

Dear Parents/Carers

Our Grandparents' Day was a tremendous success! Our grandparents had a wonderful morning as a vital part of our community and the students were delighted to show them how proud they are of themselves and their school. Our generous Parents & Friends provided a yummy lunch. The students danced and the parents enjoyed their creative talents. Our Book Fair ensured that our Grandparents and parents were able to support their children's love of reading. Families visited classrooms to have their children show them evidence of the learning development.

Such events are extremely important for us a community. They unify and engage us. They provide us with the opportunity to give thanks for our bounty and giftedness. They are Kingdom days - days where as a Catholic community we gather and give glory for what God has given us.

We were also very fortunate to welcome Fr Oliver as our new parish priest. Fr Oliver intends to work very closely with our school community. You can see further information on Fr Oliver below.

This week we host our Infants Athletics Carnival. Everyone is invited to join us as we support our young athletes on Thursday at Paterson Reserve.

With appreciation for your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

### **PARISH PRIEST ANNOUNCEMENT**



Welcome, Fr. Oliver!

On 4th July 2019, Fr. Oliver Aro, MSP. was appointed the parish priest of Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill ~ Schofields for a period of six years. Fr. Oliver is a member of the Mission Society of the Philippines. A missionary institute of the Society of Apostolic Life established by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines. He was ordained a Deacon on the 25th of July 1996, and on the day of his Baptism, 2nd of January 1997, he was ordained a priest at the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Cebu, Philippines. The Mission Society of the Philippines made him the Director of the Missionary Spirituality Formation of Seminarians, as his first assignment. After three years of formation work, He was sent to the missions of Papua New Guinea in 2000.

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In 2005, the M.S.P. Superior sent him to the Maori Missions in the Diocese of Auckland, New Zealand, where Bishop Patrick Dunn appointed him to Sacred Heart Parish, Dargaville. In 2008, he was appointed District Moderator (Local Superior) of the Mission Society Philippines for the New Zealand District. The Bishop moved him to Holy Cross Parish, Papatoetoe. The role of the D.M. is to look after the missions in Australia, Pago Pago, the Cook Islands and New Zealand.

In 2011, Pope Benedict XVI appointed him to be the Superior of the Missio Sui Iuris of Tokelau. However in 2016, Pope Francis changed the jurisdiction of the Church of Tokelau. He entrusted the Pastoral Care to the Archdiocese of Samoa. This new status of the church of Tokelau ceased his responsibility to the mission. In mid-2016, the M.S.P. sent him back to the Auckland Diocese and to temporarily reside at St. John's Parish, Parnell, supplying parishes in need of a priest. In early 2017, the Bishop assigned him to be the Parish Priest to the Parishes of Thames, Coromandel Peninsula and Hauraki Plains and then in 2018 the parish priest of St. Mark's Parish Pakuranga Auckland New Zealand.

We are blessed to be given Fr. Oliver as our parish priest of Mary Immaculate and look forward to working closely with Fr. Oliver and Fr. Ever as a community, over the coming years.

Helen Moore

**Religious Education Coordinator** 

# Assistant Principal's Message

**Assistant Principal** 

Last Friday was a wonderful celebration of our students and their talents. It was fantastic to have so many grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles and special visitors join us. Many of the grandparents I spoke to commented on the confidence our students portray and that it was clear that the children loved being at MIPS. One grandparent said she wished school was as fun when she was there. We are extremely fortunate to have such a wonderful cohort of children who are always looking to be challenged and for opportunities to further their learning.

As educators, parents and mentors it is imperative that we continue to provide our children with feedback, thus providing them direction and support. Late last term the students provided you with an insight into their learning when they presented their tremendous work at the Student Led Conferences. Goals were set during this time, I encourage you to regularly discuss with your children their progress and current goals. Teachers work closely with each student in setting goals and placing supports in place to ensure these goals are achieved and achievable.

The connection between home and school is imperative in ensuring the best possible education for our children.

Sharon Mizzi

**Assistant Principal** 



Last week, Year 6 participated in two days of Peer Support Leadership Training at Mary Immaculate. The Year 6 students trained to develop their leadership skills in order to facilitate activities with small groups of younger students. They had so much fun and learned quite a lot about themselves and others during the training!



Our whole school will be starting Peer Support sessions this week, each Monday. Students will be using a new module on OPTIMISM, which focuses on how to be positive in situations on the playground and in a range of social situations. The experiences presented in this module will help students to develop skills to identify their strengths, celebrate their achievements and seek assistance when faced with challenges. In this session, each group will participate in a range of 'getting to know you' activities and will formulate their group agreements so that they can work well together throughout the term. You might like to discuss with your child what they can do this week to help them take an active role in Peer Support!

Mrs Kylie Behrens

# **SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Tuesday, 30th July Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day, Penrith
- Wednesday, 31st July Netball Gala Day, Kellyville

# Soccer & Netball





• Thursday, 1st August Infants Sports Carnival (Kindergarten, Year 1 and 7 year old Year 2 students), Paterson Reserve



### **UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS**

The uniform shop is open every Tuesday and Friday 8:30—10am. Orders can be placed via email to elle@ozfashions.com.au (order forms can be found on the school website) or you can order via the QKR app. For any further enquiries please contact Elle via email: elle@ozfashions.com.au or 0421 216 414.



