

# ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 3

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MRS STUDANS

Dear Parents,

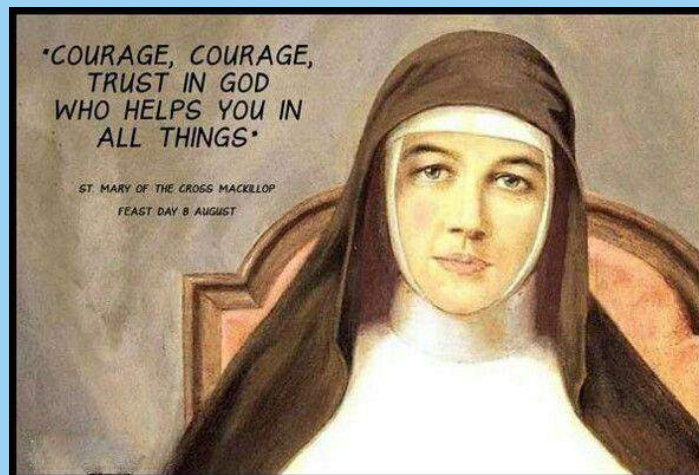
The term is now well underway with lots of exciting learning happening. Next Monday the Kindergarten egg hatching project will begin. (No, we are not hatching new Kindergarten students- although it may seem so with so many new students!) Last week we had about 60 children who went to the netball gala day- a sign that our school is growing and with the expansion we can give more sporting opportunities to the children. Special thanks goes to Mrs Fraser who gave her own time to help with the coaching and organization of the day along with Mrs Crane, Mr Schelle, Mrs Watson, Mr Adams, Mrs Turner and Mrs Lock. To help the day run smoothly we need parent volunteers to assist with the coaching and team management. An extra special thankyou goes to Mrs Ellims, Mrs Lavender, Mrs Varney along with umpires Kasey, Isabelle & Charli from St John Paul 2 and Rebeca Bonnici from Marian College for this. We had some concerns about the commitment of children and parents to the day- many did not return notes which made it hard to organize teams, training and transport until the very last moment. For many children who don't play netball it's a chance to pick up new skills and to bond as a team to children who they may not usually play with. Netball skills align well with basketball, AFL and touch footy.

Our school has a special connection with St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. We celebrate her feast day on August 8. St Mary actually has a historical connection with Sydney's West visiting the sisters in the Kingswood area in the early years of her mission. As well as St Joseph's Schofields there are many other school founded by Mary MacKillop's sisters in our local area. All are dedicated to a joyful, faith-filled education for children. The legacy and life of Australia's first saint is an inspiration.

With kind regards,

Lesley Studans

Principal



## **NAPLAN ONLINE**

### **What is happening?**

In preparation for NAPLAN Online in 2019, all CEDP schools will complete a NAPLAN Online Readiness Test in Term 3 of 2018. The school readiness test is a 'practice run' for schools to assess their technology ahead of NAPLAN Online. The readiness test is not an assessment of student ability.

### **When and where is this happening?**

The NAPLAN Readiness test will take place between 20 August and 7 September 2018 at your child's school.

### **Why is this happening?**

The purpose of the readiness testing is to ensure schools and students are best prepared for NAPLAN Online in 2019. The readiness test is **not** an assessment of student ability and the results are not being kept or given to the school.

### **Who will be involved?**

Student in grades three, five, seven and nine from each CEDP school will complete this test. The students will complete this test on their ipads. Our IT department are currently checking that all student's ipads have the NAPLAN Lockdown Browser app on their ipads and that it is supported by the network. You would have received a note if there was an issue with your child's ipad.

Here is a link if you would like more information

<https://sites.google.com/parra.catholic.edu.au/2017cedpnapanonlinereadiness/information-for-parents>

## **UNSW Competitions**

A reminder that if you have paid for your child to complete the Mathematics UNSW paper that it is on next **Tuesday in the library at 7.30**. Students are to meet at the entrance of the school office and a teacher will take them to the library.

