Mary Immaculate Primary School
Newsletter Update 15th June 2015 - Term 2 Week 9

Social Skills Focus at MIPS

This fortnight’s Social Skill is:

DEALING WITH LOSING

- Say to yourself, "Everybody can’t win, it’s okay that I didn’t win this time”.
- If you didn’t win think about what you should do now:
  - ask someone to help you do better
  - do an activity that you like and is fun
  - relax and have another go
- Act out your best choice
- It’s about taking part and joining in rather than winning
- If you are getting upset, walk away and then come back when you are calm and ready to try again.
- Stick to the rules, and make sure everyone agrees to them and follows through.

Parent Links: Discuss that we all need to share and take turns. People can’t always win or get what they want. Relate these ideas to home life like choosing where to go, activity to take part in or watching TV - look at the week’s guide and discuss which programs/films various family members would like to watch. When there are conflicts, work out a way to share fairly. Discuss fair play, sticking to the rules of games and being a good winner or loser. Play games like Snap, Backyard Cricket and have the children state the rules before playing. If they have followed the rules well and had fun, play the game again. If not, stop the game, state that games are not fun if people do not follow the rules and always want to be the winner. Let them know that you are prepared to play again the next day to see if they can play fairly. If your child is getting upset about not winning, explain that there is always a next time and the more you practice/play games the better you will be become.

On Leave

Mrs. Smith will be undergoing some minor knee surgery on Wednesday followed by Long Service leave.

We wish Mrs. Glynnis Smith well as she takes leave commencing Wednesday for the duration of Term Three.

Parent / Teacher interviews

All interviews have been scheduled for the coming week. We ask that all parents are punctual to their appointment and the teachers will also attempt to maintain their time schedule to avoid any inconvenience. If further meetings are needed to discuss your child’s learning another suitable time can be arranged in the near future.

NAIDOC WEEK “Animals of the Dreaming.”

As part of NAIDOC Celebrations our school will be taking part in an educational program called ‘Animals of the Dreaming’.

On Tuesday 23/6/15 the whole school will be involved in a special presentation by Col Hardy a highly respected Aboriginal elder will showcase aboriginal culture through stories, songs and artefacts.

The presentation will even have animals provided by Taronga Zoo.

The presentation is designed to help students to empower students to develop actions to care for their own local environment.

ENROLLING FOR 2016

Enrolments for 2016 close soon.
Collect an enrolment pack from the office and return as soon as possible.
**MATHS**

**WEEK 9**

1. A. △ □
2. B. □ △
3. C. □ △
4. D. △ □

Answer from Week 8
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**Junior Altar Servers Needed!**

The Liturgy team is inviting young parishioners who have made their First Communion to express their interest with their parents’ approval, to assist our weekend liturgical celebrations as Junior Servers. Three training sessions of an hour’s duration 2pm – 3.30pm will occur on Saturdays 4th & 11th July. Any change to the dates will be notified as soon as possible.

Fr Regie and two experienced Senior Servers will provide the training. It is expected that the young people would attend all three training sessions.

Committed and interested young parishioners, via their parents, should express their interest and provide their relevant details either to the two Religious Education Coordinators of our Parish Schools or directly to the Parish Office on 96263326 or email parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au or list yours and your child’s details on the sign up sheet in the foyer of the church.

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**Are you able to help?**

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**When:** Thursday 6th August (Term 3, Week 4)

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Permission notes and sponsor cards will be sent home tomorrow outlining the details of the day.
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 school holidays may be a great opportunity to start collecting sponsors!
More information will follow, leading up to the Skip-a-thon.

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**P&F Association**

**WORKING BEE**

A huge THANK YOU to all families who were able to attend the working bee on Saturday. We achieved many tasks which included: spreading a large amount of mulch, weeding the bank, mowing, edging, hedging, repairing the pews near the kinder rooms, cleaning and other general jobs. A certificate for these families will be presented at the assembly on Friday afternoon.