We convince ourselves that life will be better after we get married, have a baby, then another. Then we are frustrated that the kids aren’t old enough and will be more content when they are. After that we are frustrated that we have teenagers to deal with. We will certainly be happy when they are out of that stage.

We tell ourselves that our life will be complete when our spouse gets his or her act together, when we get a nicer car, are able to go on a nice vacation, when we retire.

The truth is, when? Your life will always be filled with challenges. It is best to admit this to yourself and decide to be happy anyway.

A quote from Alfred D. Souza - He said “For a long time it had seemed to me that life was about to begin – real life. But there was always some obstacle in the way, something to be gotten through first, some unfinished business, time to be served, a debt to be paid. Then life would begin. At last it dawned on me that these obstacles were my life. This perspective helps me to see that there is no way to happiness.”

Happiness is a way. So, treasure every moment that you have. And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time...And remember that time waits for no one.

So stop waiting until you finish school, until you go back to school, until you lose ten kilos, until you gain ten kilos, until you have children, until your children leave the house, until you start work, until you retire, until you get married, until Friday night, until Sunday morning, until you get a new car or new home, until Spring, until Summer, until you die, until you are born again to decide that there is no better time than right now to be happy.

Happiness is a journey, not a destination.

Thoughts for the day:

Work like you don’t need money.

Love like you’ve never been hurt.

Dance like no one is watching.
Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. We all hope you are all rested and ready for a busy term ahead. It is hard to believe Christmas will be here before we know it. Terry is having a wonderful time away by the look of the pictures he is sending through, but he did wish us all a happy start of Term. Please remember that this term we do need to wear our hats outside, or stay under the shelter. It is also a good idea to make sure your child has a named water bottle for the classroom each day as the warm weather is already here and it is important to stay hydrated. The parking out the front of the school was meant to be changed during the Term break, but as you can see this did not happen. We are in the process, at the moment, discussing this with the council.

**Reconciliations**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation helps us to reflect on our lives and assess what we need to change in our lives as well as ask for forgiveness. The children in Year 3 will work through the Source of Life unit on forgiveness in the classroom, which will back up the work you will do in your groups with your children.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at St. Patrick’s Church on Tuesday 10th November, St. Bernard’s School Chapel on Wednesday 11th November and at Our Lady’s Church on Thursday 12th November 2015 at 7.00pm. The preparation programs for the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation will be scheduled for early next year.

The cost for this program is $20.00 which includes a book for you and your child to work through in your chosen groups. If you did not have the money at last nights meeting, please see Mary-Ellen at the Presbytery and she will add your name to the list and provide you with the book. Also, please feel free to use the school for your meetings as we are more than happy to assist you organizing your meetings.

If you have any questions regarding the format of the meetings or any questions regarding the evening, please feel free to see your child’s classroom teacher or Gen Collins who is our REC coordinator.

**Bush Dance – Friday 16th October, 2015**

The students have been practicing various dances and I’m sure they will be keen to teach their parents and family members as well. The band, “Bush Telegraph” has been booked and the evening begins at 6.00pm and concludes around 9.00pm. Leonie will be looking for some helpers to decorate the pavilion area. Please give her some of your time if you are able. Please refer to her little ad in the newsletter.

**Parents and Friends**

The next P & F Meeting will be held next MONDAY 12th October at 7.00pm in the staffroom. This will be an AGM and a General Meeting. Everyone is welcome.

**Swimming Program**

Swimming will commence for Years 3-6 at the Wangaratta Sports and Aquatic Centre from 30th November until Friday 4th December and at Moore Than Swimming for P/1/2 from Monday 7th December until Monday 14th December. There will be no swimming on Tuesday 8th December as this is our whole school Transition day. Each Year level will swim each day for approximately half an hour. They will need bathers, goggles if they need these, a towel and school uniform for this event. The classes will be taken by qualified swimming teachers.

THANK YOU MONROES HAIR DESIGN FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
Compassionate Friends of St Patrick’s

Thank you to those families that so quickly volunteered to help the school community in need by providing some cooking to families in times of need (bereavement and loss, tragedy etc). We’ve already had cause to enlist the help of a few families to help out a family going through a grieving process. It was greatly appreciated. We will certainly limit the amount of times we need to call on parents. The more volunteers we get the better, in this regard. It’s not too late to get involved and make a real difference to our school community.

