



## MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY

~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 4 Week 3: Monday 29th October 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

I spoke with the students at assembly last Friday about First Aid at school. I think we may need to review procedures in this area. I have checked with some parents in the playground to gauge their experience and what their children are used to at home. Students are by all means to receive first aid assistance when required at school. However, we sometimes have so many students coming up for issues that really don't require attention at the office level which makes it harder for the students with urgent needs to be attended to in a timely manner.

Some student come up for scratches that happened days before. Some come up for an ice pack over things that parents tell me they would not at all consider as requiring attention at all.

To give clarity to this for everyone, I will be reviewing our current practices. In the meantime, we will continue to maintain the high level of first aid assistance that we have but we will look into educating the students as to what requires assistance at an office level and what does not. This will mean more efficient care of the students who actually need it.

There is lots of input from others in this newsletter so I will let you get onto their important sections.

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

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### Mary Immaculate Primary SWIMMING CARNIVAL Tuesday 11th December

Mt Druitt Swimming Pool

Years 2 - 5

Successful students will be determined at this carnival to represent Mary Immaculate Primary at the Blacktown Zone Carnival in February 2019.

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## LEARNING at MIPS

### HAVING A GROWTH MINDSET

We are all aware that learning does not transpire without great effort, determination and patience. The process of learning begins with the 'mindset' that intelligence is impressionable and can be altered through very certain actions.

Having a 'growth mindset' is opposite of the belief that intelligence is fixed regardless of the effort and persistence applied. If we develop the growth mindset of our children we will equip them with the belief that learning at high levels is achievable for all children. We are able to guide our students learning through providing feedback to identify next steps and allowing them to reflect on their learning through self assessment.

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 set learning goals allowing them to recognise areas they perhaps feel they need improvement in but also allowing them the opportunity to challenge themselves to enhance their learning. Our students are extremely dedicated and flourish when feedback and self assessment form a part of their everyday lives.

## WHOLE SCHOOL WRITING ASSESSMENT TASK

Last week, all students participated in a whole school writing assessment task. The assessed pieces of writing provide staff with consistent and comparative writing data across the school. Students were encouraged to use their background experience, skills and knowledge taught in writing lessons and apply these to new writing. The stimulus was developed using the theme 'Friendship'. Students viewed pictures, words and two short clips prior to their writing time. The students use the stimulus to plan, write and edit their writing. As staff, we are so proud of the quality pieces of writing produced at MIPS! Below is a screenshot of the stimulus and some examples of our writing.

My friends are Emilio and Alex. ✓  
Today we are going to the space and we are landing on the sun- and it will be hot we are trying to see how hot it is. We might get burnt are waiting a seshant so we wearing a special suit

friends with a ghost  
On a dark night, Regina walks home tired then Regina looks at the ghost. Regina said "Oh! sorry, for being in your way. Then Regina went past the ghost and walked home. Then the ghost turned around looking at Regina and then she said "huh did she see me?", then the ghost disappeared into clear air. THE NEXT DAY  
When it was the next day, Regina was walking in the park because she had a day off from work then she saw the ghost again sitting down under the tree. Regina thinks in her head "hmm... should I sit next to her hmmm okay I will" she thought so Regina walked to the ghost and sat down. Regina said "Hi!" Hey I'm Regina, what's your name?" smiling at the ghost. the ghost said "Oh I'm Lunar nice to meet you", smiles back.  
Regina said "do you want to be friend you look a bit lonely and said, Lunar says "Yes of course I'd be friends with you". then Kate and Chloe walks over to Regina, Kate says "Uhh why are you talking to yourself are you crazy or something?", Regina says "No! I'm not I'm just with him talking to the tree"... Chloe and Kate said "Okay whatever". Then this high light came out of no where, then Lunar came back as human Lunar says "What! I'm human!" she said in excitement, then Chloe and Kate says "Ahh!" and they ran away.

