

Mary Immaculate Primary School

~ Newsletter ~

Term 1 Week 4 – 15 February 2016

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Dear Families,

This week we welcome our parents to meet their child's teacher and to be given details about the learning journeys for the new year. I look forward to seeing you all at these important sessions.

We will soon have available for you our own Skoolbag app through which families can be further informed around all things MIPS.

I have asked our WHS committee to look into situations I have noted that appear to occur often at MIPS – such as the presence of adults in the main building during class time in the afternoon. I have asked them to provide me with recommendations which seek to maintain the priority of student safety and general movement around the site, including gates and traffic. I will keep you informed of these and further actions required.

On Sunday at mass we heard of Jesus overcoming temptation. This is part of our Lenten challenge – to not fall into the trap of self-interest. We do this at school by being considerate towards others in our community and by seeking to improve each other's wellbeing.

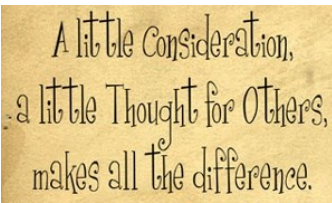
Be kind to everyone,
Stephen Dowd
Principal

2017 Enrolment Information Evening

When: Tuesday 23rd February

Time: 7pm

Where: Mary Immaculate Church



Volunteering at Mary Immaculate Primary Child Protection Checks

As you know at Mary Immaculate Primary, we warmly welcome any parents or caregivers who are able to offer their time and skills in a voluntary capacity to assist the students in our school. We are required to ensure all volunteers working in our school comply with Child Protection policy and practice.

All volunteers working in the school are required to complete Child Protection workshop online every two years, through Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. This is a requirement for any volunteer and once the workshop is completed, the school is notified via email and then clears you to work in a voluntary capacity at Mary Immaculate for two years.

The address for this link is <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training>

"Start the Module". Once complete, an email will be sent to Mary Immaculate Primary notifying the school that training has been completed. We greatly value your help at the school and look forward to working with you in the future. If you have any questions or concerns not addressed through the above website, please ask Mrs Sharon Mizzi or myself for clarification.

Week 4

Monday 15th February

Parent Information Sessions

- Kindy 5:30pm
- Year 1 6:00pm
- Year 3 6:30pm

Tuesday 16th February

Parent Information Session

- Year 6 6:00pm

Wednesday 17th February

- 9:15am Parish Mass
Yrs 1 and 5

Parent Information Sessions

- Year 2 6:00pm
- Year 4 5:30pm
- Year 5 5:00pm

Thursday 18th February

- 9:00-10:00am
Year 6 Reconciliation
- Blacktown Zone "Swimming Carnival"

Week 5

Tuesday 23rd February

- 10:00am-11:00am
Year 6 Reconciliation
- 7:00pm-8:00pm
Enrolment Information Evening

Friday 26th February

- 2:30pm-3:20pm
Assembly

Week 6

Wednesday 2nd March

- 10:00am-11:00am
Year 5 Reconciliation
- 7:30pm-8:30pm
P&F Meeting

Thursday 3rd March

- 9:15am-10:15am
Parish Mass Year 2 3 4

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PROJECT COMPASSION



During Lent, the Diocese of Parramatta is committed to supporting the work of Caritas Australia through Project Compassion. To that end, each class has a collection box on its prayer table to remind us that Lent is not just a time for 'giving something up' but for 'giving of ourselves'.

To find out more about the work of Caritas and how the money is used to support remote and impoverished communities around the world, visit caritas.org.au.

Money boxes can be returned to school in the week following Easter. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

Sports Uniform

Please be advised students are to wear their sports uniform on the following days.

Tuesday	Kindy	Year 1	Year 6
Wednesday	Year 3	Year 4	
Thursday	Year 2	Year 5	Year 6
Friday	All students		

Found

A ring was found in the school carpark on the 28th January.

Please contact the school office for more information

Developing Literacy Partnerships

Dear Parents,

An invitation is extended for you to take part in a programme specifically designed to help you - help your child/children - in their literacy and language development. This programme, called "**Developing Literacy Partnerships**", runs over two weeks, one *night a week from 7.00pm until 8.30pm*.

This programme is designed to give you knowledge, understanding and insight into how children develop in reading, writing and spelling. The course is simple, enjoyable, skill developing and affords you the benefit of being an asset in your child's learning. This programme will also assist when volunteering at Mary Immaculate Primary.

When: Tuesday evenings 7pm – 8.30pm **8th and 15th March.**

Where: Learning Support Room next to the Multi Purpose Area

I truly hope that you are able to attend.

Please fill in the slip below and return to the school office. Then simply arrive on 8th March to begin.

