Reports
Today you will have received your child’s Semester 2 Reports. This is an opportunity for the celebration of many learning successes while also noting areas for development for next year. If you have any questions regarding the reports please contact your child’s class teacher before the end of term.

School captains for 2012
Now that the nominations, speeches and voting had taken place, it was time on Friday to announce the school Captains and Vice Captains for 2012. They are -
Captains: Tyrelle Toilalo and Natham Ta
Vice Captains: Mia Barbeitos and Samuel McKinnon
We wish these students well in their roles and also thank all students who put themselves forward for these leadership positions.

St Vincent de Paul Appeal
Please continue to bring in your donations for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. Please refer to the list in last week’s newsletter for the relevant items that each grade was asked to bring in. All donation items are due by this Friday 9th December.

Mass Dates
All families are welcome to celebrate Mass with our school and parish community.
Mary Immaculate Feast Day and End of Year Mass
Thursday 8th December – 9.15am
Christmas Liturgy for Littlies (for babies to preschoolers)
Monday 12th December - 9.30am
Year 6 Graduation Mass
Tuesday 13th December – 7pm

What is an Advent wreath?
The Advent wreath is a circular garland of evergreen branches representing eternity. On that wreath, five candles are arranged, three purple, one pink, one white. During the season of Advent one candle on the wreath is lit each Sunday at Mass. Each candle represents one part of the spiritual preparation for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ.
Yesterday was the Second Sunday of Advent where the second purple candle was lit. This is called the ‘Candle of Peace’ or the ‘Bethlehem Candle’ reminding us that Jesus, the prince of peace was born in Bethlehem in a manger.

You are the Good News proclaimed by John the Baptist. We seek your forgiveness and ask for your help in bringing change to our lives this Advent as we strive to be people of love and peace.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Term 4 Week 9
Monday, 5th December 2011

Important Dates
Tuesday, 6th December
Cake Stall MPA (Lunch time)
Terra Sancta Awards Night Year 7-11

Wednesday, 7th December
“Team Beat” K-6 Performance

Thursday, 8th December
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
9.15am Feast Day and end of Year Mass

Friday, 9th December
Chinese Gardens Excursion Year 3
Last of Day of school for children
FRIDAY, 16TH DECEMBER

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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

Lord Jesus,

Dogs at school
Parents are reminded that dogs are not allowed onto the school site unless the permission of the Principal has been sought and received. Dogs that are normally placid can react uncharacteristically when in the company of strangers and many children are intimidated and scared of dogs. Thank you for your understanding of this request.
Canteen 2012
The canteen needs volunteers for 2012!
Can you Help?
We need 3 helpers to work on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday in 2012 from 9.00am—11.00am. You help for all of that time or from 9am—9.30am to clear money from bags and calculate orders, 9.30am—10.30am to prepare the lunch orders or 10.30-11.00am to pack the lunch orders. Please send a note with your name and phone number to school, addressed to the canteen with your availability to allow a roster to be drawn up.
Thank you!

Uniform Shop January Holiday Hours
The new uniform shop will be open in January on Wednesday, 25th January 2012
Friday, 27th January 2012
Saturday, 28th January 2012
From 12.00pm until 2.30pm.
The last trading day for 2011 will be Friday, 16th December from 9.00am-10.00am.

Goodbye
Students leaving Mary Immaculate
Families that are leaving Mary Immaculate at the end of the year are asked to notify the school in writing by Wednesday of this week to enable class lists for 2012 to be finalised. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

CHANGE OF DATE.
Please note that the 2011 Farewell Assembly planned for Monday, 12th December has been rescheduled until Tuesday, 13th December at 2.30pm in the MPA.
All family and friends are most welcome to celebrate the end of the year with us.

Star Spot
Congratulations to Erica Romero (5M) for passing her AMEB piano preliminary exams with A+ honours.

CAKE STALL
TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER
LUNCH TIME IN THE MPA
CAKES, TOFFEES AND MUFFINS.
PRICES - $1 AND $2

COSHC VACATION CARE FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE.