



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 4 Week 6 : Monday 13th November 2017



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we welcome our 23 Japanese students and their teachers. This is an important element of the global experience we provide for our students. It coincides with the Japanese lessons we have each Friday. Our stage 3 students engage in studies that focus their attention on our local and international entity. They will be with us for a little over a week and will learn much from our wonderful students as well.

Recently, I was talking with some Public School Principals in the area. Of course we spoke at length about schooling now and into the future. They told me that the new state schools to be built in the western corridor are to be “agile learning space” classroom areas just like we have at MIPS. The publicising of these and current agile space state schools wears the tag - “Future-Focused Schools”. Good to know that we are ahead of the game with our amazing flexible spaces and our highly personalised, supportive and challenging learning structures at MIPS.

As I communicated in the last newsletter, the ridiculous term “Open Learning” simply does not apply to what we do at MIPS. “Agile, Flexible, 21st Century, Student-centred, Future-Focused,” These don’t really capture how we are creating and using our spaces for learning. “Adaptive, Innovative, Research-based, Smart, Current.....” might be closer. With so many educators coming to learn from us perhaps “Exemplary Learning” or “Lighthouse Learning” might describe what we are achieving for and with our students!

Our Kinder Orientation sessions have concluded for 2017. Thank you to all those involved. We are nearly full for 2018 but would welcome further applications.

With appreciation for your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd

Principal



REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

Tomorrow Tuesday 14th November

MIPS Multipurpose Area - 10:15am

PARISH MASS - Years 1 & 3

This Wednesday 15th November

Mary Immaculate Parish - 9:15am



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Year 6

This Thursday 16th November

Mary Immaculate Parish

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY “New Commencement Time - 2:45pm”

This Friday 17th November

MIPS Multipurpose Area



AFL FUTURE STARS PROGRAM

The AFL Future Stars program is an advanced skills testing, training and game development program open to boys and girls aged 11 and 12 Years who **who are not currently playing junior club AFL**, but want to test their athletic ability, agility, speed and endurance.

The GIANTS Academy designed training program will provide the opportunity for the child to continue to experience an alternate method of training with links to talent pathway academies. Girls will link directly into the female football talent pathway including an opportunity for entry into the GIANTS academy, and the boys will link directly into the inaugural Western Sydney Academy of Sport AFL Program in 2018.

Please look below to see more details:

Date: Tuesdays, 14th November (welcome to come and try) – 5th December

Time: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Location: Charles McLaughlin Reserve (Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills)

Cost: \$30 per person

Age: Girls and boys aged 11- 12 years old

Inclusions: - 4 x Future Stars Training and Testing sessions

- Exclusive AFL Future Stars Training Singlet

- Individualised Testing Report

- Future Stars Representative AFL Games

If your child is interested in playing AFL please see Mrs Boatfield for a note.



YEAR 5 CAMP

Vision Valley Galston

Thursday 16th November - Friday 17th November



MIPS Playgroup Jelly Day!!

Friday 24th November

Lunchtime in the MPA

Jellies only \$1 each

Help us fundraise for our new fridge and supplies!



LIFE EDUCATION

The Life Education Program will be
commencing next

Thursday 23rd November - Friday 1st December

Life Education's preschool program supports children's learning and development for a safe and healthy lifestyle through the opportunity to engage in play-based and interactive experiences to foster their health and wellbeing — building on their mental, physical and social foundations. Each grade will have a focus theme.



Kindergarten: Harold's Friend Ship

Year 2: Growing Good Friends

Year 4: Be Cyberwise

Year 1: Safety Rules

Year 3: Be Cyberwise

Year 5: It's Your Call

Year 6: It's Your Call



"THE CHRISTMAS SONG"

Friday 1st December - 9:30am

Front Concrete Area



UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Summer uniforms are now available for purchase.

Trading Hours: Tuesdays & Fridays

8.30am - 10.00am

Please contact Elle for any further enquiries.

