



## MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 4 Week 8: Monday 27th November 2017



Dear Parents/Carers,

I write to inform our community of a significant staff announcement for Mary Immaculate. Mr Scott Carroll has been appointed as a Teaching Educator in the Mission Team at Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. Over the years that Scott has been a member of the MIPS community he has held the position of Religious Education Coordinator as well as classroom teacher. Scott has been able to bring many of his extensive skills to the role at MIPS and now has the opportunity to develop even further as an important member of the Mission Team at CEDP from 2018. This is a great step for Scott. He will be a great asset to the Diocese. I am sure you join with me in wishing him every success in his new role!

This week's Working Bee will be the first we have had for a very long time. The intention is to clear the bank leading down from the top car park. There will be two sessions. One will be next Friday afternoon and the next will be the following morning. I urge everyone to get behind our P&F and come to assist. The work will not be complicated but many hands will make it a much easier job.

With appreciation for your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

## HIGH SCHOOL WEEK

The current Year 6 students participated in High School Week where they spent last week transitioning and experiencing what it will be like when they enter High School in 2018.



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## CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF MARY

Kindergarten will be presenting 'Christmas through the Eyes of Mary'

- ◆ **This Wednesday 29th November at 12:30pm  
in the MPA for Year 1-6 students.**
- ◆ **This Thursday 30th November at 12:30pm in the MPA for  
Kindergarten parents and families.**

We look forward to seeing you there to help celebrate the  
Story of Christmas as seen through the eyes of Mary.

## LIFE EDUCATION

The Life Education Program continues this week

Life Education's school 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.



Date	Unit	Class
Mon 27th	Year 3: Be Cyberwise	3P & 3M
	Kindy: Harold's Friend Ship	KG
Tues 28th	Year 4: Be Cyberwise	4G & 4P
	Year 1: Safety Rules	1G
Wed 29th	Year 6: It's your call	6P
	Year 4: Be Cyberwise	4M
	Year 1: Safety Rules	1P
Thurs 30th	Year 6: It's your call	6M
	Year 1: Safety Rules	1M
	Year 2: Growing good friends	2G
Fri 1st	Year 2: Growing good friends	2P & 2M

## 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 Annual General Meeting  
**this Wednesday 29th November at 7pm in the staffroom.**



## MIPS WORKING BEE

This Friday 1st December - 4pm and also  
This Saturday 2nd December - 8am to Noon  
**Everyone welcome!**

## MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY GYMNASTICS TEAM

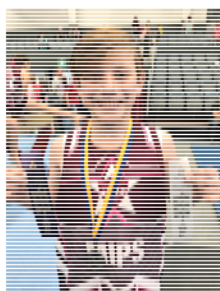
Congratulations to the following students who represented our school last week and won the Gymnastics competition.



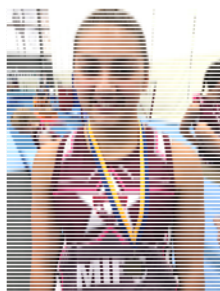
Liam Robinson  
3rd static routine  
3rd floor routine



Ebony Munro  
runner up girl champion  
2nd mini tramp  
5th static routine



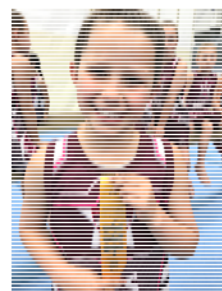
Byron Wolffe  
3rd mini tramp  
5th vault  
6th floor routine



Elizabeth Barbagiannakos  
3rd vault



Jazz Boulatsakos  
5th mini tramp  
5th vault



Siobhan Turner  
4th floor routine

Mary Immaculate K-6 students proudly present

# “The Christmas Song”

A Mini Musical written, arranged and composed by Mrs Cauchi

**FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 9:30 am**  
on the front concrete shaded area

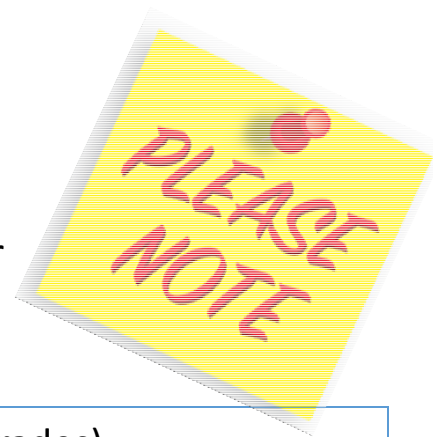
Bring a picnic rug or take a seat and join us for the morning, as we discover through song what the “real” spirit of Christmas is!



# MARY IMMACULATE 2018

Parents,

Please note the following 2018 dates in your calendars for MAI assessments, class commencement and swimming carnival for 2018.



