



IMPORTANT DATES

February

28 Parent Night

March

6 Ash Wednesday Mass

7 Welcome BBQ

15 National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence

18 St Patrick's Day Mass

20 P & F AGM

31 NQ Touch Trials Ayr

April

1 NQ Touch Trials Ayr

5 End of Term 2

19 Good Friday

21 Easter Sunday

23 Start Term 2

May

2 GSM Transition Day

11 School Fete

12 Mother's Day

23 GSM Transition Day

June

13 GSM Transition Day

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From the Principal ...

Dear Families and Friends



Welcome to another busy week. This week we have had several staff in Townsville at the BETTER (Building Explicit Teaching to Enhance Results) three day workshop. This program aims to develop and enhance teachers' and school leaders' understandings and skills in relation to explicit teaching, a clearer and more focused way in which to deliver curriculum content to students. We are looking forward to hearing about all they have learned and how they can use their new learning in their classrooms.

On the 6th March, 2019 there will be a welcoming BBQ for parents, students, committee members and anyone who would like to attend. The P & F Association AGM will be held on the 20th March 2019.

Parent Teacher Night - Thursday February 28

On Thursday night we will have our annual Parent Information sessions where teachers will discuss classroom routines and expectations, contact details and other important classroom information. These sessions will begin at 6:15pm followed by a second session at 6:45 pm. Prior to these sessions other parent workshops are available. We look forward to seeing you there.

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time of repentance, reflection and renewal for us as individuals. During Lent God asks us to cease our wrongdoings and learn to make better decisions about our actions.



Blessings for a wonderful week.

Paula Martin



**From the APRE ...
Dear Families and Friends**

This week at our Whole School Assembly, 6MQ focused on our school motto of Faith, Mercy, Education and Hope. These are more than just words, they capture our beliefs and explain what we are about as a Catholic school.

Please take a moment to read our school's definition of the words chosen to represent our ideals. Thank you 6MQ for presenting our school motto so nicely.

Faith	Mercy	Education	Hope
<p>Faith is a gift from God in which we place our trust in Him because of His work in our lives and in our world, especially in the person of Jesus.</p>	<p>Mercy is an expression of God's everlasting love for us. It is this mercy that we employ when we come to the spiritual and physical aid of our neighbour.</p>	<p>We believe in the education of the whole child; the spiritual, cultural, intellectual and physical. The ultimate goal is to provide a daily encounter with Jesus so that they might come to know Him and to live like Him in the world.</p>	<p>Hope is a gift from God in which we believe, that because of God's past actions, He will work all things to his good purposes if we align ourselves with His will.</p>
			



Next week we celebrate Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Our students, along with the children at the Mary MacKillop Early Learning Centre, will begin the day with Mass where we will receive the ashen cross on our forehead. The ashes symbolise our sins and need for repentance as we may not always live God's law of love. As well as a sign of our sorrow, they also serve to remind us that God is merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. During the season of Lent we are called to give up something important to us, not only to focus more on God but to also draw our attention to those who 'go without' on a daily basis. It is therefore easy to understand why charity is such a focus during Lent.

We raise money and awareness for the work of Caritas through Project Compassion, whose theme in 2019 is "Give Lent 100%". Each family will receive a Project Compassion box for their donations. This year we have the exciting addition of an online donation portal for our school. Please visit <https://lent.caritas.org.au/olltsv> if you wish to donate online.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

