

Mary Immaculate Primary School

Newsletter Update 24th August 2015 - Term 3 Week 7



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Social Skills Focus at MIPS

This fortnight's Social Skill is:

SHOWING EMPATHY

accept respect



- Empathy is the ability to understand another person's feelings as if they were your own.
- By showing empathy we learn how to identify with, and understand, another person's feelings.
- In simple terms by showing empathy it means to "put yourself in another person's shoes."
- When you put yourself in another person's shoes, you empathise with them.
- When we see and feel things the way other people do, we can get along better with them.
- People who have empathy for others can feel sad with them, or happy for them, and so on. They know what it is like to feel that way.
- When we can understand another person's point of view and respect their feelings, we are less likely to start fights and more likely to make friends easily.
- When children show empathy they are better liked by other children and more successful in school.

Parent Links: Discuss with your child the importance of showing empathy. Demonstrate empathy in your home by using the phrase 'putting yourself in another's position' and model/highlight empathy when it occurs. Some examples you may want to use as a discussion point. Ask your child what they would feel, can they empathise with the people in the examples.

How would you feel if you were not invited to your best friends party?

How do you think your best friend felt when they were not picked for the sports team? How do your parents feel when you sometimes ignore them?

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all the families that have finalised their 2015 school fees. School fees are now overdue. Any families that are on an arrangement, please continue your regular payments until the final date. Any outstanding accounts that are not finalised, will receive a reminder letter from the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta. If you have any queries regarding fees or did not receive your statement, please contact the School Office on 9626.3999 or by email to mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au

Week 7

Monday 24th August

- Peer Support
- National Literacy & Numeracy Week

Wednesday 26th August

- P&F Meeting - 7.30pm
- 12:00-1:50pm
Reconciliation Yr 4

Thursday 27th August

- Year 2 Grandparents Day
9:15 - 11.30am

Friday 28th August

- Infants Athletics Carnival

Week 8

Monday 31st August

- Peer Support

Tuesday 1st September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Wednesday 2nd September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Thursday 3rd September

- Spelling Bee Finals

Friday 4th September

- Spelling Bee Finals
- P&F Father's Day Breakfast, Liturgy and Open Classrooms
- Hawkesbury Eisteddfod Choir

MATHS

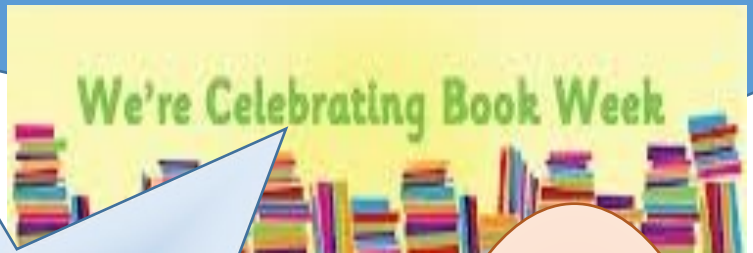
Week 7



Jasmine has 159 books on her bookshelves and 42 books on her table. She lends 19 books to her friend Sarah. How many books does she have now? **Answer from week 6:** The number Steve is thinking of is 43



Books Light Up Our World



Dress up as your favourite Book Character for our fun Book Parade

HAVE FUN BEING CREATIVE

This is a fun only parade no prizes will be given

Use materials that you have at home

Keep it very simple!

Google book character ideas there's some fun very easy ideas online.

- A round cut out from yellow cardboard and yellow tights makes a great Miss Sunshine.
- A long brown dressing gown and a cardboard sword and we have a Star Wars Character.
- A little colourful dress and wings makes a great Rainbow Magic
- Jeans and check shirt with a cowboy hat makes a great Woody from Toy Story
- Green piece of material with a cut out to go over the head and green tights with a belt around the top makes a great Robin Hood

Event:
Book Week
Character
Parade

Where:
Front
Concrete

When:
This
Wednesday
9:15am

Parent Book Buying
Everyday this week in the Library
8am - 8.55am
3.20 - 4.00pm

TALENT SHOWCASE

Our Grade Talent Showcase will be taking place in grades across Weeks 8 & 9. Three acts from each grade will then be invited to perform in front of the school at the MIPS Talent Showcase on the last day of term. Children wishing to enter an act will need an entry form from their teacher which contains all the required information.



MIPS FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Year 2 have been working hard preparing a special celebration for our fathers next Friday. We hope to see lots of dads during our BBQ breakfast, open classrooms and special Liturgy of the Word on Friday, 4th September.



