



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 3 Week 9: Monday 17th September 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

Next week, members of the school leadership will gather with leaders from three other schools to review our progress around our core school goals for 2018. They are:-

Formation:

Students to develop a deep understanding of mission as a call to action and demonstrate how it can be shown throughout the community.

The reason for this goal stems from local information as well as Bishop Vincent's call for our schools to be places of mission where our faith is strongly lived out by all.

Literacy:

All students to achieve growth in reading comprehension as evidenced by the NSW Literacy Continuum and through the use of assessment and feedback.

Our students are great readers. However, it is often difficult for them to explain their understanding of what they have read.

Numeracy:

For students to develop their ability to "work mathematically" as referenced to the NSW Numeracy Continuum.

Similarly to reading in Literacy, our students are great mathematicians whom we are working with to be more skilful at explaining and making evident their mathematical understanding. These three goals work from a strong base - our students are already very capable in their learning. To enhance the students' learning, we set about this year focusing on developing Surface to Deep to Transfer level knowledge and understanding across each of subjects. Surface, Deep and Transfer is not only relevant to our PBL work but to all learning. You can help your children with this by asking them "What they know, How they know and Why knowing something is important".

WALKATHON

Our P&F Fundraising to support the air-conditioning of the MPA is progressing well. To ensure we will be able to do the job properly, we will be holding a Walkathon early next term. We will hold the Walkathon during Week Three to tie in with the week of the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. More details about the theme and dress for the day will follow soon.

IS THERE AN AGE LIMIT FOR KIDS ON SOCIAL MEDIA?

For our information, the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner has produced an infographic. It clearly states the social networking media that for students of our school, being under 13 years of age, are not appropriate. Almost every week, I am informed about students from our school who at home access social media. Sometimes the parents are aware and sometimes not. I hear about when the exchanges and the content become inappropriate and a child expresses concern or fear. Parental supervision and responsibility are critical. Guidelines and monitoring of children's online behaviour are far too often not managed well at home. I have asked parents previously to check in with their children and to take action to protect them. The infographic on the following pages will give you clarity about what social media you should already be preventing your child from accessing.

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal



Is there an age limit for kids on social media?



Most social media
services and apps
require users to be
13 years old to join.

WHAT ABOUT **APPS?**

App stores set their own age
ratings based on the app's content.



WHY 13?

This is usually to comply with the Children's Online
Privacy Protection Act of 1998 (COPPA)—a US law
preventing the collection and storage of personal
information from a child under 13.



Age Guide to Social Media



SOCIAL MEDIA






























TERMS OF USE
– MINIMUM AGE
REQUIREMENTS



APP
STORE
RATING



GOOGLE
PLAY
RATING

	ASK.fm	13+	12+	12+
	Club Penguin	All ages (Directed at 6-14 year olds)	4+	G-General
	EA (Electronic Arts)	18+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	n/a	G-General
	Facebook	13+	4+	12+
	Facebook Messenger	13+	4+	3+
	Flickr	13+	12+	12+
	Foursquare	13+	4+	12+
	Google+	13+	17+	12+
	Instagram	13+	12+	12+
	Keek	13+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	12+	12+
	Kik	13+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	12+	12+
	LinkedIn	14+	4+	3+
	Minecraft	All ages (Parental permission required to create mojang account if user is under 13)	n/a	M-Mature (Pocket Edition)
	Moshi Monsters	All ages (Directed at 6-12 year olds. If user is under 13, parent's email is required)	4+	G-General
	Pinterest	13+	12+	12+
	Skype	18+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	4+	3+
	Snapchat	13+	12+	12+
	Spotify	13-19 yrs only	17+	16+
	Steam	13+	17+	12+
	Tinder	18+ (Facebook account required to register)	17+	18+
	Tumblr	13+	17+	12+
	Twitter	13+	4+	12+
	Vimeo	13+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	17+	12+
	Vine	13+	17+	12+
	WhatsApp	16+	4+	3+
	Yellow	13+ (With parental permission up to 17yrs)	12+	12+
	YouTube	13+	17+	12+

* Age guide based on published Terms of Use and app store ratings as at April 2016.

www.esafety.gov.au

YEAR ONE PROJECT BASED LEARNING

Year One Students have been Newspaper Reporters for the last three weeks. We had to use our surface knowledge about Fairy tales to write an article about the major events in the story. We had to revise, reflect and problem solve to make our project successful. We enjoyed working collaboratively with our peers and identified ways to improve our next project.