Lunar says "Thank you for saying that we could be friends, I'm human again". The Regina said your "Welcome". Then they both smiled. 3/3  
Three years later  
Lunar and Regina had so much fun times even one time they found a dog, Lunar and Regina were the BFFs. Lunar and Regina became friends until they got older and older, sometimes they would fight but they always forgive each other.  
Always make friends to make others feel happy friendship is stronger than being mean.

## PDHPE

In Personal Development and Wellbeing, we are reflecting on the bricks in our lives that hold us back from achieving our full potential. We are also celebrating the balloons that help us to soar through life and to achieve our personal best.



## KINDERGARTEN 2019 ORIENTATION - Session 2

This Thursday 25th October - 9:15am

### KINDERGARTEN 2019 ONLY UNIFORM FITTING APPOINTMENTS

**This Saturday 10am - 12pm in the Uniform Shop**

These fittings will take about 10 - 15 minutes and will ensure that your child has a uniform to start school. RSVP before Friday 2nd November, please email back completed form to [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

### UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Summer uniforms are now available for purchase.

**Tuesdays and Fridays: 8.30 - 10.00am.**

Any further enquiries please call Elle: 0421 216 414

Email: [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

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## 2018 SCHOOL FEES

All school fees for 2018 should now be complete unless you are on an extended payment plan. If you are unsure of your balance or have an enquiry, please contact the School Office on 9933 7800 or via email: [cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cnalletamby@parra.catholic.edu.au). Please finalise your school fees as soon as possible. Payments can be made via the internet using your BPay reference codes or over the phone.

**Thank you to all the families who have finalised their accounts.**

**CANTEEN SPECIAL**  
**This Tuesday and Wednesday**

Small bag of  
**POPCORN CHICKEN**  
**for only \$3.50**  
(with Sauce only \$3.80)



## SOCKTOBER FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone in our MIPS community for supporting Socktober and 'Sock it to Poverty Day!' last Friday. We raised \$625 for the St. John of God Catholic School in Myanmar, in association with Catholic Mission Australia. Thank you to Mrs. Williams, the Year 6 teachers and the Year 6 Mini Vinnies for the preparation and organisation of the beautiful liturgies that were held across the school on Friday morning. Let us continue to rise to Pope Francis' challenge to "turn our hands into signs of love".



## P&F ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday November 28th**. An invitation is extended to all of the MIPS Parent Community to join the P&F Association and partake in this important meeting for the planning of 2019.

*Clause 8.5.3:* At each Annual General Meeting all positions shall be declared vacant. The members of the Association shall elect an Executive Committee as required by 5.1. Other positions and sub-committees as determined by the meeting may also be elected at this time. The Parish Priest or the Principal or the Assistant Principal shall conduct each election and declare the result.

*Regards, David Smithson - P&F Association President*

## 2019 MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT INTERVIEWS (MAI) & LITERACY SKILL INTERVIEWS (Website Opening Soon)

For the beginning of 2019, we will again be having Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs) for Years 1 to 6 over the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday January 29, 30 and 31. We will also be having MAIs and Literacy skill interviews for Kindergarten over the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Week One - ie January 29, 30, 31 and February 1.

**This means that Years 1 to 6 will commence Friday February 1  
and Kindergarten will commence February 4.**





## CARPARK ETIQUETTE

We are fortunate to have a carpark for Mary Immaculate Primary.

Parents are reminded 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 respectful manner.

## ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

**Supervision begins at 8:25am.**

**Children should not be left at school before this time.**

A 'kiss and drop' zone operates in the morning if you do not wish to walk your child into school. Adults must stay in the car at all times if using the 'kiss and drop' zone. The children's bags must be in the car with them to ensure they can exit quickly. At no time can a car be left unattended in the 'kiss and drop' zone. If you wish to walk your child into school, please drive up the ramp to the car park. Children take their bags to the classroom and then must go straight to the playground for supervision. No one is to remain in the building before school unless they have made a formal appointment with a staff member. If this is the case, you must sign in at the office. Parents who come down onto the playground are asked to stand to the side and allow their child to socialise with the other children on the playground. The perimeter gates are locked each morning. The Barnier Drive main gate entrance remains open during the day.