The latest APP & St Patrick’s School (free App) Newsletter Online

St Patrick’s App is available for free to help keep you up to date with our activities and important dates and reminders.
Details can be found at:
http://www3.spwangaratta.catholic.edu.au/
http://stpatricksict.wikispaces.com/St+Patrick%27s+Mobile+App

Mass Times

* Saturday 6.00pm St Patrick’s
* Sunday 8.00am St Patrick’s
* Sunday 9.00am Our Lady’s
* Sunday 10.30am St Patrick’s
* Sunday 5.00pm Latin Mass at St Patrick’s

Helen

Compassionate Friends of St Patrick’s

We are looking at setting up a system for helping people in times of need e.g. illness, bereavement and times of difficulties. The purpose of this system would be to provide a meal for families during their time of sadness. If you are happy to be added to our list of compassionate friends, please fill in the form below and ask your child to hand it into the front office. You will be given notice of when the food is needed and how many family members need to be fed. You might only be contacted once a year (if at all). We appreciated your assistance in helping families at St Pat’s in their time of need.

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COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS OF ST PATRICK’S

The ___________________________ family would be happy to be added to the Compassionate Friends of St Pat’s list.

Phone number: _________________________

Email address _________________________________

THANK YOU NETWORK VIDEO FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**CHATTER MATTERS**

Share books with your child by reading and asking questions. This will help your child hear the entire sequence and flow of the story, which will assist them learning story structure. Once your child has had the opportunity to have a few texts read to them uninterrupted, it is important that during reading, you begin to take turns in talking about what is happening in the pictures and ask your child questions that focus on the elements of the story.

*Before* reading a story with your child discuss the following questions:  
What is the title of the book? What does the cover tell you about the book? What do you think the book is about? Have we read a book like this before?

*During* reading with your child, the following questions can be asked:  
What do you think will happen next? What is the problem in the book? How do you think the problem will be solved? Why do you think the character did that? How do you think the character feels? When you were reading this part, what were you picturing in your head?

*After* reading ask the following questions:  
Describe the setting of the story? Where did the story take place? What was your favourite part? Which part would you change?

THANK YOU **NU-FRUIT WANGARATTA** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
**St Patrick’s Parents and Friends (P&F) Committee**

Are you looking for some fun? Do you like to meet new people? Are you interested in supporting the school, students and families? Then the St Patrick’s P & F Committee is for you! The P & F is a key interest group within the school community and executives are elected via an Annual General Meeting (in October every year). The committee consists of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and general committee members. The P & F support the school by arranging fundraising activities with the resulting funds providing valuable resources to the students and families. The P & F arrange and support a number of social activities for the parents, friends and students who attend the school; including a Movie Night, Ladies Lunch, Trivia Night and Twilight Sports BBQ, just to name a few. It also coordinates a number of other activities such as the Mother’s and Father’s Day Stalls, Mayfair and various morning teas throughout the year to assist people to get together. The St Patrick’s P & F Committee is a great way to become involved at school with as little or as much commitment that you can offer. The P & F currently meet on the 1st Monday of every month at 7.00pm in the staffroom at school (dates can vary slightly so please check the newsletter for the most up to date schedule for meetings). New members are always welcome at any time of the year and we encourage you to provide ideas or feedback, even if you are unable to attend meetings. If you would like more information, you can give Angela Reynolds (President) a call on 0417 356 029, or come along to the next meeting, which is next Monday 12th October at 7.00pm, we would love to see you!

**Invitation to all parents to attend the upcoming St Patrick’s Parents and Friends Committee AGM**

**When** - Monday 12th October  
**Where** - St Patrick’s school staffroom  
**Time** – 7.00pm

Please join us to learn more about how our friendly P&F team support the school through a range of fun activities throughout the year. We currently have 3 executive positions up for grabs, Treasurer, Vice President and Correspondence Secretary. We welcome new families and there is no pressure to take on new roles within the P&F. Attending meetings is a great way to stay in touch with what is happening at school and to get to know other families. We look forward to seeing some new fresh faces and will have the coffee machine primed and ready to go on the night!

**Grandparent’s Day - Friday the 23rd October**

A bit of advanced notice that on Friday the 23rd October, we will conduct a special assembly for Grandparent’s Day. Parents and Grandparents are very welcome to attend.