#### SPARE UNDERWEAR REQUEST

Could 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. Little accidents may occur, particularly in this cold weather. Also if your child has borrowed spare clothes from our school office, could you please return them to the office as soon as possible.

# **SCHOOL FEES 2019**

### **Instalment 3 Fee Statements**

School fee statements for instalment 3 have been sent home. Please note that the due date is Wednesday, 28th August 2019. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their instalment 2 account or are continuing payment plans and are up to date. If you have any queries regarding fees, please contact Liz via email Imac-qkhlfees@parra.catholic.edu.au or 02 9933 7800





## Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill - Schofields

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#### Sacramental Program

#### Reconciliation 2019 Children Year 3 and Older

18th August - Sun

22<sup>nd</sup> September – Sun

19th / 20th October - Sat or Sun

Online Registration opens

**Online Registration closes** 

Enrolment Mass (Sat 5.30pm or Sun 9am ONLY)

2nd / 3rd November - Sat or Sun

Second Class

First Class

9th / 10th November - Sat or Sun

16th / 17th November - Sat or Sun

21st November - Thurs

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Third Class and Practice

Reconciliation

#### Sacramental Program

### Confirmation 2019

Children Year 5 and Older

19th May - Sun

16<sup>th</sup> June – Sun

29th / 30th June - Sat or Sun

27th / 28th July - Sat or Sun

4th / 3rd July - Sat or Sun

10th / 11th August - Sat or Sun

Online Registration opens

Online Registration closes

Enrolment Mass (Sat 5.30pm or Sun 9am ONLY)

First Class

Second Class

Third Class and Practice

20th / 21st August - Tues or Wed

Confirmation Ceremony at 7pm

Gerald "Ged" Oblea and Marthese Sultana Sacramental Team Mary Immaculate Parish Quakers Hill – Schofields Ph: 9626 3326 (press '7') Mobile: 0477 151 279 Email: sacramentalcoordinator@maryimmac.org.au







# STARTING 4<sup>th</sup> SEPT – 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 2019



#### REGISTRATION DATES

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – 9am till 3pm Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 – 9am till 3pm

#### INDOOR SOCCER (6 a side)

U6's and U7's-Saturdays 8am to 10.30am U8's and U9's-Saturdays 10am to 1pm U10's and U11's-Saturdays 11am to 2pm U12's to U14's-Saturdays 2pm to 5pm 5-A-SIDE

U15's to U17's- Fridays 5pm to7:30pm Girls Only Grades

U10's, U12's- Saturdays 12pm to 2.30pm U14's - Saturdays 3pm to 5pm

#### INDOOR NETBALL (7 a side)

U7's and U8's-Saturdays 8am to 10am U9 and U10's-Saturdays 9.30am to 12pm U11's and U12's-Saturdays 11.30am to 2.30pn U13's and U14's-Saturdays 2pm to 5pm U15's to U17's (Girls & Mixed)Wednesdays 5pm to7pm

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### 2019/2020 JUNIOR SUMMER SOCCER & NETBALL

#### INTRODUCTION

Our new junior summer competitions at Castle Hill Indoor Sports for the 2019/2020 will be starting soon. These competitions have been running since summer of 2003/2004 and we have grown from 28 teams in our first season to 160 teams last year, and we anticipate at least 180 teams this season.

The competitions are designed to give every child a chance to continue their skills whilst they are in their off season from outdoor. They are conducted in a friendly and social manner for all children playing, and for parents to view.

#### REGISTRATION

The registration dates are:

Saturday 24 August, from 9.00am to 3.00pm, or Saturday 31 August, from 9.00am to 3.00pm, at the sports centre

These are the only two dates available for registration so you will need to attend either one of these days.

If you are registering a team, we do not need to see all the players at registration. It will be sufficient for one representative from the team to come down to the centre with all the player details and registration monies.

If you are registering as an individual you will need to come down to the centre with all your details and registration money.

To register you will need:

Player's Name Player's Dates of Birth (plus proof of age) Contact Phone Number \$10 registration fee per player

All new players to the centre will be required to have proof of age that will be sighted at registration. (we do not need to keep a copy on our records).

Proof of age can be either in the form of a birth certificate, passport, soccer/netball card or a school card.

#### COMPETITION DETAILS

The competition starts 4 – 7 September (depending on your age bracket) and is played every week at the one venue at the indoor sports centre.

All games will endeavour to be played within the following time ranges but may be subject to change depending on the number of teams in each age group.

