



MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 3 Week 7 : Monday 28th August 2017



SEESAW ROLL-OUT

Dear parents and caregivers,
Throughout the year our students have been creating a digital portfolio of their learning through the use of the Seesaw app. You were able to view some of their work during the Student-Led Conferences, which was received very positively. We are now moving to the next phase of utilising Seesaw by enabling parents to view their child's work as it is uploaded to the app. Parents will only be able to view their own child's work and children's work will not be visible to others. We endeavour to ensure student work is as safe and private as possible.



A personalised note for each student will be sent home. On this note is a set of instructions and a QR Code that will link your Parent Seesaw account to your child's student account. Scan this code using the Seesaw app, not a regular QR Code Scanner. If you have more than one child at the school, you can have access to their journals as well by tapping on your profile icon in the top left then 'add journal' and scan the next child's QR Code.

Please keep the letter with the QR Code on it safe as it will allow anyone who scans it access to your child's account. Once the accounts have been linked you will have the ability to view, 'like' your child's work and talk with them in person at home about what they have achieved in class. Please note that as student work is uploaded, it must await teacher approval before parents can view it. Teachers will approve it and make it available for parents to view. If your child tells you about work they have uploaded but you cannot see, this will most likely be why it is not visible to you. If you would like to set up an account before receiving the QR Code to link to your child's account, please download Seesaw Family through these links:

App Store: <https://goo.gl/igH66h> Google Play <https://goo.gl/6MYtxJ> Seesaw Website www.seesaw.me

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

SCHOOL FEES 2017

Term 3 school fees are now overdue. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their account for 2017. Reminder letters have been sent to families with an outstanding amount in their school fees account. Please finalise your account as soon as possible, if you have not done so already. If you are experiencing any financial difficulty and unable to finalise your school fees, please contact the school on 9626.3999 to organise a confidential meeting with Mr Dowd.

Thank you, Claudine Nalletamby - Office Administrator

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Year 3 Coordinating

THIS FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

Multipurpose Area - 2:30pm

Year 1 FAIRYTALE INCURSION

THIS FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

The Allabyrne Space (TAS Area) - 9:00am

125 Barnier Dr Quakers Hill NSW 2763

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A huge thank you once again for your amazing support of this year's Book Fair. Based on what was spent at the fair, our school earned \$4042.16 worth of rewards for the purchase of books and readers for the students.
 What a fantastic amount!!!! THANK YOU!

BOOK WEEK 2017

Thank you everyone for a great celebration of Book Week 2017.

Events included Peer Support leaders sharing stories with their groups, the character parade (where the students and staff 'Escaped to Everywhere'), Reader's Theatre by staff, award presentation of competition winners, reading over the PA system and Drop Everything And Read (DEAR).

We have raised so far for the book author next year \$508.20 - FANTASTIC!!

Below are the names of the competition winners from each class.

Congratulations to the following students:

Kindergarten

- KG Gabriel Espero
- KM Adelaide Turner
- KP Jazmyn Omokaro
- Encouragement Award -KG Preston Menezes

Year 2

- 2G Gabriella Xiberras
- 2M Chelsea Saldhana
- 2P Spencer Walsh
- Encouragement Award- 2P Aliesha Boshell

Year 4

- 4G Andrea Clouston
- 4M Isabelle Boshell
- 4P Kate Cheadle
- Encouragement Award- 4G Taylor Griffiths

Year 6

- 6M Miguel Del Valle
- 6P Courtney O Rielly
- Encouragement Award- 6M Megan Guerrero

Year 1

- 1G Sarohee Atwal
- 1M Laura Palenzuela –Lim
- 1P Joshua Hartman
- Encouragement Award- 1M Merlot Limsintaropas

Year 3

- 3G Alaysha Garg
- 3M Abbey Miralles
- 3P Brodie Wisely
- Encouragement Award- 3G Sofia Carboni

Year 5

- 5G Vaanya Sachdeva
- 5M Mikayla Hutton
- 5P Jeremy Delfino
- Encouragement Award- 5P Paulo Liwag



BOOK WEEK 2017





Celebrate Father's Day

Friday 1st September



Celebrate **Father's Day** with a **BBQ Breakfast**

Breakfast will be served from **7:30am** (Gold Coin donation)



Enjoy **Open Classrooms** from **8:30am** and **Liturgy** at **9:00am**.

