It was fun and the same time I was learning a lot and I’m looking forward to being a leader.

Tarvah Nottle.

My favourite activity was Mrs Markham’s ‘Positive Attitude’ activity. We learnt what makes people positive people, like smiling and saying “hi.” On the other hand negative people are always moaning and groaning and always make others feel upset or down. In other activities we also learnt how to plan a liturgy and we read some bibles. We learnt how to make people more comfortable for the new Year 5’s coming to Middle School next year. I am really excited to nearly be in Year 6.

Annalise Mackie
SCHOOL NEWS

CLASSES 2013: Teachers will soon commence the process of formulating classes for 2013. Teachers spend considerable time placing students in classes, taking into consideration various aspects including: gender, class numbers, friendship groups, student’s academic levels, behavioural issues, learning styles, previous classes and teachers etc. It is a very complicated process. If as a parent you wish to make a request for your child’s class placement for 2013 you need to write a letter to the school outlining your reasons for a particular request. Please consider the aspects listed above when making a request.

Whilst every request will be given due consideration, no guarantees can be make to say that all requests will be meet. Students will be informed of their classroom teacher and their classroom before the end of the school year.

DEPENDING FAMILIES & STUDENTS
If your child will not be re-enrolled at Mt St Patrick Primary School in 2012 (except current Year 6) – please advise the School Office either in writing or by telephone ASAP.

TERM 4 ASSEMBLIES
Wk 6 — 16th Nov Year 2P
Wk 7 — 23rd Nov Year 2 D
Wk 8 — 30th Nov Maths Olympiad
Wk 9 — 7th Dec School Band / Choir
Wk 10 — 14th Dec Year 6

MORNING SUPERVISION
A reminder to all parents that teacher supervision commences at 8.20a.m. (half an hour before the commencement of school). The School gates will be opened at this time. Students dropped off before this time cannot and will not be supervised.

MORWILLUMBAH SHOW
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ART ENRICHMENT CLASSES
Recently selected students from the Tweed Zone Catholic Primary Schools participated in Art Enrichment classes at Mt St Patrick PS.
Mrs. Forrester led a series of art lessons for Mt St Patrick students including: Lucas Pearson, Abigail Stratton, Anthea Warne & David Macartney.

WRITING COMPETITION WINNER
Congratulations to Keeley-Louise Dickinson who was awarded 3rd prize in the Write 4 Fun Short Story Competition. Keeley’s story was selected from some 7 000 entries from both Secondary & Primary aged students. Keeley’s story will now be published in a book titled ‘Far Out’ which will contain many poems & short stories from students around Australia.

BIRTHDAYS
Bailey Engler, Sienna Bull, Theodore Parsons, Cooper Kennedy, Riley Engler, Tarvah-Lee Nottle, Teleah Leslighter, Emerald Haglund, Zayne Stewart

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MORNING DROP OFF
A number of parents are dropping students off in the morning on the western side of Mooball St. These children are then crossing the road having to contend with cars and buses. This is obviously very dangerous! Parents dropping children off are encouraged to use the “kiss and drop” zone. This “zone” is available from 8 a.m.— 9.00a.m. daily.

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WEEK 4 AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KM—Jessica Rees
KP—Billy John
1D—Milla Pearson
1T—Ebony Northeast
2D—Olivia Graham
2P—Charli Miller-Smylie
S2C—Paris Ludlow
S2H—Allish Eppelstun
S2M—Ava McClean
MSF—Tom Van Den Broek
MSM—Quinn Willis
MSS—Jordan Tilsley
MSW—Fianna Wilkinson

MOST IMPROVED

KM—Luken Ennis
KP—Peri Hynes
1D—Cooper Kennedy
1T—Noah Clark
2D—Nick Shields
2P—Rosie Ludlow
S2C—Zac Macartney
S2H—Cale McDonald
S2M—Darcy Rienke
MSF—Tom Snellgrove
MSM—Sean McCaughhey
MSS—Brandon Ewing
MSW—Isabelle MacFarlane