#### Soccer (6-A-Side)

6's & 7's – Sat. 8.00am to 10.30am 8's & 9's – Sat. 10.00am to 1.00pm 10's & 11's – Sat. 11.00am to 2.00pm 12's to 14's – Sat. 2.00pm to 5.00pm (Girls Only Grades - Soccer) U10's, U12's – Sat. 12.00pm to 2.30pm U14's – Sat. 3.00pm to 5.00pm

#### Netball (7-A-Side)

7's & 8's - Saturdays 8.00am to 10.00am 9's & 10's - Saturdays 9.30am to 12.00pm 11's & 12's - Saturdays 11.30am to 2.30pm 13's & 14's - Saturdays 2.00pm to 5.00pm

15's to 17's (Girls) – Wednesdays 5pm to 7pm 15's to 17's (Mix) – Wednesdays 5pm to 7pm

Soccer (5-A-Side)

U15 to U17 - Fri. 5.00pm to 7.30pm

#### Game Fees

Wednesday, or Saturday Netball (7-a-side) - \$70 per team per week. Friday Soccer (5-a-side) - \$63 per team per week Saturday Soccer (6-a-side) - \$70 per team per week

This is to be paid as a team payment and not from individual players.

This can be paid either weekly, or the whole season of 16 weeks can be paid in advance at round 1 or 2. Please be aware that this does not include any finals that are played by your team. These fees are to be paid on the day of the final/s.

<u>NB. Castle Hill Indoor Sports will accept payments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS.</u> All EFTPOS transactions will be subject to a 1% transaction fee..

#### Age Groups

Soccer: All ages from U6 to U17

Netball: All ages from U7 to U17

The age group is determined by the age of the oldest child in the team as at 31 December 2019.

eg. If you turn 9 years old in 2019, you will play in the 9's If you turn 9 years old in 2020, you will play in the 8's

#### Number of Players

- Soccer: U6 to U14 => 6-a-side with unlimited interchange U15 to U17 => 5-a-side with unlimited interchange
- Netball: 7-a-side with interchange at halftime

#### Equipment Required

- Soccer: Shin guards are compulsory Common coloured t-shirt or jersey (shorts and socks – any colour)
- Netball: Uniforms are not required (bibs will be supplied by the centre)

All soccer balls, netballs and umpires/referees will be supplied by the centre.

#### No jewellery will be allowed whilst playing.

#### Duration of Games and Competitions

All games will consist of two halves of 13 minutes each. The competition will run for 16 weeks plus 2 weeks of finals. (see attachment A for all dates)

#### Training

There is no formal training set for any teams. Teams can hire the courts during the week if needed (providing availability of courts)

#### Grading/Draws/Points Tables

All teams will initially be graded as per their age group. The first five weeks of the competition will enable us to regrade your team if necessary.

We will contact your team captain/organiser with the time for your first game by <u>Wednesday 4 September</u>. Your times for the next week will then be advised at the sports centre on your match day (for the first 5 weeks)

Once grading is completed by round 5, draws will be handed out and points tables will be on display at the sports centre and on the website.

#### **Conduct Towards Officials and Players**

Castle Hill Indoor Sports promotes all competitions to be played in a fun and social manner. Therefore we will not accept any abusive or negative attitudes towards any officials or players that participate in our competitions.

Any incidents that do occur will be dealt with by management

#### Website

All details in relation to draws and points tables will be available on our website, along with information about our other facilities within the sports centre.

The website address is:

### www.castlehillindoor.com.au

We look forward to seeing you at registration and we trust you will enjoy the coming season.

Castle Hill Indoor Sports

### Attachment A

### JUNIOR SOCCER AND NETBALL – SUMMER 2019/2020

### COMPETITION DATES

4 - 7 Sep 2019	R
11 - 14 Sep 2019	R
18 - 21 Sep 2019	R
25 - 28 Sep 2019	R
2 - 5 Oct 2019	N
9 - 12 Oct 2019	N
16 - 19 Oct 2019	R
23 - 26 Oct 2019	R
30 Oct - 2 Nov 2019	R
6 - 9 Nov 2019	R
13 - 16 Nov 2019	R
20 - 23 Nov 2019	R
27 - 30 Nov 2019	R
4 - 7 Dec 2019	R
11 - 14 Dec 2019	R
18 - 21 Dec 2019	N
25 - 28 Dec 2019	N
1 - 4 Jan 2020	N
8 - 11 Jan 2019	N
15 - 18 Jan 2020	N
22 - 25 Jan 2020	N
29 Jan – 1 Feb 2020	R
5 - 8 Feb 2020	R
12 - 15 Feb 2020	R
19 - 22 Feb 2020	S
26 - 29 Feb 2020	G

Round 1 Round 2 Round 3 Round 4 No Games - Sc. Hol No Games - Sc. Hol Round 5 Round 6 Round 7 Round 8 Round 9 Round 10 Round 11 Round 12 Round 13 No Games - Sc. Hol. Round 14 Round 15 Round 16 Semi Finals GRAND FINALS



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# PULL UP A PEW!!!

You would be familiar with our church pews located around the school grounds, they are now up for sale.

We are looking from \$300 each and there are approximately 26 seats for sale.

Please contact the office if you are interested in purchasing a seat or 2, otherwise please spread the word.



