A Message from the Uniform Shop
All winter uniforms are now available.

Last day for the uniform shop before the holidays is Tuesday 3rd April 2012 and re-opens Tuesday 24th April 2012 for normal trading.

However we will be opening during the holidays on Saturday 21st April from 3.00pm—5.00pm for your convenience.

For any enquiries please contact Elle—0421216414

2012 Paul Kelly Cup AFL Carnival

Last Thursday, 22nd March, 26 Stage 3 children competed in the Paul Kelly AFL Cup. The competition was held at Wrights Reserve, Quakers Hill. The children had a great time walking both to the carnival and back to school!

The boys won three out of their four games, which was a fantastic result! The girls won one game by 18 points! Well done to both teams!


We would like to commend all children who took part in the competition for showing excellent school spirit and sportsmanship. Every child represented our school with pride. Congratulations!

Miss Clark and Mr Devlin

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
A staff Development Day has been arranged for Monday 7 May. On this day the staff will be involved in a series of workshops and discussions around the school goal of literacy development. If you wish to engage in the use of COSHC on this day please do not hesitate to give them a call. If you have not used COSHC before you need to obtain a form from them first. Please mark this day in your calendar, as children do not attend school on this day.

Thank you for your understanding

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Mass Times
Mary Immaculate Church
Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30 - 5.30pm
Weekday Mass:
Monday No Mass
Tuesday 8.30am
Wednesday 9.15am
Thursday 9.15am
Friday 7.00pm
Weekend Mass:
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
10.30am
6.00pm
St. Joseph’s Schofields
Sunday 7.30am

Term 1 Week 9
26th March 2012

Important Dates
Tuesday 27th March
9.30am Mark Taylor Shield Cricket vs St. Anthony’s Girraween at Paterson Reserve

Wednesday, 28th March
10.00am Reconciliation Year 6

Friday, 30th March
9.15am Whole School Assembly
Year 2 item

Monday, 2nd April
9.00am Easter Hat Parade K-2
9.45 Terra Sancta Stations of the Cross for years 3-6

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Holy Week
Please join us next week as we commemorate the events of Holy Week with a number of prayer experiences for students, parents and family members.

Stations of the Cross
Monday 2nd April at 9.45am in the MPA
Presented by Year 8 Terra Sancta students.
Years 3-6 attending

Holy Week Walk
Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th April
A reflective walk through the scenes of Holy Week from Palm Sunday to Good Friday. Parents are welcome to join with their child’s class at the allocated time (times to be advised this week).

Parent Prayer Experience – Stations of the Cross through the eyes of Mary
Tuesday 3rd April at 2.30pm
Reflecting on the Stations of the Cross told from the experience of Mary, mother of Jesus.

Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord
Today we celebrated the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. Thank you to our Year 1 students who led us so prayerfully for this Marian feast day. They acted out the story of the Annunciation, when Mary was told by the Angel Gabriel that she had been chosen by God to be the mother of His Son and led us joyfully in singing ‘Mary said YES!’

We also prayed a litany to Mary, wondered about how Mary must have felt being asked by God to do such an important job and reflected on how we may also say ‘yes’ to God in our own lives.

Did you know that the Hail Mary prayer tells us a bit of the story of the Annunciation by using the greeting of the Angel Gabriel to Mary from Luke’s Gospel (Luke 1:26-38)? Perhaps your children can show you the words that tell us this as you pray this prayer together.

Hail Mary, full of grace.
The Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women.
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, mother of God.
Pray for us sinners now,
And at the hour of our death.
Amen

Palm Sunday Mass
Would your child like to be part of the Palm Sunday entrance procession at the 9.00am Mass this Sunday 1st April at Mary Immaculate Church? The children will wave palms and lead the procession of parishioners into the Church at the start of Mass. If so, please send a note by this Wednesday to Mrs Ducksbury with your child’s name/class.

Palms needed – any families who have palms or olive branches that could be donated to the Parish for distribution at this weekend’s Palm Sunday Masses would be greatly appreciated. Please cut them into hand held sizes and bring them to the Church this Saturday morning March 31 and place them in the baskets at the Church entrance.

Crafty Creations for Caritas

Mini Vinnies News
Inspired by our learning about Project Compassion a group of Year 6 students have been busy making some hand knitted items and scoobies to raise money for Caritas.

These items will be on sale from Tuesday this week in the playground at lunchtimes until sold out.

They include headbands $1, wristbands and scoobies 50c. To add a letter bead is 20c or a plain bead is 10c.

So bring in your coins to buy a crafty creation for Caritas!