This year we will hold Grandparent’s Day celebrations in the school hall at 9.00am. Morning tea will be provided by the P&F committee after the assembly so please join us for a cuppa. Grandparents are then invited to go into classrooms to say hello to grandchildren afterwards.

THANK YOU REES STOCKDALE & LEGGO FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
## 2015 Term 4 Snack and Lunch Specials:

**SNACK:** Raspberry & Coconut Muffin $1.50

**LUNCH:** Chicken Schnitzel Burger with lettuce and mayo $4.00 or a sweet chilli chicken wrap $3.50 (available Gluten Free) $3.80

**DRINK SPECIAL:** Raspberry and apple juice $1.80

**SEASONAL SPECIALS:** Yoghurt and Berry tub $3.00 (vanilla yoghurt topped with fresh blueberries, raspberries and strawberries)

Chicken Teriakyi rice paper roll (GF) Avocado rice paper roll (V, GF) $2.50  Soy sauce sachets available separately 20c  Pine Raspberry or Lemon Calippos $1.30

Also salad sandwiches and rolls now available. Order online at [www.3rdlittleduck.com.au](http://www.3rdlittleduck.com.au) and check out our Facebook page for pictures of specials.

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## TWILIGHT SPORTS

**Thursday October 29th**

Appin Park Sports Complex

5.00pm – 7.00pm

BBQ will be provided.
Parent helpers most welcome.
Come along and join in this fun family night!

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## PINK RIBBON DAY

Brunch at Open Door Neighbourhood House, 61 Burke Street, Wednesday 21st October at10.00am. Come and enjoy one of Mick’s famous BLT sandwiches. Half of all proceeds will be donated to Pink Ribbon.

THANK YOU YMCA FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
WANGARATTA LITTLE ATHLETICS

WANGARATTA LITTLE ATHLETICS ON YOUR MARKS: call to register young athletes

The Little Athletics season will start next month and registration is open for athletes looking to join. All you need to do is register online through the LAVIC website then come down to the Bill Eaton Reserve on Appin Street where Wangaratta Little Athletics will be holding registration days on **30th September, 7th, 14th, 19th October** between **4.30pm-6.00pm**, you can pick up your name/age patch and buy your uniform. Track and field events for ages 5-15 are held on Friday nights from 5.15pm-8.00pm at the Bill Eaton Reserve. Athletes of all abilities are encouraged to join, it is a great opportunity to keep fit and make some lifelong friends.

**NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION** - Eftpos will be available

Proof of age required for new athletes: Birth Certificate/Passport. If you have any questions please contact Maree Johnstone (Registrar) 0418377057.

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**Our Lady’s School**

**White Street Wangaratta**

**Garage Sale**

Sunday October 18th from 9.00am – 1.00pm
Coffee, Food and Drinks on the day
Have something to sell? Make some cash. Book through the office 0357213783

$10.00 3x3m Outdoor  $20.00 3x3m Undercover
$25.00 5x5m Outdoor  $10.00 Table Hire

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**Diddley Bow world record attempt**

**AT WANGARATTA JAZZ AND BLUES FESTIVAL LAUNCH**

This Sunday, October 11th from 2.00pm – 4.00pm at the Apex Park Pavilion in Wangaratta, students from St. Pat’s, along with about 500 others, will attempt to break the **world record** for the largest Diddley Bow ensemble ever! Bring your family and friends to support their efforts as they play their blues riff on their hand-made recycled junk string instrument!

Leonie will be there too so look out for her pink butterfly diddley bow!

THANK YOU PITARIS’ CAFE FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
PAT ON THE BACK

**Foundation**
Mrs Bray

A big pat on the back to *ALYSSA FORGE* for the wonderful way she has settled back into school after the holidays. We loved hearing all about your holidays!

**Foundation**
Mrs Rizzo

A big pat on the back to *JENSEN PERNIA* for his great start to the Term and impressive story writing and handwriting. Keep it up Jensen!

**Year 1**
Ms Collins

Congratulations to *TAYAH AMBROSIO* for writing an interesting recount of her Spring holidays and for always being so focused on her work and interested in her learning.

**Year 1**
Miss Smith

A big pat on the back to *LUCAS WEBB* for writing a wonderful discussion piece on “Should Children help at home”. Lucas wrote all the wonderful things he does at home to help!

**Year 2**
Mrs Cassidy

Congratulations to *TYELE MCKINDLAY* for writing an excellent recount about his holidays using correct punctuation and focusing on his spelling. Well done Tyeler!

