Moments in History

Dear St Patrick’s Community

I was very privileged to be present during the announcement of the Heritage listing for the Snowy Mountains Scheme. It is one of only 107 listings and this sits alongside the Great Barrier Reef in its importance to the world!

Although I am not originally from Cooma, it is now my home and I feel enormously proud to be a small part of the story of this region, especially now, given its significance to the country and the world. It is just incredible that 100,000 workers from 30 countries worked here on this visionary scheme for 25 years. It truly is an engineering wonder of the world in the birthplace of multiculturalism – Cooma.

Other important numbers have been forefront for our school in the last week: it is 50 years since Mr Kevin Dunne started his teaching career, as a Mathematics teacher at Monaro High School.

Since 1966, he has been a Maths Master, Assistant Principal, Principal and Chaplain in his time at three schools, with St Patrick’s being the main one.

His mark on education was highlighted at a special celebration Mass last Thursday evening, followed by a dinner. We heard many tales that demonstrated the real quality of this special man.

I think Kevin Dunne should be heritage listed as well!

Kind regards

Frances Robertson

SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 20 October
Year 5 Assembly - 12.30pm
Community Council Meeting 5.45pm

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER
10-11AM SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER
Yr4 Communion retreat

Wednesday 26 October
Yr3 Communion retreat

Thursday 27 October
Year 6 Assembly 12.30pm

Saturday 29 October
First Communion Mass Yr 3& 4
From the AP’s Desk

Awards

Our 2016 award days are coming up. The K-6 Awards presentation is 9 December at 12:30pm in the Cooma Ex-Services club.

The Secondary Awards day is the last day of the term, 16 December at 1:30pm at St Patrick’s Parish Church.

The staff spend a considerable amount of time discussing the merits of each nominee against the criteria for the major awards. In Secondary, we complete an online survey so that voting for each award is anonymous.

If you feel that your child has performed to a high standard outside the community, please inform your class/Homeroom teacher. This information will be passed onto all staff and included in the discussion of nominees for each major award.

Evacuation

Last week we completed an evacuation drill in Secondary. The evacuation drills need to be completed each term so that students and staff are familiar with the process. Thankfully we have not had the need for a real evacuation in some time.

Lockdown drills are also done to ensure students and staff understand how to respond in a variety of emergency situations.

Mark van Ommen
Assistant Principal

Reconciliation – the Sacrament of Pardon and Peace

This term, students in Year 2 will be offered the opportunity to take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As students work towards this in their Religion lessons, they will focus on what it means to be sorry when they have done something wrong and how to heal the harm done when they do something wrong.

Fr Mick will join with the class teacher and the students to work on understanding God’s love for all and his desire to support us in our life.

A letter will be sent home with your child explaining how they can take part in this Sacrament. If you have any questions these can be directed to the class teacher, Fr Mick or Mrs Stacey.
We continue to welcome students for Kindergarten 2017. The Big Steps program is underway. The first Kinderstart Day is November 1.

Remembering Robbie

In the last week we have remembered a student from the past.

Robbie Wylie was a student at St Patrick’s until his death in a farm vehicle accident on 14 October, sixteen years ago last Friday.

He was in Year 9 and was spending the weekend on Sid and Mary Walters’ farm, Avoca, with a number of other boys from his year. As a result of the same accident, another student, Justin Payne, spent weeks in intensive care with shocking injuries, and the driver was understandably shattered.

Students from Robbie’s year group fund-raised, and with the help of the then art teacher, designed the skate board bubbler that has commemorated his life on the top playground until the recent building works.

Some people have wondered what happened to that commemorative bubbler. It has been safely stored and will be restored to the gardens in the top playground when the ground works are being developed, over the warmer months.

Derek and Julie Wiley initiated the Robbie Wiley Award that is bestowed annually at our Awards Day.

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The National Portrait Gallery is calling for entries for the National Photographic Portrait Prize 2017. Celebrating its tenth birthday, this ever-popular exhibition promotes the very best in contemporary photographic portraiture by both professional and aspiring Australian photographers. The Gallery is offering a prize of $25,000 for the most outstanding photographic portrait.

Entries close at midnight (EST) on 21 November 2016. Finalists will be announced in December and the winner will be selected prior to the opening of the exhibition in April 2017.

The exhibition of finalists will be displayed at the National Portrait Gallery from 1 April until 18 June 2017 before touring Australia throughout 2017 and 2018.
Canteen News

I hope everyone has eased back into term 4 nicely.

Please see the new menu for the summer terms attached to this week’s newsletter. You can also access the menu on the school website. If anyone has any further suggestions I would love to hear them.

This week’s volunteers are:

Thursday 20/10:  Brett Dawson
Friday 21/10:    Zoe Hoctor

As always a huge thank you to all our helpers.

Rebecca Croke
Canteen Manager

Parents who haven’t received their Term 4 School Fee Statement by next week, please contact the office.
Mysteries of the Rosary

The Rosary has been around in the Catholic faith for many centuries and is used in contemplative prayer by many around the world. Indeed, it is used in times of great need such as when someone dies. It is sometimes known as "Mary's Psalter," and through praying the Rosary we recognise the importance of Mary in the church. The Rosary represents the entire life of Jesus Christ, the passion, death, resurrection and glory. The Rosary stands as a teacher and nurturer of Christian faith and offers a way to join in prayer.