Parish Sacramental Programme
Sacrament of First Eucharist
For families involved in this program (children in Year 4 and above who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation), please note the following dates in your diaries.

• 31 March/1 April - Enrolment forms available online www.maryimmac.org.au for First Eucharist Program
• 9 May (Wed) - First Parent Meeting 7:30pm
• 9 / 10 June - First Eucharist (All Masses) (Queen’s Birthday Long weekend)

Jocelyn Williams,
Sacramental Coordinator
SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR ROMBE SULE

Last week on Monday afternoon one of our Year 1 boys, Rombe Sule was knocked down by a car near the Hambleton Road shops around 5:00pm.

He was taken to Westmead Children’s Hospital. He is still in intensive care.

This morning at assembly we shared this prayer for Rombe as a school:

“Lord,
You love Rombe as you love all children,
Bring healing to Rombe who is not well.
Stay by his side and comfort him through this trying time.
Keep us ever mindful of your loving protection and care for him.

May you give his parents and family grace and strength as they care for him at this time.
Bless the health care workers who are working so hard to help him get better soon.
Look over us with your loving tenderness and comfort us in our concern for Rombe.
We pray that our friend will get better and be back with us at school again soon.
Amen”

The Year 1 children have made cards for Rombe and the Year 1 teachers will be delivering them to him this afternoon.

Please keep Rombe and his family in your prayers.

Collecting your Children During school time

All parents from time to time need to collect their children during school time to attend appointments and other family commitments and the school understands this need. Parents are requested to notify the class teacher in writing, so that the class roll can be appropriately marked. If you need to collect your child during lunch or afternoon break, they will bring their bag to the student foyer before going off to play. Your child will then be called to the office when you arrive where they can collect their bag and be signed out by their parent or caregiver. Please understand that insufficient notice may result in a delay as it may take some time to collect your child’s bag from the locked classrooms.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Book Club Update

Everyone should have received their order back from Book Club last week. We hope that you are enjoying your new books with your child.

Unfortunately some of the books were out of stock and as a result Scholastic provided a voucher for you to use on another book of your choice. You may use this voucher across any of the other Book Club editions.

The second book club edition is coming home today.

JUST A REMINDER that no cash or payments are to be sent into school all payments are to be made online (Don’t forget to write the receipt number on the order form along with your child’s name and class) and return to school by Friday 30th March.

Sue Henson
Parent Book Club Co-ordinator

HAT PARADE

Next Monday 2nd April all the Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 children are invited to participate in an ‘Easter Hat Parade’ at the Monday morning assembly on the front concrete at 8.55am.

So, put on your thinking caps on this weekend and create a colourful Easter hat for the parade.

Wear the hat to school on Monday morning.
We all look forward to seeing some colourful and wonderful creations.

Kindergarten, Years 1 and Year 2
Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta would like to invite Year 7, 2014 families to attend our Enrolment Information Evening. This is an opportunity for you to collect your daughter's enrolment pack, enjoy a tour of the College campus and meet the Principal, College Executive and staff. We look forward to welcoming you to the OLMC community.Monday, April 2, 2012 • Registration 4.45pm • Tours 5.00pm-5.45pm • Information session 5.45pm • P&F Sausage Sizzle 6.30pm

If you would like to help in the canteen please contact the school office!

Week 9
Wednesday 28th March Cass Johnson, HELP NEEDED
Thursday 29th March Lisa Sartori, Kellie Varlet
Friday 30th March Sharon Hooper, Shirmoa Peiris

Week 10
Wednesday 4th April Sam Scully, HELP NEEDED
Thursday 5th April Ell Willcoxson, Rosie Jeroncic
Friday GOOD FRIDAY

BOOK CLUB
Our first book club was a huge success! These are some of the free picks that Mary Immaculate received from Scholastic as a result of so many parents ordering books. This is absolutely wonderful for the library. The children are always excited when they see new books to borrow. Please help make our next one as successful.

COSHC VACATION CARE
If you are interested in using COSHC these school holidays please contact Tara
Email: tara.borg.catholic.edu.au
Applications close 2nd April

UNIFORM SALE
Final sale of the old PSW uniform! All items are being sold for $5.00.
The shop will open Wednesday 28th March 2.30pm-3.30pm and Thursday 29th March 8.30am-9.30am.

This uniform can still be worn until the end of 2013, as the new uniform will become compulsory in 2014. This is the final opportunity to purchase the uniform at greatly reduced prices. Following the holidays, any surplus uniform items will be donated to charity.

Make the most of this sale that runs for the next two weeks only.

Thank you for your support of our Book Club

CANTEN ROSTER Term 1
If you would like to help in the canteen please contact the school office!