Thank you for supporting Catholic Mission

Last Friday the children were invited to wear mufti and bring in a gold coin donation to support the work of Catholic Mission. Thank you to all the the families for their support on this occasion. We raised $740 to which will go directly to supporting the work of Catholic Mission in poverty-stricken communities worldwide. For more information visit www.catholicmission.org.au.

Staffing

Today we welcome Mr Troy back to MIPS as he has regained his health. Many thanks to both Mr Boss and Mrs Hutton for stepping up to promotional positions during this time. We have wonderful leadership and teaching capacity at our school.

School Hat

The weather is now becoming warmer now and parents are reminded that the school hat is a compulsory part of the uniform. Before school, during lunchtime and afternoon tea the children need to wear their hat at all times. Children who are not wearing a school hat during these times will be asked to sit down in the shade. Parents are asked to remind their children always wear their hat.

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Star Spot
Congratulations to Adrian Perera 6G who has been selected to represent Blacktown in the U12 Representative Cricket series 2014/2015.
Well done Adrian!

Book Club
Issue 7 of Scholastic Book Club is being sent home on Tuesday.
Please return completed order forms by Monday 27th October.

Skip-a-thon 2014
On Friday 24th October (Week 3) students will be participating in the 2014 Skip-a-thon. This will be our major Fund raising event for our school, with all money raised going towards the purchase of resources and equipment.
Notes and sponsor cards have been sent home outlining the day. Please see your teacher if you have not received either of these.
Students will receive a raffle ticket for every $5 raised and will go in the draw to win some exciting prizes, with 2 winners per grade. The more money you raise, the more raffle tickets and chances you have in the prize draw!!!!
Don’t forget to get your coloured clothing ready as well– this should match the colour of your sponsorship card!!!
More information will follow in the newsletter next Monday. Thank you once again for your support of this event!!

‘P&F TWILIGHT WORKING BEES’
FRIDAY 24th October & 7th November
ANYTIME FROM 3:30PM TO 7:00PM

This term the P&F have two Twilight Working Bees.
Already a number of families have committed to attend either one or both of the Term 4 Working Bees.
In organizing the Working Bees it is possible to keep the school in good order.
It is not too late to join in. The more helpers the greater the impact we have on keeping our school grounds in wonderful condition for all to enjoy. If you can attend both or either of the Working Bees please contact the school office to register your availability.

Paul Devlin
Principal
Ryan Hutton
P&F Co-ordinator
George James
General Assistant

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.

In Your Prayers
Please remember in your prayers the Weymark family Jayden Weymark year 5, who’s Grandfather passed away.

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.

Date: Friday 31st October 2014
Time: 5:30pm—6:45pm (K—2)
7:00pm—8:30pm (3—6)
Ticket Price: $5.00 per student

THEME
INFANTS: WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE DRESS-UP
PRIMARY: WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE TEAM OR SPORTS COLOURS