



St Joseph's Primary School Schofields



Term 1

Week 11

5 April 2017

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Term 1

Week 11	Thur	6 April	Good Friday— 1.30pm
	Fri	7 April	Easter Hat Parade 8:30am

Term 2

Week 1	Mon	24 April	Staff Development Day
	Tues	25 April	ANZAC DAY
	Wed	26 April	ANZAC Day Liturgy 8:30am Stage 3 Resurrection Liturgy 12pm
	Thurs	27 April	Stage 3 Overnight Camp Yarramundi

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

This week is the highlight of our school term. Each day this week we have had liturgies that tell the story of the Passion and death of Jesus. Kindergarten began on Monday with the story of Palm Sunday. I was so proud of them as they sat still and participated in their little play and song. They have grown so much since the beginning of the year.

Even though it is about the death of Jesus the message of Easter is a positive one. Jesus' Resurrection brings hope into the world. New life and rebirth can happen from the most horrible circumstances.

Yesterday our SRC organised a market day to raise money for Project Compassion. Year 3 brought cakes, hot cross buns and lollies to sell, Year 4 had a guessing competition, Stage 3 had games of chance for the children to play and also sold old toys. We raised well over \$400- a great effort by our school leaders.



IN THIS WEEKS NEWSLETTER

From the Principal

From the Assistant Principal

From the REC

Joey's Sports Updates

Please have a happy and safe Easter holiday. I look forward to seeing you again after the holidays,

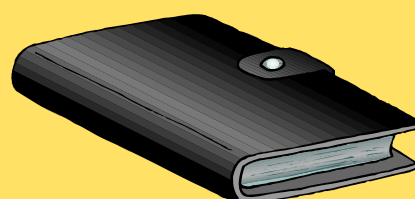
With Kind Regards,
Lesley

CALENDAR OVERVIEW

2017

Term 2

Week 1	Mon	24 April	Staff Development Day
	Tues	25 April	ANZAC DAY
	Wed	26 April	ANZAC Day Liturgy at 8:30am Stage 3 Resurrection Liturgy at 12:00pm
	Thurs	27 April	Stage 3 Overnight Camp Yarramundi
Week 2	Tues	2 May	Diocesan Cross Country
	Wed	3 May	Whole School Assembly—Year 1 Hosting
Week 3	Tues	9 May	NAPLAN—Language Conventions & Writing
	Wed	10 May	NAPLAN—Reading Parent Group Meeting 7pm
	Thurs	11 May	NAPLAN—Numeracy
	Fri	12 May	Mother's Day Liturgy 8:50am & Morning Tea
	Sun	14 May	Mother's Day
Week 4	Wed	17 May	Whole School Assembly Stage 3 Blue Hosting
Week 5	Thurs	25 May	The Ascension of the Lord—in Class Liturgy Stage 3 Girls Soccer Gala Day
Week 6	Wed	31 May	Whole School Assembly Year 2 Hosting
	Thurs	8 June	Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day
Week 7	Mon	5 June	Pentecost Liturgy 12noon
Week 8	Mon	12 June	Queens Birthday
	Wed	14 June	Whole school Assembly K-6 Gold Hosting
	Fri	22 June	Athletics Carnival
Week 10	Wed	28 June	Whole School Assembly Kinder Hosting
	Thurs	29 June	Stage 2 Girls & Boys Soccer Gala Day



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Mother's Day Liturgy

We will be celebrating Mother's Day on the 12th of May at 8:50am followed by a morning tea. Part of the liturgy is a slide show of photos of mothers, carers, grandmothers and their children/grandchildren. If you would like your photo to be included in the slideshow, please send in your photo to the following email address by 5th May.
Stjosephsevents22@gmail.com

Parent Prayer

Prayer is an important part of our lives as catholics. It gives us an opportunity to share and reflect on all aspects of our lives with God and gives us the chance to express our gratitude for the things He provides.

Next term, Sr Milla will be providing an opportunity for all parents through prayer and scripture to reflect on their lives as parents. Parent prayer will be held in the library at 8:30am every Tuesday. All parents are invited to come along and pray with Sr Milla.



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FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Easter Sunday prayer

O Lord,

How amazing is your love,
A love that overcomes, endures and redeems.
How astounding is your life,
A life that sustains, heals and creates.
How awesome is your hope,
A hope that promises, restores and inspires.
How absorbing is your truth,
A truth that releases, changes and rebuilds.

