Dear Parents,

SEMESTER 1 STUDENT REPORTS & PORTFOLIOS

Today you will receive your child’s school report. The reporting procedure that the school adopts follows the mandatory A – E guidelines as legislated by the Federal Government. It is important for parents to have a clear understanding of the A-E grade scale: simply the grades reflect the level of knowledge and understanding achieved: (NB: not applicable to ES1 – Kindergarten)

E – Elementary
D - Basic
C - Sound
B - Thorough
A - Extensive

Further definition of A – E is provided in your child’s Semester 1 Report.

By following this index, the days of a student receiving “straight A’s” is highly improbable. A “C” grade reflects that the student has a sound understanding of concepts being taught within a particular Stage, consequently the vast majority of students will receive this grade.

As a school it is very important for all of our teachers to maintain a consistent approach when awarding grades to students. This is achieved by having shared assessment tasks across the grades and by having teachers compare samples of work. The “effort” grade, reflects your child’s aptitude towards their studies. In addition to the report you will receive a portfolio that will give you an indication to the quality and standard of work that your child is achieving. Please look through this with your son / daughter and have them discuss with you the various work samples.

As a parent it is important for you to weigh up all of the above when discussing your child’s report. Try and be positive, supportive and provide feedback that will encourage continued learning.

Parent Teacher Interviews will take place next Term. If however you would like to discuss elements of the report with your child’s class teacher, please do not hesitate to contact them.

SCHOOL REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT 2012

Thank you to the wonderful response from many families completing the surveys as part of our School Review & Development. Your responses are in the process of being collated and will contribute to the development of our strategic plan which guides the direction of our school for the next five years.

THANK YOU

At the beginning of Term 3 we welcome back Mr Brian Laybutt from his Principal’s sabbatical. I would like to particularly thank Mrs Carolyn Waugh for her support as Acting Assistant Principal as well our School Leadership Team and staff for their hard work and cooperation particularly over the past 6 weeks. I would also to thank Miss Chelsea Henry who has taught MS W in Mrs Waugh’s absence. Miss Henry is getting married this Saturday. As a school community we wish her much happiness on her special day.

Have a safe and enjoyable Term break,

Brendan Ryan
Acting Principal
SACRED HEART PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

If your child is baptised Catholic and is in Year 2 or above they are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Information regarding this will be sent home in the next few weeks.

CONFIRMATION
Parent Meeting – Tuesday 31st July
Inscription Ceremony – TBA
Retreat Day – Tuesday 28th August
Sacrament of Confirmation – Tuesday 28th August

Altar Service Training
Altar Service is a special ministry within the Church and will require children to attend training sessions. These training sessions will continue throughout Term. If your child is interested in this please contact Mrs Dixon.

Papal Awards
The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Giuseppi Lazzarotto, has notified Bishop Jarrett of two Papal Awards, bestowed by Pope Benedict, to a current Murwillumbah parishioner, and a former parishioner. 

Mrs Marie Clare Twohill will receive a Diploma and Medal of the Papal Distinction Benemerenti in recognition of long and faithful service to the Church.
Mr John Gerard McDonald will receive the Cross and Certificate of the Papal Honour Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice in recognition of long and faithful service to the Church and to society.

Congratulations to Marie and John on their special award in honour of their generous service over many years to the Mt St Patrick Primary & High School, the Presentation Sisters, the parishioners and people of Murwillumbah.

Marie was a student of Mt St Patrick High School from 1945 to 1947. Her children also attended the school.

John was president of the Mt St Patrick Regional High and Primary Schools Parents’ and Friends’ Association for many years. His children also attended Mt St Patrick Regional High School.

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal

Many thanks to those who gave so generously to the St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal this year.

Your donations are very much appreciated. These much needed items have been passed on to St Vincent De Paul to help those in need.

On Friday the 22nd June Fr David came to Mt St Patrick Primary School to talk to Stage 1 about being a member of the Parish Community and his role as a priest of The Sacred Heart Church in Murwillumbah. Father also spent time with Middle School talking to them about the Sacrament of Ordination. Many thanks for your time and effort Fr David.

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK – HONESTY

What is Honesty?

Being honest is being sincere, open, trustworthy, and truthful. When people are honest, they can be relied on not to lie, cheat, or steal. If they tell you they like you, you know they really mean it, because they would not say anything just to get their way or to make an impression.