Monday 29th January 2018	MAI Assessments (All Grades)
Tuesday 30th January 2018	MAI Assessments (All Grades)
Wednesday 31st January 2018	MAI Assessments (All Grades)
Thursday 1st February 2018	Classes commence Years 1 - 6 Swimming Carnival Years 3 - 6
Friday 2nd February 2018	Kindergarten 2018 commence (Full Day)



## MARY IMMACULATE UNIFORM SHOP 2017 / 2018 TRADING HOURS

Our last day of trading for 2017 will be on  
Friday 15th December: 8.30am - 10.00am and we will reopen  
Tuesday 30th January 2018: 8.30am - 10.00am

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS

Tuesday 9th January 10.30am - 12.00pm and  
Saturday 13th January 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Please contact Elle for any further enquiries.

Phone: 0421 216 414 or via email: [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

## SCHOOL FEES 2017

All 2017 school fees should now be finalised unless families are on an extended payment plan. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their 2017 school fees.

Any outstanding amount in accounts will not receive the BPay or Direct Debit plans for 2018 fees. Please complete final payment as soon as possible. If you have any queries regarding outstanding amounts or are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact the School Office on 9626.3999 or by email [cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au)

Thank you. Claudine Nalletamby, Office Administrator

## APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED LEAVE - TRAVEL (5 SCHOOL DAYS OR MORE)

For Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period, will be considered individually based on your child's attendance, the intention of the extended leave and the impact on your child's participation and progress at school. Please download the forms from Skoolbag app or school website or collect from the school office.



### MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY, Quakers Hill

<b>Application for Extended Leave – Travel (5 or More School Days)</b>  Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period will be considered individually based on your child's attendance, the intention of the extended leave and the impact on your child's participation and progress at school.	<b>Form A1</b>
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**Part A:** To be completed by Parent/Caregiver and returned to the school. Separate applications are to be completed for each school if siblings do not attend the same school.

<b>School Name:</b>	<b>Mary Immaculate Primary</b>
<b>Suburb:</b>	<b>Quakers Hill</b>

Student/s Details				
Family Name	Given Name	Date of Birth	Age	Grade/Class

Student/s Address	
<b>Street No. and Name:</b>	
<b>Suburb:</b>	
<b>Postcode:</b>	

Details of Extended Leave		
Start Date of Leave	End Date of Leave	Total No. of School Days

Reason for Travel

# ST VINCENT DE PAUL

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

On our assembly on Friday, our Mini Vinnies Team launched our Christmas hamper appeal. Our local chapter of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations of food and toiletries over the next few weeks. These items will be sorted into hampers and distributed to those in our community who need a little extra support this Christmas. Families in our community are invited to add an extra item or two to their shopping trolley and to bring them into school. Donations can be deposited in the baskets in each classroom, in the office and in the MPA.

- ◆ Tins of shoulder ham
- ◆ Christmas cake/pudding
- ◆ Long life custard/cream/milk
- ◆ Christmas decorations (eg. Bon- Bons, tinsel)
- ◆ Christmas plates/napkins
- ◆ Tins of fruit
- ◆ Lollies
- ◆ Chips
- ◆ Biscuits (assorted)
- ◆ Salsa
- ◆ Rice
- ◆ Jellies
- ◆ Jam/honey/vegemite
- ◆ Coffee, tea, sugar
- ◆ Hot chocolate/Milo
- ◆ Gravox
- ◆ Pasta and pasta sauces
- ◆ Meal base ingredients
- ◆ Tins of vegetables (eg. carrots, peas, corn, potatoes)
- ◆ Drinks (eg. soft drink, fruit juice, cordial)

At this time, some families might wish to make a financial donation to the good works of St Vincent de Paul. This can be done via the school office or children can place coins in the blue money boxes on prayer tables in each classroom. Thank you for your generosity in helping to make this festive season extra special for families in need this Christmas!

Mr Scott Carroll, Religious Education Coordinator



## MARY IMMACULATE FEAST DAY MASS

Next Friday 8th December - 9:15am

Mary Immaculate Parish



## MARY IMMACULATE TALENT SHOWCASE

Next Friday 8th December - 1:40pm

## MARY IMMACULATE PARISH CHRISTMAS LITTLES LITURGY TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER - 10am



Please join us in the Church for the Christmas Littles Liturgy. Dress your littles up as angels, kings or shepherds as we celebrate the meaning of Christmas! The Kindergarten students will be joining in for a special morning. Everyone is invited to share morning tea in the Parish Meeting Room afterwards.



## CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION COMMUNITY LANGUAGES SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students in Kindergarten to Year 12 who attend an out-of-school hours' community language school for four terms of the year receive a Certificate of Participation from their community language school. The Certificate of Participation is one of the initiatives in the Communities United Through Language reform of the Department of Education. If your child attends a community language school, please contact the school should you require any further details.

## STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

Solo Parent Services last "Stepping Beyond" Support Group for this year will be held this Tuesday 28th November. This group supports anyone experiencing separation or divorce. Venue: Ann D. Clarke Building, 2A Villiers St, Parramatta. Time: 7pm – 9pm.

Cost: \$5.00. Registration: Contact Rita: 8843 2517 or  
email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)





## 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 27<sup>th</sup> November – Books, Cd's, DVD's, Blu-Rays and Clothing**
- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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!

