

### NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 4 Wednesday 15th August 2018 Website: www.stmarysrydalmere.catholic.edu.au 1 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere Ph: 8844 5700 Fax: 8844 5799 Email: stmarysrydal@parra.catholic.edu.au

## DIARY DATES

## TERM 3 2018

Book Week Author Visit 9:30—2:30pm
Book Week
Life Education Healthy Harold
Captivate Performance (Evening)
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Diocesan Athletics Carnival
Year 2 Excursion Taronga Zoo
Netball Gala Day
VOY Cluster Final @ St Mary's
Father's Day Gift Wrapping 7:00pm
Father's Day Stall 9:00am—12:00pm
FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS - Father's Day Breakfast 8:00am - Father's Day Liturgy 9:00am

#### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last Friday the school community joined together for a liturgy as we gathered our donations brought in to support refugees. Our Year 6 Liturgy Team led the Liturgy beautifully and even wrote their own homily. I re-printed below the work Emma Biviano and Annalies Marsh wrote and shared during the Liturgy:

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE...

This gospel calls us to LOVE one another and not doubt God. It also teaches us to reach out to others instead of being selfish. The House Of Welcome follows Jesus' commandments by welcoming strangers into their COMMUNITY when they're going through rough times. By doing this each day, they show more and more COMPASSION and CARE for others.

As children of God we must follow in their footsteps of loving one another with all our heart, mind and soul. We need to have an open heart, and welcome others into our family no matter what their differences are. By doing that we will be making others feel a sense of BELONGING. Together we can build God's kingdom by following the commandments by evangelising and spreading God's news.

Today we have all done that - we are donating these items to refugees that are in need of our help. By donating these we are building a stronger community and showing that we want to do good for others. Even if we cannot donate to the less fortunate, we can go to Church and pray for those in need. We need to make everyone feel that they are part of a FAMILY and have ACCEPTANCE so we can welcome all like Jesus did.



Have a fantastic week.

Richard Blissenden Principal



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#### 2018-CEDP NAPLAN ONLINE **READINESS TESTING**

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 tests in **not** an assessment of student ability.

The NAPLAN Readiness test will take place between 27th August and 31st August 2018. Students in grades three, five, seven and nine from each CEDP school will complete this test.

The purpose of the readiness testing is to ensure schools and students are best prepared for NAPLAN Online in 2019. For more information about NAPLAN Online please visit www.nap.edu.au.

#### PARENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Our keynote speaker for this term is Dr Justin Coulson, family psychologist, parenting expert and international speaker will give speech on "Raise Your Children in Positive Ways!

#### Date & Time: Monday 27th August 2018, 6:30PM

Venue: Corpus Christi Catholic Primary, 90 Andromeda Dr, Cranebrook NSW 2749

The PRC Facebook page is: https://www.facebook.com/PRCParra

All parents and careers are welcome to attend this meeting.

#### PRINCIPAL AWARDS TERM 3–Week 4



KA	Caspian Law & Gabriel Peters
KT	Laura Oh & William Zaw
1R	Maise Taylor & Ahmani Yaoukim
1W	Samuel Calveley & Noah Zaouk
2H	Aimon Liu & Gus Gilroy
2M	Hugh Porter & Olivia Campos
ЗG	Sarah Scott & Johan Xie
3S	Ashley Adams & Paige Bailey
4J	Paradis Nikparvar & Tadhg O'Riordan
4K	Keira Dixon & Elise Sultana
5E	Michela dela Roche & lago Simili
5LV	Blake White & Isaac Zaouk
6B	Chris Padden & Jack Denholm
6K	Tara Newby & Raymond Ghalloub

### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**



August 16 August 20	Usenio Lee Jackson Henstock Samuel James Kayla Ghalloub
August 21	Joshua Adams Sanderson Keyser
August 25	Minnie Elliot
	Anna Ivanova
August 26	Japreet Kaur
	Coby Godfrey
	Sarah lacono
August 28	Natasha Moore
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children a very happy birthday!!