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 **Caritas**
AUSTRALIA

The Catholic agency
for international aid
and development

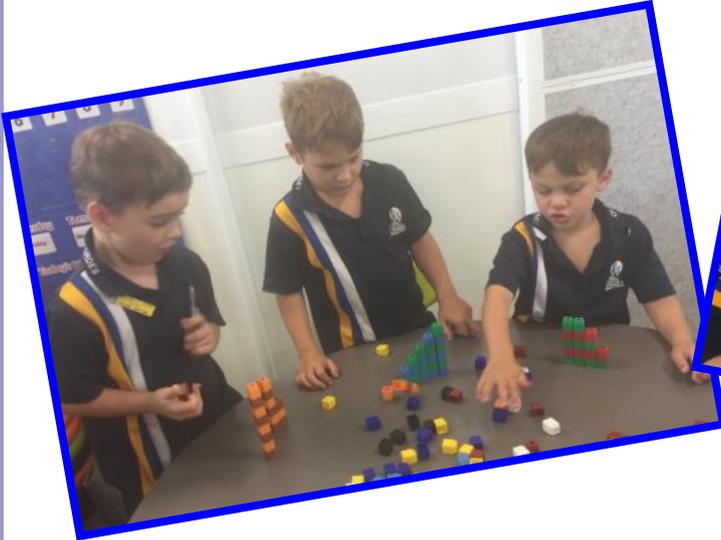
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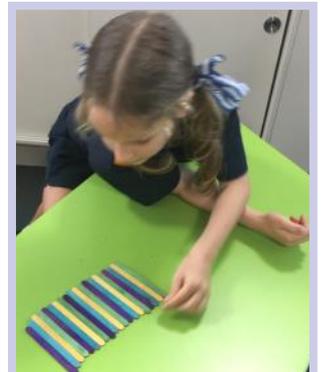
Ashley Connellan



Group fun in 1AR



To begin the year in our Role M Maths groups, we have focussed on patterning. We have made basic and then more complex patterns and identified the part that repeats, we have made growing patterns, and this week we are focussing on number patterns. Our classroom has been a hive of activity as we practised with all different kinds of concrete materials, as well as some fun shared worksheets. Our groups worked at tables....or....all over the floor!!

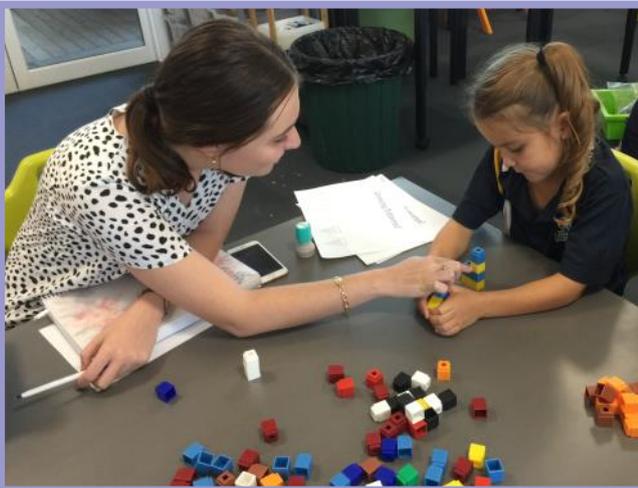


In our Literacy groups we have focussed on a variety of fun activities from our new InitialLit program including handwriting, word work, sentence construction and some craft.



Thank you Miss Rachel

We have been so lucky to have a student teacher Miss Rachel helping us, particularly with our patterning. She has been our special full time teacher this week, and has one more week in our classroom this term. We look forward to seeing her again later in the year.



A Day in the Life of 1TG

Please click on the link below and experience a day in the life of 1TG.

Thank you Mrs Gori and 1TG.

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l=vsm&o=w&c=c](https://www.magisto.com/video/IVJGOIAJFCgyRh1iCzE?l=vsm&o=w&c=c)



Congratulations to today's Award Winners ...

Achievement Awards

- PIB **Ryan Smallwood** ... for a big improvement in listening to the teacher's instructions, especially during on mat learning times. Well done Ryan!
- PCS **Jamii-Lee Richmond** ... for putting in a big effort at swimming and being confident to try new things. Well done, Jamii-lee!
- 1AR **Chanel Crisp** ... for your excellent writing in History about a family celebration. Great effort Chanel!
- 1TG **Jaxon Poppi-Naughton** ... for writing an insightful sentence about the works of Catherine McAuley.
- 2KB **Adam Mammino** ... for completing place value tasks independently and checking his answers using MAB Blocks.
- 2/3PC **Charlotte DiBella** ... for terrific skills shown in mathematics by applying taught concepts to new work.
- 3MP **Owen Stack** ... for participating with clever answers in group conversations.
- 4SK **Sofia Inunciaga** ... for taking ownership of your own learning by asking questions.
- 4/5CV **Emylee Dametto** ... for her love of reading and learning.
- 5CA **Sahara Shaw** ... by enthusiastically applying herself to complete independent tasks quickly and accurately.
- 6MQ **Loren Jensen** ... for always giving 100% to everything she does. A wonderful role model.
- 6MM **Mitchel Jayo** ... for fitting in so quickly to his new surroundings and working hard to set a high standard of work.

School Spirit Awards

- PIB **Dexter Spina** ... for being an honest and trustworthy member of our classroom.
- PCS **Jaidon Monro** ... for being an honest and trustworthy student both in and out of the classroom. You're a pleasure to have in our class, Jaidon!
- 1AR **Hudson Strong** ... for always being able to be trusted to follow classroom rules, and stay on task during lessons. Well done Hudson!
- 1TG **Laylah Barbagallo** ... by always being a trusted and honest member of our class.
- 2KB **Emily Gherardi** ... by showing integrity towards her peers in and out of the classroom. Great work Emily.
- 2/3PC **Aleesha Nicitia** ... by being a reliable and kind student particularly when assisting others in group activities and for being a wonderful support to her teacher.
- 3MP **Bill Galletly**... by being a reliable, honest and trustworthy student in the classroom.
- 4SK **Aiden Mammino** ... by being able to be trusted to complete jobs responsibly and quickly. Thank you!
- 4/5CV **Paddy Galletly** ... for always being an honest and reliable classmate.
- 5CA **Carly Roati** ... by acting with kindness, compassion and integrity towards her classmates.
- 6MQ **Aimee Mammino** ... for showing a wonderful sense of maturity and leadership. Congratulations!
- 6MM **Charlotte Liddle** ... by working diligently, asking questions and trying her hardest at all times.

Parent Night – Thurs 28th February, 2019

Workshops start at 5:30 pm:

- InitiaLit - Prep Rooms
- Role M - 1 TG Room
- iMaths - Year 2/3 Room
- Seven Steps to Writing Success - 5 CA Room

Following the workshops there will be:

Class Presentations at 6:15 pm and 6:45 pm - in individual classrooms. Teachers will provide information about their particular class. Information will include classroom expectations, communication details and routines.

Workshops are also available on:

- Thursday Morning: Role M 9 am and InitiaLit 10 am - Library
- Thursday Afternoon: Seven Steps to Writing Success 2 pm - Library
- Friday Morning: iMaths 9 am - Library
- Words their Way 9 am - Staffroom



Parents and Friends News

Last Wednesday afternoon we held our first P & F meeting for the year. It was wonderful to have so many returning and new faces at this meeting. We discussed the role of the P & F as an avenue for parents to have a say in how things are working at school and to bring up any issues they feel need addressing. Thank you again to all who attended. Our **next meeting is our AGM** which will be held on **March 20 at 5:30** in the Teacher's Staff Room.



Sports News



Swimming

Congratulations to Lucas Masters, Rocky Jensen and Ryan Elliott for making the NQ Swimming Team.

Well done and all the best.



All students wanting to participate in this trial must complete and submit a Permission to Trial form and Medical form, which includes endorsement from their Principal. These forms are available from the school.