## DEPARTURE FROM SCHOOL

**School finishes at 3:20pm and we appreciate your efforts to pick up your child promptly at that time.** Supervision ceases at 3:40pm. The 'kiss and drop' zone does not operate in the afternoon. Parents/caregivers are required to park in the top car park and collect children from the designated point outside the building. Please do not go into the building to collect children from classrooms. Please note, children are not allowed to walk to the car park and meet their parents. They must be collected from the teacher. The perimeter gates are closed after the last bus leaves in the afternoon. If there is an emergency and you are late to collect your child, please contact the school office. Children can become anxious when parents are late or they are unclear about their afternoon arrangements.

**Students arriving before 8:25am or remaining at school after 3:30pm are required to be enrolled in COSHC. Students are not to be left outside the school main gate unsupervised. This is a child protection issue of grave concern.**

# TRIVIA night FUNDRAISER

## TRIVIA RAFFLE WINNERS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize X-Box & TV Package Value \$650 **Angela Mann**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Prize Fitbit Charge HR Value \$199 **Danica De Leon 1G**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Dash Cam & Installation Value \$800 **Nathan Horgan (Madeline Callen 4P)**  
 4<sup>th</sup> Prize Seafood Harbour Cruise Value \$260 **Belinda Dale (Cameron Dale 4P)**  
 5<sup>th</sup> Prize Canterbury Bulldogs Signed Jersey Value \$250  
**Maria Petriou (Natalie Nikolouzou 5M)**  
 6<sup>th</sup> Prize Code Red Laser Tag Pass Value \$260 **Byron Wolffe 6G**  
 7<sup>th</sup> Prize Lollipops Playland Pass Value \$149 **Ethan Whitby 5M**  
 8<sup>th</sup> Prize Tupperware Hamper Value \$100 **Adam Nolland (Cassidy Nolland 5G)**  
 9<sup>th</sup> Prize Nunzios Restaurant Voucher Value \$100 **Claudiya (Raphael Anthony 2P)**  
 10<sup>th</sup> Prize Kellyville Pets Voucher Value \$50 **Dennis (Brayden 3M)**

**ALL WINNERS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED BY PHONE**

## YEAR 6 MOTIV8 SPORTS DAY "BIG DAY IN"

**Tuesday 4th December**

The Year 6 children will participate in a Motiv8sports 'BIG DAY IN' on **Tuesday, 4th December**. The Motiv8sports Big Day In is an exciting day full of non-stop team building activities and sporting fun. We are looking forward to an exciting and fun day with the students!

Yours in learning - Year 6 Team  
 Mrs Behrens, Mrs Fenech-Soler, Mrs Kelly,  
 Mr Matulewicz & Mrs Boatfield

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### 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



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MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY  
QUAKERS HILL

# LEAVING STUDENT

Please complete this form and return to the School Office

This is to advise that: \_\_\_\_\_ (Student's Name)

in Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Will be leaving Mary Immaculate Primary School on: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Reason for leaving:

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New School transferring to:

Current (New) Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current (New) Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Guardian)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Carefully please read the following notice issued by the Catholic Diocese of Education  
Parramatta (CEDP).**

**Credit/Refunds and Notice Period**

A term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. The notice can be given any time during term for the next term. Where appropriate notice has been received a pro-rata credit can be calculated in the same manner as above refer "Billing - Pro Rata Period" where leaving Year K to 11 Students pay fees based on a pro-rata daily basis and Year 12 Students pay fees based also on a pro-rata daily basis. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment, that is, the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived in this circumstance.

The requirement for a terms notice (10 school weeks) is recognition by the family of the commitment to assist with funding of the School by having their child take a place that could have been offered to another family.

