

Mt St Patrick Primary School, Murwillumbah

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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4 2025

NOVEMBER

WEEK 4

- Thurs 6th** Year 3 - 6 Elective Sport commences
- Fri 7th** Assembly: Basement 9:10am
Parish Mass Years 1 & 2 @12pm

WEEK 5

- Tues 11th** Remembrance Day
Rosellas Preschool visiting
Kinder classes
- Thur 13th** Rosellas Preschool visiting
Kinder classes
Year 3 - 6 Elective Sport
- Fri 14th** Assembly: Basement 9:10am
Parish Mass Year 3 @12pm

WEEK 6

- Mon 17th** Indigenous Students Christmas Party
- Wed 19th** Life Education Van arrives - lessons commence
- Fri 21st** Assembly: Basement 9:10am

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A successful Grandparents Day was celebrated last Friday at Mt St Pats PS. It was wonderful to see so many grandparents able to attend. We celebrated Mass together at the Sacred Heart Church then followed an opportunity for grandparents to visit classrooms and have a walk around the school. After morning tea there was a further opportunity for grandparents to spend time with their grandchildren within our school setting. Thank you to the Parent Reps and helpers from Kinder & Year 4 for coordinating the morning tea.

LEGO LEAGUE COMPETITION 2025: Congratulations to our two MSPP Lego League teams who last weekend competed at the Gold Coast Regional at Benowa State High School. Both of our school teams—**The Site Guardians** and **The Spade Invaders** achieved outstanding results. Congratulations to all of those Year 6 students involved for their teamwork, enthusiasm and cooperation over recent weeks as they prepared for their presentations.

MSPP has now established a tradition of achieving amazing results with our Lego League teams and I would like to thank Mr Waugh for his coordination, dedication and guidance for our Lego League teams. Thank you also to both Mr & Mrs Waugh for again their generosity of time in supporting **The Site Guardians** and **The Spade Invaders** teams. *Please refer to page. 3 for further details of the Lego League teams success*

STAFFING NEWS: I am currently in the process of finalising staffing appointments for 2026. The allocation of teachers to classes for next year will occur over the coming weeks. Teachers will also soon commence class placements. Parents and students will be notified of class placements on Monday 15th December. **Please note my comments in the previous newsletter regarding parent requests in relation to student class placements for 2026.**

I can confirm that Mrs Tina McKay (Kinder BLUE) & Miss. Renee Gauthier/Mrs Leah Dowling (Kinder YELLOW) will be the Kindergarten teachers for 2026. With Kinder Transition Days this week and recent pre-school visits taking place it was imperative that these positions were finalised.



KINDER 2026 TRANSITION DAYS

PARENT COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING: Thank you to those parents who were able to attend our Parent Community Group meeting last week. The Minutes from this meeting are now available on our school website. As this was our last meeting for the year, I would like to acknowledge our Chairperson, Mrs. Kathryn Sullivan-Butt for her organisation and support with chairing these meetings across the year.

Enjoy your week! Brendan Ryan *Principal*



Thank you for your generous donations in support of Socktober and Catholic Mission. We appreciate the effort that everybody went to in creating and wearing their craziest socks in support of this worthy cause. Our school raised **\$293** which will go directly towards supporting families in need in Zambia. Thank you!

You can also still donate via our online Fundraising link: <https://www.socktober.org.au/fundraisers/MountStPatrickPrimarySchoolMurwillumbah>

Winners of our Crazy Sock Competition:

Kinder Yellow: Banjo Burnett	Kinder Blue: Samuel Pollard
Year 1 Yellow: Thaddy Simpson-Walsh	Year 1 Blue: Marliah Rice
Year 2 Yellow: Zoe Charters	Year 2 Blue: Hamish McCloy
Year 3 Yellow: Saxon Chandler	Year 3 Blue: Ella Christie
Year 4 Yellow: Lucy Gibson	Year 4 Blue: Hannah Simpson
Year 5 Yellow: Eliza Rawson	Year 5 Blue: Zoe Field
Year 6 Yellow: Penny Gibson	Year 6 Blue: Pearl McCloy



*Sacred Heart Parish
Murwillumbah*

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8.00am Sacred Heart Church
Wednesday 8.00am Sacred Heart Church
Thursday 8.00am Sacred Heart Church
Friday 12.00pm Sacred Heart Church

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 6:00 pm Sacred Heart (Vigil)
Sundays: 9:00am Sacred Heart Church

The Sacred Heart Prayer Chapel is open for private prayer each weekday from 9am—3pm.