Phone: 0421 216 414 or via

email: elle@ozfashions.com.au



FFTC
Functional Fitness Transformation Club

PATERSON RESERVE / QUAKERS HILL

WOMEN ONLY

Emily
0405 529 267

- ◆ Zero \$ Join fee
- ◆ Unlimited Weekly Classes
- ◆ Online Forum Support
- ◆ Lose Weight / Tone Up
- ◆ Make Friends and be Supported

DIOCESAN & MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL FEES SCHEDULE 2018

Annual Diocesan Tuition Fee can be paid upfront at the start of the year or as three equal instalments. The fee is only charged for the first three (3) children currently enrolled in the diocese (in other words there is no additional Diocesan Tuition Fee for the fourth child attending a systemic school in the diocese or other participating Catholic schools - see 'Sibling Discounts' below). To work out how much the fee is for each child, check the table below.

The 2018 Annual Diocesan Tuition Fees are as follows:

ANNUAL FEES	No charge for 4 th + children	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Primary	Kindergarten	\$ 1,173	\$879	\$588
	Years 1 – 6	\$ 1,515	\$1,137	\$759

The 2018 instalment rate is as follows:

INSTALMENT FEES	Charged in Terms 1, 2 & 3	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Primary	Kindergarten	\$391	\$293	\$196
	Years 1 – 6	\$505	\$379	\$253

ANNUAL DIOCESAN BUILDING LEVY – 2018

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan school or at St Dominic's College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. This levy has replaced the various building levies that parents previously paid to school building funds (managed by either parishes or schools). ***The levy for 2018 is \$783 per family, payable in three equal instalments of \$261.***

SCHOOL BASED FEES: Resource & Activity Fees 2018: (Non Refundable)

This is \$465.00 per pupil per year and covers the cost of the following:

- * craft materials, Literacy material, mathematics equipment, folders, exercise books, copying and some stationery each child needs over the year. (Children may be expected to supply tissues, pencils, rubbers, rulers etc.)
- * technology infrastructure and resourcing at Mary Immaculate
- * cost of bus and pool entry for the annual swimming carnival (years 2-6), athletics carnival, (K-6) Life Education and incursions (visits of educational programs to Mary Immaculate) and class excursions throughout the year.

Please note: The cost of Year 6 Canberra trip, Year 5 Camp and Bathurst excursion or representative sport events are not covered by this fee.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN EDUCATION FEE TEMPORARY RESIDENTS - 2018

The Diocesan Education Fee Temporary Residents for 2018 is **\$1,935 per student, payable in three equal instalments of \$645**. The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 401, 402, 411, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 426, 427, 428, 442, 456, 457, 459, 462, 476, 485, 497, 580, 600, 601, 651, 675, 676, 679, 685, 884, 944, 956, 976 and 977 including where any of these are the preceding visas for families on bridging visas 010 to 090.

Families charged this fee in 2013 will continue to be charged on a per family basis to the eldest student whilst the family has continuous current students.



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY
QUAKERS HILL

LEAVING STUDENT

Please complete this form and return to the School Office

This is to advise that: _____ (Student's Name)

in Class: _____

Will be leaving Mary Immaculate Primary School on: _____ (Date)

Reason for leaving:

New School transferring to:

Current (New) Home Address: _____

Current (New) Phone Number: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Date: _____

**Carefully please read the following notice issued by the Catholic Diocese of Education
Parramatta (CEDP).**

Credit/Refunds and Notice Period

A term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. The notice can be given any time during term for the next term. Where appropriate notice has been received a pro-rata credit can be calculated in the same manner as above refer "Billing - Pro Rata Period" where leaving Year K to 11 Students pay fees based on a pro-rata 40 week year and Year 12 Students pay fees based on a pro-rata 30 week year. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment, that is, the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived in this circumstance.

The requirement for a terms notice (10 school weeks) is recognition by the family of the commitment to assist with funding of the School by having their child take a place that could have been offered to another family.

