

## Activity Club

### Blue Earth Activities with Mr Smith



## 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,

This week our Year Four – Six students will be taking part in the Kojonup Speech and Drama Festival. It is an opportunity for our students to shine in the area of performance and public speaking. The students have been working hard to practise their poems, readings and choral speaking. Ms Bearcroft has provided after school drama workshops for the students to refine their skills. The Speech and Drama festival involves cross curricular activities to support literacy and skills in the Arts. We wish all our participants the very best for their performances.

Last Friday, our school participated in the Interschool Cross Country carnival. I would like to congratulate all of our runners on the superb effort that they put into running for our school. St Patrick's finished second, which is an improvement on last year's result. Our runners were supported by Miss Ackland and staff at school with extra training in the mornings. This has really helped to improve their stamina over the long distances. We received so much feedback about the outstanding sportsmanship demonstrated by our athletes. It is a credit to our school, that other schools are recognising the good work of our staff and students.



On Thursday, we will be celebrating Our Lady of the Sisters of the Mission (Bushies Day). The Congregation of Our Lady of the Missions was founded in Lyons, France, by Euphrasie Barbier on 25 December 1861. Euphrasie sent sisters to mission in New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific Isles. Not content with sending her sisters to the ends of the earth, she set out as soon as possible to visit them, enduring long sea voyages, sickness and shipwrecks. The sisters' motto was apparent to all their students who often scribed 'AMDG' on the top of their pages. The abbreviation of Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (for the greater glory of

God)), meaning to strive to give God more glory by always doing what is more pleasing to him.

Our multi-purpose room will be set up like an old classroom with desks and books kindly borrowed from the Katanning Museum with the support of Gerri Watson. The students will not be using technology on OLSM Day and we will be playing many old fashioned games in the undercover area. We will have a liturgy to celebrate the Sisters of the Mission on the grotto lawn commencing at 9.00 am.

Our vegetable garden is near completion. Mr Richardson has done a super job in completing the vegie patch so quickly.



Peace to you and your family,  
Mr. Christopher Smith  
Principal

### Our St Patrick's Family



Please keep Fr. Francis, our parish priest, in your prayers. Fr. Francis was involved in a serious car accident on Saturday night while returning from Tambellup. Thankfully, he is okay and has avoided serious injury. He is very sore and will need much support during his rehabilitation. It is an ominous reminder to drive safely on our country roads.



# From the AP's Desk

Welcome back after a lovely long weekend. The weather was absolutely beautiful and the students certainly had a wonderful time with their families, be it at sporting carnivals or camping. The staff also made the most of the short break, and in between writing reports, they too made the most of the sunshine.

## Notes Home and Permission Slips:

**Parents please be aware it is a legal requirement that written permission be given for children to leave the school grounds for events. CEWA (Catholic Education WA) have recently advised that verbal permission is not sufficient. Therefore, the courtesy calls from Mrs Robinson will no longer meet requirements, instead you will be sent an SMS advising you that you need to come in and sign the form. Please be aware we are legally compromised if we take your child off school grounds without written permission and we can no longer do this.**

## Kojonup Speech and Drama Festival

The year four to six students travelled to Kojonup today for the Speech and Drama Festival, 2017. The students presented poetry and prose both as solo performers and in choral groups. They did St Patrick's School proud! They were beautifully dressed in their full winter uniforms and performed with confidence and poise. Each and every student did their very best and are to be congratulated.

## OSLM / Bushies Day:

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June** is the day we celebrate the founders of St Patrick's School; Our Lady of the Sisters of the Missions. **The children are encouraged to dress in "olden day" or "bushies" style clothing.** Our day will begin with a Paraliturg at 9:00am. The students will have the opportunity to have a "lesson" in an olden day styled classroom. The multi-purpose room will be styled with old fashioned desks, abacus, copy books and quill pens. The children will have the opportunity to read from "olden days" readers and practise their writing using quill and complete mathematics with an abacus. Absolutely NO technology of course!! Special thanks to Gerry Watson and Ainslie Evans from the Historical Society for their support. Over the day the students will hopefully develop some awareness of the amazing women that brought Catholic Education to the children of Katanning and beyond.

## Kodja Place Excursion:

The excursion to Kodja Place will take place over two Thursdays, half the school will attend on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June** and the other half **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of June**. This excursion incorporates two important areas of the Australian Curriculum; Aboriginal Studies and History.

**Notes have been sent home and need to be signed and returned to school ASAP.**

## Sacramental Information Night & Commitment Mass

Father Francis will be holding a general Sacramental information evening on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** at 6:30pm, in the school library. This meeting is an important first step for you as a parent of a child wishing to receive a Sacrament this year. To that end, **it is a compulsory meeting**. Should you be unable to attend please make an appointment to meet with Fr Francis privately.

A Commitment Mass for **ALL** Sacramental students and their families will be held on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> of June at 10:30am** St Patrick's Church. This is an opportunity for our Sacramental candidates to publicly demonstrate their desire to receive the Sacrament and ask the Parish community to pray for them. This is an important step in the preparation for receiving the Sacrament and it is *extremely important* that all Sacramental Candidates attend. Please see Father Francis, if you are unable to attend and arrange to meet with him at an alternative time.

God Bless

Debra Bearcroft

Assistant Principal

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**PRE PRIMARY LITTLE  
LADY BUG.....**

**MILA CRANE**



**Please join us at this week's Friday afternoon assembly at 2.30pm.**

**Congratulations to this week's award winners...**

Adam Edwards, Lewis Anderson, Chace Campbell, William Collis,  
Tane Kingi, Ruby Rae, Xavier Smith, Montanna Campbell, Noah D'Aprile.

**Sports Award.... Adam Edwards**

**Extra Math award winners....**Jed Kowald, Mia Hamon, Ella Main,  
Abdullah Ahmad, Alyssa Cutler, Devon McKinley.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Uniform shop open OSLM – Day
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Family Mass
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	School Board Meeting 6pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Pre Primary Paraliturg
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Class Mass
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Kodja Place Excursion –Kindy to Yr 2
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Squash Clinic Year 1-6
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Information Meeting all Sacraments
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Kodja Place Excursion – Yr3 to Yr6 Uniform shop open
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Winter Carnival Year
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Commitment Mass for all Sacraments
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Reports Issued
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	NAIDOC Year 4 Paraliturg
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Assesmbly Term 2 Concludes at 3.20pm

**Homework Classes with Mrs  
Holmes are available for  
students from Years 3 to 6  
in the year 6 classroom**

**Tuesday 3.20pm – 4.00pm**

**Year 6 Camp Fundraiser 2017**



All orders are due to the front  
office by ASAP! with money  
included.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

**Wood Raffle at Woolworths &  
Sausage Sizzle at the  
Farmers Market**

***Next week's activity will be.....  
Cake Creations with Mrs Pontillo on  
Wednesday in the Multipurpose Room!***

**Activity Club**

**2018 Enrolments are now open!**

St Patrick's School is now calling for enrolments for Kindergarten and Pre Primary to Year 6 in 2018. Interested parents should contact the school for enrolment forms. Closing date for applications is **Friday 23rd June 2017.**

Kindergarten forms part of St Patrick's School, and as a Catholic school, will support the development of the individual, through providing many varied play and learning opportunities, including the Religious Education programme.

The Kindergarten programme will challenge and enrich a child's thinking, nurture their creativity and expand their view of their own physical world.

The Kindergarten operates from a purpose built early childhood centre, with excellent facilities and equipment. An Early Childhood trained Teacher, together with a Teacher's Assistant, implements the Kindergarten Programme. A specialised programme operates in Oral Language and Fundamental Movement skills.

All children who are born between **1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014** are eligible to be enrolled.

### 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](mailto:csukie@westnet.com.au)

Shannon Beeck - 0428217728

[shanbeeck@gmail.com](mailto:shanbeeck@gmail.com)

**OPEN:  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>  
June**

### **No Canteen**

**The canteen will not be open on the following dates –**

**Please use the  
current winter  
menu**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Winter Carnival**

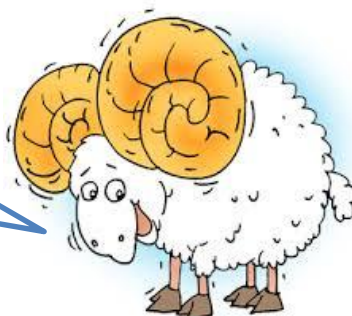
## **RAM SALE 2017**

**Thursday 17th & Friday 18th August**  
including Thursday night sundowner.

**P&F major fundraiser for the year.**

**2017 Committee contact:**  
**Tania Edwards 0438738680,**  
**Katherine Anderson, Emma McKinley, Paula Bolto**

**SAVE  
THE  
DATES!!**



## LEAD - Defining our Strategic Direction

Learning: When we are thinking about learning, our minds tend to focus mostly on the curriculum subject areas- Maths, English, Science, etc. Learning is much more than that. There are so many elements that make up our learning journey. In Year 3, we have been doing a lot of work on social and emotional learning, focusing on how to work cooperatively and collaboratively. We have been playing team building games, and discussing the importance of working together. By doing this, we are learning new life skills every day, which is so important. *Miss Lilleyman.*

Engagement: We have recently joined the year 5 and 6 classes in what we have coined 'Chocolate maths'. The eagerness of the students before, during and after these short rotations is fabulous to see. They are engaged for the full duration of the rotations and come into class with their minds switched to thinking mathematically. *Miss Anderson.*

Accountability: In Year 5 we have been trialling some flexible seating in our classroom. During the day, students get the opportunity to choose where they would like to complete their work and who they would like to work with. They can choose to work independently, with a partner or small group in different areas of the room such as the back desks, front mat or in the hall. The students are accountable for their own learning as they make a choice about where they would work best and who they would work productively with. It has been wonderful to see some mature choices being made in our classroom. *Miss Anderton.*

Discipleship: While at the interschool cross country on Friday, I was privileged to see the children display good sportsmanship, while competing and trying their hardest and encouraging others. One of our senior students showed what discipleship looked like by encouraging a fellow competitor who was finding it difficult, he called to this boy saying "come on mate, you can do it" this boy displayed leadership and discipleship. The way Jesus intended us to be. *Mrs Poett.*

### **ST PATRICK'S CHURCH**

Celebrate The Year Four Family Mass on  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am  
Altar Servers: Jesse and Lucas Schiano



## THREE IN ONE

### THE WORD

Jesus said, "For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but to be its saviour."

### LOOK CLOSER

**God is Love.** The simple and profound truth at the heart of Trinity Sunday is that 'God is Love'. God is three persons in a relationship of perfect unity. In our individualistic society, the Trinity calls us to ask not, 'Who am I?' but rather 'Whose am I? To whom do I belong?' Through our relationships of love, we discover God.

God, we praise  
you: Father all  
powerful, Christ  
our Lord and  
saviour, Spirit of Love.  
You call us to share  
in your life and love;  
One God, three Persons.  
Amen.

# ★ St Patrick's Sport Stars ★

Last Friday I had the pleasure of taking a handful of students to the 2017 Interschool Cross Country Carnival. To make the Interschool team is a great achievement and the students that ran should be very proud of themselves. We had ten of our students receive medals this year with two students setting new records for their age group. Thank you to all of the teachers that came along and helped, as well as all of the parents that came and supported our students.

## Overall results:

1<sup>st</sup> - Braeside Primary School (410)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - St Patrick's School (357)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Katanning Primary School (345)



*Miss Ackland*



## Results:

**8 y.o Boys**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Fletcher Ball  
**9 y.o Boys**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Alby Kowald (NR 6.19.91)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Harry Harris  
**10 y.o Boys**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - James Shackley  
**10 y.o Girls**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Noelle Smith  
**11 y.o Boys**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Jed Kowald (NR 7.46.97)  
**11 y.o Girls**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Tiffany Butterworth  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ruby Rae  
**12 y.o Girls**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Montanna Campbell  
**12 y.o Boys**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Phillip Gayton

## Community Notices



**Price: \$65.00 per participant**  
**Age 6-12 mixed**

Date: Tuesday 13 June  
 Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Where: Katanning Recreation Centre  
**REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!**

For any further questions please contact  
 Megan at [megan@wildcats.com.au](mailto:megan@wildcats.com.au) or call (08) 6272 0777

## *Friday Night Rollerblading*

**When:** 5th May, 19th

May, 9th June &  
 23rd June

**Where:** KLC

**Time:** 6:00pm-8:00pm

**Cost:** \$4.40 Junior

\$5.50 Senior

\$2.50 hire of skates



Don't miss out!



**Everyone is invited**



# THE KATANNING GYMNASTICS CLUB

**REGISTRATION DAY**  
**27TH JUNE**  
**4.30 - 5.30 PM**  
**KATANNING LEISURE CENTRE**

**SIGN ME UP!**

**CLASSES START TUESDAY 18th JULY**

- Fun-4-Under-5's: 4 - 4.45 PM
- BADGE LEVELS 0 & 1: 4.00 - 5.00 PM
- BADGE LEVELS 2 - 4+: 5.15 - 6.15 PM

All classes conducted by Gymnastics Australia accredited coaches



For more information:  
Lisa Blacklow 0437 380 990  
katanninggymnasticsclub@gmail.com



**Gymnastics**  
Western Australia

## Colds

Upper respiratory tract infections or colds are everywhere, especially in winter, so it is almost impossible to stop children from catching them. Here are some points which may help:

- Teach your child to cough or sneeze into his/her elbow, and to wash hands straight afterwards.
- Hands should be washed after blowing noses and before eating.
- Use tissues once and then throw them in the bin. (Avoid using handkerchiefs.)
- Keep your child home from school if he/she has a cold/cough/fever/pain.
- Make sure that your children eat a balanced diet of plenty of healthy foods.
- Keep children away from smoke – it irritates their eyes and nasal passages, making it more likely that they will catch a cold.

## What to do if your child gets a cold

No treatment will cure a cold or make it go away more quickly, but you can help your child feel more comfortable:

- **Rest:** This need not be in bed.
- **Provide extra drinks:** If your child doesn't want to drink much, try giving lots of small sips of water, milk or juice, or ice blocks to suck for older children.