REMEMBRANCE DAY - 11TH NOVEMBER

In November 1918 the Germans called for an armistice (suspension of fighting) in order to secure a peace settlement. They accepted allied terms that amounted to unconditional surrender. At 11 am on 11th November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. In the post-war years, the allied nations chose this day and time for the remembrance of those who had died in the war.

We come together on this day to remember in faith all who have served, and continue serving in our armed forces, especially those who have died and those wounded in battle. We also pray for healing and peace; that one day, all peoples will lay down their arms and embrace one another as brothers and sisters in one human family.



JUBILEE YEAR - PROFESSION OF FAITH

Another characteristic that will mark the celebration of the Jubilee Year is the Profession of Faith which is when we declare what we believe as baptised Christians. The most recognised professions of faith are the Apostles Creed and the Nicene Creed.



This year also marks the 1700th anniversary council of Nicaea which is when the Nicene Creed was developed.

Tameka Harris - Assistant Principal Mission



Lego Tournament Report – Benowa State High School, November 1st-

What an incredible day it was at Benowa State High School for our Lego League tournament! Twenty of our talented Year 6 students represented our school brilliantly as two dynamic teams — **The Site Guardians** and **The Spade Invaders**. Both teams performed *outstandingly* throughout the competition. Their skill, creativity, and teamwork shone through in every challenge. On the Lego



table, they impressed the judges with precise coding, clever strategy, and smooth robot runs that reflected many hours of dedication and collaboration. Their innovation project presentations were equally impressive — clear, confident, and packed with smart ideas and enthusiasm. The judges' feedback was glowing, with special praise for the students' communication skills and spirit of co operation. A huge highlight of the day came when **The Site Guardians** were awarded the **prestigious "Core Values" Award** — a recognition of their exemplary teamwork, respect, and positive attitude throughout the event. Congratulations to both teams for representing our school with such pride and energy. Thank you to Mr Waugh for coordinating this program and to the parents and friends for their support. Your effort, teamwork, and enthusiasm truly captured the spirit of the First Lego League. **3, 2, 1... LEGO!**

REMINDER :LIFE EDUCATION HEALTHY HAROLD TERM 4 VISIT MT ST PAT'S ! During Week 6 and Week 7

we will be welcoming the Life Education Team and Healthy Harold. Each grade has nominated a variety of topics/ modules. **There is an opportunity for students to purchase healthy Harold products BEFORE the day.** A COMPASS event will be sent out prior to the visit with further details . **COST PER STUDENT \$13.00** Have a

great week of learning and teaching everyone! **Carolyn Waugh Assistant Principal Learning and Teaching**



ICAS Results and Certificates Update

A quick update for our ICAS participants and families! This year, ICAS has introduced a new system for sending out results and certificates. Instead of multiple deliveries, schools will now receive one combined package containing all certificates for both participants and award recipients. Our school's package is expected to arrive within the next two weeks. Thank you, children, for your patience — we're looking forward to celebrating your achievements very soon!

A variety of artworks from our talented MSPP artists are currently on display at the Murwillumbah Town Library! There is a display case that is showing a small selection of 3D works as you first enter the library. In the children's book section there are drawings, paintings and collages adding a lot of amazing bright colour to the walls! Be sure to head in before the end of November to see the work! Ms O'Connell !



On Monday 27th October 2025, Mr Logan was our guest for a Yarning Circle with Year 5. Year 5 asked some amazing questions and learned so much about the lives of the Bundjalung people many years ago. Thank you Year 5, for being so respectful. Thank you

Elka, Levi, Slater and Cooper for leading our Yarn and to Mr Logan for sharing his experiences!



GRADE	MODULES
KINDER	Body Matters
YEAR 1	Ready Steady Go
YEAR 2	Growing Good friends
YEAR 3	CYBERWISE
YEAR 4	FRIENDS & FEELINGS
YEAR 5	Relate, Respect and Connect
YEAR 6	DECISIONS

How to order Healthy Harold merchandise online:

- 1 Visit the Healthy Harold Online Store:** Go to <https://bit.ly/haroldshop> to access the store
- 2 Select your customer type:** Choose 'Parent/Carer ordering for child' to have your child's items delivered during their Healthy Harold visit at school.
- 3 Place your order:** Once you've selected the items you'd like to purchase, simply add them to your cart and proceed to checkout.
- 4 Important Dates:** Orders for the school delivery open six weeks before the Healthy Harold visit date, and **close one day prior**. Be sure to mark your calendars and place your orders in time!
- 5 Delivery:** All orders will be conveniently delivered directly during your child's Healthy Harold visit at school.

