#### **MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY**



#### ~ NEWSLETTER ~

Term 4 Week 6: Monday 19th November 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

# MARY IMMACULATE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION AND SKIPATHON Friday 7th December

We've planned a huge day for everyone!

Everyone is welcome to join us for this great community day.

- We will begin with a wonderful Mass together at 9am.
- The students will then display their prepared dance routines.
- We have a yummy lunch together assisted by the Year 1 parents on the barbeque.
- After lunch we will hold our Skipathon.

The students have begun their preparations and would love all families to come for the day.

The Skipathon sponsor cards were distributed on Friday - thanks especially to Mrs Smith and Mrs Moore who gave a skipping demonstration at our assembly! Prizes and awards along the way will be presented to students. Funds raised will go towards resources for the students. This event is in place of the previous Colour Fun Run as a major fundraiser for 2018. I am told lots of families have already gathered lots of sponsors!

Fundraising from this year and previous has been great. Last week, I authorised for the air conditioning to be installed in our MPA in readiness for summer. This is thanks to our community's efforts and support, assisted by our wonderful P&F. This will be another amazing day at MIPS.

With appreciation of your ongoing support,

Stephen Dowd, Principal

# MIPS STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY This Wednesday 21st November

Our Staff Development Day this term is this Wednesday 21st November.

All staff will be attending a day of spiritual reflection.

There will be no classes and no staff on site.

COSHC will be open for the Pupil Free Day from 6:30am - 6:30pm.

Forms are available at COSHC or the school office, feel free to contact Courtney on 0417 203 333.

#### LEARNING at MIPS

At Mary Immaculate, we have some amazing PBL projects that students are undertaking. As teachers, we are continually learning and aiming to refine our teaching practice. Last week, some teachers were given the opportunity to attend a Rigorous PBL training session lead by Aaron Eisberg from New Tech High Network, USA. During this training, we were challenged to examine our current teaching practice and how we can continually improve the learning outcomes for all students. As we challenge students at MIPS to work collaboratively to solve real-life problems, we also strive to ensure that students still understand basic skills and concepts- known as surface learning. During our PBL projects students are challenged to use their surface knowledge to develop a deep understanding that can then be used to solve real-life problems (known as transfer learning.)

# CULTURAL VISIT JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS VISIT YEAR 6!

Hamamatsu Nittai Junior High School students visited Year 6 during Week 5 and Week 6. We engaged in activities which promoted conversation and sharing of cultural experiences. Year 6 are currently learning about Australia's Global Connections in their Geography PBL, so they were able to share their learnings with their Japanese buddy. The Year 6 children and our visitors thoroughly enjoyed the experience!











#### UNIFORM SHOP TRADING HOURS

Dear parents,

Our last trading day for 2018 is Friday 14th December: 8.30 - 10.00am

#### **KINDERGARTEN 2019 ONLY UNIFORM FITTING APPOINTMENTS**

This Tuesday 20th November 9am - 11am &

Saturday 24th November 4:30 - 6pm in the Uniform Shop

These fittings will take about 10 - 15minutes and will ensure that your child has a uniform to start school. Please email <a href="mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au">elle@ozfashions.com.au</a> for an appointment.

#### JANUARY HOLIDAY TRADING

Wednesday 9th January 2019 3.30pm - 5.00pm Saturday 19th January 2019 12.00pm - 1.30pm

Normal trading will commence: Friday 1st February 2019: 8.30-10.00am

Hope you all have a Merry Christmas



and a safe and prosperous new year.

#### **P&F ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018**

The Annual General Meeting will be held **next 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* 



#### **2018 SCHOOL FEES**

All 2018 school fees should now be finalised unless families are on an extended payment plan. Thank you to all the families that have finalised their 2018 school fees. <a href="PLEASE NOTE: Any outstanding amount in school">PLEASE NOTE: Any outstanding amount in school fee accounts will not receive the BPay or Direct Debit plans for 2019 fees.</a>

# Mary Immaculate Primary SWIMMING CARNIVAL Tuesday 11th December

Mt Druitt Swimming Pool

**Years 2 - 5** 

Permission notes have been sent home and also included in this newsletter.

#### PARISH MASS Years 3 & 4

This Thursday 22nd November 9.15am

# WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This Friday 23rd November 2.45pm

#### **DENTAL ASSESSMENTS**

Next Wednesday 28th November Kindergarten, Yrs 2, 4 & 6



Mary Immaculate Students K-6 Present

#### "The Curious Christmas Elf"

An original mini musical script by Mrs Cauchi

#### **Thursday 13th December 2018**

Mipsie is a mischievous Christmas Elf. He likes to play with the Christmas decorations and toys at night once everyone has gone to sleep! One Christmas a new decoration appears that has Mipsie very curious. What

is this new decoration and what has it got to do with Christmas?

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**

As we edge closer to the end of another busy term, now is the perfect time to return any overdue items to the library. We are keen to recover any overdue resources you may have forgotten about or misplaced. If you genuinely think you may have lost an item it is still worth letting library staff know so that we can come to an arrangement with you and ensure stock is replaced.

