



## MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

**Term 4 Week 8: Monday 3rd December 2018**



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a huge few weeks we have in the run to Christmas.

Of course, Advent began this weekend. We will be participating in several events here around Advent and Christmas. To remain informed please make sure you have the Skoolbag app on your devices and use it to link to your calendars!

Today we begin with the 2019 Leadership speeches. At the end of this week we have our Feast and Skipathon Day - Year 1 parents are on the barbecue for that day! We need every student supported in the fundraising effort up to and following this day.

MAI interviews will be able to be booked from 6:30pm on December 12. Information on how to do that will go out this week in readiness.

Again, this newsletter is full of important information to read and share so I will let you do that.

With appreciation for your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

*Advent:  
A Season of  
Hope and  
Anticipation*



### RETURN DATES FOR 2019

January 29, 30 and 31—Mathematics Assessment Interviews for years 1-6

January 29, 30, 31 and February 1-Maths Assessment Interviews and  
Literacy skill interviews for Kindergarten

**Year 1 to 6 will commence school Friday February 1 2019**

**Kindergarten will commence school Monday February 4 2019**

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## RE NEWS

**We congratulate the following students in Year 3 for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday the 29th November.**



*Kianin A, Piper B, Scarlett B, Matthew B, Aleisha B, Zoe B, Laura C, Stephanie C, Ryan C, Edward C, Lucas C, Trystan j, Brandon D, Hannah D, Gabriel D, Lillian D, Levi F, Erin F, Lily G, Ashton H, Cassandra H, Harrison H, Zara H, Jordan J, Keiran K, Jackson L, Rosco L, Sarah L, Mererewiti J, Brayden M, Francine M, Siobhan M, Noah M, Chloe M, Shenaya N, Emma O, Joseph O, Jayden P, Nevin P, Rhys P, Zoe P, Nikhel R, Erik S, Chelsea S, Christina S, Jake T, Savannah W, Gabriella X.*

## CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF MARY

Kindergarten will be presenting  
'Christmas through the Eyes of Mary'

- **This Wednesday 5th December at 12:30pm  
in the MPA for Year 1-6 students.**



- **This Thursday 6th December at 12:30pm in the MPA for Kindergarten parents and families.**

We look forward to seeing you there to help celebrate the Story of Christmas  
as seen through the eyes of Mary.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass - 9am Friday 7th December.**  
**We invite all families to join our school and parish community in this celebration.**



## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

On our assembly on Friday, our Mini Vinnies Team launched our Christmas hamper appeal. Our local chapter of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations of food and toiletries over the next few weeks. These items will be sorted into hampers and distributed to those in our community who need a little extra support this Christmas. Families in our community are invited to add an extra item or two to their shopping trolley and to bring them into school. Donations can be deposited in the baskets in each classroom or in boxes in the church foyer.

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| • Tins of shoulder ham                        | • Jam/honey/vegemite                                     |
| • Christmas cake/pudding                      | • Coffee, tea, sugar                                     |
| • Long life custard/cream/milk                | • Hot chocolate/Milo                                     |
| • Christmas decorations (eg. Bon- Bons, nsel) | • Gravy  |
| • Christmas plates/napkins                    | • Pasta and pasta sauces                                 |
| • Tins of fruit                               | • Meal base ingredients                                  |
| • Lollies                                     | • Tins of vegetables (eg. carrots, peas, corn, potatoes) |
| • Chips                                       | • Drinks (eg. soft drink, fruit juice, cordial)          |
| • Biscuits (assorted)                         |  |
| • Salsa                                       |  |
| • Rice  |  |
| • Jellies                                     |  |

Thank you for your generosity in helping to make this festive season extra special for families in need! God bless you!

Mrs Helen Moore and Mrs Jocelyn Williams



## Skip-a-thon 2018

Friday 7th December 2018 as part of our Feast Day Celebrations.

The morning will run with each stage group being given the opportunity to participate and show case a routine.

Each year group is expected to wear coloured clothing that matches their sponsorship card on the day, for example, if Year 6 have a sponsorship card that is pink, they would need to wear clothing that is mainly pink and black or school shorts.