GOOD SPORTS AWARD

INFANTS—Maya Sutton
STAGE 2—Tommy Littlewood
MIDDLE SCHOOL—Kiara Woodward

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD

INFANTS—Elsie Biles
STAGE 2—Kiara McCarthy
MIDDLE SCHOOL—Bronte Simpson-Hay

TECHNOLOGY AWARD

Shana Kussrow
Matilda Nimmo
Tallis Deale

PRINCIPAL AWARD

KP: Selam Dietrich
1D: Wyatt Gradisnik, Michael Lack, Sophie Charman, Milla Pearson
1T: Jayda McDermott, Kiana McCabe, Dylan Bath-Dunne, Finn Bymes
2D: Nick Shields
2P: Keirsten Roach
S2C: Zoe Gatt
S2M: Sophie Bird, Lloyd McVeigh
MSF: Madeleine Northeast, Ellie Cunningham, Maxine Sutton
MSM: Lilli Oniper, Charlie Priest, Ada Vobr, Jacob Pedlow, Eden Folkers
MSW: Clara Withers, Isabelle MacFarlane, Rose Malouf, Coogan Cooper, Zayne Stewart

HONOUR AWARDS

Amelie McInerney, Darcy Hannah, Elise Lack, Matilda Nimmo
**WEEK 5 AWARDS**

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

KM—Olivia Adams  
KP—Tylenah Mitchell  
1D—Noah Smith  
1T—Kendall Wells  
2D—Jack Gracie  
2P—Ellie Hannah  
St2C—Genevieve Spencer  
St2H—Amelie Purnell  
St2M—Lloyd McVeigh  
MSF—Georgina Moore  
MSM—Abigail Stratton  
MSS—Angus Stratton  
MSW—Lucus Pearson

**MOST IMPROVED**

KM—Alfie McClean  
KP—Alira Heterick  
1D—Elsie Biles  
1T—Phoebe Sykes  
2D—Billy Campbell  
2P—Hannah Trembath  
St2C—Kiara McCarthy  
St2H—Clay Porter  
St2M—Eden Davison  
MSF—Caitlin Arthur  
MSM—Joel Antonelli  
MSS—Ashley Hazzard  
MSW—Brodie Palmer

**GOOD SPORTS AWARD**

INFANTS—April Parnaby  
STAGE 2—Connor Foreman-Keenan  
MIDDLE SCHOOL—Bronte Simpson-Hay

**CREATIVE ARTS AWARD**

INFANTS—Christian Lollback, April Parnaby  
STAGE 2—Matilda Jones, Matteo McDermott  
MIDDLE SCHOOL—Shenaii Matlock, Tallis Deale

**TECHNOLOGY AWARD**

Lachlan Van Amstel Zac McCartney Charlie Priest

**PRINCIPAL AWARD**

KM: Sienna Bull, Hannah Millar  
KP:Alira Heterick, Yvette Lapworth  
1D: Elizabeth Warne, Nathan Willis, Meghan Butler  
1T: Tabitha Stratton  
2P: Lola eady, Isis heterick, Kalyse Hunter, Lucy Jones  
St2C: Grace Eady  
St2H: Jya Fing, Sarah Hill, Travis Antonelli  
St2M: Hayley Smith, Neave Butler, Eva McDonald  
MSF: Montana Taylor, Callum Moss  
MSS: Josie Bruggy, Chandelle Nassner, Sophie Stoneman, Ben Champley, Summer Clausen  
MSW: Fianna Wilkinson

**HONOUR AWARD**

Lucy Jones
MATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Isabelle MacFarlane, Hamish Purcell, Vance Madden and Quinn Willis. (Week 4)

Congratulations to Jordan Tilley, Courtney Slater, Kaylin Harris and Patrick Grey. (Week 5)

MATHLETICS

Awards for week commencing 29th October

Silver Certificates
Matilda Jones, Darcy Hannah, Madeleine Hill, Zane Patience

Bronze Certificates
Joseph Warne, Lewis Hancock, Sarah Guinea, Patrick Grey, Zane Burke,
Anthea Warne, Camden Mackie, Vance Madden, Zoe Gatt, Matteo McDermott, Tiffany New,
Mariah Ouwerling, Oliver Parsons, Darcy Reinke, Angus Macfarlane, Codie Chung, Connor Pearson,
Genevieve Spencer, Sophie Bird

