CANT MAKE THE MEETING
BUT WANT TO KNOW THE
DETAILS OF OUR
DISCUSSIONS???
The minutes of the Parent Forum
Meetings will be uploaded to the
Mt St Patrick Primary School Web
site. This will allow any parent
who would like to read up on
what was covered during our
meetings the opportunity to see
what we have covered at our
meetings – these minutes can be
used just prior to an upcoming
meeting so that attendees of the
meetings can confirm that the
records of the meetings minutes
taken are true & correct.

SOLAR PANELS
The Solar Panels have now been
installed & ‘ready & waiting’ for
use...
Previously, the plan was to install
the solar panels on the roof top of
the library however when the 2nd
fig tree was removed from the
play ground (as part of the
development program
underway), it was decided the
roof top of the kindergarten
building would be better suited to
the panels & as such they were
installed on that roof instead.
The Fluorescent light tubes
through the school have all been
replaced with energy efficient
tubes with all of the old tubes
ready for delivery to Larkins
Electric Light Shop, being the
nominated ‘drop off point’ for the

THE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL
CURRICULUM IS SET TO GET AN
OVERHAUL
For so many years, it has
caused no end of confusion –
in NSW, we do it differently
to QLD, who do it differently
to VIC. It seems that which
ever state you are in, it is
completely different – SO it
is with great excitement that
we now learn that the
Australian Curriculum is to
be given an overhaul so that
by 2012, we are all the
same, across the board.
Great news for families who
move from one state to
another ‘mid-year’ – there
will no longer be that
struggle with the different
school program (depending
on what state you are
coming from & going to) just
to name one advantage.
It will be interesting to see
just which state is
considered to have the best
system that all other states
are soon to ‘follow’!!!

MARY MACKILLOP
will soon be named Australia’s very
First Saint – she will be canonised
in October 2010.
Our children are learning a lot
about Mary Mackillop this term &
in line with her canonisation, the
school will be having a mufti day
near the end of term.
All children will be asked to wear
mufti (on a day yet to be confirmed)
& all children are asked to make a
gold coin donation on that
day – the money raised
on that day will go toward the
Josephite Sisters, of which Mary
Mackillop was a member.
Details of the Mufti day will follow
in the School Newsletters in due
course.

“MADSPORTS”
Providing our After
School Care Program
every single day of the
week.
Casual & Permanent
Spots available
## SUN SMART SCHOOL

We have received information from NSW Cancer Council re having our school recognised as a “Sun Smart School Body”

We already are ‘in part’ a sun smart school so there is not much more that we need to do.

We are waiting on the paperwork from the Cancer Council in order to establish what other ‘work’ our school needs to do to register as a Sun Smart school.

The Criteria includes:-
* Scheduling outdoor activities outside peak UV times.
* Minimise time in sun between 11 & 2
* Extend recess & shorten lunch.
* PE classes early in morning
* Assemblies out of the sun
* Use Sun protection when on school excursions
* Use shade when outdoors
* Clothing – sun smart
* Sun screen
* Hats

SLIP ~ SLOP ~ SLAP

## MONSTER RAFFLE

**Lots of Awesome prizes thanks to so many wonderful businesses in Murwillumbah, Tweed Hds & Further Afield.**

A lot of work has gone into securing the prizes for our raffle and we have some Amazing prizes to be ‘on the table’ to be won!!!

As we all know, a **Laptop is up for grabs for the family who sells the most raffle tickets & with the draw date fast approaching (Sept 3), let’s all get serious & SELL SELL SELL SELL!!!**

Remember we need parent volunteers to ‘man’ our ticket table in the Main Street for this **Friday 20th & Saturday 21st of August** – Any time YOU can give would be appreciated – call the office (6672 1822) to add your name to the roster.

## FAMILY PICNIC DAY

Our School is BIG on being community minded – and that goes further than just saying that we are...

SO, in **September**, we are aiming to organise a Family Picnic Day, to which ALL families of Mt St Patrick Primary School are invited to Attend.

The idea is simple – just set aside the day that we schedule it for & meet at the ‘booked’ site at the time set.

We are organising our get together to be held at a park so you simply need to Pack the picnic blanket, your own food, some balls (or other sorts of entertainment) for the children & “make a day of it” (or a few hours anyway).

More details will follow when we have secured the actual site – we are aiming for **mid September**, nearing the end of term 3.

This will be an excellent opportunity for all of us to get together for a casual, low key affair where the children can run around & have a ball and the parents can get to know new faces & catch up with some ‘old’ ones!!

ITS OFFICIAL…

Mr Laybutt is coming back – he has resigned his current position with full intention of ‘re-claiming his desk’ from Mr Ryan in 2011. Mrs Dowling will be returning to the Class room in term 4, for 4 days a week with one of our other quality teachers to be assigned to her class room for the 5th day each week.

Miss Theiring has been working...
| THANK YOU for your SUPPORT!!! | casual to date but will continue with her position in the school indefinitely |