All families are invited to attend and enjoy the morning!

Our **Father's Day Stall** will be held after Liturgy with gift selections at **\$5.00 each**.

Father's Day Attendance and Assistance

To assist with catering and coordinating events of the day, please return this slip to the school, and whether you are able to assist on the day.

Number attending the BBQ Breakfast

Please list any special dietary needs: _____

Yes I can help!

BBQ Breakfast 7:00am - 9:00am

Father's Day Stall - 10:00am - 12:00pm

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Father's Day Wrapping

We also need volunteers to assist with Father's Day wrapping which will be held over two sessions: Friday 18th August and Monday 21st August. You will be contacted by a member of the P and F with details on wrapping times. If you are able to assist, please tick the box below and complete your details and return to the school office. A member of the P and F will contact you. Please remember to sign on at the school office as a parent helper when attending. Thank you!

Yes I can help!

Friday 18th August

Monday 21st August

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

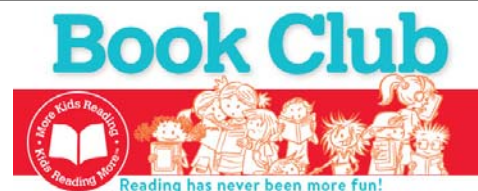
BOOK WEEK

“JELLYBEAN GUESSING COMPETITION WINNER”

Congratulations Nikhel Raj of 2P

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Thank you to everyone who ordered from Issue 5. We received scholastic rewards to the value of \$175, which will be used to purchase books and learning resources.



Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club was sent home last week. Orders need to be placed by **Friday 8th September**.

We accept: credit card online payments using LOOP: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. **We do not accept cash payments. Please disregard option 2 on Book Club order form.**

Happy reading! Mrs Henson (Book Club Co-ordinator).



YEAR 4 CHORAL / CAPTIVATE CELEBRATION

Next Tuesday 5th September

The 2017 Primary Voices Choral Celebration is **next Tuesday 5th September** at 7pm at St Dominic's College, Gascoigne Street, Kingswood. Please be advised that **tickets are now on sale** and can be purchased at: <https://www.trybooking.com/QXBW> If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mr Kearney, Ms Jackson, Mrs Moore and Mrs Jolly.

LOST PROPERTY

To avoid lost property please ensure all clothing and belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Any lost property is placed in a container outside the canteen. Any unlabelled clothing not claimed at the end of the year is given to the clothing pool or St. Vincent De Paul. If you have lost anything of significant value, such as jewellery, please enquire at the front office.



SPARE UNDERWEAR REQUEST

Can we please request a pair of spare underwear as well as socks for boys and socks/stockings for girls in your child's school bag. With the cooler weather, little accidents may occur. Also if your child has borrowed spare clothes from our school office can you please return them to office as soon as possible.



TOUCH FOOTBALL GALA DAY

Selected Stage 3 Students

NEXT FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

Kingswood

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2017

Sunday 3rd September
- Saturday 9th September

“Don’t wait until a child has been abused or neglected before you do something.
We need to work together as a community to STOP this from happening in the first place.”
- Leesa Waters, Deputy CEO, NAPCAN

National Child Protection Week is **your** opportunity to help prevent child abuse and neglect. **REMEMBER**

- ◆ We all have a part to play in protecting children
- ◆ Even small actions can help to improve a child’s future
- ◆ By building stronger communities, we are creating safer environments for our children

HERE’S HOW YOU CAN **PLAY YOUR PART...**

1. Display the enclosed National Child Protection Week posters in a prominent place (let us know if you’d like more copies). See over the page for the stories behind the posters (maybe also pin that up).
2. Plan or attend an event for National Child Protection Week. An event can be anything from a display, morning tea, forum, fundraiser, children’s activity or family day. You can view or register events on our website at www.napcan.org.au.
3. Go to our website at www.napcan.org.au to download National Child Protection Week logos, images and resources.
4. Tell your family, friends and colleagues about National Child Protection Week and share ideas to inspire them to play their part. Include an article in your newsletter, mention it at a staff meeting, or help to promote the events.
5. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/napcan.playyourpart/ and follow us on Twitter (NCPW_NAPCAN) and Instagram (@playyourpart_napcan). Use the hashtags #ncpw or #playyourpart.
6. For more information, visit our website www.napcan.org.au, email contact@napcan.org.au or phone (02) 8073 3300. If you are not already on our mailing list please subscribe via the sign-up form at the bottom of any page on our website at www.napcan.org.au.

