



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 2 Week 10: Monday 2nd July 2018



Dear Parents / Caregivers,

This is quite a momentous week at MIPS. One of our much loved and respected members of staff will be taking up the next chapter in his life. Mr. Gerard Kearney will be taking a period of leave in his transition to retirement. Everyone who has gone through MIPS knows Mr. Kearney for his wisdom, passion and humour. He has been a force for empathetic and positive relationships across the school for a long time. Gerard remains a dedicated and professional teacher from whom I have learned a considerable amount in my time here at MIPS. Previous school leaders all speak highly of Gerard with fondness and respect. Our current staff value greatly all that they learn from Gerard. Gerard should be rightly proud of his significant contribution to Catholic Education most recently here at MIPS. He consistently has been a person of faith who lives out the call to “act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)

We intend later in the year to properly farewell this unique and wonderful man who will continue to have a special place in the hearts of so many students, families and staff members. But for now, we wish him well in the next chapter of his life and offer our thanks on behalf of every child whose life he has made that much better for having known him as their ‘teacher’.

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 4th July	P & F Meeting: 7pm Staffroom
Thursday 5th July	Voice of Youth Finals (Year 6 Students)
Friday 6th July	Whole School Assembly - 2:45pm Last Day of Term 2
Monday 23rd July	First Day of Term 3 (All Students) Book Fair 2018
Thursday 26th July	Grandparent's Day - 8:30am

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING TO MARY IMMACULATE

*This year we have our Book Fair commencing
Monday 23rd July Term 3 Week 1.*

There are great specials and lots of beautiful books for sale. Students will have a walk through and write out a wish list to bring home and share with you. They will then have time with their class to make their purchases. Parents are very welcome to come along and have a look and purchase if you wish before and after school commencing Monday 23rd July.

GRANDPARENTS DAY 2018 Thursday 26th July - 8:30am



In conjunction with Book Fair next Term, Grandparents Day will be held where the students can invite their Grandparents to visit the school. Open classrooms, dance performances, book purchases and lunch with the students will take place on the day. ***Mark the date in your calendar.***



SCHOOL FEES 2018

Term 2 Fees are now overdue

Reminder letters have been sent to families with outstanding fees. Please finalise your Term 2 fees as soon as possible. Should you wish to make payment, setup a flexible payment plan, did not receive your statement or are experiencing difficulty with fees, please contact the School on 9933 7800 or via email: cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Last day of trading for the uniform shop for this term is this Friday 6th July.

We will reopen Tuesday 24th July.

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesdays and Fridays 8.30-10.00am. Orders can be placed via email to elle@ozfashions.com.au (order forms can be found on the school website) or you can order via the QKR APP. For any further enquiries please contact Elle via email: elle@ozfashions.com.au or 0421 216 414



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT MERIT AWARDS

So many great learners, our stage can barely fit them all.
A round of applause for this week's merit award recipients!



WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This Friday 6th July - 2:45pm
MPA



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAY

1st July - 31st July 2018

Zali Adams, Gracelyn Adi Lingga, Raphael Anthony, Noah Burce, Lachlan Couzins, Lucas Coventry, Jack Crawley, Ruby Dale, Peyton Davis, Xander De Munck, Sasha Derevyanko, Lucas Estera, Ella Fenech-Soler, Gabrielle Firmin, Kaitlyn Gerdak, David Grigoryan, Nash Johnston, Mererewiti Joseph, Sophie King, David Lewadromodromo, Eddrick Libot, Alexander Lymberatos, Karen Mankrious, Sharlet Meisch, Alice Mi, Abbey Miralles, Chelsea Mortimer, Elisha Nanayakkara, Cassidy Nolland, Jeremiah Owusu, Matilda Oxley, Dane Parnaby, Joshua Prakash, Lennox Prakash, Anita Quigley, Aaryan Sharma, Adam Shepherd, Wynter Tan, Orlando Tarr, Isabella Titow, Jake Towers, Alexander Tsioutsias, Lily Tuchin, Savannah Webb and Lorenzo Ybuan.

CARPARK ETIQUETTE

We are fortunate to have a carpark for Mary Immaculate Primary. **A 'kiss and drop' zone operates in the morning only.** Adults must stay in the car at all times if using the 'kiss and drop' zone. The children's bags must be in the car with them to ensure they can exit quickly. At no time can a car be left unattended in the 'kiss and drop' zone. Parents are reminded that all cars need to be parked in **Marked Spaces Only**. This allows for the safe passage of other cars through the car park whilst also maximising the safety of all pedestrians, including our children, at all times. Please respect other members of the community by using the car park in a safe and respectful manner.

WEEK 9 DEBATE

On Tuesday 26th June, our debating team competed against St John Paul XXIII at our school. The topic for the debate was that, "The use of mobile phones should be banned from Primary school students." We were the affirmative team, that means we agreed with this statement. The supporting points that our students proposed are outlined below.

Our first speaker, Rachel R, presented a strong start for us highlighting how mobile phones are a major distraction to primary school students. They also interfere with sleeping patterns and routines that can cause performance rates to plummet.

Vivian was our second speaker. Her main line of defence was that mobile phones and data are very costly. They can also affect students emotional wellbeing.

To sum up and rebut our teams case was Maddison. She strongly pointed out how mobile phones can be extremely dangerous. Mobile phones pose a threat to children safety when they are walking to and from school. Over use of a small screen can have a negative effect on children's eyesight. Jeremy refuted the oppositions case by confidently reinforcing our team's case that mobile phones should be banned for primary school students.

Due to our confident and competent debating techniques we were victorious on the day.

Thank you to Mr Matulewicz for adjudicating the debate, as both sides delivered strong cases this made his job extremely difficult to decide.

The Year 6 Debate Team



STAGE 2 MIXED SOCCER

Congratulations to our Stage 2 Mixed soccer team who competed at last weeks Gala Day. Mr Kearney coached this team to victory, ending the day undefeated and taking home the medal. In the words of Miss Dann, "It's better to be a champion team than a team of champions." Working together to succeed is a sweeter victory than doing it alone.



TAPERED THE BARBERSHOP

Shop 15, 216 Farnham Road Quakers Hill Ph: 9837 1399

Local Barbershop - Come and See Us

TRADING HOURS

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9am - 5:30pm
Wednesday	9am - 5:30pm
Thursday	9am - 8pm
Friday	9am - 5:30pm
Saturday	9am - 4pm
Sunday	10am - 3pm

