

Term 4 Week 2—13th October

**Dear Parents and Caregivers** 

Today we held a very special celebration today as we blessed and named two important spaces at our school. The Library has been named after the first Parish Priest, Fr Bert Callose and the old library space has been after the first principal of our school, Mrs Catherine Allabyrne. Fr Callose and Mrs Allabyrne were instrumental in the formation of the parish and school and we are greatly indebted to their presence and vision.

We combined this celebration with the launching of the school revised Mission Statement. Over the past 18 months, members of the community, staff, students, parents and parish alike have been consulted in the revision of the mission statement. We have produced a mission statement that reflects our Catholicity, focus on learning and importance of relationships. A copy of this statement has been sent to all families today and I invite you to read it with your children.

Yours in education,

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Paul Devlin <u>Principal</u>

## **Mission Statement**

To educate and nurture each child in a Catholic, faith filled school based on the role models of Jesus and Mary.

To celebrate the partnerships within our learning community and respect the dignity and uniqueness of all.

To empower students with passion, knowledge and skills to be lifelong learners, continuing Christ's mission of love and service.

### **Important Dates**

### Wednesday 15th October

7:30pm P&F Meeting

### Thursday 16th October

Year 4 Excursion The Rocks

7:30pm Parish Parent Reconciliation facilitators training

### Friday 17th October

Catholic Mission: Socktober fundraiser



2:30pm Assembly Year 3 item

#### Sunday 19th October

Parish Reconciliation Enrolment Masses

#### Monday 20th October

'Cool Kids' Music Lessons

#### Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill www.maryimmac.org.au

Parish Priest: Fr Ruben Elago MSP Phone: 9626.3326 parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au

### Mass Times

Mary Immaculate Church Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30 - 5.30pm

#### Weekday Mass: Monday 8.30am

10.30am

6.00pm

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: Saturday 6.00pm 7.30am Sunday 9.00am Sunday

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# **RE NEWS**



### **New Altar Servers Installation**

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their training to become altar servers for our school and our parish. We thank them for their commitment to our celebrations:

Rhiannon Clouston, Conor DeCruz, Jerrell Jacob Dulalia, Angela Espero, Sarah Hooper, Chiara King, Paolo Marcial, Shashini Peiris, Vanessa Peiris, and Jasmine Zolerick.

### **Mufti Day for Catholic Mission**

This Friday children are invited to wear mufti and bring in a gold coin donation to support the work of Catholic Mission. The theme for this 'Sock'tober is "sock it to poverty". Children can wear whatever they choose. We are expecting a visit from some special sock ambassadors at our assembly on Friday afternoon. Your contributions go directly towards supporting the work of Catholic Mission in poverty-stricken communities worldwide. For more information visit <u>www.catholicmission.org.au</u>

### **Position Vacant**

Our school groundsman, Mr George James, will be taking extended sick leave from the end of Week 4 this term until at least the end of the year. He requires surgery on his foot and the recovery time is extensive.

The position is for 58 hours per fortnight and we require the successful applicant to be onsite 5 days a week. There is flexibility in the daily hours schedule.

If you know of anyone that may be interested, please ask them to contact Mr Devlin ASAP.



## **School Website**

Did you know that the school newsletters and current school calendar are on the school website? This offers parents the chance to check information and dates during the year. We will endeavour to maintain these elements as current as possible.



Terra Sancta College Transition Day Year 6 Students

There will be a Transition Day for year 6 students at Terra Sancta College on the 27th October

8:55am—1:30pm Students are to wear their sports uniform Lunch will be provided

# TERRA SANCTA COLLEGE will be renamed ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC COLLEGE

from 1 January, 2015 to honour the canonisation of Pope John Paul II

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www.terrasanctasqh.catholic.edu.au

### SPELLING BEE CHAMPIONSHIPS 'Grade Winners'

Last term we found out who our champion spellers are from across the school. The conclusion to the 'Spelling Bee Championships' attracted a number of parents to school to see their children compete in their grade groups to find the best spellers for 2014.

