Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new school term. Our teaching team is thoroughly looking forward to another productive term of learning stimulated by student engagement and parent collaboration.

Parent/teacher partnerships – Thank you to those parents who were invited and subsequently attended the parent/teacher interviews at the end of last term. These meetings serve as an extra avenue of communication that help both parties get a clearer picture of what is being worked on and what might need further support at home. As always, if ever you have any concerns or queries you are encouraged to make contact with your child’s class teacher.

Happy Campers—Yesterday some bleary eyed parents (and grandparents) said farewell to some very excited Year 5/6 students as they disembarked on their journey to Tallebudgera for the annual school camp. The camp held each year focuses on developing resilience, independence and subsequently, their leadership capacity. We wish them a safe and happy camp and look forward to greeting them on their return.

Homework Support – As stated in our school’s, ‘Parent Handbook’, homework provides students with opportunities for revision and practice of work covered in class and encourages the development of organizational skills towards independence. In situations where unforeseeable circumstances prevent this from occurring a simple note to the teacher is all that is required stating the reason. Where difficulties arise in completing homework, children should be encouraged to seek out the teacher themselves and communicate where support is required. It is natural for students to perhaps be a little anxious around asking these questions of their teachers. Talking them through how they are going to do this and role playing this with them helps to develop effective communication strategies. Following up with your child/teacher to see if concerns are being communicated, encourages your child to be responsible. If you have any concerns about homework or are unclear about the expectations, please see your child’s teacher.

God Bless

Tyronne Maher
Principal

“How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.” — A.A Milne – ‘Winnie the Pooh’

This week our thoughts and prayers go out to the Higgins family.
Assembly Roster
Term 3 Friday’s 8.45am

- Week 1: Outside Assembly
- Week 2: Leaders
- Week 3: Leaders
- Week 4: Whole School - Y.C.D.I Getting Along
- Week 5: Leaders
- Week 6: Whole School - Remembrance Day Liturgy
- Week 7: Leaders
- Week 8: Whole School - Y.C.D.I Resilience
- Week 9: Christmas Liturgy

Happy Birthday for this week to:
- Cody Climpson,
- Sarah Brown and
- George Nott

School News

Prep Orientation Morning – This morning our prospective 2017 prep students enjoyed a morning of classroom fun with Mrs Geyle and Mrs Pitstock. The next prep orientation morning will be on the 20th October from 9 until 11:15am.

Welcome - This week we welcomed the Ekerick Family to our school community. Douglas joined our Prep students for his first day on Tuesday and is being made feel very welcome by his classmates. Welcome Douglas!

What a bottler! - as preparations ramp up for the Parish School Fete we, as is the normal practice, are asking for students to begin bringing in their bottles for the bottle stall. Each bottle is to contain a prize. Please make sure items are not out of date and that you are taking into account the ‘peanut aware’ status of our school when selecting prizes. Soft drinks are not to be included as prizes this year. There will be a competition running between the classes to see who can provide the most bottles for the ‘bottle stall’.

Cake Stall— Next week a disposable plate will be sent home with the children. Parents are asked to provide, cakes, slices or biscuits for the cake stall. Your contributions are very much appreciated.

Early Years Play Date – Our next early years play date will be next Tuesday the 11th October. With the warmer weather now with us, children will be able to play in the playground. All under 5’s and their parents are welcome to attend.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
AWARDS Term 3 Week 10

Talga —
Logan Schelback for perservering to find answers and complete tasks.

Cunningham —
Jenna Mutch, Axil Mathie, McKinley Keogh and Archie Brown for wonderful work in literacy. Students of Cunningham for working so well for Mrs Wright.

Dalrymple —
Students of Dalrymple for excellent learning during Term 3.

Glengallan —
Emily Jones for maturity shown when representing the school.

Mary MacKillop Award - Trustworthy
Riley Burton and Felicity Nolan
Mr. Paul Morris is co-ordinating the fete BBQ and is looking for volunteers to assist with preparation, cooking, serving and cleaning up. Please complete and return to school the volunteers sheet if you are able to help on the night. Thank you to the parents who have returned their forms and volunteered for a time slot.

Art Union Raffle Tickets were sent home last term. All books need to be returned to school once completed.

There will be a Working Bee on Wednesday October 19th from 5pm to start setting up marquees etc. Followed by another Working Bee Thursday afternoon to complete any last minute details. Finally there will be a Clean Up Working Bee early Saturday morning to tidy up. Please offer your assistance where possible.

Next Meeting - Wednesday 12th October from 7pm in the Library.

TUCKSHOP on Friday 16th October
Orders in the Blue Bin by Tuesday 11th October.

Treat of the Week—Raspberry Coconut Slice $1.00

Warwick Junior Cricket Season
commences Saturday 8th October.

We will be having information days coming up soon at Rose City Shopping World and at Slade Park Cricket Grounds. Dates to be confirmed. Sign on can also be accessed by visiting www.playcricket.com.au Click on “Where Can I Play” box, type in Warwick and follow the prompts.

Boys and girls are welcome to play with age groups for U10’s, U12’s and U15’s. For more information please contact Andrew Bryson after hours on 46673749.
October 6—Term 4 Week 1

What’s Happening at St Patrick’s Allora?

DATE CLAIMERS- 2016

Oct 7    Year 5/6 Return from Camp
Oct 11   9am Playgroup Play Date
Oct 12   7pm P&F Meeting in Library
Oct 17   Pupil Free Day (School Closed)
Oct 20   Prep 2017 Orientation
          8.30am to 11.15am
Oct 21   5pm FETE
Nov 1    9.30am Mass
          All Souls/All Saints
Nov 6    Family Mass 9am
Nov 29   7pm Graduation
Dec 2    10.30 am Christmas Liturgy
          End of Term 4