**Mary Immaculate Students K-6 Present**

## **"The Curious Christmas Elf"**

An original mini musical script by Mrs Cauchi

**Thursday 13th December 2018**



Mipsie is a mischievous Christmas Elf.

He likes to play with the Christmas decorations and toys at night once everyone has gone to sleep!

One Christmas a new decoration appears that has Mipsie very curious.

*What is this new decoration and what has it got to do with Christmas?*

## **Mary Immaculate Primary SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

**Tuesday 11th December**

**Years 2 - 5 9am-2pm**

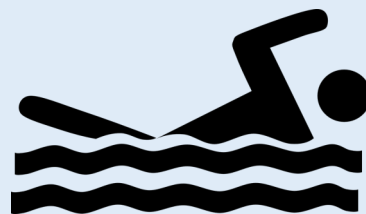
**VENUE:** Mt. Druitt Swimming Pool

**TRANSPORT:** Travelling to and from Mt. Druitt by bus

**UNIFORM:** Full sports uniform or t-shirts in colour house colours with swimming costumes underneath. School hat and sunscreen.

**COST:** Students free, Spectators \$3

**CANTEEN:** Canteen facilities available. There will be a set time for each age group to visit the canteen to help prevent congestion. It is recommended that children bring their own food and drink.



## LEARNING AT MIPS

### HIGH SCHOOL WEEK!

Last Week, Year 6 participated in High School Week! They experienced a range of high school lessons, including Debating, Algebra, Food Technology, Design and Technology, PASS, Photography and Coding. The students also learnt about studying and using a timetable to plan for homework and assignments.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAY DECEMBER 2018



Bronti A, Chelsea B, Ava B, Isabelle B, Tegvir B, Lily G, Sienna G, Alexis H, Callum H, Mackenzie H, Jacob J, Khaled K, Sophia K, Asreet K, Ater K, Allegra L, Jonah M, Rachelle M, Ashley M, Kayden Mc, Christian M, Emma O, Max O, Connor O, Tatiana P, Laura P, Harper P, Kiani R, Lucas S, Hanoch S, Madisyn S, Frances T, Siobhan T, Kyzac W, Mollie W, Amelia W, Olivia W, Le Lin Z and Angelica D .

### UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Our last trading day for 2018 is **Friday 14th December : 8.30 - 10.00am**



#### JANUARY HOLIDAY TRADING

**Wednesday 9th January 2019**

3.30pm - 5.00pm

**Saturday 19th January 2019**

12.00pm - 1.30pm



Normal trading will commence: **Friday 1st February 2019: 8.30-10.00am**

Hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year.



Tuesday 4th December	Wednesday 5th December	Thursday 6th December	Friday 7th December
Year 6 Motiv8 Day	Christmas through the eyes of Mary Years 1-6 presentation by Kindy	Christmas through the eyes of Mary Parent presentation by Kindy	Feast Day Celebrations- Whole school Mass 9am Skipathon Whole School Assembly- Year 5 item

## PDHPE NOTICE

2019 Parramatta Diocesan Team Representative nominations are now OPEN for the sports of:

*AFL, Cricket, Football (Soccer), Hockey, Netball, Rugby League (11's & Opens), Rugby Union, Softball, Touch Football*

Registration must be completed by Thursday 7th February 2019. Please ensure that all sections are filled out appropriately including 'Rep experience' where applicable.

These trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2019 be invited to attend.

Students must attend the selection trials to be eligible for selection.

Selections will be made based on performance at the trial. Selectors will be appointed based on their experience and background in a particular sport.

Please note that this online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST** be approved by your child's school principal. This will occur after the closing date whereby schools will be emailed their school nominations. Notification to the students will be via the school sports coordinator after the closing date.

The final selection of students to attend the respective sport Diocesan team sport trials is based on the Representative Experience and/or Playing History of the student by the school principal and sports coordinator.

Parents are responsible for organising their child's transport to and from their respective sport trial and their child's supervision at the trial.

**If nominating for more than one sport, a new form must be completed for each sport.**

### 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



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