Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Mothers and mother figures in our lives are so important. They are often the symbol of love and support that we need in life. Yesterday was Mother’s Day and last Friday we took the opportunity to celebrate the vocation of motherhood at Mary Immaculate. We commenced the morning with a breakfast hosted by the Parents and friends Association and then followed with an Open Classroom experience. We then gathered for a heartwarming and moving liturgy where the year 1 students and teachers led us through a deeper understanding of Mother’s Day.

As a marian school, named after Mary Immaculate, we hold a special devotion to our mother in heaven and pray to her particularly through the month of May by praying the rosary or the Hail Mary.

Let us pray that we treasure our mothers and mother figures on earth and in heaven as we continue to grow in appreciation of their wonderful contribution to our lives.

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin
Principal

Parents and Friends Association - Mother's Day Celebration

Many thanks to all the members of the Parents and Friends Association who contributed to the very successful Mother’s Day celebrations last week. The community thoroughly enjoyed eating breakfast in the glorious sunshine with other parents and families. Thanks also to the parents who prepared and sold the gifts for the Mother’s Day stall. It was a wonderful day made possible by the generosity of parents and teachers alike.

NAPLAN

Good luck to our Year 3 and 5 students as they participate in NAPLAN assessments this week.

Tuesday: Language Conventions and Writing
Wednesday: Reading
Thursday: Numeracy
Friday: Catch up day for students who were ill on one of the other days

NAPLAN provides one useful data source for schools on student progress. It must be kept in mind, however, that these tests are merely snapshots of a child’s progress and the results should be read in conjunction with school based assessments.
Harry lives 6 kilometers from school. How far does he travel to and from school each day?
How many miles will Harry travel to and from school in a week?

Social Skills Focus at MIPS
This fortnight’s Social Skill is:

PATIENCE

- The way we act can have an impact on the way others see us, and a patient attitude is one of the key ways to achieve this.
- Having patience is one of the most valuable social skills a person can have that can help develop an individual from childhood into adulthood.
- Demonstrating patience with others shows the person that you are willing to give them time and respect their feelings and personal space.
- Giving an individual time to respond or by waiting your turn can have a dramatic effect in the response and way that you are treated and viewed.
- In the Christian religion patience is one of the most valuable qualities of life. As they always say ‘patience is a virtue.’

Parent Links: There are many ways to teach children to be patient. You as a parent can choose ways that suit you as an individual and that fits your beliefs and values. Children learn from example and experiences, just like adults. Being calm and supportive when your child is upset or may have done something wrong is a good way to display patience. Being a good role model by explaining to your child calmly with reasons is a great way to demonstrate patience. Teach and demonstrate to your child the proper way to start a conversation, get someone’s attention, or join a group of children who are already playing together. These are all situations that can be discussed and brainstormed at the dinner table, or in the car on the way to school or activities.

The Electronic Newsletter - Online
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- Go to the school’s website - www.maryimmacghill.catholic.edu.au/
- Click on “Subscribe to E-News” (or any blue text near it)
- Start the sign up process
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School Fees
School fee statements for Term 2 have now been sent to all families. Payment is due by Monday 25th May, 2015. Payment can be made by Bpay, cheque, or credit card (Visa or Mastercard).

If you have any queries regarding fees, payment plans or did not receive a statement, can you please contact the School Office on 9626.3999 or by email to mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au

Thank you.

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE - Working Bee Saturday 13th June
MIPS Disco – Friday 22nd May
Date: Friday 22nd May 2015

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

MIPS Disco

Ticket Price: $5.00 per student

Attendance Confirmation
I would like to order the following tickets at $5.00 each:
Please enclose the correct money in a sealed envelope
and have it returned with this cut out slip to the office
by Friday 15th May 2015.

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Total no. tickets requested: [Infants: ] [Primary: ]

Volunteers: I can assist on the night

Name: [ ] Phone: [ ]

A member of the P&F will contact you

A school community event hosted by
MIPS P&F Association

- 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. 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
To our friends at MIPS who celebrate their birthday between 28th April to 11th May

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Gabriel Ocampo, Isabella Marks, Arpan Bassi, Guy-Andrew Shepherd,
Sasmuel Sartori, Sienna Alonzo,
Taylor Miller, Libby Hartley, Nihal Gill,
Nisarg Venu, ZSacharia Kerr

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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

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**Uniform Shop Trading Hours**

- Tuesdays 8:30am to 10:00am
- Fridays 8:30am to 10:00am

For any enquiries please contact Elle: 0421 216 414
Or email: elle@ozfashions.com

**Student Banking**

Student Banking is processed on Fridays.
Please remember to bring in your Bank Book.

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