How we worship you, as we remember the moment when your love conquered.
When out of the cave of sorrow Jesus arose to release forgiveness to the world.
And each time we encounter this resurrection day we are again lifted to an eternal place.
Our sin, brokenness and darkness fall away and your light and peace flood our lives.
How we thank you for this incredible celebration we call Easter.

Amen.



Coming Important Events:

Parents and families are welcome to attend our Liturgies, Masses and Holy Week Celebrations.

Week11 Holy Week Celebrations Thursday 6/4 Good Friday @ 1:30	Year 3&4
Term 2 Week 1 Wed 26/4 ANZAC Day liturgy at 8:30am 26/4 St 3 Resurrection Liturgy at 12:00 noon Sat/Sun 29 th /30 th Apr First Eucharist Registration Mass	Whole School Stage 3

Anne Watson
Religious Education Coordinator

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR



Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill - Schofields



Postal Address: PO Box 267, Quakers Hill NSW 2763
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Parish Office: 9626 3326 Fax: 9626 1613
Email: parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au

Sacramental Program

First Eucharist 2017

Children Year 4 and Older

Enrolment forms can be collected from the Parish Office prior to the Registration Mass or at the Mass, and submitted at the Registration Mass.

29th/30th April – Sat or Sun

Registration Mass (Sat 5.30pm or Sun 9am ONLY)

13th/14th May - Sat or Sun

Enrolment Mass (Sat 5.30pm or Sun 9am ONLY)

20th/21st May - Sat or Sun

First Class

27th/28th May - Sat or Sun

Second Class

3rd/4th June – Sat or Sun

Third Class and Practice

17th- 18th June - Sat to Sun

First Eucharist (Sat 5.30pm, Sun 9am and 2pm ONLY)

Gerald "Ged" Oblea and Stephanie Sahni
Sacramental Team
Mary Immaculate Parish Quakers Hill – Schofields
Ph: 9626 3326 (press '7')
Mobile: 0477 151 279
Email: sacramentalcoordinator@maryimmac.org.au

SPORTS UPDATE

TERM 2	
Fri 28/4	Parramatta Diocesan Rugby Union Trials
Fri 28/4	Parramatta Diocesan Touch Trials
Tue 2/5	Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country
Fri 5/5	Mackillop Netball Trials
Thu 25/5	S3 Girls Soccer Gala
Thu 8/6	S3 Boys Soccer Gala
Thu 22/6	School Athletics Carnival
Thu 29/6	S2 Soccer Gala (Boys & Girls)

Calendar dates: Please note that from time to time there may be unavoidable circumstances that may occur and dates advertised for events may need to be changed. Every effort is made to give as much notice as possible when changes occur. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Representative sport are regularly updated on <https://www.facebook.com/primarysportparradio/>

Representative Sport Changes

Due to changes in the weather conditions and last minute ground closures, dates advertised may need to change. Every effort is made to give as much notice as possible when changes occur. We also use our Skoolbag App and Facebook page to send alerts as soon as we are made aware. Updates are also posted on the PSPD Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/primarysportparradio/>

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause for these circumstances which are beyond our control.

2017 Parramatta Diocesan Touch Trials were postponed and will be held in Term 2 on Friday 28th April. Approval forms with details will be sent as soon as the school receives them.

Soccer Gala Day Trials

Stage 3—Due to weather conditions the Stage 3 trials were postponed. These will now occur during school hours next term and teams will be selected as soon as possible to commence training in early Term 2

Stage 2—Trial permission notes will be sent out early Term 2

Mark Taylor Cricket Shield

Match scheduled for Thursday 6th April has been postponed, due to weather and unsafe state of the grounds. Council has closed all sporting fields.

SPORTS UPDATE

School Cross Country Results

Congratulations to all students who ran the Cross Country on the 31st March.
The school representatives* and top place getters in each age were as follows:

8/9 Year Girls

1st - Brianna Grima
2nd - Madeline Scott
3rd - Meghan Lynch

8/9 Year Boys

1st - Brock Richmond
2nd - Zachary O'Keeffe
3rd - Kade Ellims
4th - Mitchell Lennox
5th - Lincoln Junkiewicz

10 Year Girls

1st - Sierra Griffin
2nd - Hayley Hogbin
3rd - Isabella DeJesus
4th - Kayla Apap
5th - Rubie Constable

10 Year Boys

1st - Isaac Beacroft
2nd - Isaac Wilson
3rd - David Elias

11 Year Girls

1st - Jade Lennox
2nd - Samira Alcasas

11 Year Boys

1st - Cooper Ellims
2nd - Cooper Opdam
3rd - Charlie Liddicoat
4th - Brayden Cauchi
5th - Shane Carroll

12 Year Boys

1st - Dylan Bell
2nd - Aidan Gosling

*Some students still required to run cross country.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

NSW State Little Athletics Championships

Congratulations to Isaac Beacroft who raced at the NSW State Little Athletics Championships on March 19th at Homebush. He qualified in the boys U/10's 1100m race walk. Isaac won a GOLD MEDAL and did a personal best time of 5:17.