INVITATION

P & F

WELCOME BBQ

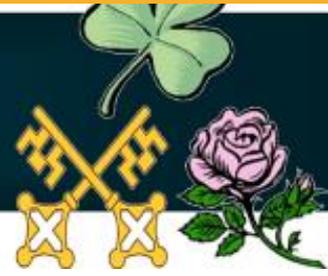
6TH MARCH

@ 6:00PM



Ingham Region Catholic Parishes

St Patrick's Ingham - St Peter's Halifax - St Teresa's Abergowrie



From Father Damian McGrath, Parish Priest ...

First of all, thank you very much to everyone who participated in Fr Vitalis' farewells. It was lovely to see so many at Mass (we almost ran out of Holy Communion). The full Hall afterwards was wonderful. Soon, Fr Vitalis will write his own word of thanks, but I know that he is very grateful. Please keep him in your prayers. The Gilroy Santa Maria Grade 12 retreat was a delightful affair, except for the flat tyre on the way back from Lake Eacham on the Thursday and the other flat tyre at Tully on the way home :(The students who attended participated incredibly well. It is a very small cohort this year and that really helped with the group bonding and the sense of common purpose. As always, the Mass on Thursday evening was the real highlight (at least for me). This past week there have been three Start of Year masses for our schools. I write this before celebrating the one for Gilroy Santa Maria College. The Mass at St Peter's was lovely. I was so impressed by our nine school leaders. That is the largest group we have had at the school in my time. They are a beautiful group of students. On Thursday, I celebrated the Induction Mass for St Teresa's College Abergowrie. The singing started softly. But, as the Mass progressed, the boys really hit their stride. I received numerous comments from the staff about what a wonderful Mass it was. This year's grade 12s are an outstanding group of young men. They will undoubtedly live up to their pledge to leave the College a better place because of their service. It was really nice, after the Abergowrie Mass, to receive feedback from our Catholic Education Religion Adviser Mr Derek Worden about the Mass the week before with Fr Mobin. He told me that Fr Mobin gave an excellent homily and really engaged the lads. I was very proud. I made my first visits to the Kindergarten for the year during this past week. I was really surprised by how many of the students that I knew, because I had married their parents, baptized them or their siblings or had simply come across in the course of ministering in this district. They were so comfortable with me because I was not a stranger. I had expected a 15 or 20 minute visit and it turned into over 50 minutes. Please note that, from now on, Mass on a Saturday Morning will be in St Paul's Chapel, off the front landing of the Presbytery.

Fr D.

Sunday Masses

Ingham	Sat 6.00pm Sun 8.30am Sun 7.00pm
Halifax	Sun 7.00am
Canossa	Sun 10.00am
Abergowrie	Sun 10.00am

Confessions

11.00am Saturday
5.00pm Saturday
or by appointment

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Lourdes Noticeboard

Our Lady of Lourdes School acknowledges the Warrgamaygan, Nywaigi and Bandjin people as the Traditional Owners of the Greater Herbert River Region.



Tuckshop Roster

Thursday, 28 February
R Minato, R McMurray

Friday, 1 March
L Spina, O Catasti

Monday, 4 March
K Marino, K Venturato

Wednesday, 6 March
C Crisp, C Lenzo

Thursday, 7 March
A DiBella, L Vardenega

Friday, 8 March
C Goldfinch, R Biasi

Monday, 11 March
R Roveda, K Biasi

Wednesday, 13 March
V Rutherford, J Butler

Thursday, 14 March
C Dametto, A Muller

LOURDES PLAYGROUP

Each Tuesday

9.00am to 10.30am

At Lourdes School

in Prep Outside Area

\$3.00 per family

Morning Tea

All children under 5 and their parents



welcome!!

School Hats ... No Hat, No Play

We have a number of spare hats in the office embroidered "PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE". These are only available for class activities/HPE classes, not lunchtime play, unfortunately.

It is a good idea to have your child's name embroidered on the outside of their hat at any of the local embroidery/sewing shops. This makes it easier to return to children when lost. If not, please ensure your child's hat is clearly and regularly marked on the inside.



6MQ Assembly

