

# Mary Immaculate Primary School

## ~ Newsletter ~

Term 3 Week 4—3rd August 2015



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We welcome back Mr Devlin this week. Mr Devlin has been on a pilgrimage with other principals in our diocese over the last two weeks. The group spent some time visiting sites that were important in the life of St Mary MacKillop, Australia's first saint. The pilgrimage has been one of personal formation and Mr Devlin is looking forward to sharing his experiences and insights to the community upon his return.

Yours in education,

Mark Boss

**Acting Assistant Principal**

### Week 4

#### Monday 3rd August

- Peer Support

#### Tuesday 4th August

- Year 3 Incursion  
'Indian Dance'

#### Thursday 6th August

- 9:30am-11:00am  
Skipathon

#### Friday 7th August

- Cool Kids  
Music Lessons
- 9:00am-10:15am  
Captive Year 4
- 2:30pm-3:15pm  
Assembly Year 2 item

#### Saturday 8th August

- Feast of St. Mary of the  
Cross MacKillop

### Week 5

#### Monday August 10

- Peer Support
- 10:00am  
St. Mary MacKillop Feast  
Liturgy

#### Tuesday August 11

- Blacktown Zone Athletic  
Carnival
- ICAS University Test—  
Maths

#### Wednesday August 12

- Life Ed Visits
- 12:00-1:50pm  
Reconciliation Yr 4

#### Thursday August 13

- 7:30pm Confirmation  
Practice Evening

#### Friday August 14

- Cool Kids Music
- 10:00am-11:00am Feast of  
the Assumption
- P.A.R.T.Y.  
Parish Youth Program

## Spelling Bee



By now each child would have received a list(s) of words that they may choose to study in preparation for grade Spelling Bee tests in Week 6. Following these tests a list of finalists will be formed and parents notified. The finals of the Spelling Bee will take place in Week 8.

## Supervision at Mary Immaculate

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 but remain under the supervision of teachers until either collected by their parents / caregiver, commence walking home or board a bus to go home. Any child not collected by their parents or caregivers by 3:50pm are taken to the school office and parents are contacted. All children continue to be supervised until collected by their parents or caregivers, by the Principal/AP

### Uniform Shop Trading Hours

**Tuesdays 8:30am to 10:00am**

**Fridays 8:30am to 10:00am**

For any enquiries please contact  
Elle: 0421 216 414

Or email: elle@ozfashions.com

### Student Banking

Student Banking is  
processed on Fridays.

Please remember to  
bring in your Bank book.

# Skip-a-thon 2015



This Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August is SKIP-A-THON day!

This is our major fund raising event for our school, with all money raised going towards the purchase of resources and equipment.

Notes and sponsor cards have been sent home outlining the day.

**Please return these to your class teacher by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015.**

**There are rewards to win as well!**

**Your name could be pulled out to receive a free zooper-doooper at the canteen!**

**YOU COULD ALSO BE ONE OF THE WINNERS OF THE MAJOR PRIZE DRAW FOR EACH YEAR GROUP!!!**

Students will receive a raffle ticket for every \$5 raised and will go in the draw to win some exciting prizes, with 2 winners per grade. The more money you raise, the more raffle tickets and chances you have in the prize draw!!!!

Don't forget to come dressed in your year groups theme outfit for the day, along with suitable footwear for skipping.

Kindergarten- Favourite farm animal

Year 1- Disney/Pixar/Dreamworks characters

Year 2- Book character (not a super hero or animated character)

Year 3- Super Heroes

Year 4- Favourite Sports Star or Team

Year 5- Pyjamas and Crazy Hair

Year 6- Spots and/or Stripes

Thank you once again for your support of this event!!  
It is going to be a fantastic morning of FUN and FITNESS!!  
Friends and family members are very welcome!  
Please come and join us for a picnic lunch after the event.

Look forward to seeing you there!



Mini Vinnies Winter Sleepout and Winter Woolies mufti day were a huge success. The Year Six students who chose to join in the Sleepout helped to sort the hundreds of donations from Friday's mufti day, ready for delivery to St Vincent de Paul. The Mini Vinnies team are pleased to report the huge amount of donations including the following: hundreds of pairs of new socks, and underwear, beanies, scarves, rugs and blankets, slippers and a range of pre-loved clothes. Go to our Facebook page for more pictures from the evening.

Many thanks to all families for supporting this social justice initiative.



