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Week 10 Term 2 Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we farewell several members of the current St Patrick's staff team and announce our new staff members.

Goodbye



Thank you and blessings on your retirement to Mrs Pat Platts who in recent years has been our teacher librarian. Mrs Platts has worked at St Patrick's for 15 years and has held many roles and responsibilities including classroom teacher, Indonesian teacher and the numeracy improvement teacher.

Thank you and farewell to Mrs Mary Kite who has been part of the staff team for 17 years. Mrs Kite has shared her skills and talent in roles including classroom teaching, teacher librarian, classroom support teacher and Assistant Principal. We wish Mrs Kite well in her new role in the Bega community.

Thank you and farewell to Mrs Emma Kettle who has worked for the past 7 years at St Pat's. Mrs Kettle has been a part-time classroom teacher in the junior years during her time at our

school. We wish her well as she commences teaching in a school closer to her home.

Thank you and farewell to Mr Brendon Reynolds who joined our team for 2020. We trust the Reynold's family enjoy the move back to the Queensland sunshine. We thank Mrs Reid for undertaking the fulltime teaching role in 23R for next semester.

Welcome to the new staff commencing in Semester 2

Ms Sally Nicholas will undertake the position of Year 5/6K teacher.

Ms Michelle Dempsey will undertake the position of PDHPE teacher and Teacher Librarian.

Mrs Sofie Rodda will be the Friday teacher in KMc, Ms Kaye will continue as the Monday – Thursday teacher.

Mr John Rix will be the Aboriginal Education Worker (AEW) for 3 mornings per week, and we also welcome recent Lumen Christi students Brytan Aldridge & Hayleigh Lonesborough (who is also a past St Pat's student) to smaller support roles as AEWs.

Out and About at Playtime:





EMPOWERED

The students enjoyed the Empowered sessions this term although a bit tricky coming back from lockdown. Engaging with their Empowered buddies there was an opportunity to listen and share with someone they didn't know, for the younger students someone to look up to and for the older students an opportunity to show care. Moving through the process of LISTEN, FEEL, LET GO, HEAL and CELEBRATE the students were inspired to feel lighter through letting go of past hurts in order to shine brighter by feeling love and inner peace.

Certificates were given to each participant this term to honour the process they have experienced, the focus being on relationships. The last session comprised of the buddies making a "strength" wristband to which they are able to say their own personal strength mantra. May all the nine strategies that your children have learnt in Empowered set them up for "calm" in our ever changing world.

"The light in me knows the light in you is awesome.... so let it SHINE"

Alicia



May the holiday provide time for rest, relaxation, fun, family and may all remain in good health.

Blessings.

Jo

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

SCREEN FREE

activities for the HOLIDAYS

- Wash the car
- Make mud pies
- Paint with water
- Climb a tree
- Make bubbles
- Design a car that runs on chocolate
- Mess up your room then tidy it up
- Make dinner
- What else could you do.....