Honesty is telling the truth no matter what. It is being truthful even when admitting the truth could make someone disappointed. Honesty means not exaggerating something just to impress others. Being honest means you don’t make false promises. You do what you said you would do. Your actions match your words. This is also called integrity.

SACRED HEART PARISH

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
Tuesday 5.30pm  Sacred Heart
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Thursday 9.15am  OLPS, Sth M’Bah
Friday 12.00n  Sacred Heart

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday 6:00 pm  Sacred Heart
Sunday 8:00 am  Sacred Heart
10:00am  1st Uki
2nd & 4th OLPS – Sth M’bah
3rd Burringbar

BIRTHDAYS
CELEBRATING NAIDOC WEEK

Last week our school celebrated Naidoc Week. We held a special morning assembly last Monday and a PowerPoint presentation was shown at our assembly last Friday. A colouring competition was held. The winners in each Stage were: Kinder: Alira Heterick  Stage 1: Olivia Graham  Stage 2:Eva McDonald  Middle School: Alex Flannery.
Special thank you to Mrs Cantrill, Mr Logan and the 13 Indigenous students in our school who assisted in organising this week.

INDIGENOUS LITERACY DAY
Thank you to all who donated and/or purchased books today. The funds raised provide books and literacy resources for Indigenous kids in remote communities. Thank you to Brooke and Erin for coordinating this event.

GARDENING CLUB
Over the last term our eager gardeners have been giving up part of their lunch time on Tuesday to help look after the school’s vegie patch. This term we have grown and harvest snow peas, beans, basil and potatoes. We’ve also planted beetroot, carrots, more peas and beans, parsley and tomatoes.
In Week 7 we sold some of our produce and some donated fruit and vegetables. Thank you to those children who bought our fresh produce and helped us make $45. We will be buying more gardening gloves, watering cans, mulch and some soil. Next term we will have another sale of our vegetables. So keep an eye out for the signs and assembly notices!

MURWILLUMBAH FESTIVAL OF PERFORMING ARTS
School choirs from each of the Stages will be performing at the Murwillumbah Festival of Performing Arts this week. Please ensure correct blue uniform is worn for your child’s performance.

- Monday 25th June
  • Primary School Choir –No Actions  MS S & MS W
  • Combined Vocal / Instrumental Group  Stage2 classes
  • Primary School Recorder Ensemble –  MS students

- Tuesday 26th June
  • Choir Action  MS M & MS F
  • Infants School Choir – No Actions  Year 1 classes
  • Infants School Choir – Actions  Kinder classes
  • Infants School Untuned Percussion Group  Year 2 classes

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS @ FESTIVAL OF PERFORMING ARTS
Congratulations to Ailish Eppelsten who won the Most Outstanding Performer 8yrs old. Harrison Smith who won 6 medals: Gold: Humorous Verse & Drama. Silver: Sight Reading Bronze: Verse Speaking; Memorised Prose & Mime. Harrison also won the Most Outstanding Performer 11yrs old.
Please let us know of any more outstanding performances from Mt St Patrick students at the festival.

DIOCESE OF LISMORE
LEADER OF PEDAGOGY

(1 position in each of 37 schools in the Lismore Diocese)
Three year temporary contracts commencing 2013

The LOP will support teachers in the development, refinement and sharing of their teaching practice to improve learning outcomes for every student. The LOP will be widely recognised as an outstanding teacher who can successfully model high quality practice for his/her colleagues across the school. The LOP will be a person who can contribute to the Catholic life of the parish school.
For further information including application form, position description, hours available at each school and conditions please visit the CSO website:
http://www.lism.catholic.edu.au
(employment/positions vacant)
Closing date July 13th 2012.

Child protection legislation requires the preferred applicants be subject to employment screening.
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WEEK 8 AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER M - Jude Livermore
KINDER P – Kaitlyn Antonelli
YEAR 1 D – Cooper Shields
YEAR 1 T – Jayda McDermott
YEAR 2 D – Isabella Sutton
YEAR 2 P – Ellis Hannah
STAGE 2C- Ivy Morton Rowthorne
STAGE 2H- Zane Patience
STAGE 2M- Finn Whitney
MS F- Jack Prichard
MS M- Jacob Pedlow
MS S- Tallis Deale
MS W- Brodie Palmer

