



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 3 Week 8 : Monday 4th September 2017



Dear parents and caregivers,

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Last Friday, we held our traditional Father's Day celebrations. It was a fantastic morning where breakfast was served to many families. Breakfast was followed by the opportunity to visit the children's classrooms to witness some of the exceptional learning taking place at Mary Immaculate. Our year two children then led us through a beautiful Liturgy of the Word as a tribute to our wonderful father figures. It was great to see and welcome so many special visitors to our community.



A sincere thank you to all members of the Parents and Friends Association who were able to assist with the preparation and serving of breakfast to the school community on Friday morning. Members of the Association gave many hours to ensure that families were all looked after.

Further thanks to all the teachers and staff who prepared the learning spaces for open classrooms and also, in particular, to the Year 2 teaching team who prepared the Father's Day liturgy. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

JERSEY DAY

Last Friday was also "Jersey Day". This is a day to promote Organ and Tissue donation. Thank you to all families that took part in this very worthwhile appeal.

Sincerely,

Mrs Goodwill
Acting Assistant Principal



FRUIT & VEG MONTH

Fruit & Veg Month is a health promotion program for NSW primary schools that puts a positive focus on fruit and vegetables. Fruit & Veg Month 2017 will be held from 28 August to 22 September. The theme for this year is 'Get Loud for Fruit & Veg!'. Australian



children (and adults!) don't eat enough fruit and vegetables. That's why this year's theme will focus on the benefits of fruit and vegetables and promoting the 'eat more' message to peers, families and the wider community. In RFF (Sport, Music and Art) this week the children will be participating in healthy food choices activities to help our community learn more about the benefits of healthy eating.

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SCHOOL FEES 2017

Term 3 school fees are now overdue. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their account for 2017. Reminder letters have been sent to families with an outstanding amount in their school fees account. Please finalise your account as soon as possible to avoid another reminder letter. If you are experiencing any financial difficulty and unable to finalise your school fees, please contact the school on 9626.3999 to organise a confidential meeting with Mr Dowd.

Thank you, Claudine Nalletamby - Office Administrator



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAY 1st September - 30th September 2017

Keira-Lily Almelor, Macauley Collins, Ryan Cooper, Lily Crothers, Lucas Cunningham, Trystan Dasco, Krrish Dhawan, Matthew Dias, Gabriel Esguerra, Maxwell Estera, Noah Estera, Angelina Farrugia, Macy Fenech-Soler, Marc Firman, Cristian Graca, Zac Harvey, Isla Hodgkin, James Jabbour, Surin Jung, Hannah Kantimahanti, Gabrielle Lee, Ani Lewadromodromo, Travis Lyons, Jayden Machaya, Francine Marcial, Alex Margiotta, Emily McKay, Lomax McPherson, Heleni Moa, Bryton Morris, Natalia Nikolouzou, Elissa Odeshou, Jazmyn Omokaro, Grace Onipe, Gemma Paterson, Jayden Perera, Jacob Reyes, Charlotte Richardson, Stella Roughley, Kanav Sachdeva, Vaanya Sachdeva, Chelsea Saldhana, Nicole Samson, Linesha Shrivastava, Bennett Sie-Sharp, Jasnoor Singh, Rachel Smith, Emanuele Sultana, Shaurya Tanwar, Karyss Toilalo, Scarlett Walsh, Isabella Wang, Chelsea Williams, Chloe Willis, Caitlyn Wise, Brodie Wisely, Lillian Wolffe and Gabriella Xiberras.

DIOCESAN ATHLETICS TEAM

On Friday 25th August, 16 Mary Immaculate students competed in the Diocesan Athletics Carnival at Blacktown Sports Park. All of our students had a wonderful day competing against the top athletes in the Parramatta Diocese and all achieve great success. Well done to Zsolt B, Elizabeth B, Jazz B, Alaysha G, Isobel G, Hannah K, Moses L, Caleb M, Bowen M, Luca M, Raven R, Samuel S, Luke V, Byron W, Alex M and Lado S. Congratulations to the following students who have qualified to compete at the Mackillop Athletic trials to be held at Homebush on Monday 18th September. Luca M and Moses L competing in the 100m event and Raven R and Zsolt B who are competing in Discus. We wish all the boys the best of luck in their events.



SPARE UNDERWEAR REQUEST

Can we please request a pair of spare underwear as well as socks for boys and socks/stockings for girls in your child's school bag. With the cooler weather, little accidents may occur. Also if your child has borrowed spare clothes from our school office can you please return them to office as soon as possible.