### **Competition Dates**

· Mathematics

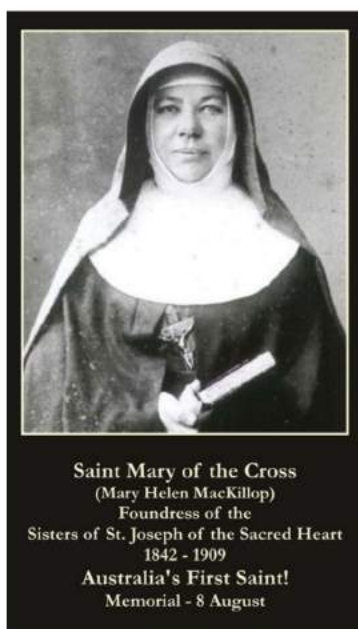
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August





**Mary Immaculate Parish Quakers Hill Sacramental Program**  
**Confirmation 2018**  
**Children Year 5 and Older**

**Sacrament of Confirmation 2018 - Important Dates**  
11th/12th August - Sat or Sun Third Class and Practice  
28th/29th August – Tues or Wed Confirmation



**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**  
**Feast Day, 8th August.**

*Ever generous God,  
You inspired Saint Mary MacKillop  
To live her life faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ  
and constant in bringing hope and encouragement  
to those who were disheartened, lonely or needy.  
With confidence in your generous providence  
and through the intercession of Saint Mary MacKillop  
We ask that you grant our request ( mention your request)  
We ask that our faith and hope be fired afresh by the Holy Spirit  
so that we too, like Mary MacKillop, may live with courage, trust  
and openness.  
Ever generous God hear our prayer.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**What is coming up next...**

**Week 6**

**Friday 31st August**

Fathers' Day BBQ breakfast @ 7:30

Father's Day Liturgy @ 8:40am

## **Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival**

Tuesday 14th August

Blacktown International Sportspark, Eastern Road, Rooty Hill.

8:30am - 2:15pm

Children who have qualified and returned their signed permission note will attend. Please wear sports uniform and school hat. Spikes may be worn for 100m & 200m.

Bring sunscreen, plenty of water and recess & lunch.

Parking for spectators is available at the venue.

Good luck to all our Joey Children attending!!!

## **Netball Gala Day Report** - *by Jade Lennox and Charlotte Feather*

It was a hot sunny day on the first of August 2018. 84 students from years three to six participated at the netball gala day at Kellyville netball courts.

All the students played 4-6 games across 8 teams. They all played their hardest putting in their best effort, and playing with amazing sportsmanship. We had some awesome results from the 12 year girls blue team who came from different teams with different levels of experience, but pulled together to create strong team spirit. Not surprisingly, they were undefeated all day putting in 100% effort.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who helped out on the day. Parent helpers on the day were Mrs Ellims, Mrs Lavender, Mrs Varney along with umpires Kasey, Isabelle & Charli from St John Paul 2 and Rebecca Bonnici from Marian College. Awesome teachers who helped manage on the day included Mrs Crane, Mrs Turner, Mrs Schelle and Mrs Lock. Some having two teams to manage.

Congratulations to all students who participated, you made our school proud. Together we can.



### School Fees

By now you should have received another fee statement, which will be the last one for this year. The annual fees are divided evenly into 3 instalments and paid in April, June and August. The latest statement shows all fees still owing for 2018 and unless you are on a Payment Plan, they will be due 29 August. If you are not on a payment plan but you would like to pay by instalments, please contact Mrs Beck in the office and she will be happy to talk to you.

### Medication, Allergies & Anaphylaxis

There are a number of students at St Joseph's with severe food allergies. We ask that **no nut products** be sent to school.

Parents of children with allergies are asked to provide an action plan signed by your doctor, to be displayed in the sick bay in the office. We also ask that any medications, including EpiPens, are given to the office to be kept in the sick bay for treatment if a reaction occurs. A school EpiPen is carried in each of the playground medical bags that may be used in case of an emergency.

### Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is due to end on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August. Remaining login details are being distributed this week. Should anyone be experiencing problems logging their reading achievements onto the Premier's Reading Challenge website, please let Mrs Neill in the library know for assistance.

### Book Week

We will be celebrating Book Week in Week 5, from 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> August. Throughout the week there will be a Book Fair in the library, where students may purchase books. A Book Character Parade will take place on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> August, when everyone gets to dress as a book character. The children can also take part in a colouring competition, as part of the fun.