MOST IMPROVED

KINDER M - Lilly Wolfe
KINDER P – Alira Heterick
YEAR 1 D – Jorja Smith
YEAR 1 T - Neo Willis
YEAR 2 D – Grace Wolfe
YEAR 2 P – Malachy Wilkinson
STAGE 2C – Paris Ludlow
STAGE 2H- Amelia Purnell
STAGE 2M- Imogen Sykes
MS F- Fynn Campbell
MS M- Brooke Saddler
MS S- Chloe Donald
MS W- Rose Malouf

GOOD SPORTS AWARD

INFANTS- Enya McCarthy
STAGE 2 - Clayton Porter
MIDDLE SCHOOL- Quinn Willis

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD

INFANTS –Dempsey Hammond, Sienna Smith
STAGE 2– Matthe Colnan, Evie Falkner
MIDDLE SCHOOL –
Thaine Foreman –Keenan
Sarah Littlewood

TECHNOLOGY AWARD

Grace Wolfe, Matthew Colnan, Charlotte Morosini.

PRINCIPAL AWARD

KM: Olivia Adams, Lilly Wolfe
KP: Charlile Toms
1D: Sophie Charman, Elsie Biles
1T: Noah Clark, Ashley Gray
2D: Cormack Flannery, Harrison Willis
St2H: Caleigh Kennedy, Travis Antonelli,
Tommy Littlewood, Vivien Koerner-Straub,
Olivia Newell
St2 M: Layla Anning, Patrick Gray
MS-M: Drew Clark, Kiara Woodward

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MOST IMPROVED

GOOD SPORTS AWARD

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD

TECHNOLOGY AWARD

PRINCIPAL AWARD
WEEK 9 AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER M - Lincoln Newell
KINDER P – Ned Rogers
YEAR 1 D - Evan Buch
YEAR 1 T – Finn Byrnes
YEAR 2 D – Jack Gracie
YEAR 2 P – Charles Warren
STAGE 2C - Mariah Owerling
STAGE2H- Caleigh Kennedy
STAGE2M- Layla Anning
MS F- Harrison Smith
MS M- Tarvah Nottle
MS S- Tallis Deale
MS W- Webb Lillis

MOST IMPROVED

KINDER M - Ava Price
KINDER P – Tylenah Mitchell
YEAR 1 D – Elsie Biles
YEAR 1 T – Renzo Walford
YEAR 2 D – Sienna Fleming
YEAR 2 P – Charlie Gibbons
STAGE2C – Lauchlan Andrew
STAGE2H- Olivia Newell
STAGE2M- Parick Wilkinson
MS F- Jada Langan-Keyte
MS M- Drew Clark
MS S- Josie Bruggy
MS W- Andrew Ridgway

GOOD SPORTS AWARD

INFANTS- Cooper Kennedy
STAGE 2 - Vance Madden
MIDDLE SCHOOL- Brock Youngblutt

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD

INFANTS –Olivia Adams
STAGE 2– Ivy Morton-Rowthorne
MIDDLE SCHOOL – Lucus Pearson

TECHNOLOGY AWARD

Hannah Millar, Joseph Warne, Thaine Foreman-Kennan

PRINCIPAL AWARD

KM: Jessica Minahan, Jessica Rees, Amanita Hoffman-Barnaby
KP: Enya McCarthy
1D: Milla Pearson, Indigo Barter
1T: Sophie Buchanan, Ebony Northeast, Ayla Fing.
2D: Sienna Fleming, Darcy Toms, Olivia Graham
2P: Max Morton-Rowthorne
St2 C: Grace Eady, Tiffany new, Evie Falkner
St2H: Zane Patience, Thomas Littlewood
St2 M: Ben Snellgrove, Chloe Hillcoat
MS-F: Alex Flannery, Caitlin Arthur, Keelen Dickinson
MS-M: Jai Kussrow, Georgia Buch
MS-W: Felicity Guinea
COMMUNITY NEWS

PEPPERS SALT RESORT & SPA – HOLIDAY OFFER
“Looking for somewhere to take the kids these school holidays? Peppers Salt Resort & Spa on the Tweed Coast is the perfect place to escape with the family. Book one of our modern 2 Bedroom Suites for only $236.00 per night including full buffet breakfast for 4 people, plus receive complimentary in-house movies and internet for the kids! Call 02 6674 7777 & quote “SHS” to receive this special rate. Valid 22nd June – 8th July 2012. Subject to availability and minimum night stay applies”.