Therefore parents are advised that it is required to give a minimum of one term's notice on departure. School fees will be charged accordingly.

Date received at School Office _____ (Office Use Only)



MIPS P AND F ASSOCIATION



The Parents and Friends Committee of Mary Immaculate Primary School would like to invite all families to attend the upcoming AGM **this Wednesday 15th November at 7pm in the staffroom.**

The Parents and Friends Association (P and F) invite all parents and caregivers of children attending Mary Immaculate to our Annual General Meeting for 2017. This is an opportunity to review the events undertaken in 2017 by the P and F Association and to assess what opportunities exist for 2018.

The P and F is responsible for undertaking many activities throughout the year, as well as being a forum to ask important questions regarding the education of our children. Your assistance and support ensures we are able to undertake activities and support the leadership of Mary Immaculate Primary School with their initiatives. New faces are always welcome, as well as new ideas for the year ahead for:

- Improving the effectiveness of the P and F
- Reviewing fundraising over the previous year and planning fundraising events for 2018
- Looking at our social activities
- Identifying other opportunities the P and F can assist the school

Your active participation provides a very rewarding experience and a very important service within our school, helping to create the memories and experiences of our children during their time at Mary Immaculate Primary. Whether you are new to the school community in 2018, or have been involved for many years, the P and F would love your support next year.

History of the Mary Immaculate P and F Association

In 2010, the formation of the P and F Association was a means by which a more structured planning process could take shape, with parents and the school leadership team to drive and build on a greater community spirit, and to support the great work being undertaken by the teachers within our school. Additionally, the P and F was to be a forum for discussions on key issues which impact on our school community. Since inception, the P and F has raised over \$75,000 for projects around the school, as well as helping to build a calendar of community and social events that have become an integral part of the school.

Frequently Asked Questions

The most common questions asked by parents wanting to be involved at the school concern time and commitment. Whilst the P and F meet twice per term to discuss issues of importance, your support can be as much time as you can afford. We all lead busy family and work lives, and the more parents who are able to assist, the easier things become. Most of our events throughout the school year are planned well in advance based on previous years, so in a majority of cases, all that is needed are parents to support these events, and help generate ideas for the future.

Our Constitution

The P and F is governed by a Constitution, the basis of which has been developed in consultation with the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. A copy of the current Constitution is available upon request. Please contact current President, Ryan Hutton on 0428 425 086.



MIPS P AND F ASSOCIATION

Roles within the P and F Association



Various roles within the P and F exist to create a structure by which activities and support for the school can be undertaken in an easy way to follow, regardless of experience. Each role plays an important part to ensure the P and F maintains its constitutional obligations, and more importantly, to ensure continued support for the staff and children at Mary Immaculate. Additionally, assistant roles have been formed within the P and F to provide parents undertaking roles with greater support and to allow workloads to be shared amongst a larger group of parents. Maximum terms for any individual to be elected to specific positions apply. Therefore the involvement of new parents is essential to ensure there is adequate rotation and sharing of responsibilities.

- **President** – Ensures the smooth running of the Association. In addition, the President will liaise with the Principal, Parish Priest and School Executive on matters of importance and in the preparation and running of Association meetings.
- **Vice President** – Assists the President in the undertaking of the above duties, and chairs the Association meetings in the absence of the President.
- **Secretary** – Assists with the taking of minutes during Association meetings and is responsible for the handling of correspondence to and from the Association. In addition, the Secretary may prepare and finalise Association Newsletters for distribution.
- **Assistant Secretary** – Supports the Secretary in undertaking the above duties, and assumes the role of Secretary at Association meetings in their absence.
- **Treasurer** – Receives all money collected by the Association and ensures accurate record keeping of all financial transactions. The Treasurer is also responsible for payment or reimbursement of all Association costs approved by the Executive.
- **Assistant Treasurer** – Assists the Treasurer in the undertaking of the above activities. More importantly, is an opportunity for new parents to learn the role for future years.
- **Fundraising/Social Coordinator** – Assumes responsibility for the overall planning of the events calendar. Has the ability to delegate responsibility for individual events to Assistant Coordinators.
- **Assistant Fundraising/Social Coordinators** – Assist the Coordinator in the planning of events. Assistant coordinators are able to undertake the planning of individual events and chair sub-committees for events where required.
- **Communications Officer** – compiles P and F newsletter, designs and publishes promotional material and ensures information is distributed to families regarding P and F events and initiatives.
- **Maintenance Coordinator** – Liaise with the School Executive and maintenance staff in the planning and coordination of working bees, and identification of projects
- **PRC Representative** - Represent the School on the Parents Representative Council of the Parramatta Diocese.