“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot,
nothing’s going to get better - it’s not”
- Dr Seuss

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2017
3rd – 9th September
PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYONE’S BUSINESS



THE STORIES BEHIND OUR NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2017 POSTERS

Poster 1: 'Stronger communities, safer children'

Research is telling us that strong social cohesion in a community has a protective effect for children. Communities where children are seen and heard, where their participation is valued, and where their families can get the support they need, are stronger communities that help to keep children safe and well. We also wanted to remind families that it's ok to ask for help; we all need to support each other if we are to build a brighter future for children. This poster features artwork by a Year 8 student from Dubbo NSW, Shannon Kassell, who has captured the concept beautifully:

"My painting represents a play on words being 'people who build up our community'. The tower with small houses and work buildings such as a hospital and school, represents the community 'up' therefore the people walking upwards represents the townspeople in the community. There are many indigenous and non-indigenous people, with couples, students, police and health workers to be seen, that make up our community."



Poster 2: 'The little things you do today...matter to a child's tomorrow'



This poster reminds us that even the small things we do (e.g. smile, listen, talk, hear, play, notice) can make a difference to a child's future.

As recognised in the Federal Government's *National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009–2020*, for children to reach their full potential it's important to consider their early development, especially in the first 1000 days.

All positive experiences and relationships - no matter how small - help to positively develop the child's brain and build strong foundations for better health and development outcomes. For a great explanation, see the video 'How Brains are Built: The Core Story of Brain Development' (www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmVWOe1ky8s).

Having even one positive adult in a child's life can help them overcome negative experiences and build healthy brain foundations. You can, and might already be, that one person!

www.napcan.org.au

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UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Normal trading hours:

Tuesday 8.30 - 10am and Friday 8.30am - 10am

We also do over the phone orders and online orders.

For any enquiries please contact - Elle Ph: **0421 216 414**

Email : elle@ozfashions.com.au

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN IS UNDERWAY!

Promotion Ends: Tuesday, 19th September 2017

We are excited to be taking part in the 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. From now until 19 September 2017, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. We have set up a collection box in the student foyer for the children to place stickers in. Let your family, friends, work colleagues and neighbours know and ask them to help collect stickers for our school. Every extra sticker helps! The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. Thank you for your support!



SCHOOL CANTEEN LICENCE

St Joseph's Primary School, Schofields



Tenders are being called for the School Canteen Licence commencing Term 4 2017 (Monday 9th October 2017) for a term of 1 year (option to renew for a further year). The school is a K-6 co-educational school of 320 students and 35 staff. For a copy of the Tender Information Package, please email stjosephsschofields@parra.catholic.edu.au A Tender visit is planned for Tuesday 5th September at 11.00am. Please contact the school on 8869 8100 to reserve a position.

TAPERED THE BARBERSHOP

Shop 15, 216 Farnham Road Quakers Hill
Ph: 9837 1399

TRADING HOURS

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9am-5:30pm
Wednesday	9am-5.30pm
Thursday	9am-8pm
Friday	9am-5.30pm
Saturday	9am- 4pm
Sunday	10am-3pm



Your Friendly neighbourhood Barbers are here. No need for bookings, walk in only.



Our Lady of Mercy Parramatta

OPEN MORNING TOUR
Wednesday 6th September

The College is now enrolling for 2019.
Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place
or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss
how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

Celebrate Family "FUN DAY"

Parliament of NSW
FRIDAY 6th OCTOBER
10am - 3pm

GHOSTS OF OUR COLONIAL PAST
FREE EVENT

Fun educational activities for children 4 – 12 years old
Guessing competitions, role plays, tours.
For further details: ph: 9230.2047 or email:
dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au



The *Mercy Music & Performance Academy* will once again be hosting a number of workshops during the September-October holidays. These workshops are a great experience for young musicians to refine their skills, explore new music repertoire and play alongside professional artists and like-minded performers. Bookings are essential for these workshops. All registration details can be found on the Academy website: <http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/apply-now>