Mary Immaculate Primary School ~ Newsletter ~

Term 1 Week 7-6th March 2017



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Dear Friends,

This morning at our assembly I shared the following clip with the students which is based on today's reading from Matthew:- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MunLfcKWykA</u>

The message of the gospel and this clip is 'whenever you did this to the least of my brethren, you did it unto me'. I invited the students to be conscious of especially looking to the needs of others and responding compassionately during the season of Lent. I invite you to view this clip and discuss it with your family as to how you might also live out this gospel message.

This being <u>Catholic Schools Week</u> we have further opportunities to welcome families and prospective families to our school to see how we are evolving. Today, our Year 6 students visit St John Paul II College to have an experience of Catholic secondary schools. Tonight, we continue our parent Literacy course. **Tomorrow, the students will come in '<u>mufti</u>' with a 'gold or fold' donation to go to Caritas – Project Compassion.** Thursday, we welcome Michelle Rowland MP to meet with our SRC team and then join with prospective Kindergarten parents for 2018 for tours of the school. On Friday, we will commence with a Mass to be followed by the opportunity for you all to remain with us for a morning of reading and fun. Then, Monday of next week, 13.3.2017, we are holding our enrolment evening for 2018 Kindergarten families in the Church, commencing at 7pm.

This week as well we are inviting our students to provide us with feedback on their experience of school, so as to continue to improve how we support the young people in our care. Coming up later this month the Quality Catholic Schooling survey will again be distributed to a randomly identified group of families for your feedback as well.

As in our reading from Matthew today, this is yet again an opportunity for our school to look to the needs in our community and respond as Jesus calls us.

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd Principal

Monday 6 March	Tuesday 7 March	Wednesday 8 March	Thursday 9 March	Friday 10 March
Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week	Catholic Schools Week
Assembly - 9am	Mufti Day		Open Day - 9am	Whole School Mass -
Developing Literacy Partnerships - 6pm				9.15am
Monday 13 March	Tuesday 14 March	Wednesday 15 March	Thursday 16 March	Friday 17 March
Enrolment 2018 Information Evening Church - 7pm	Term 1 School Fees Due		Mark Taylor Shield Competition	Assembly - RFF Dance Performance

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Celebrate at

Mary Immaculate Primary School 6th – 11th March

Monday 6th March - Whole School Morning Assembly 9am incorporating Catholic Schools Week prayer Tuesday 7th March - MUFTI DAY Support CARITAS and Project Compassion by wearing mufti and bringing a gold or fold donation

Thursday 9th March - Families Open Day 9am - 12pm Guest Visitor: Ms Michelle Rowland MP See why we love Mary Immaculate Primary!

Know of a family looking to start school in 2018? Encourage them to visit our Open Day

Friday 10th March - Whole School Mass 9:15am Celebrate and give thanks for our Catholic school at Mass. Come and read with mell This is a great opportunity for our students & their families to share a love of literature. Parents are invited to join classes after Mass at 10:15am for some shared reading. Students are welcome to bring their own writing or favourite book to share with a family member or friend.



'DEVELOPING LITERACY PARTNERSHIPS' All Welcome - Tonight 6pm - TAS Area

A reminder that the "Developing Literacy Partnerships" Course is on tonight **6pm - 7:30pm in the TAS Area.** 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. **Please come along even if you have not sent in a return slip.** I truly hope that you are able to attend. *Paola Dimataga, Learning Support Coordinator*

SCHOOL FEES TERM 1 2017 - Due Next Tuesday 14 March

Families should have received their School Fees statement. These statements are sent from the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) outlining the 2017 school fees for your child(ren). Please contact the school if you did not receive your statement. Term 1 school fees are due next Tuesday 14 March, 2017. If a payment plan was not included in your Tax Invoice/Statement and you wish to organise a payment plan, please contact Claudine Nalletamby via email <u>cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au</u> or on 9626.3999, if you have any queries regarding your account or if you wish to discuss payment arrangements with the Principal. *Please note that a new plan must be created each year, therefore if you had a plan in 2016 this will not continue and a new plan must be set for 2017 school fees. Thank you.*

MARK TAYLOR SHIELD 2017 THURSDAY 16 March - 9:30am Mihkelson Reserve, Quakers Hill



The Mark Taylor Shield is a knock out cricket competition for Catholic Primary Schools

within the Sydney and surrounding districts. Parents are welcome to attend the game as spectators. Any parents with knowledge of the game are encouraged to assist in either umpiring or scoring. All help is greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs Boatfield for further information or should you wish to assist on the day via email: mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au or on 9626.3999



To the students who celebrated their birthdays between 21st February to 6th March, 2017

Caleb Morris-Ridge, Alex Jones, Byron Lette, Sharnie Byers, Casey Sterk, Jonathan Charabaty, Addison Renshaw, Abhisher Singh, Clark Varlet, Nadia Forson, Sebastian Tomas, Liasha Jayaweera, Natasha Granata, Chloe Paterson, Cruz Adams, Wellington Chikowore, Elijah Mitchell, Aisha Ramirez, Gowri Vidya, Eric Torres, Noah Meacham, Charlee Hutcheon, Anirudh Chakrapani, Elke-Rose Bourne, Rachel Phimson, Ronan Sablay, Moses Lewadromodromo, Cassidy Cole, Riley Cross, Maxwell Donaldson, Tiarna Muffatti, Joshua Kidd, Cody White, Tanaka Deshe, Shenaya Nanayakkara and John Apolinar.

SCHOOL HOURS			
8:25am	Supervision Commences		
8:55am	School Commences		
9am - 11am	First Learning Session		
11am - 11:50am	Lunch Break		
11:50am - 1:50pm	Middle Learning Session		
1:50pm - 2:20pm	Afternoon Tea Break		
2:20pm - 3:20pm	Afternoon Learning Session		
3:20pm	Dismissal		



UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Normal trading hours: Tuesday & Friday 8.30am - 10.00am

We also do over the phone orders and online orders. For any enquiries please contact: Elle Phone: 0421 216 414 Email : <u>elle@ozfashions.com.au</u>

MIPS P&F Family Bingo Night

Date: Friday 24 March 2017

Gates Open: 6:00 pm Bingo starts: 6:45pm

Venue: Mary Immaculate Primary School (MPA)

Tickets: \$10 per family (2 Adults + up to 4 children —extras at \$2 per head)



Grab the family and join us for our popular family fun event -Bingo Night!

On Sale at the event:	Books of 10 games (\$10 per book)		
	Single games (\$2 per sheet)		
	Daubers (\$2 each)		

BYO: Family snacks Tea and coffee is complimentary (please note—alcohol free event)

Bring your spare gold coins along for the fun and games!

Prizes: Cash prize money, jackpot games and lucky door prizes

Please keep an eye out for the event note being sent home which includes your ticket order form. Tickets will be limited -return your slip asap to guarantee your family seats.



Hosted by MIPS Parents and Friends Association



OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE PARRAMATTA

Discover what a Mercy education can do for your daughter at the OLMC Parramatta Open Day on

Sunday March 12, 2017 10am – 2pm

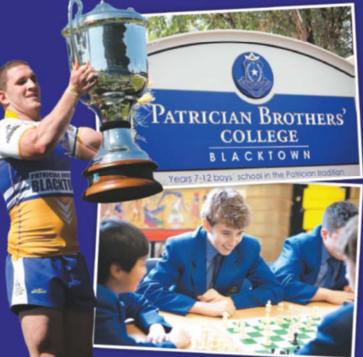
Principal's welcome at 10.00am and 12.00pm

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