Awards for week commencing 5th November

Silver Certificates
Angus Macfarlane, Chandelle Nassner, Nicholas Buchanan

Bronze Certificates
Ava McClean, James Draman, Caitlin Arthur, Sylvia Mair, Sean McCaughey, Charlie Browning, Lewis Hancock,
Sarah Guinea, Ashley Hazzard, Zane Patience, Patrick Grey, Areana Twohill, Aidan McDonald,
Annalise Mackie, Charlie Priest, David Macartney, Isaac Walford, Keeley-Louise Dickinson, Kalindi Lathouras,
Mark Jackson, Montana Taylor, Quinn Willis, Rose Malouf, Zane Burke, Zayne Stewart, Oscar Rogers,
Cecilia Ryan, Anthea Warne, Anna Smith, Kaylin Harris, Chloe Brawley, Matteo McDermott, Ben Snellgrove,
Madeleine Hill, Evie Falkner, Matilda Jones, Kiara McCarthy

WELL DONE STUDENTS!

GRANDPARENTS DAY

LOST BRACLET

Following our Grandparents Day a bracelet was handed into the Office.
If you think this is yours please contact the Office.
SPORT NEWS

Murwillumbah Show Inter School Relay Race
Due to the large number of entries our relay teams had to run heats (which they both won) before running the finals. It was very exciting watching each runner run half a lap of the track with precision baton, or should I say, sugar cane changes! Mt St Patrick teams were placed 1st and 2nd, winning $175 for the school. I would like to congratulate both teams for their commitment and enthusiasm in their training. Well done!

Summer Sport Trials
Congratulations to the following students who were selected in the Tweed Zone teams to compete in the Diocesan trials on 23rd November.
Brooke Saddler (touch), Montana Taylor, Ena Mitchell, Jacob Pedlow (tennis), Fletcher Condon (cricket), Anthea & Joseph Warne (softball).

Elective Sport
The students enjoyed a range of activities over the past 5 weeks. Many thanks to Jacqueline Ryan for introducing Taekwondo to our school and Ruth Smith with her expertise in Swim and Survive. Please ensure all monies in arrears are paid this week to enable us to finalise the sport presenters accounts.

Primary Swimming Program
Primary students will attend swimming on Mondays in weeks 7 and 8 to practice for the primary carnival on 30th November. The 200IM finals will be held on Monday 26th November at 11.30am. All students will need $2.50 pool entry (or season pass number), swimmers, towel, sunscreen and goggles (optional). They will not be able to purchase any items at the pool canteen during the Monday sessions.
Parent helpers are still needed for the carnival between 9.30am – 12.00.

Infants Intensive Swimming Program ‘Swim For Your Life’
When: Monday 3rd December – Friday 14th December (Weeks 9 & 10 Term 4)
Cost: $110 for 10 lessons – this includes instructor/pool hire & pool entry fee (students with Annual Pass pay $85 – for 10 lessons)
Payment: Full payment required by Thursday 22nd November, 2012

CONGRATULATIONS Bailey Engler & Webb Lillis- for being selected to play cricket for South East Queensland in the State Championships. Bailey will travel to Cairns with the U/12 team and Webb will travel to Charters Towers with the U/13 team.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS—TERM 4
We are very pleased to announce that our school has been successful in applying for a NSW Environment Trust Food Garden in Schools grant. This is one of only 25 grants given across the state each year. The grant is valued at $3500. We will be using this money to install more garden beds, dwarf citrus trees and some bush tucker plants. This project will begin in Term 1 with the addition of our extra gardens. Any families wishing to make donations of plants should contact Miss Crouch before the end of term so we can ensure their inclusion in the garden plan. Thank you to those families who have already contacted us offering seedlings!

COMMUNITY NEWS

MUSIC—BRASS LESSONS There are currently spaces available for Instrumental lessons in trumpet and trombone. The brass teacher is Mr. Dale Norton who teaches each Thursday in the music studios at the College. The students will be given a group lesson for 30 minutes for $10 each student each week.
There are brass instruments available for loan—2 trumpets and a trombone—which can be borrowed from the College without a fee for the remainder of the year. For further details contact Dale on 0402 829 884

MURWILLUMBAH TAEKWONDO - Health and fitness, confidence and well-being, self defence skills and a positive attitude. Just a few benefits you will gain from doing Taekwondo. Monday & Thursday in the Catholic Hall. Monday 4:15—5:15 & 5:30—6:30. Established 16 years. www.shimjang.com or 6672 8442

RHEE TAEKWONDO - has commenced at Murwillumbah Public School on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Instructor Matt (22 years experience) Ph: 1300 790 609.