All of the above positions, as well as being an active participant in scheduled P and F meetings are equally important, and we encourage all parents and caregivers to consider how they can contribute to the P and F Association in 2018.

When we enrolled our children into the school we agreed to support the school. This is a way to directly assist your child's school to further support your child.

Should you have any questions please don't hesitate in dropping us an email at:
MIPSParentsAndFriends@gmail.com

PARISH FAIR 2017

Our Parish will be holding a White Elephant store at our parish fair to raise funds for much the needed renovations of our church to accommodate the grow of our parish community.

If possible we are seeking donations for the below items. These items can be brought to the school on the days below. We look forward to your ongoing generosity and support.

- **Monday 20th November – Clothing**
- **Monday 27th November – Books, Cd's, DVD's, Blu-Rays and Clothing**
- **Monday 4th December – 2nd Hand Items, Books, Cd's, DVD's, Blu-Rays and Clothing**

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you wouldn't buy it please don't donate it! Please ensure all items are clean and No Damaged Items. Thank you!



Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill - Schofields

Postal Address: PO Box 267, Quakers Hill NSW 2763

Church ~ 125 Barnier Drive, Quakers Hill

Parish Office: +61.(02)9626 3326 Fax: 9626 1613

Email: parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au



To Our Dear Parish School Families,

Greetings on behalf of our parish community!

As Advent and Christmas approach, we look forward to your families joining us in our liturgical celebrations.

We would like to thank you for your prayers, generosity and support throughout the year, especially those families who have chosen to prepare their children for the sacraments of initiation at our church.

This year for the first time, our Parish will be holding a Parish Fair and we invite you, your family, and friends to attend and celebrate the anticipation of Christmas at this wonderful social event.

The Parish Fair will take place on Saturday 16th December 2017 from 10am-4pm at the Mary Immaculate Parish School Grounds. 125 Bariner Drive Quakers Hill.

There will be rides, stalls, delicious food and entertainment.

All funds raised at this event will go towards the much-needed renovations of our church to cater for our growing parish community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours In Christ,

3Rev Roberto Ruben Elago, MSP
Parish Priest Quakers Hill-Schofields

Date: Friday 24 November 2017

**Time: 5:30pm—7:00pm (K—2)
7:30pm—9:00pm (3—6)**

MIPS Disco

Ticket Price: \$5.00 per student



Book tickets online through

www.flexischools.com.au

or complete the form below

- * Drink and snack provided in the ticket price
- * Glow stick products will be sold for \$2 each on the night
- * Gates will open at 5:15pm (infants disco). Please do not leave children unattended before this time. Gates open for Primary at 7:00pm for parents collecting children from the infants disco.

Parent volunteers needed on the night.

Parents are welcome to assist at any of our events throughout the year. Please complete the slip if you are available to help. Assistance required for this night includes:

- * Glow stick/ring stall
- * Canteen—snack set up & distribution
- * Car park and children drop off zone
- * Set up/clean up

Attendance Confirmation

I would like to order the following tickets at \$5.00 each:

Please enclose the correct money in a sealed envelope and have it returned, with this cut out slip, to the office by Wednesday, 22 November 2017.

