

Concern

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St Patrick's School Vision Statement

St Patrick's Catholic School in Katanning aims to emulate Jesus through its motto of Concern by engaging children, teachers, parents, community and the parish to work together in a supportive and happy environment. Our school acknowledges parents as the primary educators of their children, and aims to further develop each child intellectually, emotionally, physically, socially and spiritually, creating lifelong learners who have the ability to draw upon processes and skills, to cope with future technologies in a changing society. Our school strives to be accepting of multicultural and individual differences. It acknowledges the rights of children to be safe and values them through pastoral care.



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our Faction Carnival last Friday was a great success. We were lucky to have some sunshine bless us after lunch to warm things up for our swimmers. Congratulations to Gibney for winning the carnival. It has been a long time since Gibney have taken off the trophy. It was very close at the end with Prendiville coming in second by just two points. Our swimmers should be very proud of the way in which they participated, displaying great sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to Miss Emma Ackland for her preparation of the carnival and to all the staff and parent volunteers for supporting her and allowing the day to run smoothly. We have the Interschool carnival today and no doubt our swimmers will give their very best in the pool.

Our Parents and Friends Association have their school Fun Run being held in Term Two on Friday 19th May from 11.00 – 12.30. Information for the Fun Run will going to children this week. It is a wonderful opportunity to support the P&F with raising money for the school. Funds raised will be used to



commence our Nature Play area in the school. Students who have relatives in other parts of the country and around the world, will be able to utilise the online fund raising option. Relatives can login and donate funds to your child through the safe online account. It is an exciting opportunity to participate in a healthy, student centred fund raising opportunity, which in turn, can bring in all family members from around Australia and from around the world to support our school.

Congratulations to Fr. Francis our parish priest, who will be celebrating the 6th Anniversary of his Ordination to Priesthood on Thursday 30th March. Fr. Francis has been a fantastic supporter of our school and has built on the important links that St Patrick's School has with our parish community. Please keep Fr. Francis in your prayers for the hard work that he does in our school and parish.



A reminder to our families that we have our Messy Play Day on Wednesday 5th in our Kindy Pre-Primary area from 9.30 – 11.30 am. It is for 0-4 year olds and their families. There will be finger painting, play dough and glitter activities to get messy with. Morning tea and fruit will be provided for the children and families that attend.

Good luck to all of our football teams, I am praying for a better season for my Tigers!

Have a relaxing weekend,
Peace to you and your family,

Christopher Smith
Principal



From the AP's Desk...

GRIP Leadership Conference

Last Tuesday Mrs Holmes and myself accompanied the year six students to the GRIP leadership conference in Albany. We shared our travel with Katanning Primary School and both groups of year six students were a pleasure to spend the day with. They learnt so much about leadership through games and activities and returned to school with tools to turn their ideas into actions. So standby I am sure you will see evidence of this in the not to distant future!



HASS Incursion: Civics and Citizenship.

Last Thursday the year 2 -6 students attended a variety of sessions related to Civics and Citizenship. The year two and three children attended "Prejudice in Parksville," an engaging story about living in harmony. The year four students covered Rules and Laws. The year five and sixes covered Government; the three levels, how a bill becomes a law and voting; and why it is important. It was a great day of learning.



Good Luck Swimmers!

Today our students will be competing in the KISA Swimming Carnival. All the best to our St Patrick's School Swim team!! Go St Pat's!!

Stations of the Cross:

Please join us for The Stations of the Cross Adoration on Thursday 6th April at 11:00 am.

Bethshan Performance: Thursday 30th March 2:00pm. A note went home yesterday please return the permission slip ASAP. Thank you

God Bless

Debra Bearcroft

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Please join us at this week's Friday afternoon assembly at 2.30pm.
Congratulations to this week's award winners...

Karley D'Souza, Sam Poett, Sharie Oclarit, Oliver Bloomer
Mae Angel Viffaflor, Kobi Warren



Happy Birthday to everyone who is celebrating a birthday this week ...

Lucas Schiano di Cola, Callie Hamon,

Absentee Notes: It is a requirement by the government for parents to notify the school of a child's absence from school. Please ensure a written note is handed to the classroom teacher the day the child resumes school or an absentee notification can be completed online at www.stpatskatanning.wa.edu.au
Please also keep our office updated with address details and contact numbers should any of these details change.



Please note the school has a new biller code - 100222

Please make sure your banking records are updated.

The old biller code will be discontinued at the end of Term 1

(all other details remain the same)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 3 rd April	Interim Reports Issued
Tuesday 4 th April	School Board Induction
Thursday 6 th April	Stations of the Cross
Friday 7 th April	Term 1 concludes 3.20pm
Sunday 9 th April	Palm Sunday Mass 10.30
Thursday 13 th April	Holy Thursday
Friday 14 th April	Good Friday
Sunday 16 th April	Easter Sunday

TERM 2

Monday 24 th April	Catholic Day
Tuesday 25 th April	ANZAC Day
Wednesday 26 th April	Pupil Free Day – Staff Only
Thursday 27 th April	Term 2 Commences for all students.

Canteen Term 2
Volunteer Forms due back this Friday!

Project Compassion 2017

Please return Project Compassion Boxes to the school by Friday 7th April



WINTER UNIFORM – Term 2 & 3

Girls Winter Uniform

Royal Blue Pinafore, with pale blue long sleeved blouse. Royal Blue Tie. Royal Blue Jumper
Navy blue tights or white socks, with black leather school shoes lace up or buckle style.

Boys Winter Grey long-sleeved with School Crest. Royal Blue Tie. Royal Blue Jumper. Grey mélange trousers
Grey ankle socks with royal blue and gold stripes. Black leather lace up school shoes.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

The uniform shop will open fortnightly on a Thursday morning 8.30am to 9.30am, starting next week.