TERM 4 WEEK 2

Infants Student of the Week

Year KB: Adeline, Ruben

Year KY: Alyse, Koa

Year 1B: Annie, Banjo

Year 1Y: Ivy, Ethan

Year 2B: Murphy, Hector

Year 2Y: Lenny, Lucca-May

Primary Student of the Week

Year 3B: Brae, Grace

Year 3Y: Eva, Hudson

Year 4B: Lucy, Leo

Year 4Y: Ella, Maxwell

Year 5B: Ashton, Zoe

Year 5Y: Eden, Rhea

Year 6B: Sonny, Ava

Year 6Y: Tore, Jion

Principal Awards

Max, Sloane, Margot, Malakai, Bronte, Banksia, Jayla, Jack, Alyse, Fynn, Capri, Blaise, Harry, Abe, Hugo, Pepper, Nate, Nina, Hector, Heidi, Ezra, Daria, Oskar, Kaleb, Lucca-May, Penny, Tulleah, Brae, Perry, Frankie, Ryder, Nicholas, Cooper, Wyatt, Austin, Chanon, Ted, Lucy

Creative Arts Awards

Infants: Jayla, Darcy, Arkie, Arella, Arya, Penny

Stage 2: Jack, Zahra, Nicholas, Tyson

Stage 3: Eden, Audrey, Leah, Sophie

Drama Awards

Prada, Luka, Jett, Grace, Gwen, Alija, Nick

Good Sport Awards

Infants: Malakai, Layla, Emily, Thaddy, Eva, Everley

Stage 2: Wyatt, Jake, Kiara, Avienda

Stage 3: Jesse, Florence



TERM 4 Week 3

Infants Student of the Week

Year KB: Bronte, Braxton

Year KY: Kiera, Blaise

Year 1B: Olive, Connor

Year 1Y: Georgia, Grace

Year 2B: Noah, Lexie

Year 2Y: Lily, Tulleah

Primary Student of the Week

Year 3B: Halcyon, Frankie

Year 3Y: Jack, Tom

Year 4B: Sienna C, Sienna M

Year 4Y: Tully, Maya

Year 5B: Lexie, Jack

Year 5Y: Beau, Leroy

Year 6B: Jasper, Pearl

Year 6Y: Miles, Matilda

Principal Awards

Aurora, Darcy, Imogen, Prada, Jasmine, Don, Dex, Isabel, Jett, Evelyn, Ivy, Luka, Evan, Arkie, Aaliyah, Luka, Oswald, Eden, Elsie, Theo, Maxwell, Deagan, Lucy, Florence

Creative Arts Awards

Infants: Beau, Layla, Archer, Theodore, Lexie, June

Stage 2: Piper, Mia, Ted, Isaac

Stage 3: Jesse, Zac, Elka, Sophie, Jesse,

Drama Awards

Kye KB, Jack KY, Luka 1Y, Gabriela 3B, Olivia 3Y, Hargun 4B, Isla 4Y

Good Sport Awards

Infants: Braxton, Luka, Connor, Aurora, Neve, Penny

Stage 2: Max, Juno, Lee, Nate

Stage 3: Kyden, Rocky, Brax, Rowan

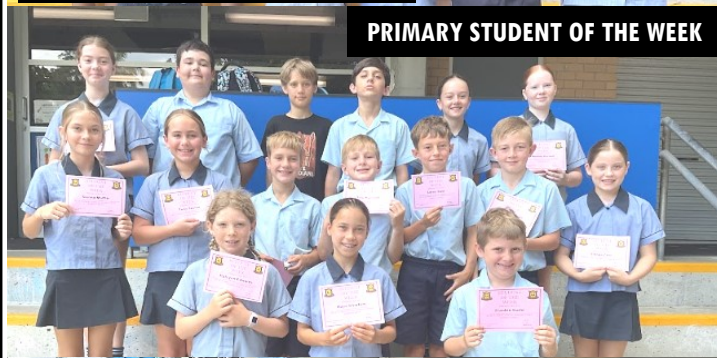
Honour Awards

Jayla, Max, Sloane, Malakai KB

Jack, Harry, Abe, Hugo KY



INFANT STUDENT OF THE WEEK



PRIMARY STUDENT OF THE WEEK



PRINCIPAL AWARD: INFANTS



PRINCIPAL AWARD: PRIMARY



PRINCIPAL AWARD: PRIMARY



CREATIVE ARTS AWARD: ART



CREATIVE ARTS AWARD: MUSIC



GOOD SPORT AWARDS



NSWPSSA ATHLETICS: Last Thursday Cooper travelled to Sydney to compete in the NSWPSSA Athletics Championships! Cooper competed in the Shot Put event against 41 of the best Shot Putters in the state. Cooper placed 19th with a massive throw of 10.16m and then competed in another big competition over the weekend whilst down in Sydney, this time placing 3rd! A great couple of days of competition! Well done Cooper, such a fantastic achievement to reach the highest possible level there is in NSW! NSWPSSA includes all Catholic schools, Public schools, Private schools and Independent schools to make this the final level of competition in NSW!



