Afternoon Dismissal Procedures

A reminder that the following procedures apply for afternoon dismissal.

- Teachers from Kindergarten will dismiss their children from outside of their classrooms. Each child is dismissed after the parent/guardian has been located.

- Teachers in Grades One and Two are escorted to the PAVERS area. Again each child is dismissed after the parent/guardian has been located.

- Grades 3,4,5,6 are all dismissed from the FRONT CONCRETE. Parents are asked to collect their children from this area.

Parents are requested to wait for their children at these designated areas.

Mary Immaculate Christmas Carols

FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER—Gates open 5pm for 6pm start

This Parish and School event will feature each grade performing two Christmas songs as well as performances from our parish musicians and from St Joseph's Primary, Schofields. Arrive early to enjoy a sausage sizzle from our P&F or bring your own picnic dinner. The Parish Youth Team will be running a cake stall and glow candles will be available for purchase. The gate to Patterson's Reserve will be open to allow for more parking but plan to walk if you can, as parking will be limited.

We look forward to sharing in this parish family celebration with you all.
Scott Carroll
Religious Education Coordinator

Christmas Liturgy for Littlies

This year we are again having a Christmas Liturgy of the Word for ‘Littlies’ which will take place on Friday 4th December at 10am in the Church. This liturgy is for children from birth to school age. The aim is to give them a ‘Sense of the Sacred’ through a liturgy adapted to their age group. To help create the atmosphere of the event of Jesus’ birth we invite you to dress your child(ren) as one of the following: Shepherd, King or an Angel. Please pass this invitation on to as many people you know who would be interested in attending. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!!!

Uniform Shop

Last day of trading will be on Tuesday 15th December 2015 (8.30-10.00) and will re-open on Friday 29th January 2016. (8.30-10.00)

These are the following dates for holiday trading in January 2016.

THURSDAY 7th JANUARY 10.00am-12.00pm (by appointment only).
SATURDAY 9th JANUARY 10.00am-11.30am
SATURDAY 16th JANUARY 1.00pm-3.00pm

Week 9

Friday 4th December
- 5:30pm-8:30pm P&F Christmas Carols

Week 10

Tuesday 8th December
- 9:30am-10:30am End of Year Mass
- 10:30am-11:30am Parent Helper Morning Tea

Wednesday 9th December
- 10:00am-11:00am Meet the teacher morning

Thursday 10th December
- 9:00am-12:00pm Year 6 Don Bosco Fun Day
- 2:20pm-3:15pm Farewell Assembly

Week 11

Tuesday 15th December
- Year 6 Graduation Mass and Ceremony

Wednesday 16th December
- Last Day for Children

School Fees 2015

Thank you to all our families who have completed payment of all their school fees for 2015. Can I please request that all accounts be finalised by the end of this week. Any family accounts with an outstanding amount, will not be offered a Flexible Payment Plan by the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta in 2016. If you are unsure if you have an outstanding amount, please contact the office for a balance of your account.
My Week with the NSW National Team Representing at PSG

On the first day when we arrived, we dropped our bags off to the hotel and had to go straight to the SA Aquatic Centre to train and meet the team, I also had to get familiarise with the pool before competing. We caught the tram back to our hotel I have never been on a tram, then we looked around the hotel, then the rest of the day I just rested before my first race the next day on Saturday.

When I woke the next morning I was very nervous so I had a big buffet breakfast and headed straight to the pools to prepare my warm up and ready to go for my 200IM, the nerves got the better of me and unfortunately I didn’t do too good, but still got to the top ten, I was so disappointed and was determined to do better for my next race.

The next day Sunday was my 4 x 100m freestyle relay we were the A team so I wanted to make sure I don’t let these boys down, we were all so nervous cause it was like NSW v’s QLD, cause they had an awesome team as well, we came second and won the silver medal and I also came away doing a PB of 1:02, I felt so proud standing on the podium representing my school and my state.

My next race was not until Thursday, so during this time I just trained and trained and hung out with my mates cheering other team mates on, we had the opening ceremony on Sunday and that was awesome especially meeting all the other competitors from overseas.

On Tuesday we went on a team excursion to the Adelaide Zoo and my favourite was the giant pandas it was a good day.

I was so focused on my 200m Butterfly, It was such a tough race, I was coming second then third but unfortunately I came fifth, I tried my best and came away with a massive PB of 7 seconds doing 2:32 when I saw my time, I was so happy.

Then the rest of the week I just went to the beach and had so much fun with my mates and now look forward to trying to make it again next year, it will be held in Darwin NT, I have always wanted to go there, so I am going to try my best to make the team.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Jayden Weymark

Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch(B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au. This online form is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. Parents may complete this form to attend a selection trial. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY and MUST be approved by the child’s school. In order for the child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of the school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. All fields and especially “Representative Experience” MUST be completed.