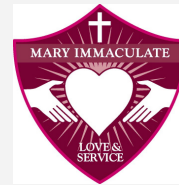


# Newsletter Update

Term 3 Week 5—12th August 2013



## WriteOn Competition

"The dog stared wistfully out over the rocky landscape. Red fabric flowed from his neck, rippling in the gentle breeze."

This year, students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have the opportunity to submit an entry for judging in the Board of Studies and Sydney Morning Herald's WriteOn competition.

Students can write a narrative, exposition, description or recount of up to 500 words. The writing must be based on a photo stimulus which is available on the competition website.

Writing can be conducted at home and Mr Matulewicz will be holding consultation sessions in the Year 5 learning space during Thursday lunch times. A fantastic opportunity for students to develop their writing skills, more information is available at 'writeon.bos.nsw.edu.au'.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society's Winter Sleepout

This Friday night our Year Six students are taking part in **St Vincent de Paul Society's Winter Sleepout**. The children will be engaging in activities aimed at raising awareness of the issue of homelessness. We are seeking donations of cardboard boxes for the evening. If you have any could you please bring them in and leave them on the stage in the MPA for collection. Thank you supporting this social justice initiative.

## Social Skills Focus at MIPS

Say *PLEASE* and *THANK YOU*



This fortnight's Social Skill is:

**USING MANNERS**

Parent Links: Model good manners in front of your child. Reward good manners and let your child know that it is appreciated. If your child doesn't say please and thank you, remind them, but don't make a big issue out of it. Point out children with good manners. If you are going to a restaurant or theatre where good manners are required, tell your children what you expect of them before you go. Explain to them that they get privileges and special outings because they know how to behave.

## Important Dates

### Tuesday 13th August

Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival

### Wednesday 14th August

Years 3-6 UNSW Maths Competition

### Thursday 15th August

Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady

9:15am Years 3-6 Mass in Church

10:30am Prayer Celebration for Kindy-Year 2 in MPA

### Friday 16th August

1:30-5:00pm 'Cool Kids Music'

2:30pm Whole School Assembly  
Year 4 item (year 6 iMovie)

Minie Vinnies Year 6 'Sleep Over' Night

## Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill

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Mass Times

Mary Immaculate Church  
Reconciliation

Saturday 4.30-5.30pm

Weekday Mass

Monday 8.30am

Tuesday 8.30am

Wednesday 9.15am

7pm—Novena Mass for Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Thursday 9.15am

Friday 8.30AM  
7PM-Mass/Holy Hour

Sunday Masses

6.00pm Sunday

7.30am Sunday

9.00am Sunday

10.30am Sunday

6.00pm Sunday

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## REMINDER

### SCHOOL FEES DUE 19TH AUGUST, 2013

Thank you to all those families who have paid their School Fees.

If you are having difficulty in paying please do not hesitate to call Jenny Blewitt (Acting Financial Secretary) to discuss options to assist you in paying.

## TICKET SALES

Tickets for Parish Silver Jubilee celebration will be available Wednesday afternoon from 230pm.

Nicole Patterson and Maree McNeil will be selling the tickets near the amphitheatre.

Tickets will also be available to purchase on Friday morning in the St Josephs centre.

Cash or cheque only

Adults are \$25

Children 2-12 \$15 (pre purchase only)

Great variety of entertainment for all the family from 1030am until 7pm fireworks display.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Many thanks to Connie—grandmother of Chelsea Smith 2M who travelled from Smithfield to answer our call for help in the canteen last Friday!

What would we have done without her.

## Peer Support

This week in the Peer Support session, children will be focusing on the importance of support networks and the role that friends play in each others lives. Children will construct a visual representation of this during the session.

Encourage your child to identify friends they have who can provide support to them if the need arises.

## Premier's Reading Challenge

There is only **two weeks to go** until the Premier's reading Challenge for 2013 officially closes. If you have not done so already, could you please make sure that you have entered the details of books that your child has read onto the website. If you have any trouble logging in with your child's details and password, please contact Mr Boss.



## Book Week

We are celebrating Children's Book Week 2013

MIPS are having a Book Fair!!!

16th—21st August

Start making your special head band now

This is totally for fun in keeping with the theme of Book Week

More information will follow!



## READ ACROSS THE UNIVERSE!

Students have received an order form and flyer sent home last week.

Students are able to purchase books with the order form they received or in the class visits throughout the day. A timetable of the class visits will be sent home so students know which day to bring in the money if they wish.

Parents are welcome to come into the library and purchase between 8.30-9.30am.

Afternoons 3pm-4pm

Or just have a browse!