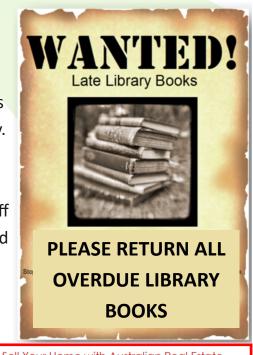
CANTEEN SPECIAL

This Tuesday

Small bag of POPCORN CHICKEN

for only \$3.50 (with Sauce only \$3.80)







## MARY IMMACULATE

learning today ... leading tomorrow

#### MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year Mary Immaculate will host our 2019 school swimming carnival in December 2018. The Diocesan swimming results need to be collated and entered by February 2019 and due to restrictions on available dates for swimming centres, our carnival will be held in December.

Date: Tuesday 11th December 2018

Participants: Years 2 - 5

**Venue:** Mount Druitt Swimming Pool. Mount Street, Mount Druitt.

**Time:** 9am – 2pm

**Transport:** Travelling to and from Mount Druitt Pool by bus.

**Uniform:** Full Sports uniform or T-Shirts in colour house colours with swimming costumes

underneath. School hat and sunscreen.

Cost: Students free, Spectators \$3

**Canteen:** Canteen facilities available. There will be a set time for each age group to visit the canteen

to help prevent congestion. It is recommended that children bring their own food and

drinks.

**Events:** 1. Freestyle 100m Open

2. Freestyle
3. Freestyle
4. Freestyle
50m
11yrs
50m
10yrs
50m
9yrs
6. Freestyle
50m
8yrs

7. Backstroke 50m Junior (8,9&10 yrs.)

8. Backstroke 50m 11 yrs.

9. Backstroke10.Breaststroke50m Senior (12-13 yrs.)50m Junior (8,9&10yrs)

11.Breaststroke 50m 11 yrs.

12.Breaststroke 50m Senior (12-13yrs) 13.Butterfly 50m Junior (8,9&10yrs)

14.Butterfly 50m 11 yrs.

15.Butterfly 50m Senior (12-13 yrs.)

16. IM 200m Junior17. IM 200m Senior

25m Non-Competitive events held in small pool: 10.00am - 10.40am Yr 5

10.50am - 11.30am Yr 4 11.40am - 12.20pm Yr 3 12.20pm - 1.00pm Yr 2

Children who nominate for the 50m events will not participate in the 25m events.



#### MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Complete the permission slip below and return to your child's class teacher (not the Office) by Monday, 19th November 2018. (No late entries will be accepted)

Children who would like to represent Mary Immaculate at the Blacktown Zone Carnival on 14th February 2019 must qualify through the 100m & 50m races and within Diocesan qualifying times.

> Thank you for your cooperation, Mary Immaculate Sports Committee

### **RETURN NOTE BY MONDAY. 19TH NOVEMBER 2018**

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Child's Name:	
Class:	
Date of birth:	
Age turning in 2019:	
,	the swimming carnival at Mount Druitt pools on the December 2018.
Please tick either 1, 2 or 3 below.	
1/ My child is a competent swimmer and will on the style  □ 50m Breaststroke  □ 50m Butterfly  □ 100m Freestyle  □ 2	50m Backstroke
2/ My child can competently swim <a>D</a> 25m	
3/ My child is a non swimmer ☐ (Will not ent	er the water.)
My child will be returning to school by bus  My child will not be returning to school by bus	
(please tick appropriate box)	
Parent / Guardian Name:	<del></del>
Parent / Guardian Signature:	
Date:	
Mobile telephone number on the day:	
Child's medical requirements:	

### **Younger Widowed Support Group**



- Has your spouse or partner died and are you searching for someone who understands the enormity of your loss?
- Are you overwhelmed with the impact this is having on your life?
- Do you long to connect with others who have experienced a similar loss?
- Are you unsure of how to assist your children through their grief?
- Would you like support as you deal with your changed circumstances?

If so please call PH: 8843 2530 or

E-mail: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au us find out more

about our monthly support group

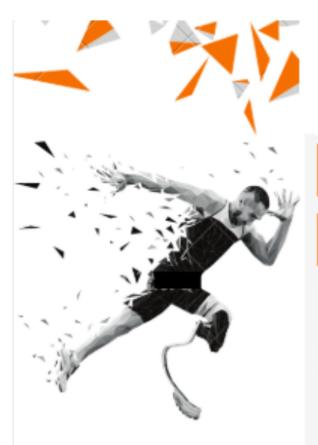


**VENUE**: 13 Buller St, North Parramatta

**DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each Month (Feb –Dec)

**TIME:** 7.00pm – 9.00pm

**COST**: \$5.00



### Guests of Honour

- Minister of Disability Raymond Williams
- Mayor of Hills Shire Michelle Byrne
- Mayor of Blacktown Stephen Bali
- Local Councillors of the Hills Shire and Blacktown

### REGISTER NOW

alison@abilitiesempowered.org



FREE

# NTERNATIONAL DISABILITY DAY EXPOSITION **SUNDAY, 02 DEC 2018** 1PM - 4PM

Rouse Hill Community Centre 39-41 Clower Ave NSW 2155

- · Light Lunch
- Inspiring Personal Stories
- Kiosks related to disability

### **EVENT PARTNERS**























