

Mary Immaculate Primary School

~ Newsletter ~

Term 3 Week 6 - 17th August 2015



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We celebrated the beautiful feast of the Assumption of Our Lady on Saturday. This feast notes the occasion of Mary being taken into heaven both body and soul. We are reminded of the absolute significance that Mary had on the life of Jesus and also of the total respect that Jesus always showed his mother.

Let us pray that we are guided by the example of Mary in our lives. We are reminded of the first stanza of our School Mission Statement where we proclaim the central role of our learning community.

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

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin
Principal

2015 SPELLING BEE CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

Our annual school 'Spelling Bee Championships' is nearing its exciting conclusion. The top spellers from each grade will be determined by the end of this week and will compete in Week 8 in their grade 'Spelling Bee Championship Final' to be held in the MPA.

The Finals schedule is:

Week 8 Venue: MPA



DAY	TIME	GRADE
Tuesday 1 st September	10:00am	Kindergarten
	2:20pm	Year 6
Wednesday 2 nd September	10:00am	Year 1
	2:20pm	Year 4
Thursday 3 rd September	10:00am	Year 2
	2:20pm	Year 5
Friday 4 th September	2:20pm	Year 3

Parents are welcome to attend.

Mark Boss
Acting Assistant Principal

Week 6

Monday 17th August

- Peer Support
- Year 5 Mary MacKillop Excursion
- AFL Clinic Infants

Tuesday 18th August

- Confirmation
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Wednesday 19th August

- Maths Olympiad 4
- Confirmation
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Thursday 20th August

- Book Fair Starts
- Confirmation
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Friday 21st August

- Diocesan Athletics Carnival
- Captivate
9:00 - 10:15am
- Assembly Year 6
2:30pm - 3:15pm

Saturday 22nd August

- Working Bee 8am

Week 7

Monday 24th August

- Peer Support
- National Literacy & Numeracy Week

Wednesday 26th August

- P&F Meeting

Thursday 27th August

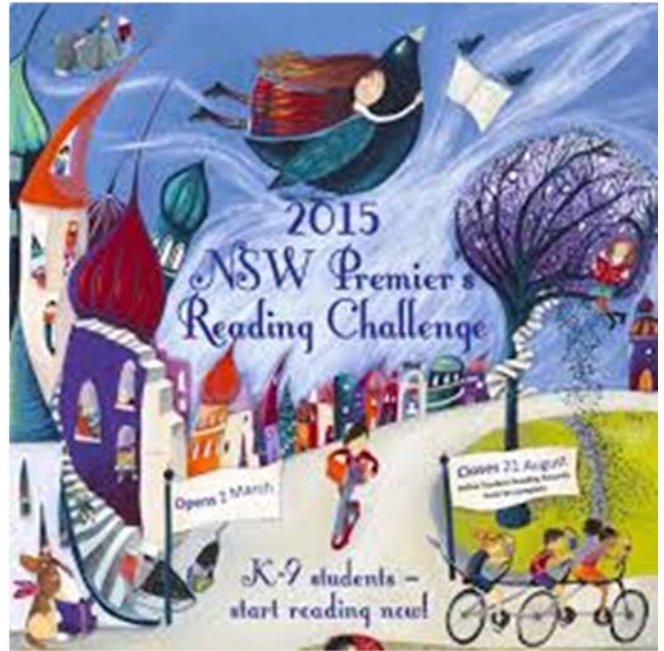
- Year 2 Grandparents Day 9.15 - 11.30am

Friday 28th August

- Infants Athletics Carnival

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Just a reminder that The Premier's Reading Challenge will end on Thursday, 20th of August for students who were taking part in the 2015 challenge. Parents of Primary school children will need to have logged on and entered the children's book list before this date. Most of the Infant classes have read books from the list in class time over the last few terms and these will be uploaded for them at school. If you have any difficulty doing this, or have misplaced your child's login information please see Mrs Goodwill who will be able to assist you with this. Many thanks to all the parents and students who have already completed the 2015 challenge by uploading their books; thank you for your enthusiasm for reading and encouraging your child's interest in books.

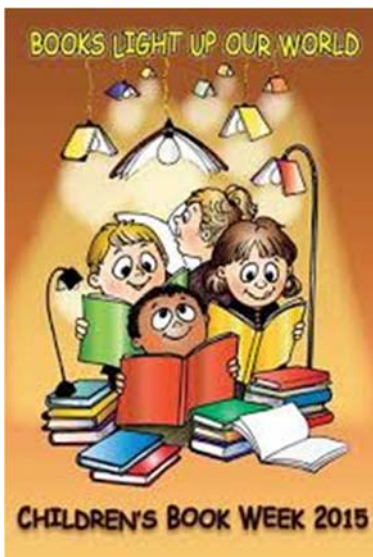


BOOK WEEK IS COMING !

Thank you to all our staff who have put in a lot of work in preparing the children for Book Week.

Next week the following activities have been planned:

- * Monday - Year 6 students to present a mini readers workshop to their peer support groups
- * Wednesday - Our Book Parade will take place at 9am and in the afternoon our teachers will be performing a Reader's Theatre for our children. Following this, book prizes will be presented for children in each grade who created the 'best' colouring competition (ES1), bookmarks (Stage 1), book-jackets (Stage 2) and Book covers and reviews (Stage 3) illustrating some of the specified Book Week books.



