

Mary Immaculate Primary School

~ Newsletter ~

Term 2 Week 8—9th June 2015



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are constantly looking to provide our children with the best learning environments possible and as a result, we are preparing for a minor refurbishment at Mary Immaculate. During the upcoming holidays work will be completed in preparation for the re-location of Year 3, the Library and Learning Support. The following moves will take place in the next 6 weeks.

- Year 3 will move from their current space and re-locate in the library space down stairs
- The Library will be moved to the current Learning Support and Art space
- Learning Support and Art will move to the current Year 3 space

The key benefit of these moves is that the Year 3 students will have a space that is larger and fitted with flexible walls that allow the grade to work either in three individual groups or one larger group. The bigger space will also allow for the larger numbers of the grades coming through in subsequent years. The advantage of the library moving to a more central position of the school is also beneficial as it will maintain its profile as an important element of student learning.

We look forward to settling these areas of the school quickly to allow the students and staff to familiarise themselves with their new learning spaces.

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin

Principal

Parent / Teacher interviews

The Parent / Teacher interviews will occur during week 9 (week beginning 15 06 15). During this time all teachers are available to meet with all families to discuss their children's learning. In order to arrange this, the school uses an online booking website to log all interview times. Details of this process will come home during the week. Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to celebrate successes and plan for the future.

Car Park Etiquette

Parents are reminder that all cars need to be parked in **marked spaces only**. This allows for the safe passage of other cars through the car park whilst also maximising the safety of all pedestrians, including all children, at all times. Please respect other members of the community by using the car park in a safe and courteous manner.

Farewell Mrs Stephens

Unfortunately for MIPS, Mrs Stephens has accepted a teaching position overseas and will be leaving MIPS during Term 3. A replacement PE teacher will be appointed to commence at the start of Term 3 and will be introduced to the role by Mrs Stephens prior to her leaving. We thank Mrs Stephens for all she has contributed to our school and wish her well. We will have the opportunity to farewell her appropriately early next term.

Week 8 Events

Wednesday June 10th

10:00am-11:00am

Maths Olympiad

Friday June 12th

9:00am-10:15am

Captivate

7:00pm-10:00pm

P.A.R.T.Y.

Parish Youth Program

Saturday June 13th

8:00am-12:00pm

Working Bee



Week 9 Events

Monday June 15th

ICAS Uni test Writing

Tuesday June 16th

ICAS Uni test Spelling

Friday June 19th

2:20pm-3:10pm

Assembly Year 5

Uniform Shop

Parents are advised that the Uniform Shop will re-open on Tuesday 9 June.

What is P.A.R.T.Y?

P.A.R.T.Y is an acronym for Praying Accepting Reaching Teaching Youth.

Our parish P.A.R.T.Y Youth and Young Adults program happens at our Parish every 2nd Friday of the month.

This program is based on the 2nd Sunday Gospel of the month and consists of Youth Mass, Fellowship, Breaking Open the Word and some fun associated activities.

Friday 12th June 7pm Youth Mass followed by P.A.R.T.Y. Program—10:00pm conclusion

Gold Coin donation is requested and we encourage participants to bring a friend. We hope to see you there!

MARY IMMACULATE YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS PROGRAM
Praying Accepting Reaching Teaching Youth
FRIDAY 12th JUNE 2015 | 7-10PM



FROM LITTLE THINGS BIG THINGS GROW

"With God, faith as little as a mustard seed can grow into something big and great."



JOIN US IF YOU'RE IN YEAR 4 - 12

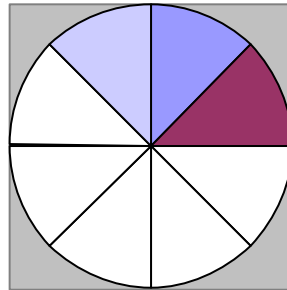
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MATHS



Week 8

Which fraction of the whole shape is shaded?



