



Staying In Touch—Newsletter Update

Term 3

Week 7

31 August 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 8

Mon 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Assembly 2:10pm-3:00pm •Primary Voices Choral Celebration Yr4 & Yr5 - 7:00pm
Tues 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Dance Fever
Wed 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Uniform Shop Opened 8:30am-9:30am & 2:30pm-3:30pm
Fri 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Colour-a-thon •Award Stamping •School Banking

Week 9

Mon 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Infants Sports Carnival 9:30am-2:00pm
Tues 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Dance Fever
Wed 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Uniform Shop Opened 8:30am-9:30am & 2:30pm-3:30pm
Fri 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Stage 2 Touch Football Gala Day •Dance Fever Inter-School Challenge 5:00pm-9:00pm •School Banking

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Faith Formation

Gospel Mt 16:21-27 Jesus reveals his future death, rebukes Peter.

A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:

What are some of your favourite games?

In which of these games do people have to take turns?

What happens if people do not take turns?

Jesus tells us in today's gospel that we must forget about ourselves and put others first.

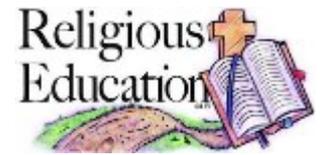
What does Jesus mean by this?

How can we put others' needs before our own?

Why is it sometimes hard to do this?

We pray that we will think about others before ourselves this week.

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Catholic Culture

As a Catholic School we are involved in the integration of faith and life, for faith is about life and to live better, more humane and relational lives we need to see that God is the deepest part of our being. Last night, children from our school and our parish community were confirmed by Very Reverend Fr. Peter Williams and Fr. Chris. Fr. Peter spoke to the children about being loving and caring and using their hearts wisely. He said this was a time when they should always be committed to their faith and willingly teach others about God. As young adult Christians they should remember that they should stand up and be witnesses to their faith through what they say and do. He told them that today was a new beginning, one they should embrace wholeheartedly. Congratulations to all those children who were Confirmed last night. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit burn brightly in your hearts and may you reflect God in all that you say and do for today is 'A New Beginning'.

Social Justice

We will be having some ongoing fundraising for the parish air conditioning. If there is anyone who would like to make a separate contribution you can send it in an envelope to the office. Please mark it as 'Parish Fundraising'. Unfortunately donations are not tax deductible.



PENRITH COMMUNITY KITCHEN

We have supported Penrith Community Kitchen in previous years and they are very excited about our participation again. In preparation for their Christmas collection, they have asked for donations of toiletries for both men and women who are in need. We would appreciate donations of new items such as deodorants, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, wipes, hairbrushes etc. The children in the Liturgy Team will help to promote and collect these items, so your support in sending in these items with your children to their class would be appreciated. There are many people in our local area that would benefit greatly from these donations.



Have a peaceful week,

Sharon Shahoud
Religious Education Coordinator



SATURDAY

**16 SEPTEMBER
2017**

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - TERM 4

A Staff Development day has been scheduled for Monday 6 November. On this day the staff will gather for spiritual reflection and formation that aligns to the school goals. The children do not attend school on this day.



OPEN SCHOOL AND FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST

This morning we had the chance to host all our families with an Open School. This was attended by many families who enjoyed visiting the classrooms and celebrated the learning. We also celebrated Father's Day by holding a breakfast for all our families in the hall. Thank you to all who were able to attend and to all the staff who generously contributed to this event.



FATHER'S DAY STALL/RAFFLE

Thank you to all of our wonderful mums who manned the Father's Day Stall today. A special thank you to our stall coordinator Josie Monteleone. Thank you also to Mrs Pethybridge and our Year 6 helpers for selling the raffle tickets each morning. The raffle will be drawn at the closure of the stall tomorrow morning. Prize winners and the amount raised will be published in next week's newsletter. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser.

COLOUR-A-THON

Our 2017 major fundraiser is our Colour-a-thon. This will be a fun day to raise funds for the school to purchase more technology and reading materials for our students.



When: Friday 8th September from 11am- 2pm

What to bring: Sponsorship Card filled with sponsors

What to wear: Old colourful clothes (Children are encouraged to bring goggles or sunglasses if they intend to participate in the Fun Run).

Outline of the day:

11-1.30pm- Colour activities in Peer Support Groups

1.30-2pm- Parents invited to stay to have lunch with their child/ren

2.10pm- Colour Run for students

2.45pm- Participation Certificates Awarded



Part of the day will be a colour run where coloured chalk will be thrown on the children. **THIS ACTIVITY IS OPTIONAL.** Please ensure that your child wears **old clothes and brings goggles/sunglasses if they wish to participate.**

We still need volunteers to assist with the BBQ. If you are able to assist please return the form sent home today. Volunteers will need to meet Mrs Follan at the Canteen at 10am. **We will also need many helpers to assemble the 600 plus sausage sandwiches and to sell drinks and sausage sandwiches to family members from 1pm onwards.**

ALL lunch orders for students will need to be returned by 9am on Wednesday. No late orders will be processed.

Colour-a-thon Committee

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION

On Thursday 10th and Friday 11th August, the Year 6 students went on 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, 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. We acknowledge the funding and support of the Australian Government through the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) that ensures that we have funding towards the cost of the excursion.

A special thanks to the staff who took time away from their families to be with the students. Mrs Blackman, Miss Kean, Miss Stevenson, Mr Lanyon and Mr Devlin

SPORTS NEWS

NETBALL GALA DAY

Congratulations to the 60 students who took part in the St Nick's Netball Gala Day last Wednesday. Well done for representing the school with enthusiasm!

A special congratulations to the Senior Boys team who own their pool on the day! Well done to Ryan Pianta, Harrison Ashmore, Charlie Whittaker, Will Whittaker, Noah Webb, Charlie Klemesrud, Lucas Barglik, Alex Vella, Aidan Grosso, Ethan Junge.



PARRAMATTA DIOCESAN ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Friday, 11 students represented the school at the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics Carnival. Congratulations for making it this far, we are so proud of you!

Congratulations to Jack Attard (Yr 5) and Joshua Debrincat (Yr 3) who have made it through to the MacKillop Athletics Track and Field Championships 18th September.



DANCE FEVER BUS

The bus travelling to Dance Fever Performance is filling up fast, so please book your seat/s as soon as possible. The cost is \$15.00 per seat and all students must be supervised by an adult.

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- Colour-a-thon BBQ Helpers

Spring Fair Artwork Competition

THEME:

Portraits

SUBJECT MATTER:

A portrait (painting, drawing, collage or mixed media representation) of a person who is special or significant to the entering artist.

Self-Portraits are acceptable.

Artists should try to represent the character and personality as well as appearance

No Photographs (although photographs may be used as part of a collage)

CRITERIA FOR ENTRY:

An artwork that is 2 Dimensional

Maximum size – A3

Using a/any collection of media

(pencil/crayon/pastels/chalk/paint/mixed media/markers/
paper/glitter/sequins/fabric/wool/found items/etc)

JUDGING CRITERIA:

There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd for each stage
(Kindergarten) (Yr 1 & Yr 2) (Yr 3 & Yr 4) (Yr 5 & Yr 6)

Artworks will be judged on:

Imagination
Crafts person ship
Use of media
Originality
Theme Reflection

ARTWORKS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED FOR ENTRY BY:

Week 8 (Thursday 14th September 2017)

COST OF ENTRY:

\$1 entry fee for each artwork
Maximum of two entries per person
Entries must be individually submitted

All proceeds will go towards fundraising for CCC School