YEAR 4 CHORAL / CAPTIVATE CELEBRATION

Tomorrow Tuesday 5th September

The 2017 Primary Voices Choral Celebration is **tomorrow Tuesday 5th September** at 7pm at St Dominic's College, Gascoigne Street, Kingswood.

Please be advised that **tickets are now on sale** and can be purchased at: <https://www.trybooking.com/QXBW> If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mr Kearney, Ms Jackson, Mrs Moore and Mrs Jolly.



TOUCH FOOTBALL GALA DAY

Selected Stage 3 Students

THIS FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

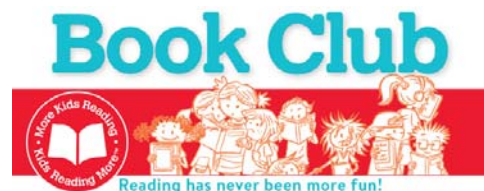
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BOOK CLUB NEWS

Thank you to everyone who ordered from Issue 5. We received scholastic rewards to the value of \$175, which will be used to purchase books and learning resources.

Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club was sent home last week. Orders need to be placed by **this Friday 8th September**. We accept: credit card online payments using LOOP: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. **We do not accept cash payments. Please disregard option 2 on Book Club order form.**

Happy reading! Mrs Henson (Book Club Co-ordinator).



YEARS 5 & 6 DANCE FESTIVAL

Next Tuesday 12th September - 9am

Diocesan wide Dance Festival as part of the Arts Factor series.

San Domiano Centre - St Agnes Catholic College Rooty Hill



YEAR 3 EXCURSION

Next Wednesday 13th September - 9am

Chinese Gardens Darling Harbour



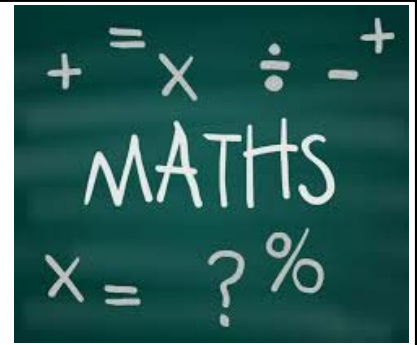
YEARS 5 & 6

"ST JOHN PAUL 2nd DAY"

Next Friday 15th September: 9am - 11am

Schofields Campus

MATHEMATICS MOTTO



During Term 3 students have been encouraged to “use what you know to work out what you don’t know.” This is an important motto that students have been encouraged to follow. Primary students have worked to apply this to tables.

Here are some handy facts to help learn those tricky times tables:

Two Times tables: If I know my double facts, I know my two times tables.

Four Times tables: If I know my two times tables, I know my four times tables (double, then double again)

Example 4×9 : double 9 is 18, double 18 is **36**)

Five Times tables: 5 Times tables: Cut in half, then times by 10

Example: 5×6 : Cut 6 in half to get 3, then times 10 for 30

Or times 10 then cut in half.

Six times tables: when you multiply 6 by an even number, they both end in the same digit.

Examples: $6 \times 2 = 12$, $6 \times 4 = 24$, $6 \times 6 = 36$, etc

7×8 Think "5,6,7,8": **$56 = 7 \times 8$**

Eight Times tables: Double, double, double!

Example: 8×6 : double 6 is 12, double 12 is 24, double 24 is 48

Nine Times tables: is $10 \times$ the number minus the number.

Example: $9 \times 6 = 10 \times 6 - 6 = 60 - 6 = 54$

the ones digit goes 9, 8, 7, 6, ...: 9, 18, 27, 36, 45, ...

the tens digit goes 0, 1, 2, 3, ...: 9, 18, 27, 36, 45, ...

subtract one to get the tens digit, and the tens and ones digit together make 9

Example: 9×5 : tens digit is 4, 4 and 5 make 9, so 45

Example: 9×8 : tens digit is 7, 7 and 2 make 9, so 72



Your hands can help! Example: to multiply 9 by 8, hold your 8th finger down, and count "7" and "2", the answer is 72.

Ask your child for some other tricks they know to help work out hard multiplicative thinking problems.

Yours in Mathematics, Mrs Sarah Hutton

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2017

**Sunday 3rd September
- Saturday 9th September**

*“Don’t wait until a child has been abused or neglected before you do something.
We need to work together as a community to STOP this from happening in the first place.”
- Leesa Waters, Deputy CEO, NAPCAN*

National Child Protection Week is **your** opportunity to help prevent child abuse and neglect. **REMEMBER**

- ◆ We all have a part to play in protecting children
- ◆ Even small actions can help to improve a child’s future
- ◆ By building stronger communities, we are creating safer environments for our children

HERE’S HOW YOU CAN PLAY YOUR PART...

