

## **NEWSLETTER**

Term 4 Week 6
Wednesday 21st November 2018
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## **DIARY DATES**

<b>TERM 4</b>	<u>2018</u>	
Wednesday	Keyboard Concert	
21st Nov	6:30pm	
Monday	Swimming Program	
26th Nov	Commences	
Thursday	Christmas Concert	
6th Dec	6:30pm	
Friday	Swimming Program	
7th Dec	Concludes	
Monday 10th Dec	Kinder "Sharing our Learning" Assembly 2:30pm	
Wednesday 12th Dec	Swimming Carnival	
Friday	Year 6 End of Year	
14th Dec	Celebration	
Monday	End of Year Award	
17th Dec	Assembly 9:00am	
Monday 17th Dec	New Children Yrs 1-6 Orientation Afternoon 2:00pm	
Tuesday	End of Year Mass	
18th Dec	9:15am	
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation Mass	
18th Dec	6:30pm	
Wednesday 19th Dec	SCHOOL CONCLUDES FOR CHILDREN	
Thursday 20th Dec	Staff Development Day	
Friday 21st Dec	Staff Development Day	

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our students and staff are continuing with the hard work of our school and while there are still a number of weeks until the end of the year, and many events and tasks to complete before the end of the year, I thought I would share with you a prayer I came across recently that focuses on the end of the year:

Christ, Teacher and Lord,
Bless all in this school
As we seek to end our year
With the grace you so generously provide.

We give thanks for the students
And the staff of our school,
And all who have contributed
To this year of nurturing and growth.
We affirm all the positive moments,
Of insight, of the excitement of learning,
Of accomplishment, of creativity,
Of laughter, of a sense of community.

Bless us and keep us safe Amen.

Last Friday we heard the sad news that Maria Marnan, mother of Luke 6B and Sophia (Kinder 2019) and John (Yr 12), passed away on Thursday of last week. I have been speaking with Adam, Maria's husband, and assured him of our practical support as well as our prayers.

Our Year 6 students and our community have been remembering Maria in their thoughts and prayers this week and we encourage you to do the same with your family. The Funeral for Maria will be held at Holy Name of Mary Church at 11am this Friday, followed by a private ceremony at Field of Mars Cemetery.

Eternal rest grant unto her O'Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in Peace. Amen

Peace and Best Wishes.

Richard Blissenden <u>Principal</u>



### SWIMMING CARNIVAL PERMISSION

We have a large number of children who haven't yet returned their permission note for the Swimming Carnival. Whilst the opportunity to enter races has closed, we still need the signed permission slip for all students Yrs 2-6. If it is not returned your child will not be permitted to attend the carnival. If you know your child will not be attending the carnival, please advise the school ASAP.

### PICK UP AND KISS

We would welcome some additional volunteer parents to assist with the afternoon collection on Myrtle Street - are you able to offer one afternoon a week/fortnight/month? Please see Miss Stacey in the office if you can. Children of parents assisting at Pick Up and Kiss are asked to wait under the COLA and not in front of the hall.

#### KISS AND DROP OFF IN THE MORNING

A reminder to all families that use the Kiss and Drop off in Myrtle Street in the mornings to follow all our procedures for the safe drop off of your child/ren. Cutting into the line, double parking, leaving the vehicle and having bags in the boot of the car are actions that put our students at risk of injury. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **URGENTLY NEEDED**

A parent volunteer to co-ordinate the children's Christmas Mass at 6pm Christmas Eve. Please see Fr Peter for more information or to volunteer. Many thanks.

## **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**



November 21 Luca Biviano

Chloe Munoz

November 22 Jacob Zaouk

Brianna Ward

Sanjana Norris

November 26 Caspian Law November 27 Ayva Younis

November 28 Daniel Bietola November 29 Larissa Laguzza

Torie Shi

Luca McGilly December 1 Olivia Asfour

December 3 Lorelai Tomasoni December 4 Samuel Peddell

We would like to wish all of these children a very happy birthday!!

### LOWES

HURRY, 2 WEEKS ONLY!











