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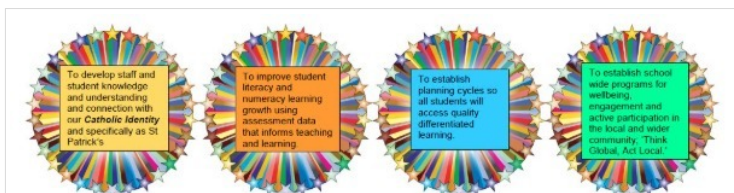
Week 7 Term 2 Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is progressing well with busy classrooms and learners. Each day we work toward achieving our goals for strong student literacy and numeracy growth, and for differentiated teaching and learning for all students. We are looking forward to the reporting process and parent teacher interviews at the end of term.

This is a visual representation of our Annual School Goals.



"With God all things are possible" Mark 19:26

Celebration of Learning in Week 10, on Tuesday 22nd June, we are planning a celebration and sharing of learning across the school. This event will be between 3.30 and 4.30pm. All classrooms will be open and your child will share with you aspects of their learning and some examples of their work in which they have taken great pride. **BOOK IT IN YOUR CALENDAR!**

InitialLit My visits to Kinder early this week were filled with joy and wonder as our Kinder students grow their capacity as readers. The implementation of the InitialLit K-2 synthetic phonic program is supporting strong literacy growth for our students.

MacqLit and Reading Tutor Mrs Guthrie and Mrs Tomlinson are busy each day implementing the Intensive Learning Support in English through the MacqLit and Reading Tutor programs. We are grateful to the additional funding that the government provided to ours and many schools for Covid recovery. We look forward to sharing the positive outcomes from this program.



Teaching and Learning Visitors this week

Religion on Monday and Tuesday we welcomed Lisa Mammoliti, Religious Education & Faith Formation Officer, from CE to work with our teachers on the Religious Education curriculum.

Mathematics today we welcomed Mr Chris Higgins, Senior Officer Teaching & Numeracy Specialist, from Catholic Education to work with our teachers on Mathematics curriculum and pedagogy. See more about this in Mrs Sheahan's news.

BehaveAbility We continue to support our students growth in behaviours for learning and engagement. Ian Luscombe visited to continue his support and observations on Monday and Tuesday. Ian was an active presence in the classrooms and playgrounds and his feedback to our school was very positive. Our students are working each day to demonstrate expected 'St Pat's kids behaviours.' Our brief morning assemblies help students settle for a day of learning. The out of class passes are being worn by all children who have permission to leave class. There is consistency of language of direction across the teaching team.



Thank you to the two parents who attended Ian's parent session to support their children's social growth. We hope you found the presentation helpful.

I look forward to seeing many families enjoying the disco this evening.



Blessings.

Jo

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

WET WEATHER AT ST PAT'S

It is so lovely to have rain in the Bega Valley but you may be wondering what happens during breaks when students cannot access the playground due to the rain.

Our Kinder, Year 1 and 2 students are able to play in the COLA and Library with teacher supervision. Students enjoy quiet games or reading in the library. Students are happy to skip, play handball, draw or play lego in the COLA. Our senior students have the opportunity to enjoy a movie quietly in a classroom, play board and card games in another room or participate in Just Dance. Students are supervised during the break times. Here are some photos;



Reporting Semester 1

Our teachers have begun reviewing each student's progress this Semester in all of the curriculum areas and are in the process of allotting an A to E grade. Apart from Kinder who have a different grade scaling.

Comments will not be included in Semester 1 reports, however parents/carers will have the opportunity to meet with teachers during Week 9 and 10 to discuss the report going home and their child's progress throughout the semester.

Parents/carers may book in via the **School Interviews** site from this Friday afternoon 4/6 (Code/details to be on Skoolbag) for a 10 minute interview to be conducted in Week 9 and 10.

Parents/carers can elect to have a face to face or phone conversations with teachers.

Booking will stay open for a week. Reports will go home to parents/carers on Monday June 21st.

Parent Class Contacts

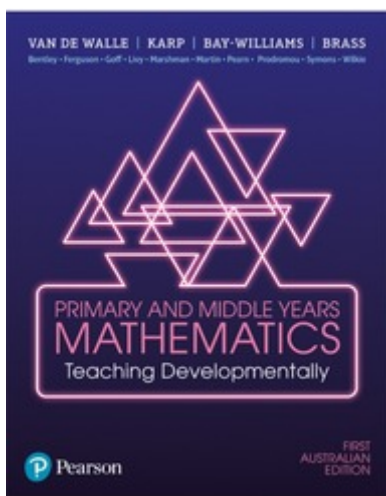
As part of our endeavour to promote communication between home and school, build community spirit and to assist new families joining our school community, at least one Parent Contact is assigned to each class group.

During Term 3 and 4 the Parent Contact/s will coordinate a class social event for families to get together out of school and do something fun. The Parent Contact will support the welcoming of new families throughout the year, assisting them in getting to know other families and to feel part of the school community. This is another means of uniting the school and enhancing the quality of relationships within the school between teachers, parents/ carers and the students. We thank the parents who have volunteered for this role. We have representatives in all classes except 1/2F, 1/2M and 5/6C. Please contact the school if you would like to assist. All parent class contacts are required to complete a Volunteer Induction Session with the Assistant Principal and have a Working With Children Check done.