1. Display the enclosed National Child Protection Week posters in a prominent place (let us know if you’d like more copies). See over the page for the stories behind the posters (maybe also pin that up).
2. Plan or attend an event for National Child Protection Week. An event can be anything from a display, morning tea, forum, fundraiser, children’s activity or family day. You can view or register events on our website at www.napcan.org.au.
3. Go to our website at www.napcan.org.au to download National Child Protection Week logos, images and resources.
4. Tell your family, friends and colleagues about National Child Protection Week and share ideas to inspire them to play their part. Include an article in your newsletter, mention it at a staff meeting, or help to promote the events.
5. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/napcan.playyourpart/ and follow us on Twitter (NCPW_NAPCAN) and Instagram (@playyourpart_napcan). Use the hashtags #ncpw or #playyourpart.
6. For more information, visit our website www.napcan.org.au, email contact@napcan.org.au or phone (02) 8073 3300. If you are not already on our mailing list please subscribe via the sign-up form at the bottom of any page on our website at www.napcan.org.au.

*“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot,
nothing’s going to get better - it’s not”
- Dr Seuss*

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PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYONE’S BUSINESS



THE STORIES BEHIND OUR NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2017 POSTERS

Poster 1: 'Stronger communities, safer children'

Research is telling us that strong social cohesion in a community has a protective effect for children. Communities where children are seen and heard, where their participation is valued, and where their families can get the support they need, are stronger communities that help to keep children safe and well. We also wanted to remind families that it's ok to ask for help; we all need to support each other if we are to build a brighter future for children. This poster features artwork by a Year 8 student from Dubbo NSW, Shannon Kassell, who has captured the concept beautifully:

"My painting represents a play on words being 'people who build up our community'. The tower with small houses and work buildings such as a hospital and school, represents the community 'up' therefore the people walking upwards represents the townspeople in the community. There are many indigenous and non-indigenous people, with couples, students, police and health workers to be seen, that make up our community."



Poster 2: 'The little things you do today...matter to a child's tomorrow'



This poster reminds us that even the small things we do (e.g. smile, listen, talk, hear, play, notice) can make a difference to a child's future.

As recognised in the Federal Government's *National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009–2020*, for children to reach their full potential it's important to consider their early development, especially in the first 1000 days.

All positive experiences and relationships - no matter how small - help to positively develop the child's brain and build strong foundations for better health and development outcomes. For a great explanation, see the video 'How Brains are Built: The Core Story of Brain Development' (www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmVWOe1ky8s).

Having even one positive adult in a child's life can help them overcome negative experiences and build healthy brain foundations. You can, and might already be, that one person!

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UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Normal trading hours:

Tuesday 8.30 - 10am and Friday 8.30am - 10am

We also do over the phone orders and online orders.

For any enquiries please contact - Elle Ph: **0421 216 414**

Email : elle@ozfashions.com.au

MARY IMMACULATE PARISH YOUTH BINGO FUNDRAISER

Saturday 23rd September 4pm - 11pm

Mary Immaculate Primary MPA



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN IS UNDERWAY!

Promotion Ends: Tuesday, 19th September 2017

We are excited to be taking part in the 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. From now until 19 September 2017, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. We have set up a collection box in the student foyer for the children to place stickers in. Let your family, friends, work colleagues and neighbours know and ask them to help collect stickers for our school. Every extra sticker helps! The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. Thank you for your support!

TAPERED THE BARBERSHOP

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

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



Your Friendly neighbourhood Barbers are here. No need for bookings, walk in only.



**Our Lady of Mercy
Parramatta**

**OPEN MORNING TOUR
Wednesday 6th September**

The College is now enrolling for 2019.
Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place
or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss
how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

Celebrate Family "FUN DAY"

Parliament of NSW

FRIDAY 6th OCTOBER

10am - 3pm

GHOSTS OF OUR COLONIAL PAST

FREE EVENT

Fun educational activities for children 4 – 12 years old

Guessing competitions, role plays, tours.

For further details: ph: 9230.2047 or email:

dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au



SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY GUIDE

Please find the link for the 2017 Spring School Holiday Guide
below, for use on social media/newsletters for parents.

<https://www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/News-Media/Spring-School-Holiday-Guide>