### Afternoon Pick Up Arrangements

Each child is required to have an afternoon pick up arrangement in place using the form provided by the school. This informs the teacher how the child gets home each afternoon. Afternoon pick up arrangement forms are available from the school office and on the website under school notes. If you need to change arrangements on a one-off basis please call the school office before 2pm.

### Krispy Kreme Pick up

The year 6 Krispy Kreme Fundraiser collection will occur the afternoon of Week 4 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August. Depending on what was indicated on the order form - Doughnuts will either be sent home with the children or be available for pick up from the Community Space in the afternoon at pick-up time.



## PARENT VOLUNTEERS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

### BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – NEW FORMS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PARENT VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE A CURRENT NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.**

**Please note: Until both the 'Volunteer Form' and the 'Module' have been completed, parents will not be able to assist in any capacity as a volunteer within the school.** (The school receives notification when you complete each section).

'Building Child Safe Communities' is a new initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care. **It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form** that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

- 1 **Volunteers** – please click on '[Building Child Safe Communities – Undertaking for Volunteers](#)' by accessing the form via the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta public webpage [www.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au), then click on the 'Volunteers and Contractors-Click here' image (halfway down page on the right hand side).



This image will take you to the Building Safe Communities page.

Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 1—Volunteer Form and follow the steps

**You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted.**

- Your details will be maintained confidentially in a central database
- **A copy of your confirmation will then be emailed to the School / location where you are volunteering to be kept on file.**

A new form is required:

- For each location that you are a volunteer or contractor
- If any of the details you have provided on the form change

- 2 **A reminder that you once you receive your confirmation email, you will need to complete the Child Protection Module.**



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Click on the green Volunteer tab (left hand side)

Click on Step 2—Complete the Online Training Module

**Once you complete this online module the school will receive notification that it has been completed and you will be cleared to volunteer.**

#### Therefore in brief :

1. To complete form go to: [www.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au) and follow Step 1 above
2. Wait for confirmation email
3. On receipt of the confirmation email follow Step 2 above to complete Child Protection Online Module
4. Wait for confirmation email
5. The School will receive an email confirming that you have completed both steps and are now cleared to volunteer.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support of Catholic Education.

# LEAP 2 LEARN AWARDS

*This award recognises students who put effort into their learning, leaping as our school mascot Joey teaches us to do.*



## TERM 2 WEEK 9

William Lavender

Samantha Walsh

Angela Austria

Meera Dave

Kristian Sultana

Lexie Beacroft

Indie Smith

Narishqa Pascual

Caitlyn Thorburn

Jorja Bellet

Katie Stewart

Kynan Smallacombe

Rhys Sultana

## TERM 2 WEEK 10

Hudson Pangilinan

Aarna Vekariya

Joshua Samuels

Felicity Scott

Cooper Barnsley

Sienna de Jesus

Rhys Macdonald

Geo Joseph

Angelique Goupy

Jonah Mondragon

Nicholas McAuliffe-Turner

# GOSPEL AWARDS

*Each week the school will focus on a particular Gospel value. The Gospel Value is based on our school founding scripture. To Love Tenderly, Live Justly and walk humbly with our God (Michah 6:8) A Gospel value Award is presented each Monday morning at assembly for the Gospel Value.*

<b>TERM 2 WEEK 9</b> <b><i>Love tenderly, including others</i></b>
Max Wilkinson
Samantha Walsh
Meera Dave
Maya Brenton
Amelia Vincent
Cohen Gregory
Hazelle Onate
Madeline Scott
Brayden Tavoletti
Nikisha Rogers
Cooper Ellims
Jana Yap
Alexia Leonardo

<b>TERM 2 WEEK 10</b> <b><i>Love tenderly, including others</i></b>
Reanne Bhardwaj
Emma Gerke
Griffin Clarke
Hugo Adamcewicz
Gabrielle Borazio
Jeizek Reyes
Jorja Bellet





