Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week, children from our school received the sacrament of Confirmation with other children from the parish. It was a wonderful celebration where the children can confirm their faith as growing Catholics. This is the faith that their Godparents declared on their behalf when they were much younger.

During Confirmation the gifts of the Holy Spirit are bestowed on the children for them to use during their lives. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are:

- Wisdom
- Understanding
- Right Judgement
- Courage
- Knowledge
- Reverence
- Wonder and awe in God’s presence

Please keep these children in your thoughts and prayers as they now prepare to receive their First Holy Communion.

During this week, all the children are asked to use their gift of understanding as they participate in the Beanie, Scarf and Glove Mufti Day on Friday. This is a mufti day where the children help to raise money for the homeless people in our society. The money raised will be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Society to help them in their work with the less fortunate. Later that day, the Year 6 can participate in the Winter Sleepout to help raise awareness of those less fortunate than ourselves.

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin
Principal
SCHOOL NEWS

Parent and Teacher interviews

Many thanks to all our parents and teachers who participated in the interviews hosted last week. This was a wonderful opportunity for the teachers and parents to meet and discuss the learning successes and challenges of the children. As always, if parents and caregivers have any questions regarding the education of their children, they are welcome to communicate with the classroom teacher to clarify any concern or issue.

Kindergarten interviews

Mr Devlin and Mr Troy are enjoying meeting all the kindergarten children and their parents as they conduct the kindergarten interviews for enrolment for next year. Our school has had very solid enrolment demand for next year’s kindergarten placement. Once all the interviews have been completed, offers for placement will be made early next term.

Year 4 Reconciliation – Wednesday

The children in Year 4 will be offered the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday as part of the normal sacramental life of the children at our school. Please keep our children in your prayers as they prepare and receive their sacraments.

Reminder for OVER DUE School Fee Accounts

The due date for all School Fee Accounts to be paid by was Wednesday 1st June 2011. If you have overlooked your account please ensure that payment is made this week as the Catholic Education Office was scheduled to follow up on the unpaid accounts last week.

Beanie, Scarf and Gloves Mufti Day

Friday 17th June—Gold Coin Donation

The weather is certainly right this week for rugging up in your warm clothes and accessories for our Mufti Day for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

NSW Catholic Schools Cross Country

On Friday, 3rd June seven children competed in the NSW Catholic Schools Cross Country at Eastern Creek Raceway representing the Parramatta Diocese team. These children were Symbria Hales, Penny Tahiri, Georgia Holtsbaum, Ryan Attard, Corey Smith, Mitchell Deeholts and Sam Kearns.

They all performed extremely well but the competition at this level is extremely high. Congratulations to all these children in reaching such a high level. You can be so proud of your achievement.

Well done to Sam Kearns who has been selected to continue on in the 12/13 boys AWD event in the State All Schools Carnival next month. We wish you well Sam and look forward to hearing how you go.

RE NEWS

Have you heard about the changes to the Mass?

The following information gives you some details on changes to the Mass that are occurring as a result of a new translation to the Roman Missal. Each fortnight in the newsletter we will aim to introduce you to some of these changes.

There will be a new English translation of the Missal in our churches by the end of 2011 and these changes have been gradually introduced throughout the year but occurred fully in most Churches last Sunday on the feast of Pentecost. This revised English translation means the structure of the Mass has not changed but it will sound different. After some 40 years of usage, the translation we know so well has been revised to bring out how the Missal is really drenched in the Bible – the words we pray are based on expressions we find in the Word of God. It will be a slightly more formal style of English to evoke better what the Latin says.

Because it is not easy to adjust to unfamiliar prayer texts, we will need to take time to sit with these new texts, to pray with them out loud and let the words and their relevance begin to emerge. These are the texts which the Church is offering us now to enrich both our prayer and the life of the Church. Change is always difficult and it will be so for priests and people but together we are going to have to learn a new way of praying the Mass.