Thank you

Paola Dimataga

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To Paola Dimataga . Learning Support Coordinator

I, _____, would like to attend the course on Developing Literacy Partnerships.

Child's name: _____ class: _____

Daily Schedule

8:55am-11:00am	Learning Session (Uninterrupted Learning)
11:00am-11:50am	Lunch Break
11:50am-12:50pm	Learning Session
12:50pm-12:55pm	Break
12:55pm-1:50pm	Learning Session
1:50pm-2:20pm	Afternoon Tea Break
2:20pm-3:20pm	Learning Session



Our Annual Mary Immaculate Parents and Friends Association Family Bingo Night is on again!

Have some fun, play some games, and possibly take home a great prize!!!

Seats are limited, so be quick to secure your place.

When: Friday 18 March – 6:00pm for a 6:30pm start

Where: Mary Immaculate Multi-Purpose Area

Cost: Tickets are \$10 for a family (max 2 adults and up to 4 children) - all other single entry tickets are \$3 each

Book of 10 games \$10

Single Game Sheets and Daubers \$2

Funds raised will contribute to the creation of the Mary Immaculate Primary “Skool Bag” App

This is a BYO event (no alcohol permitted) with soft drinks, poppers and water available for purchase on the night as well as complimentary tea and coffee.

*****Don't forget your gold coins for additional games during the night*****

If you would like to sponsor the night, by donating a prize on the night, please contact Ryan Hutton on 0410 668 481



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Family Name: _____ Name of Oldest Child: _____ Class: _____

Number of Tickets Required: _____ X Family Ticket _____ X Single Ticket

Money Enclosed: \$ _____

*****Game sheets and daubers will be on sale on the night*****

School Fees 2016

School fees for 2016 are now being sent to all families from the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta.

Direct Debit or BPay options are outlined on pages 3 and 4 of your statement.

These payment plans assist families budgets, by spreading school fees until August 2016. Please complete the form and return by 26th February in reply paid envelope provided to: Catholic Education Office (Finance) Locked Bag 4, North Parramatta NSW 1750

Any queries regarding fees can be directed to the office on 9626 3999 or by email to cnalletambysandel@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Thank you.

Claudine Nalletamby
Office Administrator

Anaphylactic students awareness

Parents are reminded that some of our children can have a severe anaphylactic reaction to various food products. This reaction can be life threatening. Please support the school by not sending food in your child's lunchbox to school that may contain nuts, nut products or egg.

This includes all peanut butter products and Nutella.
Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Student Banking

Please remember to bring in your student bank books on Fridays.

NSW Catholic School Terms 2016

Term 1	Wednesday 27th January—Friday 8th April
Term 2	Tuesday 26th April—Friday 1st July
Term 3	Monday 18th July—Friday 23rd September
Term 4	Monday 10th October—Tuesday 20th December



Uniform shop trading hours

Normal trading hours will continue as normal

Tuesday 8.30 till 10.00am

Friday 8.30 till 10.00am.

We also do over the phone orders and online orders.

For any enquiries please contact - Elle

Phone : 0421216414

Email : elle@ozfashions.com.au



Bus Timetable Changes

The new public timetable for Busways Region 1 came in to effect on the 29th November, 2015. There was changes to current school services. To view the changes, please visit the Busways website: www.busways.com.au or contact Customer service on 9497.1870.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

to students who celebrated their birthdays between
2nd February and 15th February

CANTEEN ROSTER

Reminder: The canteen is open for over the counter snacks and drink sales Monday and Tuesday. **No lunches are available).**

Lunch orders are available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Term 1 Week 4

<i>Wednesday 17th February</i>	<i>Annette O'Reilly</i>	
<i>Thursday 18th February</i>	<i>Natalie O'Donoghue</i>	
<i>Friday 19th February</i>	<i>Cassandra Williams</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>

Term 1 Week 5

<i>Wednesday 24th February</i>		
<i>Thursday 25th February</i>	<i>Lauren Lynch</i>	
<i>Friday 26th February</i>	<i>Rosie Jeronic</i>	<i>Nilangi Abeywardena</i>

Isaac Habtewold, Jordan Nest, James Paterson, Timothy Stephenson, Ebony Munro, Kasey Quigley, Heidi Davies, Ekamveer Hundal, Zoe Hancock, Tahlia Harvey, Hannah Davis, Aleigha McAlister, Aleisha Boshell, Summer Loydall, Nathan Van Diemen, Sarah Liberatore, Liam Hayes, Bethany Higham, Rachael Robinson, Chosita Techaskul, Aaditya Mehta, Divya Prasad, Ethan Aloisio, Zachary Ramirez, Caitlin Corapi, Paulo Liwag, Raven Robert, Enzo Pacheco, Brishti Bajracharya, Mikayla Hutton, Giselle Alexandra, Grace Hodgkin