Welcome Back to Term 3

A very warm welcome back to all children and staff from their holidays. I hope all families had the opportunity to experience a change in the normal routine of home / school life during the past two weeks are ready to ‘launch’ back into a new school term.

25 Year Celebration and Blessing of BER Classrooms

This year we will be celebrating our 25 Year Anniversary as a school. We will be combining this occasion with the blessing of classrooms constructed under the Building Education Revolution (BER) with liturgical celebration on Tuesday 28 August. Parents are warmly invited to attend all elements of this celebration and are requested to mark this date in their calendar. The celebration will commence with a liturgy at 10am followed by morning tea and other events.

More information will be sent home once details are confirmed.

SCHOOL CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY 19TH July

Staffing

We welcome back Mrs Herron to Mary Immaculate after a period of Long Service Leave. We thank Mrs Shanahan and Mrs Milne for taking on the responsibility of the classroom teaching and Mr Boss for stepping into the leadership role during Mrs Herron’s absence. We also welcome Miss Sandra Dunphy who will be teaching 2M this term as Mrs Price takes leave. Miss Dunphy is well known to our school community with her teaching work in many classes.

P&F DISCO
CHANGE OF DATE

The P&F Disco will be held on Friday 10th August...

Athletics Carnival

Our Athletics Carnival for the primary students is due to be held on Thursday this week. Please keep an eye out for all information regarding this exciting and enjoyable day.

Cool Kids Music starting

“Cool Kids Music” is commencing this week at Mary Immaculate. This is a very exciting addition to the learning experiences that we are able to offer the children of our school and we look forward to seeing our children continue to grow in their knowledge and skills within the area of music.

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Phone: 9626.3326, 9626.1613
parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au

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

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Welcome to the new families

This week, we welcome two children to our school. Mahita Korada 4G and Jacob Morisio year 3. Please extend the usual Mary Immaculate welcome to these families when you have the chance.

Uniform

The children need to be wearing the full winter school uniform during Term 3. We have a lovely school uniform that is distinctive within the area. We encourage our children to constantly wear the uniform with pride.

Parent and Friends Meeting

All parents are warmly invited to attend the meeting to be held next week on 24 July at 7:30pm in the staffroom. Come along and be part of the very active group of parents who work to serve our

Exemption From School

Due to new legislation, the Catholic Education Office is requesting an “Application of Exemption from Attendance at School” form be completed by families seeking extended leave other than for sickness.

Therefore, if your child is going on holidays or participating in a sporting activity that results in them being absent from school, you must complete an “Exemption from Attendance at School” form seeking the Principal’s approval for such leave.

Please contact Michelle Brien in the office, 9626 3999, to advise us of your child’s leave intention so that the required paperwork can be completed prior to the leave commencing.

M7 FUN RUN Sunday, 29th July.

Just a reminder for parents to sign off on fun runs. Training will continue on Tuesdays and Fridays for the next few weeks. There will be a meeting with Mrs Vogt this week with more details.

STAR SPOT

"Mary Immaculate's Shining Stars

Lauren Berwick & Riley Hawkings performed admirably, while representing Quakers Hill Little Athletics Centre in the recent NSWLAA State Championships held at the Sydney Olympic Park earlier this year.

It is pleasing to announce the outstanding performances that were achieved at State level included:

- Lauren - 12th place in High Jump and
- Riley - 4th place in the Junior Boys 4 X 100m Relay.

Congratulations to them on their amazing efforts and we are sure they will continue to achieve great success in school athletics carnivals throughout 2012 and beyond.

Cool Kids Music Classes start this Friday!

Music tuition classes in Keyboard, Drums, Guitar, Singing and Kinder/Prep will commence this Friday 20th July for all those children in Years K-6 who have enrolled in this extra curricular music program. Parents have been informed by Cool Kids Music about their child’s session time.

For after school classes, please make the necessary arrangements to collect your children from either the Creative Arts room or the Library at the designated finish time. All enquiries about these group music tuition classes should be directed to the Cool Kids Music Company.

We look forward to hearing about all the musical learning happening at MIPS each Friday afternoon.
**Woolworths Earn and Learn Program**

A big thank you to everyone for their support so far. We have had an amazing response and I am very excited to announce that to date we have collected just over 17,000 points, which will enable us to collect some wonderful Literacy resources for our classroom and library.

We have until the 12th August to collect, so keep up the hard work! Here are some tips:

- Ask for stickers with a smile! Sometimes you might get an extra sticker or two!
- Watch out for promotions, some **products earn** double stickers.
- Place stickers or cards in the box in the student foyer. We will fill in incomplete cards with spare stickers.
- Only place stickers in the 30 boxes on the card. Any that don’t fit in, please send in or place on another card. Spare cards can be picked up from the student foyer.

**The Coles Sports for Schools program is back!**

We are excited to announce our participation in this year’s program, collecting vouchers for sports equipment. Vouchers are available in all Coles stores until August 14 and we ask that you get involved to help collect vouchers for our school.

Collecting vouchers is easy. By shopping at Coles, Coles Online, BI-LO or Pick ‘n’ Pay stores, every $10 spent will earn 1 voucher. We are appealing to parents and guardians to collect as many vouchers as you can. By donating and encouraging friends and family to do the same, you are helping to provide a healthy and active education for our children.

Please visit sportsforschools.com.au for more information about the program and you can also browse the sporting gear available to see what equipment we are aiming for.

A collection box will be located in the student foyer so please feel free to drop the vouchers in the box or give them to your children to hand into class.

We will keep you posted on our point tally! Stay tuned and happy shopping!

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**DO YOU WANT TO PLAY CRICKET AND BE PART OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY?**

Kellyville Ridge Cricket Club celebrated its 5th year anniversary last season. Since forming in 2007, the Club has grown from 3 junior teams and 1 senior team to having 6 junior teams and 6 senior teams in 2011/2012 season.

Registrations are now open for the 2012/2013 season for junior and senior competitions, as well as the Milo In2Cricket program for 5-7 year olds.

Join in the fun, and be part of the community with a family oriented club. Registration days are being held at Stanhope Gardens Shopping Centre and other venues. If you are new to the area, new to cricket, or looking to join a side this season visit our website for further registration details.

**Stanhope Gardens Shopping Centre Registration Days:**
Saturday August 11th: 9.30am - 1.30pm

For more information on registration and how to get involved please contact the club on:
Phone: 0410 668 481 Email: kellyvilleridgecc@hotmail.com Web: www.kellyvilleridgecricket.org.au
Put on your dancing shoes and join your classmates for a night of fun in P&F’s Annual “Bop till you Drop” Disco Party!

(Please note that only students at the school may attend)

Friday 10th August

INFANTS DISCO 5.00pm – 6.30pm

PRIMARY DISCO 6.45pm – 8.30pm

Tickets - $5.00 each (includes chips and drink)

- Tickets can be ordered by filling in the attached tear off sheet and handing it in, with the correct money, via the office bag. Purchased tickets will then be sent to your child.
- The event will be supervised by MIPS teaching staff.
- Kiss & Drop is available on the night.

Parents will be required to drop off their children near the canteen at the start of the disco and pick them up from the rear of the MPA.

Please note: parents will only be allowed in the MPA at the end of each disco session.

Glow products will be available for purchase on the night for $2 each.

Parent Volunteers:

Volunteers are required to assist with traffic control, glowstick sales and canteen. If you can assist, please fill in your details below.

Name: ___________________________ Mobile Phone: ___________________________

☐ 4.45 – 6.15pm  ☐ 6 – 7pm  ☐ 7 – 8.30pm

Ticket Details:

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