**Therefore parents are advised that it is required to give a minimum of one term's notice on departure. School fees will be charged accordingly.**

Date received at School Office \_\_\_\_\_ (Office Use Only)



# MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY, Quakers Hill

## Application for Extended Leave – Travel (5 or More School Days)

Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period will be considered individually based on your child's attendance, the intention of the extended leave and the impact on your child's participation and progress at school.

**Form  
A1**

**Part A:** To be completed by Parent/Caregiver and returned to the school. Separate applications are to be completed for each school if siblings do not attend the same school.

School Name:	<b>Mary Immaculate Primary</b>
Suburb:	<b>Quakers Hill</b>

Student/s Details				
Family Name	Given Name	Date of Birth	Age	Grade/Class

Student/s Address	
Street No. and Name:	
Suburb:	
Postcode:	

Details of Extended Leave		
Start Date of Leave	End Date of Leave	Total No. of School Days

Reason for Travel



Relevant travel documentation such as an eTicket (in the case of flight bound travel) or itinerary (in the case of non-flight bound travel within Australia only) must be attached to this application.

Details of Prior Approved Extended Leave - Travel		
Are there any current or previous applications for extended leave during this current school year? (Please tick) If yes, please provide details of previous extended leave below.		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Previous Leave Start Date	Previous Leave End Date	No. of School Days

Parent/Caregiver Details			
Family Name	Given Name	Relationship to Student/s	
Street No. and Name:		Postcode:	
Suburb:		Phone No:	

As the parent/caregiver and the applicant for the above mentioned student/s, I hereby apply for a Certificate of Extended Leave – Travel and understand that my child/children will be granted a period of extended leave upon acceptance by the Principal for the reason provided.

I understand that, if the application is accepted:

- o I am responsible for the supervision of the student/s during the period of extended leave
- o The accepted period of extended leave is limited to the period indicated
- o The accepted period of extended leave is subject to the conditions listed on the Certificate of Extended Leave
- o The period of extended leave will count towards my child's/children's absences from school.

I declare that the information provided in this application is to the best of my knowledge and belief; accurate and complete. I recognise that should statements in this application later prove to be false or misleading any decision made as a result of this application may be reversed. I further recognise that a failure to comply with any condition set out in the application may result in the provided period of extended leave being cancelled.

Signature of Parent/Caregiver	Date

## Privacy Statement

The information provided will be used to process the student's Application for Extended Leave – Travel during the period indicated. It will only be disclosed for the following purposes:

- o General student administration relating to the education and welfare of the student
- o Communication with students and parents/caregivers
- o To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students, staff and visitors to the school
- o State and national reporting purposes
- o For any other purpose required by law

**Once you have completed and signed this application, please return to the school Principal**

## Part B: To be completed by the Principal

I accept this Application for Extended Leave - Travel

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please provide more detail here (if Required):

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Principal's name: Mr Stephen Dowd

Signature of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



# MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY, Quakers Hill

## Certificate for Extended Leave - Travel (5 or More School Days)

C1

School Name: **Mary Immaculate Primary**

Suburb: **Quakers Hill**

Family Name	Given Name	Grade/Class	Start Date of Leave	End Date of Leave	Total No. of School Days

I accept the Application for Extended Leave – Travel for the above-mentioned student and for the period of time stated above.

Reason for approving the period of extended leave:

Conditions applicable (if any) to the approved period of extended leave:

It has been explained to the parent/caregiver that they are responsible for the student's supervision during the approved period of extended leave. The parent/caregiver understands that the period of extended leave is limited to the period indicated and acknowledges that the period of extended leave is subject to the conditions listed above.

**Mr Stephen Dowd**

Principal's Name

Principal's Signature

Date

Please attach the Application for Extended Leave – Travel to this Certificate. The parent/caregiver is to receive the original with a signed copy being retained by the school

# STUDENT CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



If you have recently changed your contact details, please update via the Skoolbag app, emailing the details to [mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mimmac@parra.catholic.edu.au) or collecting a form from the front office and return as soon as possible. Thank you.