Chris Higgins (Mathematics Specialist from Catholic Education) visit

Today our Year 3-6 students will be working alongside Chris Higgins to build their capacity in implementing mathematics programs that are aligned with the NSW curriculum, challenging for all students and based on current research into the teaching and learning of Mathematics. Our Mathematics teaching programs are aligned with our school agreed practice and

enriched through the text "Primary and Middle Years Mathematics" by Van De Walle.



FROM THE REC AND CLASSROOM SUPPORT TEACHER

Upcoming events & dates

2nd Family Mass & Formation 4:30pm- 6pm Sunday 6th June

Chapel Mass 3/4R - 9:15am Friday 11th June

Student Retreat Day: Tuesday 15th June, Pambula Surf Club

Confirmation Mass: 6pm Thursday 17th June, Bega Church

Out in the Cold: 3:30-8:00pm Friday 18th June, St Pat's Cola

Thanksgiving Mass: 9:30am Sunday 20th June, Bega Church

Out in The Cold

Our Out in the Cold event will be held on Friday 18th June. The afternoon will begin at 3:30pm with guest speakers and activities. The event's aim is to raise awareness about homelessness. Students are asked to bring along cans of soup or a blanket to donate.

After our guest speakers finish we will have a lite dinner and more activities. Students will be collected by 8pm - you do not need to stay for the whole afternoon/evening.

Vinnies Winter Appeal



Strength and support
Your support helps dedicated volunteers to work with people living in poverty, and provide assistance when life is tough.



Clothing and essentials
Together we can provide basic essentials such as blankets, clothes and toiletries to resolve dignity in times of need.



Food in tough times
Your donation can provide money for groceries, reducing hunger and removing a major stress for families.



Help when bills are due
You can help us provide financial support with household expenses to families who are struggling to make ends meet.



A place to rest and recoup
Your donation enables us to help people like Jenny and her family find a safe place to sleep when they have nowhere else to go.

LIVES CAN CHANGE WHEN YOU CHOOSE TO HELP. PLEASE MAKE A DONATION TODAY.

Religious Education

This week Lisa Mammoliti visited from Catholic Education to support teachers to collaboratively plan our Term 3 Religious Education Units. Our concept for next term is Social Justice which will include the celebration of Mission Month in October.

This also included visits to classrooms to see their prayer spaces.



Camp Quality Puppet Show

Today the Camp Quality Team presented one of their new puppet shows to selected classes.

Blake - "The puppet show got me thinking a lot and was easy to relate to".



ZEST

When we are full of zest from a character strength understanding we have;

“...lots of ENERGY and ENTHUSIASM for things. Getting excited by things and looking to get the most out of life.”

We all know people like this because when we need a boost we seek this energy out. These people tend to be recharging themselves constantly in order to keep their energy high. So what is the secret to building up this character strength of Zest? It has something to do I believe in making time to do the things you enjoy. It may be going for a walk, dancing around the lounge room or simply reading a book. YOU are number ONE so the more you invest in you the faster and more efficient your energy will flow. Try it.

Challenge: Take time for YOU this weekend and nourish yourself.

PEER MEDIATION

The peer mediators this week showed courage as they took on a leadership role in the junior playground. Congratulations for acknowledging your fear and doing your Peer Mediation role to the best of your ability.



EMPOWERED

Each week the students are introduced to four new character strengths. This week ZEST has been highlighted. The students have been invited to share the activities that energise them and the activities they take their energy. An interesting discussion.

Book Fair Colouring Winners

Kinder- Thea CC and Jackson

1/2 - Sophia and Nathan

2/3 - Charlotte

3/4 - Rory, Abbie M, Mitchael & Eleanor

5/6 - Ivy and Mitchell

Each winner was awarded with a \$10 book fair Voucher.



St Pat's BOOK FAIR

St Pat's students are very excited to have the Book Fair at our school and are developing a Wish list of the books they would love to read. Parents/carers are welcome to visit and purchase at the Book Fair with their child/children on the dates/times listed below. Students are welcome to purchase during library time next Wednesday or Thursday. To ensure we are following COVID requirements please sign in at the Front Office before going to the library. Eftpos is available.

Wednesday 9th June 8.30-8.55am and 3.15-4.00pm

Thursday 10th June 3.15-4.00pm

COMMUNITY NEWS



Up coming events over the next school holidays.

https://stpatsbega.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2060/what_on_in_july_for_children.pdf

WEEK 6 ANSWER:

Stairs

WEEK 7:

Clue: It is a letter.

This is an unusual paragraph. I'm curious as to just how quickly you can find out what is so unusual about it. It looks so ordinary and plain that you would think nothing was wrong with it. In fact, nothing is wrong with it! It is highly unusual though. Study it and think about it, but you still may not find anything odd. But if you work at it a bit, you might find out. Try to do so without any coaching!