**Year 2**
Ms Rinaldi

A big pat on the back to *RYAN MCKAY* for the focus and commitment he has been showing in class. Keep up the great work!

**Year 3**
Ms Daglish

A big pat on the back to *REGAN GAMBOLD* for writing an interesting recount about her holidays. Well done Regan!

**Year 3**
Mrs Vincent

Congratulations and welcome to *ELLIE MILLER* for settling in quickly since arriving on Monday. We are loving your smile Ellie!

**Year 4**
Miss Gaston

Congratulations to *GEMMA WARFORD* for settling in extremely well to St Patrick’s School. Gemma’s gorgeous smile lights up the classroom!

**Year 4**
Mrs Shaw

Congratulations to *YEAR 4 SHAW* for the excellent way they looked after Mrs Batey in Mrs Shaw’s absence. Mrs Batey said they were the best class in the whole school!!! Well done guys!

**Year 5**
Miss Sartori

Congratulations to *JULIA MULLENS* for her kind and considerate nature. Julia is a positive role model and enthusiastic class member.

**Year 5**
Mr Levesque

Congratulations to *AMALI EDMONDSTONE* for approaching maths with confidence, taking risks to solve problems and asking questions.

**Year 6**
Mrs Cornish

Congratulations to *LUKE SHEPHERD* for a smooth and mature start to Term 4. Keep making these positive choices Luke, very impressed!

**Year 6**
Mrs Rickard

Congratulations to *TOM FOX* for his perseverance whilst learning a new Maths topic - BODMAS!
WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOM

FOUNDATION – Karen & Karen

Welcome back to all our preps, parents and families! We hope everyone had a relaxing break and the preps have recharged their batteries, ready to start their last term as preps! It’s hard to believe, the year has flown so quick!

Don’t forget:
• **Foundation Liturgy** (mini mass) next Thursday **15th October** at 9.00am in Foundation Bray’s classroom.
• **Family Bush Dance** on Friday **16th October** at 6.00pm
• **Twilight Sports** on Thursday **29th October** from **5.00pm-7.00pm** at Appin Park Sports Complex. Any volunteers for the BBQ would be appreciated. Just see one of the Karen’s!!

Religion – the first unit the children will look at and explore this term is, “Called to be like Jesus”. This week the children will be involved in listening to stories; discussions and activities about acts of kindness, caring and sharing and how Jesus was caring and sharing.

Literacy - it is great to see so many of the children have brought their readers back after the holidays. This week the children will revise letters and sounds, High Frequency words and onset and rime families through a variety of games, activities, poems and stories. The new word families this week are ‘ug’ as in bug and ‘ot’ as in pot.

The children wrote wonderful letters about what they did over the holidays then checked for a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence, finger spaces between words and a full-stop at the end of a sentence. We are amazed how far the children have come along with their writing! Many children are confidently writing 2 or more sentences.

Please don’t forget: **Library** is on Tuesday and parents and family are more than welcome to hear the preps read on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings 9:00am – 9:15am.

Mathematics - this term we are revising and expanding the children’s mathematical knowledge of place value through stories, games and exploration. Our focus this week is ‘Counting Again’ and ‘More about numbers to 20’. The children are recognising, counting, writing, sorting, matching, comparing and playing games involving numbers up to and beyond 20. The children are also learning to use calculators to identify number patterns. They love it!!

Inquiry - our new inquiry unit this term is “What will we play today?” Like last term, this unit lends itself to literacy, especially about toys. We will begin our unit by asking the children what play means, what they already know about ‘playing’ or what comes to mind when they think about ‘play’. We will brainstorm and list their ideas and draw what they like to play.

Bluearth/Sport - is on Monday and Friday.

YEAR ONE/TWO – Gen, Sarah, Janina, Amanda & Nara

YEAR 1

A big welcome back to our Year One children and their parents! We hope that you had a very restful and wonderful break. This term is going to be very busy so get ready 😊

THANK YOU OVENs & KING COMPUTER SERVICE FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
A friendly Reminder:
As it is term four we remind children that hats need to be worn out in the yard. Children will be made to play under shelter if they have no hat.