TWEED ZONE SUMMER TRIALS - CRICKET:

Wishing Molly the best of luck as she prepares to head down to Lismore this Friday for the Diocesan Cricket trials. Hope you have a great day representing your school, zone and girls in cricket!

ELECTIVE SPORT FOR YEARS 3 - 6: Students have received their allocated sport and are looking forward to the program starting this week! **Students in Skateboarding and Gym will need to complete a waiver and all students will need to be given permission via Compass.** Please ensure permission is complete ready to begin this Thursday!

TWEED ZONE SUMMER TRIALS – TOUCH FOOTBALL:

Yesterday 10 students in Years 4 and 5 travelled to St Joseph's College Banora Point to attend the Tweed Zone Summer Trials. We hope they had a great experience and look forward to hearing about it all. Well done Zac, Kyden, Koah, Leroy, Ashton W, Oswald, Hayden B, Leo, Cooper E and Cooper F for representing our school at the Tweed Zone Summer trials!



Congratulations Leroy for being selected to progress to the Diocesan trials.

NRL TEAM PRESENTATION:

Following on from the NRL Gala Day, the four teams were presented with their certificates of participation and congratulated on a successful tournament. Well done boys, you all represented our school with great heart and pride!

Junior Blue Team: Tyson, Max B, Ted, Nate W, Wyatt, Leo, Eli B, Patrick C, Laine, Jackson, Hudson, Tom and Xavier

Junior Green Team: Eli M, Cooper, Freddy Jack T and nine Joeys players.
Shadow: Cooper

Senior Blue Team: Brayden, Brax, Blake, Henri, Levi, Jesse, Danny, Byron, Nate M, Deagan, Oskar, Clancy, Tyler, Ashton, Rocky and Bodhi.

Senior Green Team: Leroy, Koah, Zac, Hayden, Brock, Kyden, Ozzie, Ashton, Jack R and seven Joeys players.



Mrs. Samantha Daly - Sport Coordinator

PRIMARY BASKETBALL ACADEMY SIGN UP:

Any student who is in Years 4, 5 and 6 is invited to join the MSPC Primary Basketball Academy! *It is for all abilities*

PRIMARY BASKETBALL ACADEMY

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GRANDPARENTS DAY



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IMPORTANT SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES FOR 2025**TERM 4**

Fri 7th	Year 1 Excursion
LIFE EDUCATION 19/11– 26/11– Class times tba	
Sat 29th	Parish Christmas Carnival & Tableau
December	
Mon 1st	EXURO - all Year 5 students
*Infants Intensive Swimming (Mon 1st - Fri 12th)	
Tues 9th	Primary Presentation Day
Thurs 11th	Infants Presentation Morning
Fri 12th	Primary Swimming Carnival
Mon 15th	Orientation 2026 & Year 6 Treat Day
Tues 16th	Graduation Mass
	Year 6 Farewell Guard of Honour
Wed 17th	Students Last Day 2025

IMPORTANT SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2026

Term 1 - Wednesday 28th Jan to Thursday 2nd April (2026
Easter break—Good Friday 3rd April Easter Monday 6th April 2026)

Term 2 - Monday 20th April to Friday 3rd July (School holidays
Mon 6th July to Friday 17th July 2026)

Term 3 - Monday 20th July to Friday 25th September (School
holidays Mon 28th September to Friday 9th October 2026)

Term 4 - Monday 12th October to Thursday 17th December
(School holidays Friday 18th Dec to Wednesday 27th January 2027)

Details of Staff Professional Learning Days (Pupil Free Days) for 2026 will be determined before the end of this school year.

BIRTHDAYS

27th October—2nd November

Anna KB, Emilia 1B, Ethan 1Y, Leona 1B, Liam 4B, Hannah 4B, Nadia 4Y, Hayden 5B, Josie 5Y, Ashton 5Y, Natalie 5Y

3rd November—9th November

Harry KY, Kaden 1B, Elwood 2B, Heidi 2B, Roy 2Y, Flynn 2Y, Frankie 3B, Saxon 3Y, Ryder 4Y, Sienna 5Y

Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Raffle

supporting the pastoral works of the Parish

Cash Prizes

1st prize \$1,500 | 2nd prize \$500 | 3rd prize \$250



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