What is changing? One of the changes is when we respond to the priest saying “The Lord be with you.” Instead of responding “and also with you” the new translation requires us to say “and with your spirit.”

This occurs at five parts in the Mass including the Introductory Rite, before the Gospel, the Eucharistic prayer, the Communion Rite and at the Concluding Rite.

Why this change? The Church is reclaiming an ancient greeting used in more than one place in Scripture, especially in the letters of St Paul. In Galatians 6:18, Paul writes “May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit” and again he writes in the Letter to the Philippians ch 4 “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.” In French, Spanish and Italian, for example, the Latin et cum spiritu tuo has always been translated “and with your spirit.” This rich scriptural connection was lost in our English translation 40 years ago. The Church now wishes to reclaim this part of our scriptural tradition in English, and so the response will be “and with your spirit.”

To assist your children in understanding and learning these changes and participating in the Mass, a new Children’s mass book is available at www.johngarrat.com.au. We will also be using this resource at school to introduce these changes to the students over the course of the year.
Shopping trip

Just a reminder all parents interested in attending the Shopping Trip should respond to the notes sent home in previous weeks so that numbers can be finalised. Thank you.

Mary Immaculate Primary School

It’s Shopping Time

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

For the first time this year the P and F have decided to put together a shopping trip as part of our Fundraiser events.

The company who is organising our shopping trip is Legends Shopping Tours.

The details are as follows:

Date: Sunday, 19th June 2011
Departing: 7.30am (from Mary Immaculate by bus)
Arrive: Approx. 6pm
Cost: $53 per person (includes lunch – choice of penne boscaiola, chicken schnitzel, pumpkin risotto or fish and chips – includes dessert of day, tea and coffee)

The outlets we will visit include:
Manchester warehouse. Dolci D’Oro
KB toys. Victoria’s Basement
Home and Gift Warehouse. Galwards Manchester and clothing
Cronulla surf Co. Corningware
Alexandria stop: FSW shoes, Envy for you clothing, Linen One, Seafolly,
Handbag and shoe warehouse, sandler.
Handbag and shoe factory outlet.

Come along and have a fun day of shopping and fun. Invite relatives and friends to come along and be part of this day. Please fill out the slip below and return with payment marked "Attention Vicki Vella" by Friday, 10 June

Thank you for your support

MIPS P & F

Shopping Bus Trip

I will be attending the shopping trip on Sunday, 19 June. Cost $53 per person

Name: Phone: Eldest Child
No: of Adults Extra Adult’s Names:
Canteen Roster Week 9

Monday, 20th June  Marie Faleono & Margaret Deshe
Tuesday, 21st June  Rosie Jeroncic HELP NEEDED
Wednesday, 22nd June  Carmen Baker, Sarah Cooper & Kellie Varlet
Thursday, 23rd June  Lisa Sartori, Natalie Trot nar and Sue Quigley
Friday, 24th, June  Leanne Corapi, Gavin Marks and HELP NEEDED
Thank You!

We need helpers for every Friday, please contact the office if you can help us.

Happy Birthday to our friends:

6/6/11-26/6/11

Best wishes!

Social Skill
JOINING IN

😊 Decide if you want to join in
😊 Decide what to say
😊 Choose a good time
😊 Say “May I play” in a friendly way

Parent Links: Encourage your children to have friends over to play. Remind them of the importance of fair play and following the rules of the game. Let them know at the end how well they went. “You and Jo must feel good about the way you took turns, played by the rules and didn’t leave anyone out when you were playing today.”

WE invite you to discover the differences for years 11 and 12 students at TERRA SANCTA COLLEGE

Visit our Year 11 2012 Information Evening and Guided Tours Tuesday 28 June 2011 Quakers Hill/Nirimba, Eastern Road Quakers Hill Tours and Light Refreshments 4.00pm, 5.00pm and 6.00pm Information Session 7.00pm

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