(Check term planner for opening days)

If you can't get into the shop during this time, please feel free to send your order to Karen or Shan or Helen in the front office. Orders will be filled weekly.

Karen Watson – 0407 729 880

csukie@westnet.com.au

Shannon Beeck - 0428217728

shanbeeck@gmail.com

St Patrick's P & F are having a Fun Run!! ... great prizes for kids ...

Info packs being sent home this week!

If you have any queries please contact Shannon Beeck, P&F President.



LEAD - Defining our Strategic Direction

Learning - Learning independence is a vital part of the growth of a child. In Pre Primary, our children are encouraged to think for themselves, and learn how to take care of their own possessions. Being given responsibility for achievable tasks helps them to feel important and grown-up. There is something very rewarding about witnessing the moment that a child works out "I can do it myself". I have been lucky enough to witness the growth in independence of the current Pre Primary class, since they began kindergarten in 2016. These little cherubs have unknowingly enriched my learning experience as much as their own, and they are living proof of the joy that learning can bring. *Mrs Pontillo.*

Engagement - In kindy in the last week we have been engaged in lots of activities about Australian animals which has been lots of fun, whilst learning about colours. Please come check out the kindy classroom and see our wonderful display of our animals. See if you can find these animals around the classroom: yellow snake, pink galah, white kookaburra, brown wombat, orange kangaroo, red back spider and blue tongue lizard. *Mrs Willey.*

Accountability - Responsibility equals accountability equals ownership. A sense of ownership is the most powerful tool we can have. *Mrs Robinson.*

Discipleship - During Religion this term students in Year 1 have been focusing on our St Patrick's school values. The values we have covered so far include Belonging, Mastery and Independence. It is wonderful to hear the discussion produced during these lessons. *Miss Ackland.*

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Celebrate Mass with Fr Francis Constantino
Sunday 2nd April at 10.30am
Altar Servers: Volunteers required.

Lazarus Lives

THE WORD

Mary and Martha sent for Jesus, because their brother Lazarus was dying. When Jesus arrived, Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days and many had come to comfort them. Jesus wept for he loved Lazarus. Then Jesus told them to open the tomb. He said in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!", and the dead man appeared with the grave cloths still on his body.

LOOK CLOSER

Jesus asks: "Do you believe that I give you eternal life?" The Catholic faith has always had a strong conviction about heaven. It's one of the reasons why we have so many saints: people who help us to live with a daily awareness of the reality of heaven.

*Lord, we pray for all our
beloved family who have
died and now live with you.
Amen.*



★ St Patrick's Sport Stars ★

Thank you to the staff, students and parent helpers who participated in the 2017 Faction swimming carnival. It was a great day full of sportsmanship, determination and cheering. The overall results which saw just a two point difference, highlights the fact that every point counts for your faction. I'm so proud of all of our swimmers that braved the cold and got in the pool and had a go! Congratulations to all of our champion swimmers and good luck to those students participating in the Inter School carnival today.



Champion Swimmers:

Boys 8y.o

- Champion: Fletcher Ball
- Runner up: Zacheus Ndong'a

Girls 8y.o

- Champion: Emily Davies
- Runner up: Pagen McKinley

Boys 9y.o

- Champion: Alby Kowald
- Runner up: Thomas Hamon

Girls 9y.o

- Champion: Leah Edwards
- Runner up: Kimberley Dowling

Boys 10y.o

- Champion: James Shackley
- Runner up: Samuel Beck

Girls 10y.o

- Champion: Maddison Garrity
- Runner up: Chayse Thomas

Boys 11y.o

- Champion: Jed Kowald
- Runner up: Jonty Bolto

Girls 11y.o

- Champion: Mia Hamon
- Runner up: Tiffany Butterworth

Boys 12y.o

- Champion: Wesley Farmer
- Runner up: Phillip Gayton

Girls 12y.o

- Champion: Emilie Willey

Overall Results:

Gibney: 382
Prendiville: 380
McLeod: 335



Community Notices



KNA Development

KNA Development Netball Training will commence on Wednesday the 26th of April from 4pm to 5pm, at the KLC. Development Training is offered to all players in school years 5-10 and is a great way to further improve your netball skills. It also gives players the opportunity to represent KNA via trialling for Association Championships and the Great Southern Carnival. Come along and join in the fun.



Katanning Auskick

Season commences on Saturday 29th April 9am at Quartermaine Oval. Auskick is for boys and girls from K- Year 3. Fixtures will be distributed at the first session.

Register and pay online at www.aflauskick.com.au cost \$65.

If your child is eligible for KIDSPORT funding please apply online at www.dsr.wa.gov.au/clubs/kidsport Once approved enter your kidsport code when registering on the Auskick site.

Keep informed with the latest news on facebook - join "Katanning Junior Football"

Enquiries: Sheldon Kowald 0427 211167 Tim Fitzgerald 0439 555089

Under 13's Football

Training Wednesdays - starting 5th April

5-6pm at Quartermaine Oval

No training over the holidays -recommence on 26th April.

Games will be Saturday mornings at 9am at Quartermaine Oval, beginning on 29th April.

Enquiries to Sheldon Kowald 0427211167



St Patrick's School Katanning

A SMART START GREAT SOUTHERN MESSY PLAY DAY

bubbles : goo : slime : jelly : spaghetti

join us for a fabulously messy, squishy, mucky morning of fun & games

WHERE: St Patrick's Kindy Room

WHEN: April 5th @ 9.30 - 11.30 am

WHO: **all 0 - 4 year olds** and their families!



includes a yummy morning tea and fresh fruit for hungry kiddies to share

glitter
finger painting

playdough
cloud sand

please contact **Chrissy** on 9821 6259 or asmartstart_gs1@outlook.com for more info