## PRINCIPAL AWARDS TERM 4-Week 6



KΑ Wilson Chan & Josie Christopherson

1R Alysha Milic, Maxwell Norton & **Daniel Rust** 

1W Giorgia Trovato & Claudia Alcuri

2H Ellie Smith & John Choi

2M Stephen Azar & Antonious Mansour

3G Madison Cantrill & Aaron Singh

38 Jake Ban & Ava Libbert

4J Brian Lim & Chad Craze

4K Lucas Laguzza & Gabriel Mansour

Luke Heiler & Isabelle Pericaud

5E Dylan Napoli & Joshua Curtis

5LV 6B

6K Annalies Marsh & Larissa Laguzza

### **CARE AWARDS** TERM 4—Week 6



KΑ Caitlyn Ellard & Nicholas Michail

1R Imogen Samuel, Jamie Jabbour & Kristen Dixon

1W

Ely Hwang & James Flint

2H Finn Noone & Lachlan Pitchfork

2M Samantha Giarratano & Sebastien Pericaud

3G Carey Kaseke & Nico Fleitas

3S Paige Bailey & Phillip Sclavos

4J Anthony Scott & Sienna Trovato

4K Amber Adams & Thomas Hill

5E Elena Sheslow & Phoebe Kim 5LV Blake White & Joshua Tenorio

6B

6K Laila Riccardi & Mia Northwood

# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### **CLASSES FOR 2019**

Teacher will shortly commence the arrangements of class groups for next year. If you feel there are some important pieces of information we need to know about classes for next year, you are invited to write to Mr Blissenden so that this can be considered in placements.

#### 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 Parent eForms tab.

### **PARENT EDUCATION SESSIONS**

This week we hosted 3 parent education sessions on writing, mathematics and coding. These were well attended and gave our staff an opportunity to share some of our current work in these areas. Here are a few photos of our staff and students sharing their work.







Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- School newslettersNotices
- © Events
- Cancellations
- Reminders
- 🖸 ...and more!

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Just download the "SkoolBag" app on your phone, open the app and add our school!

# SWIMMING PROGRAM...

The St Mary's Swimming Program will commence on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November**. The children will be transported to the pool by bus. The timetable and also some useful reminders can be found below.

GRADE	LEAVE SCHOOL	LESSON	LEAVE POOL/ARRIVE AT SCHOOL
Year 6	8.40am	9.15 - 9:55am	10:00/10.30am
Year 5	9.25am	10.00-10.40am	10:45/11:15am
Year 4	10.05am	10.45-11.25am	11:30/12:00pm
Year 3	10.55am	11.30-12.10pm	12:15/12:45pm
Year 1	11.40am	12.15-12:55pm	1:00/1:30pm
Kindy	12.25pm	1.00-1.40pm	1:45/2:15pm
Year 2	1.10pm	1.45-2.25pm	2:30/3.00pm

#### **REMINDERS**

Children are to wear their sports uniform each day, including joggers. No sandals or thongs to be worn to and from school.

Girls are to wear **one piece** costumes – no board shorts.

Boys are to wear Speedos - no board shorts.

Rash shirts are permitted – no cotton t-shirts.

**Year 6, Year 5 and Year 4** students wear their costumes to school under their uniforms. (They will need to bring underwear to change into after swimming.)

All other students have time to change into their costumes before they leave the school grounds.

Children **MUST** bring thongs/sandals to school and wear them on the bus going to and from the pool. They will need to change into joggers when they return to school.

It is an indoor pool so the children will not need sunscreen.

Children need to bring their own towel and plastic bag for wet costumes.

Children are allowed to bring goggles to wear in the pool.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS ON EVERYTHING – socks, shoes, thongs, undies, shirts, shorts, swimming costumes.

If your child is sick during the swimming program and is unable to swim a note is required. Unfortunately no refunds will be able to be given.

Due to the timetabling of lessons for infant classes, there will be **NO LUNCH ORDERS for children in Kinder, Year 1 & Year 2** during the 10 day swimming program. They will need to eat their lunch at morning tea.

We are looking forward to a great couple of weeks, which will be extremely beneficial for your children.