Literacy:
This term we are going to be focusing on Discussion writing. This week we are posing the question to the children ‘Should Children Help at Home’? The children will be asked to give a reason for or against helping at home. This topic could be a great discussion point around the table this week at home. In spelling we are revising the blend ‘sl’ as in sleep and slack and looking at the blend ending ‘ft’.

Readers:
Could you please make sure your child is reading every night and that they are only taking home one reader. We are finding that some reader boxes are very low, we have ordered some more.

Numeracy:
This week we are focusing on ‘Telling time’. We are discussing o’clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past. We will also look at activities that can be done in one minute, 5 minutes or one hour.

Inquiry:
This term our unit in Inquiry is about ‘Play’. We are going to be discussing what is play and the importance of play for children.

YEAR 2

Welcome back to term four! We hope you all had a very restful break. This term is certainly shaping up to be a busy one and we look forward to what lies ahead!
This Friday, Mrs Cassidy will be replaced by Mrs Batey.

Hats

Term four sees the implementation of hat wearing, under the school’s Sunsmart policy. Students will be given a grace period at the beginning of this term, after which they will be obligated to wear their hat or play under the shelter area. This is to protect the students, not to punish them. On that note, please label your child’s hat clearly as they are difficult to distinguish from others.

Numeracy

In numeracy this week, we are beginning to look at division. Students will initially discuss the language associated with division before discussing different ways to recognise and represent division. Some discussion at home surrounding division can be very beneficial, such as looking at groups and dividing objects evenly amongst the groups.

Literacy

We hope you all managed to maintain some routine with reading over the break, even if only minimal. Often, term four can be a period where much growth and progress is made with our students – it is important to nurture this period of development to ensure the students consolidate their learning. Finally, in our year 2 classrooms, we are endeavouring to set up a ‘Junior Fiction’ library nook to provide the students with an opportunity to read a variety of books. We are requesting that families send in any old books you may have to contribute to our library. Families may wish to donate books they no longer require or ‘loan’ books until the end of term. If loaning books, please ensure your books are named so that they can be returned to the correct owners. Thanking you in anticipation.

THANK YOU PARK LANE NURSERY FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
Inquiry

Our inquiry unit this term focuses on ‘Play’. Play allows children to use their creativity while developing their imagination and physical, cognitive, and emotional strength. Play is also important for healthy brain development. The students will engage in a variety of experiences throughout the term and it is hoped that an excursion to incorporate this unit can take place at some stage.

Term 4 Dates:

October 23: Grandparent’s Day
October 29: Year 2 Mass
October 29: Twilight Sports
November 2: Bishop’s Holiday
November 3: Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
November 26: Year 2 Assembly
November 27: Pupil Free Day
December 7, 9, 10, 11 & 14: Swimming Program

YEAR THREE/FOUR – Trudi/Paul, Annee, Michelle &Trish

Welcome to term 4. We hope you had a restful break. This final term of the year will be a busy one and kicking of the term is the Bush Dance on Friday the 16th October and the Twilight Sports on the 29th October.

Earn & Learn

What a success the Earn and Learn Program was! It was a practical way to have the children understand how money is used in everyday life. The students were engaged for the whole term, some even suggesting that they wish they could do the program in term four as well. It was great to see so many parents come to our open day.

Literacy

In Literacy the year 3 & 4’s are looking at writing procedures. We will be looking at the language used in writing procedures and the grammar that is used.

Numeracy

This week, the year threes are finishing off Problem Solving and then begin Data Collection and graphing. We look at solving word problems in a variety of different ways. For example ‘looking for patterns or drawing the problem. The year fours are looking at Time.

Inquiry

In Inquiry we are studying the Indigenous culture. Through art and stories we will discover how the Aboriginal people lived, what they ate and how they told stories about their lives.

Hats

Term four sees the implementation of hat wearing, under the school’s Sunsmart policy. Please label your child’s hat clearly, as we often have a similar problem to jumpers in winter, where there are as many unnamed, left lying around.

THANK YOU PARTYLITE FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
Reminders:

* Please continue to ensure your children are reading regularly and completing any given homework.

* Year 4 Shaw, Gaston, Daglish and Vincent all have reading diaries that are to be filled out please; this helps us to record children’s active home reading.

* There are still a number of families who have not collected their NAPLAN results. Please see either Mrs Vincent/Mr Lynch or Ms Daglish to collect the results.

* Year threes will be hosting Assembly on Friday 16th October.