Each grade has also been working on creating an artistic response to one of the Book Week books. They are displayed outside classrooms for all to view. Mrs Belcastro, Mrs Desira and Mrs Boatfield have also worked hard to create displays for the library and other areas of our school. Thank you in advance to parents for preparing costumes for your children.

We look forward to seeing you at next Wednesday's Book Parade.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

On Wednesday and Thursday of this week, we have a number of students from Years 5 and 6 who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish. They will renew the promises that their parents and Godparents made on their behalf when they received the Sacrament of Baptism. We join together in prayer as a school community as we wish all these students the very best as they become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. We congratulate the following students:



Gracelle Maria Alonzo, Laura Bedoya, Makayla-Angel Berry, Macy Karylle Bosque, Kai Calafate, Rhiannon Alexandra Clouston, Caitlin Corapi, Ashley Danaher, Kristine De Pedro, Jett Axel Decolongon, Clarissa Joan Dent, Sarah Dickerson, Ralph Roland Ferrer, Nicholas Garbutt, Kyan Gonzales, William Hart, Ethan Holtsbaum, Kierra Stella Hutton, Mitchell Jachimowicz, Jayden Kemp, Chiara Louise King, Charlotte Loughlin, Lauren Milne, Samuel Milne, Sienna O'Brien, Easter Janella Ortanez, Aiden Parnell, Shashini Anne Peiris, Samuel Pfitzner, Aaron Jamie Preller, Kasey Marina Quigley, Thomas Sahlieh, Guy-Andrew Shepherd, Taylah Shuetrim, Natarsha Simic, Kaitlyn Smith, Heidi Varlet, Jayde Vella, Jessica Wagner, Luke Joseph Willis, Tiarna Wolffe, John Ybuan and Jasmine Zolerick.



WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Thank you everyone who has helped to support the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets are available from the student foyer. Simply pop the labels onto the sheets and once it's completed, just bring it back to school and drop it into the Collection Box in the student foyer. If your sheet is not completed, or you don't have a sheet, just pop the stickers in the box in the student foyer.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Healthy Harold and Angela from the Life Education Team have started welcoming classes as they visit the Life Education van. All classes will visit the Life Education van by the end of this week, learning about a range of healthy living choices. You can help to reinforce the ideas explored with Healthy Harold by discussing with your children what they learnt on the visit to the van.

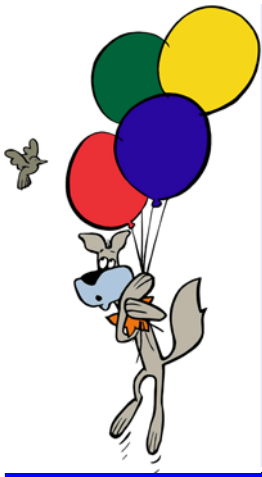


SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all the families that have finalised their 2015 school fees. School fees are now due. Any families that are on an arrangement, please continue your regular payments until the final date. Any outstanding accounts that are not finalised this week, will receive a reminder notice from the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. If you have any queries regarding fees or did not receive your statement, please contact the School Office on 9626.3999 or by email to mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au

Thank you.

Claudine Nalletamby - Office Administrator



Happy Birthday to students who celebrated their birthdays between 4th August and 17th August

Kyan Gonzales, Alyssa Ervin, Stephanie Xiberras, Benjamin Larkins, Abuk Dau, Benjamin Cockerill, Ceant Esterado, Cooper Binfield, Audrey Ombina, Ethan Zuliani, Priyesh Bajracharya, Rohan Rangineni, Courtney O'Reilly, Kaitlyn Manityakul, Chanel Zammit, Cameron Dale, Laura Cheadle, Erik Safar, Anna Rockson and Stephanie Cockerill.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 8

Monday 31st August

- Peer Support

Tuesday 1st September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Wednesday 2nd September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Thursday 3rd September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Friday 4th September

- Spelling Bee Finals
- P&F Father's Day Breakfast, Liturgy and Open Classrooms
- Hawkesbury Eisteddfod Choir

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

Lunch orders are available **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.**

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Wednesday 19th August	Tania Peiris
Thursday 20th August	Rozanne Perera
Friday 21st August	Deanne Holmes HELP NEEDED

Term 3 Week 7

Wednesday 26th August	Sulee Somyaying
Thursday 27th August	Philipa Holtsbaum Lisa Sartori
Friday 28th August	Connie Smith HELP NEEDED

MATHS



Steve is thinking of a number. He subtracts 20 and is left with 23. What number is he thinking of?

Answer from week 5: The distance between Carla and Paula is 9 metres.

P&F ASSOCIATION

WORKING BEE - THIS SATURDAY 22 AUGUST

The next scheduled Working Bee for the school will be this Saturday from 8am till 12pm. All assistance is appreciated to help keep the school looking neat and tidy. Simply turn up with gloves, hat and sunscreen and contribute. We always finish off the working bee with a sausage sandwich and drink for all helpers at 11:45am.

P&F MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting that was scheduled for this week has been postponed till next week due to the clash with the Sacrament of Confirmation in the church. The next meeting will be held next Wednesday 26 August at 7:30pm in the school staffroom. Apologies for any inconvenience.

FATHER'S DAY BBQ - FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

Father's Day note being sent home to all families today.