FATHER'S DAY MASS IN THE PARISH

We are inviting children in our parish to take part in our Father's Day Family Mass which will be at 10.30am on Sunday 6th September. We are also looking for some children along with their dads to play a special part in the Entrance, Gospel and Offertory processions or reading of Responsorial Psalm or Prayers of Intercession. If you would like your child/children to be involved in one of these roles, please contact us before Wednesday of this week. Roles and readings will be given out on Saturday 29th August at 10.30am in church or via email.

Times of practice: Wednesday 2nd September from **3.30 – 4.30pm**. Thursday 3rd September from **4.30 – 5.30pm**
Kevin and Clare Lyons - Mobile: 0416 077 549 Email: creiherlyons@hotmail.com

P&F WORKING BEE - Saturday 22nd August

The 'Working Bee' on Saturday 22nd August was a wonderful success due to the energetic efforts and time of the following families:

Kushan (Oshini KG) Jachimowicz (Mitchell 5P) Safar (Erik KM) Calafate (Kai 5M) , O'Donoghue (Emma KM) Collins (Macauley 2G, Blake 6G) Paterson (Chloe 3P, Gemma 1P), Griffiths (Hayden 6M, Taylah 2G)

Under the coordination and organization of George James (General Assistant) and Tony Calafate (P&F Working Bee Coordinator) the following projects were completed:

- Weeding/Trimming many areas around the school
- Canteen tile grouting
- Blowing paths and paved areas
- Collecting rubbish from around the school
- Collecting balls and toys off roofs
- Removal of fencing in K/1 area in preparation for drainage work
- Cleaning bubblers and sinks around the school
- Watering gardens
- Cleaning windows

A huge thank you to the families who assisted us with these projects.
Paul Devlin - Principal and Mark Boss - Acting Assistant Principal



P&F MEETING - Wednesday 26th August

The next meeting for the P&F will be held this Wednesday 26 August in the school staffroom. The meeting will commence at 7:30pm. Come along and contribute to the Association that supports your school -
"many hands make light work."

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST & RAFFLE - Friday 4th September

Celebrate Father's Day with a BBQ Breakfast and Raffle. Breakfast will be served from 8:00am (Gold Coin donation) Raffle tickets will be sold at \$2.00 each and drawn at breakfast. Enjoy Open Classrooms from 8:30am and Liturgy at 9:30am.
All families are invited to attend and enjoy the morning!





Skip-a-thon 2015

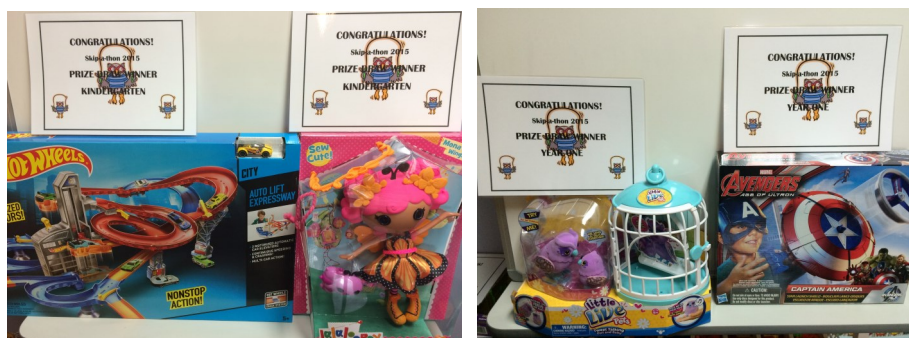
Friday 11th September is the major prize draw for the SKIP-A-THON!

To be in raffle please return your sponsorship card with the money collected to your class teacher by Friday 28th August 2015.

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!!!

Major prizes include:



Your name could be pulled out to receive a free zooper-doooper at the canteen till Friday 11th September!

Best of luck to all our students!

Thank you once again for your contributions and support of this event.

Congratulations Jayden Weymark

Jayden Weymark has been successful in being selected to represent NSW at the Pacific School Games to be held in November. This is a wonderful achievement for Jayden, his family and the school and follows disappointment last year when he was unable to attend the same event due to injury. We congratulate Jayden and look forward to hearing all about this terrific experience later in the year.

This presents a significant financial outlay for the family and we have offered to support the family by selling the official raffle tickets through the school office. If you would like to purchase some raffle tickets, please send the appropriate money to the school in a sealed envelope with your child's name and class and number of tickets.

The details of the raffle are: Tickets: \$2.00 each
2015 NSW PSG Team Guessing Competition

- 1st Prize: 55" Samsung Full HD Smart 3D TV
- 2nd Prize: GoPro HD Hero4 Action Video Camera
- 3rd Prize: Apple iPad Mini 32GB Wi-Fi capable
- 4th Prize: Olympus TG-3 Waterproof Camera
- 5th Prize: Sony Noise Cancelling Headphones