NSWCPS Swimming championships

Congratulations to Kai Kim on his achievement of representing the Parramatta Diocese swim team at the NSWCPS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS on 22nd March

UPCOMING MACKILLOP TRIALS

MACKILLOP Rugby League trials

Congratulations to Lachlan Hawkes on being selected to represent Parramatta Diocesan at Mackillop Rugby League tournament next term. Good Luck!

MACKILLOP Softball Trials

Due to weather conditions Noah McGaughey is still awaiting a new date to be set for the Mackillop trials for softball. Hoping for a drier April.

MACKILLOP Netball

Congratulations and best wishes to Miss Wheeler (Coach/Manager) and the Parramatta Diocese Netball team in the Mackillop Netball Trials next term.



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Student of the Week — Term 1 Week 8	Student of the Week— Term 1 Week 9
Lucas Webster	Jenna Gregory
Ethan Cross	Xanthe Brenton
Keyandra O'Brien	Harrison Szkut
Cara Fredericks	Emma Gerke
Kassandra Gella	Steven Sumith
Griffin Clarke	Pranar Laliji
Leah Lowe	Cayden Kong
Jayden Feleo	Harley Ransfield
Maddison Saulle	Cameron Attard
James Bessounian	Imogen Tollis
Ella Stewart	Rhys Sultana
Kaitlyn Chapman	Billy O'Brien
Charlotte Feather	Brandon Barnsley



Gospel Value — Term 1 Week 9	Gospel Value — Term 1 Week 10
Ryan Karbhari	Mikhaila Catusanu
Jensen Brown	Lily Tiqui
Scarlett Goodman	Olivia Peroni
Chloe Ganchingco	Ella O'Brien
Naomi Sultana	Hunter Wilkinson
Pranav Sajja	Susannah Elias
Keashan Kotli	Jorja Bellet
Lucy Barnsley	Matthew Martelli
Nikisha Rogers	Jade Lennox
Sienna Junkiewicz	
Eden Kenna	



NEED TO KNOW

The current modes of communication are:

Subscribe via St Joseph's Website and receive our Weekly Electronic News Communication

Odd week – Official Newsletter

A paper copy of the Newsletter is available in the foyer of the school for parents convenience

SkoolbagApp 
Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag App - download the School Bag App and search for the St Joseph's Primary School, Schofields

St Joseph's Primary School – Community Facebook Page. This is our school's official Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Primary-School-Schofields> This page is updated regularly and is a site for information regarding the school events etc and celebrations of learning.



SPECIAL REQUEST FROM RAWSON HOMES

We have recently been called by several home owners and now Rawson Homes to ask that our parents not park in construction zones and across driveways. Rawson Homes is constructing in the street to the south of the school and this street is not yet open to the public, even though the gate into the street is sometimes open. They are worried for the safety of the children as there is quite a lot of heavy equipment being used. Parking is available in Nazerene Avenue and of course in Annalyse Street. I know it is hard to park especially now there are no stopping signs on Alex Avenue. So I have made contact with police and local council to see what can be done to improve the situation.

Easter Raffle and Crazy Easter Hat Parade

Children are asked to wear a crazy hat or Easter hat for the last day of school. Bunny ears are more than acceptable. There are no prizes for hats but at this time we will be drawing the Easter Egg raffle and thanks to your generosity and the hard work of the parent group we have a lot of eggs to give away as raffle prizes. Parents are welcome to stay for the parade and raffle draw.

DISCO

Thank you to Leanne Florentina, Karina Stead & Carmen Staniland for the great work for the Easter Disco.

The children had a ball!!

every learner every day

ABSENCES ADD UP!



DID YOU KNOW



1 IN 6

PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT
ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!

EACH DAY MISSED:

- ▶ Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- ▶ Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy
- ▶ Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO



GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY



Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life

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