YEAR FIVE/SIX – Helen, Lean, Jim & Catherine

Welcome to all our families to the beginning of Term 4! It's hard to believe how quickly the year is passing by! We hope all the students and parents enjoyed a fun and restful break!

We also welcome back Mrs Kittelty (Miss Sartori) back from her wedding and honeymoon and can't wait to see her happy face around St Patricks.

Religion: In our first unit this term, the children will develop their understanding and appreciation of Christian Mission as a sharing in the mission of Jesus. The children will be encouraged to consider practical ways in which they can share with others the Jesus' mission to the poor and oppressed.

Literacy: In Literacy, we are reading, investigating, comprehending and writing various forms of Poetry. We will be exposing the children to Australian Bush poetry by A.B. Paterson and Henry Lawson and how poetry can tell a story.

Maths: The Year 6 children are learning about BODMAS and how this is used when solving sums with a variety of operations. The Year 5 children are using equivalent number sentences involving multiplication and division to find unknown quantities.

Inquiry:
This week, the children are presenting their presentations on a topic of their choice related to our Inquiry topic from Term 3, Mind, Body & Soul.

Reminders:
Division Athletics Sports: This Friday (9th October) please be at school by 8:30am to be on the bus at 8:45am. Please bring food, drink and a hat. We would love parents to come along and support the children.

School Uniforms: This term all students are required to wear a school broad brim hat at recess and lunch time. Could all parents please ensure that their children have a hat that is clearly labelled. If they forget their hat, they will be required to play in the undercover area.

Robotics: Year 6 Rickard are involved in the TAFE Robotics program being run by Mr Justin McMahon this term. Our Robots are almost built. The days we will be visiting TAFE for programming our Robots and to have a number of tours scheduled for the Wednesday 14th & 21st October.

Year 6 Transition Days: Just a reminder that for those students attending Galen Catholic College, the transition days for this term are Friday 13th November and Tuesday 8th December.

THANK YOU PICTURES OF YOU PHOTOGRAPHY FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
These are the dates for our Foundation, 2015 Orientation Program:

**Tuesday 17th November** - 9:30am to 11:00am

**Thursday 26th November** - 9:30am to 11:00am

**Wednesday 2nd December** - 9:30am to 11:00am
(Bring a piece of fruit and drink)

**Tuesday 8th December** - 9:30am to 12:30pm
(Bring a piece of fruit, drink, hat and snack for playtime)

Children are encouraged to attend all sessions so that they are familiar with their school environment prior to the commencement of school.

There will be a **Foundation (Prep) Information Evening** for parents on Wednesday, 2nd December 2015 in the school hall commencing at 7.00pm. The aim of this meeting is to prepare your child for school life at St. Patrick’s. The duration of this meeting will be about one hour.
St. Patrick’s Primary School

FAMILY BUSH DANCE
With fabulous live band “BUSH TELEGRAPH”

Friday 16th October 2015

Where: At school under our outdoor shelter

Time: 6.00pm – 9.00pm (Daylight savings will have begun.)

What to bring: Family & friends; BYO gear and food for a picnic tea; dancing shoes!

What to expect: LOTS OF FUN! Each Year level of students will present a bush dance demonstration after which those who can’t stop their toes from tapping will be able to participate in the dancing.

Surprise acts: Students will entertain you as you recover after each dance with some interesting musical acts.

P.S. NO CHARGE FOR THIS EVENT
Rural City of Wangaratta invites you to a FREE TWILIGHT TOUR

‘The BEST CARWASH’
22 Handley St Wangaratta
OCTOBER 21
6.00 - 7.30pm

Tours, demonstrations and FREEBIES for National Water Week
Call 5721 3325 for registrations and enquiries

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Walk to school in October

The YMCA, Goulburn Ovens TAFE and the Rural City of Wangaratta are asking for our support to promote the Walk to School Program. All primary school children are encouraged to walk to school every day during October. The program raises awareness of the need for children to make walking part of their daily routine to improve fitness, friendships, the environment and their confidence! Students can keep track of their walks using the Walk to School website and applications or recording their times on a spreadsheet.

We have registered our school to participate in the program! Vic Health will be distributing packs that include posters, stickers and certificates next week. YMCA and Goulburn TAFE will attend our whole school assembly next week to show a video on the benefits of walking and demonstrate fun interactive activities. We encourage all our students to walk as much as they can during October and record their walking times.

Thank you for your support!

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