YEAR SIX SCIENCE

Here are some photos from our Science design and make day today. Year 6 had a wonderful time and learnt a lot.

Driving Question:

What do you know about Earth's place in space?

Task:

Create a scaled model/orrery using the inquiry model to show

1. Relative size of the sun, moon, Earth displayed
2. Relative location/Position of the sun, moon, Earth
3. Movement of the sun, moon, Earth



MIPS TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Saturday 27th October

Come and have a great night out with trivia minded friends and parents of MIPS for its Inaugural Trivia Night FUNDRAISER, to be held in the School's MPA starting at 7:00pm.

Entry will be \$20 per person with up to 10 to a Table, BYO food and drinks. Prizes, giveaways and lucky door prize, fun games on the night. Please email mipsparentsandfriends@gmail.com to secure your table of 10. Please return your money through the class office bags with table name by Friday 19th October.



TERM 3 2018 SCHOOL FEE STATEMENTS

Term 3 fees are now overdue. Please finalise your fees as soon as possible. Second reminder letters will be sent to families who have not yet finalised their fees shortly. Payments can be made via the internet using your BPay reference codes or over the phone. Payment Plans offered to families at the beginning of the year are now coming to an end. If you did not receive your statement or have any queries regarding fees, please contact the School Office on 9933 7800 or via email to cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au.

UNIFORM TRANSITION

Due to the change of seasons, students will be allowed to wear either FULL Winter or FULL Summer Uniform, according to the warm or cool weather until the end of the Term.



UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Summer uniforms are now available for purchase. Last day for uniform shop is Friday 28th September 8.30 - 10.00am We will return on Tuesday 16th October: 8.30 - 10.00am.

Any further enquiries please call Elle: 0421216414

Email: elle@ozfashions.com.au



PEER SUPPORT WEEK 8

In this week's final session of the Peer Support module Moving Forward children will reflect on what they have learned over

the past seven weeks. The students will make a cube to remind them to draw on their strengths, achievements and people who support them when faced with challenging situations. These protective factors promote confidence and motivate students to approach new situations where they can then apply the Pause, Plan, Proceed Model.

YEAR 6 DEBATE OLOA ROUSE HILL	YEARS 5 & 6 St JOHN PAUL II GRADUATION	WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY	P&F FAMILY PHOTO FUNDRAISER
This Tuesday 18th September 1:30pm	This Friday 21st September Schofields	This Friday 21st September 2:45pm - MPA	This Saturday 22nd September

YEAR 6 MINI VINNIES QUAKERS HILL NURSING HOME VISIT

Our Year 6 Mini Vinnies visited Quakers Hill Nursing home on Wednesday to help them prepare for their Spring Fair on Thursday 27th September from 10am-4pm. The children helped pot some plants, make pom poms, paint craft activities and played Bingo.

We don't know who had a bigger smile, the residents or our students?



TOUCH FOOTBALL GALA DAY - This Friday 21st September

Good luck to the Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day team competing on Friday 21st at Penrith playing fields.

NSWCSSS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL -

Next Monday 24th September

Good luck to Luca, Liam, Alex, Moses, Luke, Alaysha and Lado who are competing in the NSWCSSS Athletics Carnival at Homebush next Monday 24th.



SEPTEMBER

Get stepping in the month of September. Join thousands of people around the world as you take on the challenge to move 10,000 steps a day or equivalent for 28 days starting last Tuesday. You'll get fitter, sleep better and feel great.

TAPERED THE BARBERSHOP

Shop 15, 216 Farnham Road Quakers Hill Ph: 9837 1399

Local Barbershop - Come and See Us

TRADING HOURS

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9am - 5:30pm
Wednesday	9am - 5:30pm
Thursday	9am - 8pm
Friday	9am - 5:30pm
Saturday	9am - 4pm
Sunday	10am - 3pm



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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Registration for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The parish is now taking registrations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We invite students in Year 3 or above who have been Baptised to register for the program. An online registration form must be completed and can be found by logging on to our parish website. www.maryimmac.org.au

Click on the Reconciliation "Click Here to Register" Icon. A copy of the child's Baptism certificate will be requested to be emailed as part of the registration process.