The winners are:

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Kindergarten	Lucas Wise	Harrison Northey	Himasha Fernando
Year 1	Hannah King	Konnor Gonzales	Elisha Nanayakkara
			Andrea Clouston
			Ceant Esterado
			Andre Sathiavan
Year 2	Vivian Miller	Anita Quigley	Arthur Grigoryan
			Brishti Bajracharya
			Sophie King
			Ah In Cassar
Year 3	Chelsea Onglingchuan	Isabel Portelli	Ramit Nand
		Ethan Mangion	Gabby Niduaza
Year 4	Jayden Kemp	Ethan Zuliani	Joanna Owusu
			Leo Maisnam
Year 5	Lachlan Barker	Joshua Perera	Hannah Castuera
Year 6	Zac Zavone	Em Libot	Joel Abraham

The Champion Spellers of each grade will be presented with their Spelling Bee Trophy at the Friday Assembly in Week 2, 17<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm.

Thank you to Mr Troy and all the staff for their assistance and encouragement of the children during this learning initiative. Also a special thanks to parents for encouraging and motivating their children to 'Do their best!' We can't all be the best speller but we can all strive to be the best we can!

# Change in uniform Policy - Sport Shoes

White sandshoes are currently listed as the requirement in the policy. This is both outdated and unrealistic.

We are attempting to promote similarity of sport shoes in the school. The spirit of this element is that families are able to buy sport shoes at a reasonable price and are reasonably available. We don't want students encouraging their parents to buy shoes that are are either too expensive or purely for fashion or trend.

The new policy now states:

Running shoes designed for sport

Shoes that are **NOT suitable** for school include:

- Skater Shoes
- Basketball Hi Top shoes or boots
- Canvas Shoes
- Predominantly flouro shoes
- Black sport shoes



# MIPS Disco

- \* 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 6:45pm.

#### Parent volunteers needed on the night.

Parents are welcomed to assist on any of our events throughout the year.

Assistance for this night include:

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

#### Please text your details to MIPS P&F on: 0467 211 362

One of our committee members will confirm with you before the night.

# Friday 31st October

Time: 5:30pm—6:45pm (K—2) 7:00pm—8:30pm (3—6)

### THEME

INFANTS : WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE DRESS-UP

PRIMARY : WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE TEAM OR SPORTS COLOURS

### Library News

We would like to thank the wonderful parents who came and collected books to cover over the holidays. This has been a big help to us as we are now able to put these books onto the shelves for the students to borrow.

Thank you to Katherine Odisho, Rosario Perez, Robyn Lette, Deanne Holmes, Hars Lumba, Yolanta Carbori, Mel Sharp, Charlene Aloisio, Lisa Piskor, Annmaree Wise, Cassandra Williams, Lucy Berrell, Leanne Corapi, Michelle Tromp, Vanessa Kidd, Priti Mann, Jenni Walsh, Julie smith, Pauline forster, Maria Grigoryan, Maria Dent and Melina Mitchell.

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Reminder: The canteen is open for over the counter snack and drink sales Monday and Tuesday. (No lunches are available)

Lunch orders are available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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Wednesday 15th October Sulee Somyaying

Thursday 16th October Philipa Holtsbaum, Lisa Sartori

Friday 17th October Melissa Wilding, Renee Cefai, Deanne Holmes

### Term 4 Week 3



Wednesday 22nd October Lisa Piskor

Thursday 23rd October Angela Portelli, Jacqueline Cheadle Friday 24th October Melissa Loughlin, Sue Campion, Nicole Eason



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To our friends at Mary Immaculate who celebrated their birthday between 1st September and 13th October

Javden Perera, Daniel Mangion, Shivali Nand, Gemma Paterson, Mark Jamgotchian, Samantha Van Diemen, Karyss Toilalo, Alex Margiotta, Harrison Rossetto, Rachel Smith, Bianca Cawthorne, Matthew Dias, Brodie Wisely, Tyler Wolffe, Muhammed Raza, Ani Lewadromodromo, Isabella Donaldson, Kai Kendall, Scarlett Walsh, Gabriel Esguerra, Elissa Odeshou, Macy Fenech-Soler, Molly Moore, Mason Shaw, Stella Roughley, Hassan Bokhari, Michael Hart, Bryton Morris, Darius Agyemang, Krrish Dhawan, Jacob Reyes, Lily Dehlsen, Joanna Owusu, Dante Steimanis, Linesha Shrivastava, Emily Stefaniak Newton, Chloe Willis, Macauley Collins, Alicia Dickson, Ella Stewart, Aiden Parnel, Marcus Petrolo, Imogen Grech, Mia Campbell, Sarah Small, Thomas Higham, Jacob Coventry, Joshua Ursino, Abby Pitt, Olivia Blake, Dylan Jachimowicz, Maddison Danaher, Dylan Phoenix, Laura Dawkins, Matthew Espinosa, Jessica Wagner