2W Praying - The Holy Rosary

In the Catholic Church, October is known as the Month of the Holy Rosary.

Students in Year Two have been learning how to correctly pray each decade of the Rosary.

The students are encouraged to continue to say this prayer with their families.
COOMA COMMUNITY HEALTH
FREE DENTAL TREATMENT
For children 0-18 years of age
Mondays and Tuesdays each week
Phone 1800 450046 (quote Medicare Card Number on booking)
No requirement for Pension or Health Care Card
Brochures available from School Office

Raffle tickets
There is also a monster raffle with around $4000 in prizes and tickets will be available on the day as well as right here in the school office! If you would like to purchase a ticket or two, please come and see us. Tickets are only $2 each! All money raised is being donated to the local CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service).

October is Mental Health Month
Did you know that Mental Health affects 1 in 4 people at some stage of their life, and it does not discriminate across age, sex, nationality, income or background?

To help raise awareness of Mental Health on the Monaro a barbecue will be held in the ‘Warreen’ Garden on Saturday October 22nd, 2016.

All funds raised on the day will be donated to the Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) on the Monaro.

WHERE:
‘Warreen’
338 Tuross Road
Countegany NSW 2630
WHEN:
Saturday 22 October, 2016
TIME:
12pm
COST:
$25 per adult/$10.00 per child (up to 12 years old)
The catering will be provided by the Numeralla and District Activities Incorporated Group.
Included in the ticket cost is a barbecue lunch, salad, glass of wine or soft drink with lunch, tea and coffee, homemade cakes and biscuits and a donation to CAMHS.

GUEST SPEAKERS:
Nicola Yates
Director of Mental Health Services for Greater Southern

John Bowe
Local Nurseryman will discuss the therapeutic and beneficial aspects of gardening

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL
For ticket purchases and inquiries:
Phone: 02/6453 3272
Email: litchies@activ8.net.au

A MONSTER RAFFLE will be held and drawn on the day.

A bus will be running from Cooma to ‘Warreen’ and back again. Cost $5 per person. With only 34 seats available – these will be booked quickly. Reserve your bus seat when booking your ticket.

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT A WORTHWHILE CAUSE

One in four people has a mental illness. You can be the one that helps.
**Monaro Art Group**

**2016 Spring Exhibition**

*Total prize money $1,500*

Entries and paintings to be delivered to
The Little Gallery, Main Centre, Sharp St, Cooma by 20th September 2016

Exhibition opens Friday 3pm, 23rd September 2016 at The Little Gallery
Runs through until Friday 21st October 2016

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**Snowy Monaro Arts Council**

**Tuesday, October 4, 2016**

**VIOLINIST MI YANG**

Melbourne-based violinist, Mi Yang has performed throughout China, Singapore and Australia, and she has won awards for her talent in both China and Australia.

She will be visiting Cooma to perform on Sunday 23 October in the stunning acoustics of the Anglican Parish Hall. The concert begins at 2.00pm and will be followed by the usual sumptuous Snowy Monaro Arts Council afternoon tea.

Accompanying Mi is Scott Zhang, an accomplished pianist who is an award-winning soloist, accompanist and chamber musician in his own right (and also piano teacher).

Tickets are available now at The Fabric Salon, and will be available at the door before the recital begins. Admission is $20 adult, $20 concession, $15 Arts Council member, and school students are free of charge.

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**CAMS Club Development Fund**

**Junior Development Motorkhana**

**Sunday 23rd October 2016**

“Long House” Polo Flat Road, Cooma

**Entry Fee:** Junior Development Participants $30. This will also allow entry to the “Come and Try Hill Climb” at Mt Gladstone on 26th November. Entry fee provides a CAMS L25I licence for participants.

Limited number of open entries are available at $30, participants will need to have or acquire a CAMS licence which will be available at the event.

Contact 0400 528 115 or cowoomacarclub.com.au
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**General Information**

School NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy

St Patrick’s Canteen Price List ~ Term 4 2016

Volunteers always welcome...

School Facebook page or in the newsletter.

Keep up to date with what is happening on the

Contrast us or drop in for a visit.

and guidelines. For more information please

Principal and students with items

When Canteen offered on Wednesdays to

(name, class and order.

Please use big enough bags, clearly write

Paper Lunch Bags: $0.10

Reusable Lunch Bags: $1.00

Quick Sticks: Various fruit flavours

Smoothies: Mango, Coconut, Pineapple

Frozen Fruit Cup: Orange or Apple

Frozen Water:

8 oz Juice Berry, Tropicana, Breakfest

Apple & Blackcurrant

Juice Apple, Tropicana

Oak Milk Choc, Strawberry, banana

Drinks

**Price Lists**

Sausage Roll: $3.20

Beer Plate: $4.20

October 15 to Friday

Tomato or BBQ Sauce

Party Plate (limit 4)

Sausage Roll

Beer Plate

Large

Small

Garlic Bread

Pizza: Ham and Pineapple

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Spicy Chili Topped on Fresh Wrap with Lettuce

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Smoked Chicken

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Vegetable

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Rainbow Wrap: Fresh Salad, Ham

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