## St Joseph's Schofields - Term 3 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
<b>WK 1</b>	23/07/18 Pupil Free Day Staff Development Day	24/07/18 <b>Term 3 Commences</b>	25/07/18 <i>School Banking</i> <b>NEWSLETTER</b> <i>Grandparents Liturgy @ 8:45am</i>	26/07/18 Kinder 100 Days of Learning Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	27/07/18	
<b>WK 2</b>	30/07/18	31/07/18 ICAS English Assessment	01/08/18 <i>School Banking</i> <i>Netball Gala Day</i> School Assembly <i>Year 1 Hosting @ 1:35pm</i> <i>(AFL Promotion)</i>	02/08/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	03/08/18	
<b>WK 3</b>	06/08/18 Auskick Program 2:45-4 pm	07/08/18 St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Liturgy @ 12pm	08/08/18 <i>School Banking</i> <b>NEWSLETTER</b> <i>Year 2 Australian Pioneer Village Excursion</i>	09/08/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	10/08/18	
<b>WK 4</b>	13/08/18 Kindergarten Chickens Year 4 Excursion Longneck Lagoon Auskick Program 2:45-4 pm	14/08/18 ICAS Mathematics Assessment Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival	15/08/18 <i>School Banking</i> The Assumption in class Liturgy School Assembly <i>Year 3 Hosting @ 1:35pm</i> <i>All Welcome</i>	16/08/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	17/08/18 Crazy Hair Day Krispy Kreme Fundraiser Delivery	
<b>WK 5</b>	20/08/18 Auskick Program 2:45-4 pm	21/08/18 Kindergarten Farm Excursion	22/08/18 <i>School Banking</i> <b>NEWSLETTER</b> <i>Voice of Youth Cluster Final @ John XXIII</i>	23/08/18 Diocesan Athletics Carnival Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	24/8/18 Bookweek Parade	
<b>WK 6</b>	27/8/18 Auskick Program 2:45-4 pm	28/8/18	29/8/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly <i>Year 6 Hosting @ 1:35pm</i> <i>All Welcome</i>	30/8/18 Father's Day Stall Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	31/08/18 Fathers' Day Breakfast @ 7:30am Fathers' Day Liturgy @ 8:40am	
<b>WK 7</b>	03/09/18	04/09/18 Year 5 State Library Excursion	05/09/18 <i>School Banking</i> <b>NEWSLETTER</b>	06/09/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	07/09/18 Colour Run  School Fundraiser Time TBA	
<b>WK 8</b>	10/09/18 Wheelchair Sports NSW Roadshow	11/09/18	12/09/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly <i>Year 2 Hosting @ 1:35pm</i> <i>All Welcome</i>	13/09/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	14/09/18 Stage 2 Touch Gala Day	
<b>WK 9</b>	17/09/18	18/09/18 Year 1 Class Liturgy @ 11am Year 2 Class Liturgy @ 12noon	19/09/18 <i>School Banking</i> <b>NEWSLETTER</b> <i>P &amp; C Elections @ 7pm</i>	20/09/18 Year 6 Cake Stall Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6)	21/09/18 STJP II / TERRA SANCTA DAY YR 5 & 6	22/09/18 P & F Outdoor Movie Night - Time TBA
<b>WK 10</b>	24/09/18	25/09/18 End of Term Mass @ 12pm	26/09/18 <i>School Banking</i> School Assembly <i>Year 5 Hosting @ 1:35pm</i> <i>All Welcome</i>	27/09/18 Drama Club (K-2) 10:30-11:30am Drama Club (3-6) 2:30-3:30pm	28/9/18 <b>Term 3 Concludes</b> (Term 4 commences Monday 15th October)	

Friday 17th August

# **CRAZY HAIR DAY**

Gold coin donation appreciated, all proceeds going to the  
drought stricken farmers.

*St Joseph's Primary*

You're invited to



# FATHER'S DAY BBQ Breakfast

Friday 31st August  
7:30am

We are inviting all of our wonderful dads and grandads to join us for a BBQ Breakfast before the liturgy. We hope you can make it.

*We will also be celebrating Jersey Day. Wear your favourite Jersey to raise awareness for Organ donation*



# JERSEY DAY

FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2018

## Make your decision count.

Join the Australian Organ Donor Register to save lives at [donatelife.gov.au](http://donatelife.gov.au)

### Discover

the facts about organ  
and tissue donation

### Decide

about becoming a donor  
and register online

### Discuss

your decision with  
your loved ones

#makeitcount #donatelife

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MONEY FOR NEW  
SPORTING  
EQUIPMENT AND  
CLASSROOM  
ESSENTIALS

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COLOUR RUN!

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WHO RAISES  
\$10 OR MORE  
WILL WIN A  
PRIZE!

COLOUR RUN

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