Answer from Week 7: There are 20 pupils in the science class

ENROLLING FOR 2016

Enrolments for 2016 close soon.

Collect an enrolment pack from the office and return as soon as possible

Social Skills Focus at MIPS



This fortnight's Social Skill is:

JOINING IN

- Decide if you want to join in.
- How will you approach the situation? What will you say?
- Choose a good time
- Say "May I play" in a friendly way.
- How do you make someone feel comfortable to join in?
- Are you approachable and inclusive?
- Take time to stop and notice if there are others that may need encouragement or a friend to help them join in.

Parent Links: Encourage your child to have friends over to play. Remind the children of the importance of fair play and following the rules of the game. Let them know at the end of play how well they went. "You and John must be feeling good about the way you took turns, played by the rules and didn't leave anyone out when you were playing today". If there are problems, ask the children to think of ways both could get what they want without being left out of the game. Help your child to resolve conflict that may occur in a positive way "How can we make things better?" Remind your child about the importance of being inclusive and not leaving anyone out.



WORKING BEE

A reminder that the Working Bee date has changed. Originally it was to be next Friday 29 May but has been postponed to **Saturday 13 June**. We look forward to seeing as many families as possible to help keep the school neat and tidy.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Condolences

We pass on our condolences to the Arida family (Uniform Shop) after the recent death of Joe's father.

*Eternal rest grant unto him,
O Lord. Amen*

Term 2 Week 10

Monday June 22nd

Naidoc Week

Year 6 Peer Support Training

Semester 1 Reports go home

Thursday June 25th

Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day

7:30-8:30pm

Confirmation Information Evening

Friday June 26th

9:00am—10:15am Captivate

Cool Kids Music

Term 3 Week 1

Thursday July 16th

Primary Athletics Carnival

7:30pm-8:30pm

Confirmation Parents Meeting

Friday July 17th

Cool Kids Music Lesson

Infants Athletics Carnival

Parents and Friends Association

Parents and Friends Meeting - Last week

Many thanks to all parents who were able to attend last weeks meeting. We had productive discussions about all current initiatives and planned events.

P and F Newsletter

The Parents and Friends Association publish a newsletter through the term to keep all families informed of the recent and upcoming events. The newsletter also informs parents of the initiatives that are provided to to allow MIPS families support the Association. The electronic version of the newsletter follows this newsletter and a paper copy is sent home to all families who elect to receive their newsletters in that form.

Supervision

Supervision at Mary Immaculate commences at 8:25am and continues until 3:50pm. In the morning children are not supervised before 8:25am before the teacher commences duty. In the afternoon, all children are dismissed from their classrooms at 3:20pm but remain under the supervision of teachers until 3:30pm after which they will be taken down to the front concrete with the teachers on bus duty. Any child not collected by their parents or caregivers by 3:40pm are taken to the school office and parents are contacted. After 3:50pm all children continue to be supervised by the Principal and/or Assistant Principal until collected by their parents or caregivers.

Medication Request Form

The Medication Request Form is now available on the MIPS website for parents to access. Please print and bring the form into the school for children who require medication.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Reminder: The canteen is open for over the counter snack and drink sales Monday and Tuesday. **(No lunches are available)**

Lunch orders are available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Term 2 Week 8

Wednesday	10th June	Lisa Pikor	
Thursday	11th June	Angela Portelli	Jacquiline cheadle
Friday	12th June	Nicole Eason	Carine Sfeir

Term 2 Week 9

Wednesday	17th June	Angela Cooper	
Thursday	18th June	Natalie O'Donoghue	
Friday	19th June	Rozanne Perera	Connie Smith



To our friends at MIPS who celebrate their birthday between 26th May to 8th June

Cassius Pace, Jasmina Misic, Kate Manalansan, Rombe Sule, Zoe Portelli, Nadia Carrasco Claret, Hailey Torres, Luca Margiotta, Bronte Trickett, Georgia Gabriel, Luke Willis, Cameron Dawkins, Rawen Valerio