



Our Vision
An inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.

Our Mission
In the spirit of Saint Mary Mackillop, we strive for excellence with love, dignity, integrity and justice.

Our School Student Protection Contacts are:
Miss Donnelly, Mr Maher and Karen (school counsellor)



Reminders and To Do List

School Fees—Bill 3 of 3 was recently emailed to families. If you have not received your account statement please contact the school office.

Tuckshop
Wednesday 4th Sept
Order bags home next week and then
Wednesday 18th Sept

St Patrick's School – A Nut Aware School.
We are aware that children may have a severe anaphylactic reaction to **peanuts**. Parents are requested to be diligent with items packed in lunch boxes.



Dear Families,
Come to the Well— Last week at the Toowoomba Catholic Schools Leadership Forum in St George, an activity required us to reflect on the story of the woman at the well; a story found in the gospel of John (4:1-42). For those of us who have not read it, it tells the story of a marginalised woman; of which in the day of Jesus there were many; coming to a well in the middle of the day to find a man sitting at the well asking her for a drink of water. The man of course was Jesus. In this encounter, the woman learns who this man is and, at the same time, becomes both inspired and challenged by what he has to say. In essence, Jesus tells her that in loving and believing in him, that all people are able to drink from a well of life-giving water.

How are we that 'well' for our children? The woman at the well was made feel that her life was less than others, that she was destined to live a life of average existence. So too are those children that have a belief in themselves that they will never succeed in their learning. For the woman in this story, it was in her encounter with Jesus that she was affirmed of her importance and her place in the bigger picture of life.

When it comes to our Catholic School, our children must encounter a school and home partnership – a well of support and love. When our children see us working together for their education, they come to understand that they can succeed and experience all that life has to offer. When children see school as just something they have to do, rather than something that offers endless possibilities, we see disengagement from school. Getting them to school becomes a challenge every day.

In partnership with one another, it is our responsibility to ensure that all students experience success in their schooling every day. When you work with your child's teacher and engage in their learning – this happens. A simple chat with your child's teacher shows your child that together, we value their progress towards success.

Teachers Immersed in 'Visible Learning' - Next week, Miss Donnelly, Miss Preston and I will be travelling to New Zealand with teachers from eight other Toowoomba schools to learn more about what a 'Visible Learning' school looks like. This project funded excursion, will assist us in cementing the vision for St Patrick's students.

The schools we are visiting are accredited and some 10 years into building the culture we are striving for—such schools do not exist yet in Australia. Our growth in this approach has been rapid and evidence of this can be seen in classrooms and in the language of our students, teachers and parents. This experience will accelerate us even faster towards our goal of becoming a 'Visible Learning' school and a light house for others.

Future Designing— A FlexiBuzz message went home yesterday inviting families to come along to our P&F meeting on Wednesday night to offer their suggestions regarding the future planning for our school in relation to its physical environment. The message also indicated an opportunity for a chat at 2:20pm this afternoon. Thank you in advance for your suggestions as to how we can continue to improve. Ensuring that we continue to remain current and in alignment with our teaching and learning focus—Visible Learning—is paramount to reaching vision of 'An inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.'

God Bless

Tyrone Maher
Principal



Half time! The children had a great time at last week's gala event. See page 2 for more pictures.

'Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.'

St Francis of Assisi

Read more at https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/francis_of_assisi_121023?src=t_inspirational

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School News

Assembly on Friday 8.50am

Term 3

Week 6: Leaders

Week 7: Cunningham—
Father's Day

Week 8: Leaders

Week 9: Leaders

Week 10: No Assembly



Happy Birthday to:

Dakoda Cuning

Jemimah Drennert

Cassie Ryan

Jonte May

Axil Mathie

Angus McArthur

Alexander Kotsopoulos

Liam Hoey

Student of the Week Awards—Week 5

TALGAI —

Max Kirkland for being resilient when things do not happen as he would wish.

CUNNINGHAM —

Eddison Barton and Riley Burton for great cooperation in group activities.

DALRYMPLE —

Kaleb Millard for viewing challenges as a way to grow his learning.

GLENGALLAN —

Zac Brasch for being confident that with time and commitment he can achieve absolutely anything.

Mary MacKillop Award Respectful of Learning

Talgai—

Noah Schwenke

Cunningham—

Maggie Philp

Dalrymple-

Hugh Denny

Glengallan—

Bridey Breen

Gala Day and Under 8's Day— On Friday of week 4, our under 8yrs students boarded a bus for Clifton state school to enjoy a day of fun. The theme 'Carnival of Culture' was celebrated with the students engaging in numerous colourful activities. Our students were on their best behaviour with some very tired students arriving back at school. Thank you to Clifton State School for hosting the day once again.

While the under 8's were enjoying their day in Clifton, our older students participated in the second day of the annual Gala competition here in Allora. These days see schools from throughout the district competing in netball, soccer and rugby League. This year our junior and senior soccer and netball teams were runner up while our league teams won overall. Well done to players from each discipline who were set the challenge of thanking and congratulating players, officials and parents for the participation and assistance on the day. These simple acts added to the positive spirit of the day. Thank you to those parents who were able to assist with teams; we appreciate your support.

