Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Welcome back to Term 3 which promises to be another exciting and productive term!

We welcome 6 new students to the school community and trust that their time with us, and that of their families, will be positive and beneficial.

Term 3 is traditionally a very busy time for Secondary students with a rigorous assessment schedule ahead of them and it will be important for them to balance the academic demands with other elements of their lives. The experiences available to K-10 students are exhaustive and I would encourage students in all years to get involved with different activities to make the most of the opportunities available. This can be as diversified as the snowsports program, the Primary Choir, Tournament of Minds, sporting and academic competitions, to name but a few.

Over the last 2 days our teaching staff have been involved heavily in preparation for the introduction of the Australian Curriculum next year. On Monday the staff were at Lumen Christi College in Pambula to participate in workshops on different subject areas and yesterday our staff worked on developing teaching programs that align with the new curriculum. They were two very worthwhile professional development days.

Don’t forget to take advantage of the parent-teacher interviews that are taking place in the coming weeks. Details are provided through your child’s classroom teachers.

A reminder that we are hoping to start the Kindergarten 2014 interviews soon and the closing date for 2014 enrolments is set at Friday 26th July at this stage. Please encourage the parents of any prospective enrolments to contact the school office for an enrolment pack if they have not already taken one.

Phil Stubbs
Principal

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Stage 5 Visual Arts

‘Four Points of View’ was the latest exhibition seen by Stage 5 Visual Arts students at the Raglan Gallery. With their photographs, Paul McIver, Judy Goggin, Tony Sergo and Brian Hart captured the imaginations of our students whose lives are immersed in visual images. By relating an object to a particular photo, students were invited to choose images that spoke to them in a particular way. These images will inform their own art making and photography.

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St Patrick’s Parish School Cooma
P&F Association presents

**BAZAAR FAIR 2013**

Snowy Ride weekend – Saturday 2 November 2013
Cooma and enjoy the festivities in Centennial Park from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

The Bazaar Fair committee will soon be advertising our Billy Gs Gourmet Cookie Dough fundraiser. Watch out for updates as there are lots of prizes to be won including an IPad! There will be a number of events leading up to the Fair such as: Jelly Bean Competitions and 100 Club draws. Donations would be much appreciated and can be left in an envelope at the School Office marked ‘Bazaar Fair’ Committee. Donations of bags of Jelly beans, money and various assortments of scratchies would be greatly appreciated. The scratchies will be used for one of our new stalls called the Money Tree on the Chocolate Wheel. Stay tuned!

Bazaar Fair Committee members: Rebecca Hain, Erika Statham, Catherine Pearce, Mike Introna, Louise Platts, Steve Joyce and Glenyce Moxon.

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2014 Enrolments Closing

Our enrolment period at St Pat’s will be closing next week. Don’t forget to call into the office to collect an enrolment form if you have a child starting kindergarten next year. Spread the word to family and friends too!

Website: www.stpatscooma.nsw.edu.au  Email: office.stpatscooma@cg.catholic.edu.au  Phone: 6452 1721
Monday 22 July
K-6 Parent/Teacher interviews

Tuesday 23 July
Sullivan Shield Rugby League
K-6 Parent/Teacher interviews

Wednesday 24 July
Yr 7-8 Small Schools rugby league semi finals - Boorowa
Southern region snowsports (Alpine)
K-6 Parent/Teacher interviews

Thursday 25 July
Southern region snowsports (Alpine)
7-10 Ski Program
K-6 Southern region athletics - Bega
K-6 Parent/Teacher interviews
P&F meeting 5pm - Primary Staffroom

Friday 26 July
Southern region snowsports (Alpine)
NAIDOC Mass - Yr 10 & indigenous students
1P assembly 12pm

Monday 29 July
Debating quarter finals

Wednesday 31 July
7-10 Parent/Teacher interviews

Thursday 1 August
2O Parish Mass - 10am
Yr1-10 Maths competition
Yr 3-6 Snowsports program

Friday 2 August
Yr 3-6 Snowsports program
Yr 7-10 Ski program
K-6 Disco

Please refer to School website for more information
www.stpatscooma.nsw.edu.au