## Life Education Visit

Healthy Harold and the Life Education Team are setting up camp in our carpark starting next week! All classes will visit the Life Education van during Week 5 and 6, learning about a range of healthy living choices. For more information, keep an eye on next week's newsletter!



## St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

This Saturday is the Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint. We will begin our celebrations of this event at our assembly on Friday, when Mr Devlin will share some highlights from his recent pilgrimage in the footsteps of Mary MacKillop. We will also present our "Mary MacKillop Awards" to students who embody the maxim of our first saint: "Never see a need without doing something about it."

On Monday, at 10am, will gather in our parish church for Mass celebrating the work and life of Mary MacKillop. Parents, family and friends are more than welcome to join us for this experience which is being prepared by our Year 5 team.

## School Fees

School fee statements for Term 3 have been sent to families in the mail and should be received by the end of this week. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their 2015 school fees and are up to date. If you have any queries regarding fees or have not received your statement, please contact the School Office on 9626.3999 or by email to [mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au)

## Anaphylactic student awareness

Parents are reminded that some of our children can have a severe anaphylactic reaction to various food products. This reaction can be life threatening. Please support the school by not sending food in your child's lunchbox to school that may contain nuts, nut products or egg. This includes all peanut butter products and Nutella. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

## WriteOn Competition



The Board of Studies is holding their annual writing competition, WriteON, and Mary Immaculate is looking for our great writers to enter. We will choose one student from Stage 1, 2 and 3 to submit their writing for judging. All you have to do is compose a creative piece of writing using the picture as inspiration!

To find out more information, go to <http://writeon.bos.nsw.edu.au/>

If you are interested and want to hear more about what you can do, Mr Matulewicz will be available Thursday lunch times to help out. Good luck!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Week 6

#### Monday 17th August

- Peer Support
- Year 5 Mary MacKillop Exc.
- AFL Clinic Infants

#### Tuesday 18th August

- Confirmation 7:30pm-8:30pm

#### Wednesday 19th August

- Maths Olympiad 4
- Confirmation 7:30pm-8:30pm

#### Thursday 20th August

- Bookfair Starts
- Confirmation 7:30pm-8:30pm

#### Friday 21st August

- Diocesan Athletics Carnival
- 9:00-10:15am Captivate
- 2:30pm-3:15pm Assembly Year 6

## 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 3 Week 4

**Wednesday 5th August** Krys Waddington

**Thursday 6th August** Natalie O'Donoghue **MEAL DEAL HELP NEEDED**

**Friday 7th August** Connie Smith **HELP NEEDED**

### Term 3 Week 5

**Wednesday 12th August** Cassandra Williams

**Thursday 13th August** Lauren Lynch

**Friday 14th August** Rosie Jeroncic Cass Johnson



### Happy Birthday to students who celebrated their birthdays between 21st July and 3rd August

Lorenzo Ybuan, Gracelyn Adi Lingga, Ryan Bennett, Charana Wickramasinghe, Jack Crawley, Mitchell Jachimowicz, Liliana Knappe, Abbey Miralles, Anita Quigley, Lucas Estera, Chelsea Onglingchuan, Alexander Hooper, Sabrina Tomas, Sahil Khroud, Mikayla Samaan, Nash Johnston, Savannah Webb, David Lewadromodromo, Mererewiti Joseph, Gabriella Adi Lingga, Clarissa Dent, Arul Manu

## MATHS



### Week 4

Jane has \$1.20 and wants to buy some sweets. The sweets are 8c each, how many sweets can Jane buy?

**Answer from week 3:**

Harry is 1 minute 10 seconds faster than John

## Wet Weather Dismissal Procedures

During inclement weather our school follows procedures to ensure the safety of the children.

The following process applies:

- At 3:10pm children in older grades will move to the classrooms of the youngest sibling.
- Parents collecting children are to go to the youngest child's class and see the teacher for handover of their child(ren). This includes parents who normally wait for their children outside Farnham Road.
- Students going to Cosch will go directly to the Cosch area to be met by Cosch staff.
- Students who normally walk home will do so if they have appropriate rain protection.
- Students catching buses will go to the designated wet weather position which is located in the alcove between the Year 4 and Year 5 learning spaces. Teachers will be on hand to escort children to buses as each bus arrives.

We ask parents to support our school with these procedures.

By doing so we will keep our children safe and secure.