Book Fair—In celebrating book week this week, our annual 'Book Fair' began in the library yesterday morning and continued on again today. Many families took advantage of the early and late closure of the shop (until 3:30pm) to come in and purchase from the fantastic selection on offer. A percentage of the money raised during the book fair will go straight back into our library for the benefit of students. The 'Book Fair' finishes tomorrow at 11:30 am. Thank you to Mrs. Flynn and Mrs. Groombridge for organising the book shop for our students.

School Fees— School fees contribute to the resourcing and successful running of our school. Fee statements were emailed last week to all families. If ever payment of fees becomes difficult, it is the responsibility of the family to make an appointment to discuss the fees with Mr Maher. These conversations are strictly confidential and honour that which is most important— your involvement in our school community and your child's education. Please contact the office for further information.

Student Drop Off and Collection— Please note that we have instructed all students that they are no longer to enter from the entrance on Mackillop Lane. This follows a near miss with a student recently. Students may enter/exit via the Arnold Street and Warwick Street entrances.



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Parish News

LITURGY TIMES

1ST SUNDAY OF MONTH –
MASS 9AM

2ND, 3RD SUNDAY OF MONTH
– MASS 5.30pm

4TH, 5TH SUNDAY OF MONTH –
LITURGY OF THE WORD –
9 AM

FETE Friday 18th October



St Patrick's School Allora—Parent's and
Friends Association

'As many hands build a house, so many
hearts make a school'



Next P&F Meeting—7pm in the Library on 21st August 2019

BUSHkids
You are invited to our
ANNUAL DINNER

Friends of
BUSHkids FoBk Warwick

Saturday 24th August 2019
6.00pm • \$65 pp

JOIN US AT WARWICK GOLF CLUB
FOR A LIVELY EVENING INCLUDING
• ENTERTAINMENT • CASH BAR • AUCTION •

ENQUIRIES AND BOOKINGS
Contact Kate or Kim at BUSHkids Warwick
phone 4667 1200 or email
warwickstaff@bushkids.org.au

FoBk Warwick
2019 DINNER
GUEST SPEAKER

Southern Downs
Regional Council
Mayor Tracy Doble

BARBER ROAD, WARWICK

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please pray for the children of our parish
who are currently preparing to undertake
the Sacrament of Reconciliation



ALLORA COMMUNITY PLAY TENNIS AND JUNIOR SQUAD LESSONS...



MONDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 3:30PM (SCHOOL DAYS)

For School aged children of all levels and abilities

EVERYONE WELCOME!

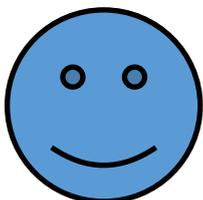
COST is \$5 per player – Free Club Membership...

Phone- Mandy Mutch 0428365676

ALLORA TENNIS CLUB, 2 Darling Street, ALLORA

Email- alloratennisclub@gmail.com

Come play tennis in a fun, supportive environment that focuses on being a "good sport"



School Attendance Every Day Counts!

We know that being away from school impacts on a child's learning progress and related to this, absenteeism also impacts your child socially and emotionally. While some absences are unavoidable, we know that some are and maximising attendance at school is very important.

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What's Happening?



RockStock 2019
Helidon
Sun 15th Sept 10-3pm

"Follow The Signs"

Gold Coin Entry

50's & 60's Rock'n'Roll Family Fun Day
 Performers, Dance Displays, Classic Cars, Live Band, Food Market Stalls, Kids Activities

rockstockfestivalhelidon@gmail.com

2019 ONLINE ANNUAL CALENDAR—LOCATED ON OUR SCHOOL'S WEBSITE

DATE CLAIMERS- 2019

Term 3

- 21 Aug 7pm—P&F Meeting—Library
- 1 Sept Father's Day
- 18 Sept P&F Meeting
- 16 Sept Sport uniform—PE lessons (students still wear their sports uniform on Wednesday 18th Sept.)
- 19 Sept Last Day of Term 3
- 20 Sept Professional Learning Day - Pupil Free, School Closed

Term 4

- 8 Oct Term 4 begins (Monday 7 Oct—Public Hol.)
- 9-11 Oct - Yr 5/6 School Camp—Tallebudgera
- 18 Oct School and Parish Fete
- 21 Oct Professional Learning Day—Pupil Free
- 20 Nov 'Mermaids v Pirates' -School Musical

SCHOOL BELL TIMES

- 8.40am Start of School
- 10.45am Break start
- 11.25am Break finish
- 1.30pm Snack start
- 1.50pm Snack finish
- 2.50pm Pack up
- 2.55pm End of School



'Like' us on Facebook— To engage more of our community in the wonderful work that staff and students are doing here at St Patrick's, we have branched out into the world of social media. Media consent forms were returned by families recently that sort parent permission in having their children pictured on the world wide web. Please let us know if you would prefer not to have images of your children on Facebook.




RHealth presents
SOUND MINDS
 A family friendly concert
 featuring Brendon Walmsley

FREE ENTRY | 6.00pm start
 Food and drinks available for purchase
 This is an alcohol free event

14th SEPTEMBER 2019 ALLORA ALLORA COMMUNITY CENTRE
 9th NOVEMBER 2019 GLEN APLIN GLEN APLIN MEMORIAL HALL
 1st FEBRUARY 2020 INGLEWOOD INGLEWOOD CIVIC CENTRE

RHEALTH THIS FREE COMMUNITY CONCERT IS PROUDLY FUNDED BY QLD HEALTH

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