

Mary Immaculate Primary School

Newsletter Update 10th August 2015 - Term 3 Week 5



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Social Skills Focus at MIPS

This fortnight's Social Skill is:

SHARING



- Learning to share is hard for a lot of people, because it means giving something up. However, it also means being generous and thinking about the needs of others.
- When you share, you feel good because you are being nice to someone else.
- When someone shares with you, you feel good because they are being considerate to you.
- You can also share with those who you may not know. This can be done through charity or donations. Through this kindness and service you can make a difference even though you may not directly see it.
- It is not always material things or objects that we share. THINK! Do you have talents you can share? Maybe it is sharing your time?

Parent Links: Discuss with your child the importance of sharing. Demonstrate and model good sharing practice. Present the following examples to your child, one at a time. After each, ask them whether it would be easy or hard for them to share in the situation. Encourage them to talk about what they would do, and why.

1. There is only one controller for the computer, but you really want to play and continue to the next level.
2. There's only one brownie left on the plate
3. Three family members are sitting on a sofa, and a fourth person has nowhere to sit.
4. Ask your child to think of other examples when sharing is necessary.

Week 5

Monday August 10

- Peer Support
- 10:00am
St. Mary MacKillop Feast Liturgy

Tuesday August 11

- Blacktown Zone Athletic Carnival
- ICAS University Test— Maths

Wednesday August 12

- Life Ed Visits
- 12:00-1:50pm
Reconciliation Yr 4

Thursday August 13

- 7:30pm Confirmation Practice Evening

Friday August 14

- Cool Kids Music
- 10:00am-11:00am Feast of the Assumption MPA
- P.A.R.T.Y.
Parish Youth Program



Woolworths Earn & Learn

Thank you to all those people who have contributed their Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers to the Collection Box in the student foyer. Thank you for supporting our school!

Skip-a-thon 2015

Thank you students and parents for supporting this event last Thursday 6th August. It was a great success with the help of parents, teachers and our students' active participation.

This is our biggest fundraiser for the year with the money raised going towards purchasing resources and classroom equipment. Thanks to all families who have brought in their sponsorship cards. We request that you return all sponsorship cards with the money raised to the office by **Friday 28th August (week 7)**.

Remember that for every \$5 collected, students receive a raffle ticket in the prize draw, with a boy and girl from each grade winning a prize.

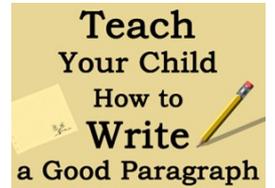
This draw will take place during our afternoon assembly in Week 9 Friday 11th September.



Literacy Writing Tips Weeks 5 & 6

Paragraphs:

The Hamburger Paragraph



A hamburger is a great analogy in helping your child to write a paragraph. Here's how it works.

Top Bun - Topic Sentence

Explain to your child that the first sentence of a paragraph tells what the paragraph is about. It's called a topic sentence. It's the top bun of the hamburger. It needs to draw the reader in so it should be interesting. It can be a question like, "Did you know that cheetahs are the fastest land mammal on earth?" It can be a fascinating fact like, "Lions are the only member of the large cat family that hunt as a group rather than individually." Or it can be a quote like this one. Napoleon said, "A picture is worth a thousand words." For younger children it is best to just start with a simple topic sentence that explains what the paragraph is going to be about. In that case, it might look something like this, "Dolphins are smart animals." Choose the method which best suits your child.

The Fixings - Details

The next part of the paragraph includes all of the details about the topic. They are the fillings in the hamburger like the lettuce, tomato, and burger. All of these fillings "support" the top bun, so the details should support the topic.

The Bottom Bun - Concluding Sentence

The last part of the paragraph is the concluding sentence. It is the bottom bun of the hamburger and can do one of two things. It can restate the topic sentence in a different way, or it can briefly summarise what was covered in the paragraph.

Go ahead and have some fun constructing some creative paragraphs at home!

Maths



Four people are standing in line. Jamila is standing 3 meters behind Lora and 2 meters in front of Carla. Paula is standing 4 meters in front of Laura.

What is the distance between Carla and Paula?

Answer from week 4: Jane can buy 15 sweets.



Life Education Visit

Healthy Harold and the Life Education Team are setting up camp in our carpark starting this week! All classes will visit the Life Education van during Week 5 and 6, learning about a range of healthy living choices. For more information, keep an eye on next week's newsletter.



Friday 4th September

Celebrate Father's Day with a BBQ Breakfast and Raffle.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00am (Gold Coin donation)

Raffle tickets will be sold at \$2.00 each and drawn at breakfast.

Enjoy Open Classrooms from 8:30am and Liturgy at 9:30am.

All families are invited to attend and enjoy the morning!

Congratulations Jayden Weymark

Jayden Weymark has been successful in being selected to represent NSW at the Pacific School Games to be held in November. This is a wonderful achievement for Jayden, his family and the school and follows disappointment last year when he was unable to attend the same event due to injury. We congratulate Jayden and look forward to hearing all about this terrific experience later in the year.

This presents a significant financial outlay for the family and we have offered to support the family by selling the official raffle tickets through the school office. If you would like to purchase some raffle tickets, please send the appropriate money to the school in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class and number of tickets.

The details of the raffle are:

2015 NSW PSG Team Guessing Competition
Tickets: \$2.00 each

1st Prize:	55" Samsung Full HD Smart 3D TV
2nd Prize:	GoPro HD Hero4 Action Video Camera
3rd Prize:	Apple iPad Mini 32GB Wi-Fi capable
4th Prize:	Olympus TG-3 Waterproof Camera
5th Prize:	Sony Noise Cancelling Headphones