

Term 2 Week 8 Wednesday 14th June 2017 Website: www.stmarysrydalmere.catholic.edu.au

## NEWSLETTER

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## **DIARY DATES**

## TERM 2 2017

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE...

Dear Parents,

Welcome to winter!! For many of us winter signifies cold mornings, going to work in the dark, coming home with the headlights on or open fires and marshmallows! For teachers the start of winter is report writing time and over the past week I have been reading of the successes our students have been achieving to date this year.

June is also the time of year when students, parents and teachers come together to discuss progress, the Semester One reports and to set goals for the remainder of the year. Letters about the Three Way Interviews went home yesterday and I would encourage you to make a time, suitable for your family, to meet with your child's teacher in Week 10 of this term.

Three Way Interviews (3WI's), in which students present their learning to their teacher and parents, are an opportunity for students to formally reflect on the learning that has taken place over a period of time. This reflection occurs as students prepare for the conference, as well as during the conference itself when they show and explain to their parents what they have learned. During the 3WI's some, but not all the work students have done in class over this semester, will be shared. It will demonstrate both strengths and weaknesses and it will help students, teachers and parents to state clear goals for future learning, based on the areas where students need to make more progress.

We look forward to welcoming you to school during the final week of this term!

Peace and Best Wishes.

Richard Blissenden PRINCIPAL



### St Mary's Newsletter.....

#### BOOK CLUB

The current Book Club brochure Issue 4 2017 has been sent home with all students.

#### ORDERS FOR ISSUE 4 CLOSE 18.6.2017

To order and pay for Book Club by credit card visit www.scholastic.com.au. Please order and pay via the website. No orders are to be sent to the school office. Books will be delivered to the school and distributed to students. Any questions, please contact Kris Muir-Book Club Coordinator.

#### **NEW FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

During Term 2 our office staff have been attending training in preparation for changeover to the new financial management system being implemented in our school. A significant change parents will notice will be that email receipts will replace paper receipts. This will apply to online payments by either direct deposit or BPay as well as payments made direct to the office. If you have changed your email address recently or the school does not have an email address on file for your family, it would be appreciated if you could contact the office with your email address before the end of Term 2.

Our "Go Live" date for the new system is day one of Term 3. Please note that for the first two days of Term 3. as we transition over to the new system, we will be unable to accept any payments over the counter at the office. Please hold off any payments until Wednesday 19th July.

### PRINCIPAL AWARDS TERM 2–Week 7



KA	Jacob Hayes & Sofia Soronio
KT	Justin Habchy & Grace Henstock
1F	Alessandro Brownlie & Ellie Smith
1R	Lester Wu & Olivia Ribera
2B	Misa Simili & Ava Libbert
2MV	Aaron Singh & Nate Nann
3G	Avya Younes & Brian Lim
3S	Lucas Laguzza & Kayla Ghalloub
4J	Phoebe Kim & Isaac Vinton
4K	Daniel Bietola & Kimiko Cooper
5E	Cooper Frain & Jack White
5L	Mitchell Peaty & Sarah Nam
6B	Zane White & Therese Davidson
6W	Ben Fairall & Michael Lowery

#### FETE CAKE STALL

Sunday, 18th June 10am - 3pm, Bunnings Rydalmere. Please bring your cakes to the stall or drop them off on Saturday, 17th June from 2pm to 3pm to the Parish Meeting Room. Cake boxes are available in the school office if you need one.





KA	James Flint & Eunice Kim
KT	Mina Simili & Noah Collier
1F	Olivia Asfour & Sirat Ghangas
1R	Yujin Choi & Lachlan Donnellan
2B	Paige Bailey & Sarah Scott
2MV	Arsh Kanwar & Aanya Singh
3G	Jireh Samuel & Stella Northwood
3S	Luke Porter & Connor Percovich
4J	Massimo Di Sano & Sarah Jalil
4K	London Ardeleanu & lago Simili
5E	Sanjana Norris & Kelly Stevens
5L	Josephine Keyser & Laila Riccardi
6B	Isabella Filardo & Annika Byrne
6W	Mikalya Cotsinis & Ciara Kuys

# FROM MR BLISSENDEN...

#### CHANGE OF HOME OR EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any changes to your home or emergency contact numbers, please contact the school office as soon as possible. In cases of sickness or emergency, it is important that we have the correct contact details for your child(ren). You can also update your details via the school's Skoolbag app under the eForms tab.

#### DAYS ABSENT IN REPORTS

As you know reports will be sent home in Week 10 and in one section of the report the number of days absent for the first half of the year is listed. I am often asked about the number of days absent as parents wonder 'how many days off is too many'? The evidence is very clear about school attendance – <u>every day counts</u>. We know that from time to time illness and un-expected events will prevent students from attending school but on the whole children need to be at school at every opportunity. As a guide – multiply the number of days absent on this report by 14 (being the number of reports you will receive during their Primary years) – this will be the number of days (at this rate) that your child will miss in his or her Primary schooling – there are about 200 days in a school year – <u>so 100 absences is the equivalent of half a year of lost learning</u> – which might answer the question 'how many is too many'?

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Bianca Tandean who won a Gold and Bronze medal at the National Judo Championships 2017. She represented NSW in 2 divisions – an outstanding effort!

#### ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our thanks to the many volunteers who gave so generously of their time to assist at our carnival last week either on the track, field or at the BBQ. Our thanks to Mr Shaw for the coordination of the day. Congratulations to all competitors and to each house on their efforts:

1st Place - Tarrant 2nd Place - Mackinnon

3rd Place - McCaffery

4th Place - MacKillop

#### **KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2018**

Enrolment interviews will be completed this week and letters offering places will be sent by early next week. Current families with siblings wishing to start school next year should contact the school office *immediately* for an enrolment pack if they have not already done so.

#### FETE NEWS

A Fete Update was sent home yesterday and Raffle Tickets in the Mega Raffle went home last week. If you sell all your tickets you may return the stubs and money to the school office. Additional booklets are also available from the office. Please don't forget the Craft afternoon on Thursday, 15th June from 12-3pm, in the Parish Meeting Room. Come and have a cuppa and join the fun. Any enquiries call Rhonda 0405 506 773.

# YEAR 6 VISIT CANBERRA...

Our Year 6 students have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. This rebate was taken into consideration when costing was done for the excursion.



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