Mathletics Awards

Mathletics Awards
11th June to 17th June
Silver Certificates
Madeleine Northeast, Ena Mitchell, Sophie Bird
Bronze Certificate
Jacob Pedlow, Tallis Deale, Matthew Colnan, Areana Twohill, Aidan McDonald, Andrew Ridgway,
Zane Burke, Cecilia Ryan, Anthea Warne, Ben Champley, Cassidy Baker, Vance Madden, Corey Grossman,
Matteo McDermott, Amelie Purnell, Angus Macfarlane, Ben Snellgrove, Codie Chung, Elise Lack, Hamish Purnell,
Genevieve Spencer, Neave Butler, Matilda Jones, Ivy Morton-Rowthorne, Nicholas Ratcliff,
18th June to 25th June
Silver Certificates
Fynn Campbell, Rose Malouf, Cecilia Ryan, Anthea Warne, Angus Macfarlane,
Bronze Certificate
Matteo McDermott, Madeleine Hill, Evie Falkner, Joseph Warne, Zackery Ryan, Jacob Pedlow,
Montana Taylor, Zane Burke, Cooper Leslight, Connor Pearson, Elise Lack, Indiana Nuspan

The BEGINNING EXPERIENCE: A personal encounter weekend for those who are grieving the loss of a spouse/partner through separation, divorce or death will be held from 17th -19th August, 2012 at “The Garden Inn Motel” in Wollongbar. It offers participants the opportunity to turn the pain of loss into growth. For further details call Judy 66241549, Jeanette 6687 7284 or Jim 0410 323843. Bookings essential. Website: www.belismore.org.au Email: be@lismore.catholic.org.au

Surfside Bus lines are presently conducting a program encouraging students that do not have a bus pass, to obtain one. If you are eligible, you travel FREE on their buses and this in turn helps both:
• the environment in less fuel emissions,
• mums and dads time,
• congestion at school entrances,
• buses run on time with less traffic congestion
Application forms are at the school office so fill one in and see if you are eligible. Surfside also state that if you have a bus pass, then you are also eligible to enter a future completion with a HUGE first prize!!! Details in the coming weeks.
PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Finally after 2 postponements we were blessed with beautiful weather for our Primary track events. Combining our cross country results, field events (thank you to the competitors for giving up their lunch times) and track, our age champions were:

- 8yr – Mariah Ouwerling & Patrick Gray
- 9yr – Grace Eady & Travis Antonelli
- 10yr – Melia Loveridge & Finn Whitney
- 11yr – Brooke Saddler & Brock Youngblutt
- Senior- Clara Withers & Webb Lillis

Our champion house, 3 years in a row, was Mackillop.

Well done to our new record holders - Patrick Gray – 8yr 100m, Brooke Saddler -11yr 100m & 200m and Isabelle Macfarlane – 12yr 100m

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
33 students represented Mt St Patrick in the Zone Athletic Carnival on Friday. It was a wonderful team as they all supported each other, tried their best and were extremely well behaved. Congratulations to everyone! Mt St Patrick was 3rd overall with Brooke Saddler being the 11year champion and Clara Withers the senior champion!

The relays were so exciting with 3 out of our 4 teams qualifying for the Diocesan Carnival. The following students qualified for the Zone team and will need to continue training! Clara and Brooke, Isabelle Macfarlane, Summer Clausen, Daniella Ouwerling, Chandelle Nassner, Hayley Smith, Melia Loveridge, Anthea Warne, Rose Malouf, Madeleine Hill, Tayal Slater, Macauley Wells, Finn Whitney, Angus Macfarlane, Quinn Willis, Jye Kane, Webb Lillis and David Macartney,

Mr Hay expressed a special thank you to Nikki Warne who officiated superbly at the long jump. Thank you also to all the parents who supported our team.

INFANTS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
A great day was had by all the infant students! They were so enthusiastic that they ran their own races during the recess break! Again thank you to the parent helpers as well as all the wonderful supporters in the cheer squad. A highlight was the parent / student races where so many parents were such good sports!

FOOTBALL
A wonderful result last Thursday for the Mt St Patrick football team defeating Mullumbimby in an exciting game. They now progress to the Round 3 next term. Many thanks to the parent drivers and especially Mr Forrester for his time in coaching and organising the team.

LIBRARY NEWS
Thank you to the following parent for their help with covering the new Library books.

Sandra Miller, Shylie Sykes & Maxine Ridgeway

Please remind your children to return all their Library books by this Thursday. Thank you

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