#### LIFE EDUCATION—PARENT SESSION

If you would like to attend the Life Education Parent Session on Monday 20th August, please remember to return the bottom slip on the note sent home last week. If you have misplaced the note, you can find it on our website.

#### NETBALL GALA DAY

A reminder to all those children representing our school at the Netball Gala Day-please bring in your signed permission form, code of conduct and the \$20 entry fee to the office as soon as possible.

#### CARE AWARDS TERM 3–Week 4



- Amy Lee & Antony Del Duca KA
- Priscilla Miller & Tahlia Paiva KΤ
- Lucas Nassima & Audrey Tomasoni 1R Ewan Jung & Mia lacono
- 1W 2H Torie Shi & Ryan Dzaru
- 2M Sienna Carr & Andriana Simmonds
- 3G Aaron Singh & Misha Kim
- 3S
- Ava Libbert & Lorelai Tomasoni 4J
- Lochlainn Melville & Sandy Keyser 4K Samuel Peddell & Jireh Samuel
- 5E Joshua Curtis & Liam Storey
- 5LV Marcus Schembri-Green & Romaisa Malik
- 6B Chloe Williams & Sanjana Norris
- 6K Mitchell Peaty & Jonas Pellegriti

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A QUESTION TO SPARK A CONVERSATION OR DEBATE AT HOME? Why not try:

"If you could make a TV show or website about anything wanted and you knew that millions of people would see it, what would it be about?"

#### P&F AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the St Mary's P&F will be held on Tuesday 4th September in the Library. Details of this meeting were sent home this week. Please take the time to read through the document. As we will be electing a new Committee at this meeting, we have given detailed descriptions of all positions available. Everyone is most welcome to come along to and become a part of our P&F.

#### **SUPPORT FOR FARMING COMMUNITIES - ADVANCE NOTICE**

We will be supporting our Farming Communities during the week of our School Feast Day. We are waiting until the week of our Feast Day to ensure we do justice to this great cause while being mindful of all the 'extra' requests made on families this term.

#### LIFE EDUCATION VAN TO VISIT

The Life Education Van will be visiting St Mary's from Monday 20th August. The cost of this incursion has been included in the School Activities charged via school fees. The Life Ed Van will be visited by each class over the week with follow up activities completed in class as part of the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) programme.

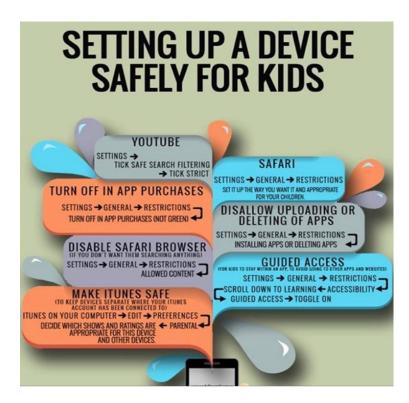
#### FATHER'S DAY REMINDERS

Don't forget to mark these dates on your diary:

Tuesday 28th August Wednesday 29th August Friday 31st August - Father's Day Gift Wrapping from 7:00pm

- Father's Day Stall from 9:00am
- Breakfast starting at 8:00am
- Liturgy from 9:00am

We hope all of our dads can come along and enjoy the celebrations.



## BOOK WEEK PARADE ...

We had a lot of fun on Tuesday morning celebrating books and the many book characters that mean so much to us.

The school community came together for a splendid and colourful parade with characters ranging from Jack and the Giant Beanstalk, B1, B2 and Mary Poppins to Thing 1, Thing 2, Count Dracula, Thelma the Unicorn and the gang from Hogwarts! It was truly a magical sight and thank you to all who participated including our wonderful staff. A special thank you to all the parents who worked hard on costumes, we couldn't have done it without you!

Well done everyone! Here are just a few photos to enjoy...