If you would like to know more information about the program please do not hesitate to contact Gerald "Ged" Oblea the sacramental coordinator from the Parish office.

E: sacramental.coordinator@maryimmac.org.au P: 9626 3326 Select option "7"



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Mary Immaculate Primary School Host Families Needed

Mary Immaculate Primary School
will be hosting Japanese students from
11th – 21st November 2018.

Share your lifestyle & home whilst experiencing
another culture.

- Students attend school on weekdays and enjoy family life with you on the weekend
- Japanese language is not necessary.
- Students just fit in with your family routines – eat your food,
they need their own bed but can share a room.
- Families are paid \$50 per night to assist with hosting costs.

If you can assist in hosting a student or would like
more information, please contact.....

Cecilia: Tel: 9889 4366 Mob: 0423 097 518
felizardo@vsoceania.com

Turn off the TV or computer and get active

Did you know?

- ★ Spending too much sedentary or 'still' time watching TV, surfing online or playing computer or electronic hand-held games is linked to children becoming overweight or obese.
- ★ Children who watch TV for more than 2 hours every day are more likely to have an unhealthy diet, less likely to eat fruit and less likely to be physically active.
- ★ Nearly half of children aged between 5 and 15 years spend more than 2 hours every day on 'small screen' entertainment.
- ★ Children are more likely to snack on foods that are high in sugar, salt or saturated fat when they're watching TV.

How much time in front of the screen?

When kids and teens spend time in front of small screens – whether it's the TV, computer or hand-held games – it takes away from the time they could spend playing sport, games or being active.

Australian guidelines recommend that kids and teens should minimise the time they spend being sedentary (still) every day.*

Kids and teens should spend no more than 2 hours each day using small screen entertainment. Long periods of use should be broken up as often as possible.

While computers and TV can be valuable for education and learning, the health benefits, skills and enjoyment that kids and teens get from being physically active are just as important.

“Set limits for computer games and being online”



Tips for parents

- Before you switch on the TV or the computer for your children, stop and think – could they spend the time being active and have some 'small screen' time later on?
- Set limits on TV viewing. If there is a specific program that your child wants to watch, turn the TV off once it has finished. Alternatively, record the program and watch it together later on.
- Set limits for computer games and being online – no more than 2 hours a day and not during daylight hours when they could be outside and active.
- Don't allow a TV or computer in your child's bedroom. Keep them in a common area of the family home so you can monitor use.
- Have a list of active indoor and outdoor games or activities for your children, so you can suggest alternatives to watching TV or playing on the computer.

For more information and ideas on healthy eating and physical activity, go to www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au

*The recommendations are based on Australia's Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour Guidelines for children (5-12 years) and young people (13-17 years).

Date: Friday 21st September 2018

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



MIPS Disco

Ticket Price: **\$6.00** per student



WE BRING THE
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 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

Remembering all money raised goes towards New Air Conditioning for the MPA/Discotech

Attendance Confirmation

I would like to order the following tickets at \$6.00 each:
Please enclose the correct money in a sealed envelope and have it returned, with this cut out slip, to the office by Wednesday, 19th September 2018.

Volunteers: I can assist on the night Yes / No
Please Circle

Name: **Email:**

Mobile:

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 19th September 2018.

A school community event hosted by
MIPS P&F Association



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Please return your details below and money through the class office bags by Friday 19th October.

CONTACT NAME: _____

CONTACT NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____



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- Are you overwhelmed with the impact this is having on your life?
- Do you long to connect with others who have experienced a similar loss?
- Are you unsure of how to assist your children through their grief?
- Would you like support as you deal with your changed circumstances?

If so please call PH: 8843 2530 or

E-mail: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au us find out more about our monthly support group



VENUE: 13 Buller St, North Parramatta

DATE: 3rd Tuesday of each Month (Feb –Dec)

TIME: 7.00pm – 9.00pm

COST: \$5.00