Volunteers: I can assist on the night

Name:

Email:

A member of the P&F will contact you

Childs name:		Class:	
Childs name:		Class:	
Childs name:		Class:	
Childs name:		Class:	
Total No. Tickets requested:	Infants:		
	Primary:		

Please enclose the correct money in a sealed envelope and have it returned to the office. Last day tickets sales are Friday 24 November 2017.

**A school community event hosted by MIPS
P&F Association**



HEALTHY KIDS CUCINA CANTEEN

ONLINE NOW AVAILABLE

Healthy Kids Cucina Canteen - Online ordering is now available. Refer to details below on how to download the Qkr! app plus the canteen menu.



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Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

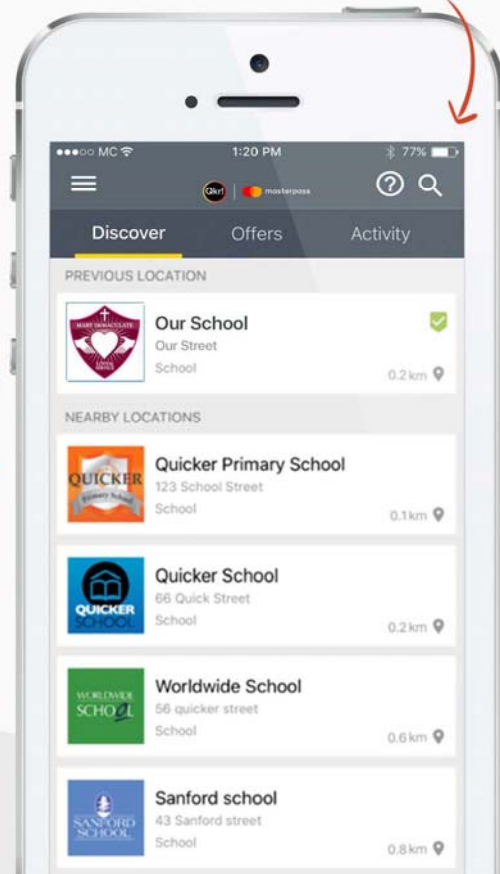
Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name

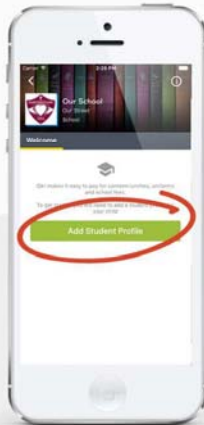




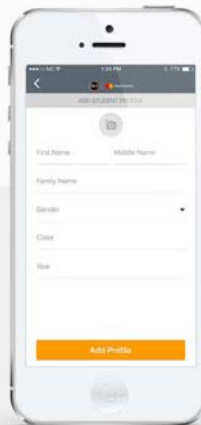
masterpass

Add your children's details in Student Profiles

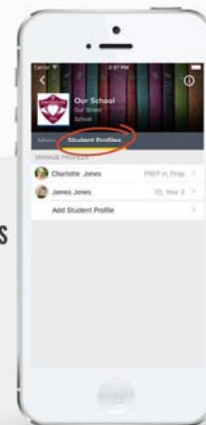
Select
'Add student profile'



Add each
child's details

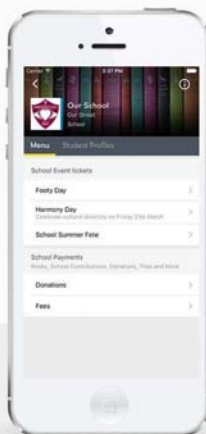


Manage each
child's details in
Student Profiles



Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school

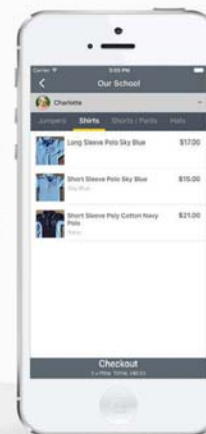


Select child
you are
ordering for



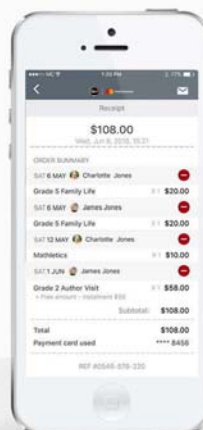
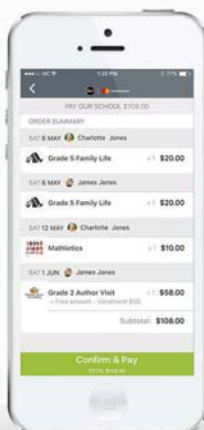
Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'
then confirm and pay



Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to
pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you
can continue to the home page, or
view your receipt.

FLASH BREKKY!

Hot Chocolate	\$1.00
Cheese Toastie	\$2.00
Toast (1 serve)	
- With butter	.50c
- With ricotta & honey	\$1.00
Raisin Toast (1 serve)	\$1.00
Cheese & Bacon Rolls (if available)	\$2.50
Hash browns	\$1.00

FRESH FRUIT SURPRISE

Fresh Watermelon Cups	\$2.00
Fresh seasonal fruit	.80c

Daily Specials	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	Meat pie \$3.80	Hot dog \$2.50	Lasagna \$ 5.00	Oregano pizza \$2.50	Cheese pizza \$3.00

Healthy Kids Cucina Canteen

FROSTY FAVOURITES	
Super Doopers	.50c
Callipo	\$1.00
Paddle Pops (when available)	\$1.50
TNT Sour or Sweet	\$1.00

REFRESHING DRINKS	
Bottled Water - 2 sizes	.50c
	\$1.00
Flavoured Milk	\$2.50
Up & Go	\$2.00
Juice Box	\$1.50

SNACK TIME!	
Pretzels	\$1.00
Plain Popcorn	\$1.00
Flavoured Popcorn- Chicken, BBQ, Sweet Chilli	\$1.50
Large Muffins - Assorted flavours	\$2.00
Toasted Seaweed Snacks	\$1.00
Rice Snacks	.25c
Bread Sticks (3)	.50c
Eucalyptus Lollies	\$1.00

No late orders
turned away
No extra charge
for **utensils** eg
forks, spoons,
straws, **packaging**
or
saucers

WRAP IT UP! Wraps, rolls, super sandwiches

Grilled chicken (lettuce, grated carrot, grated cheese)	\$4.50
Ham, cheese, tomato	\$3.00
Chicken, lettuce, aioli	\$3.00
Egg, lettuce, light mayo	\$3.00
Cheese & tomato	\$2.00
Cheese	\$1.50
Tuna & tomato	\$3.00
Vegemite	\$2.00
Salad (lettuce, carrot, beetroot, cucumber)	\$3.00
Ham	\$2.00
Tuna, lettuce, light mayo	\$3.00
Chicken or ham salad	\$4.00

Healthy Kids Cucina Canteen

SUPER SUMMER SALADS!

Garden Salad	\$4.50
Tabouleh	
- With chicken	\$5.50

ADD...extras

Cheese, tuna, ham,	.80c
Lettuce, tomato, avocado, beetroot, carrot, cucumber	.50c

No butter will be used unless requested

Order your child's lunch

- Online at QKR Mastercard
- Send in a pre written lunch order with your child
- Visit the canteen in the morning to order from Ms Paula

HOT FOOD!

Oven baked potato wedges	\$3.50
Oven baked chicken & potato wedges	\$4.50
Grilled chicken wrap/roll (Chicken breast, lettuce, cheese, tomato, low fat mayo)	\$4.50
Oven baked nuggets (6)	\$3.00
Spaghetti Bolognaise (Spirals) Small	\$3.00
Large	\$4.50
Freshly made mini pizzas - Cheese or Ham & Pineapple	\$2.50
Garlic Bread	\$1.20
Kafta & Garlic roll	\$3.50
Corn Cob	.80c
Noodle cups- Chicken or Beef	\$2.80