

Reconciliation

Upcoming Events

- *Rugby League Opens*
Morrie Breen Oval
Wednesday
3 April
- *Sacrament of Reconciliation*
3.30pm
Tuesday + Thursday
9 + 11 April
- *Holy Week Liturgy*
1.50pm
Thursday
11 April
- *ANZAC Day Liturgy*
10.15am
Friday
12 April
- *Last Day of Term 1*
Friday
12 April
- *First Day of Term 2*
Monday
29 April

All relevant school notes and letters are posted on our website. Please click [here](#) to access our school's website.

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

On Tuesday and Thursday of next week many young children from our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, also known as Confession, involves you thinking about what your sins are, resolving to avoid the sins in the future, confessing your sins to a Priest and performing whatever penance the Priest assigns to you.

Reconciliation is the first sacrament of healing. Anointing of the Sick is the second sacrament of healing.

We pray that by entering into the Sacrament of Reconciliation the children will come to grow closer to Jesus and understand and feel the grace of his forgiveness.

Best Wishes, Miss Marquart

Our Kinder Green teacher, Miss Marquart, enjoys a week's leave during Week 11 as she travels to New Zealand for her wedding. Ana, we wish both yourself and Adam a wonderful wedding day surrounded by close family and friends. We ask that Our Lord continues to richly bless you.

And, while most couples hope for sun on their wedding day, we hope your wish for white flakes falling gently from the sky comes true.

Miss Toth will teach K Green in Week 11.

Honour Our Fallen

Honour Our Fallen has a mission to ensure a flag is erected each ANZAC Day on every grave or memorial plaque in Australia to honour those who have served their country. *Honour Our Fallen's* goal is to perpetuate the memory of our deceased veterans and to build pride in our community, particularly our youth, by engaging them through research in their Australian History curriculum.

If you are interested in your child being a volunteer to erect the flags on particular sites at Norville Cemetery, please meet at

10.00am on Tuesday 24th April near the entrance off Oleander St, Norville.

Social Media

The Catholic Schools Office has spoken to us about some Facebook pages that are active and have our school's name and/or logo attached to them. Our school's name and/or logo are not permitted to be used for any social media. If a group of parents wish to have a closed Facebook page, then it is best to name the page something like this, e.g. "Year 8, 2019 Parents".

Winter Uniform

The changeover to our school's winter uniform is Monday of Week 4, Term 2 (May 20). If the weather turns cooler at an earlier date, the children are welcome to swap to their winter uniforms at that stage.

Holy Week Liturgy

Please join us as we celebrate the important events of Holy Week. Our liturgy will commence at 1.50pm in the church on Thursday 11th April and will be led by Year 5.

Kind Regards,

K Williams

Kevin Williams
Principal



Parish Details

Ph. 8379 1730

www.toukley.dbb.org.au

Mass Times

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 7.30am

9.00am

6.00pm

Father Tiziano Parish Priest

Father Vince Assistant Priest

Deacon Paul

Merit Awards

Isaac B

William M

Tyde A

Mia N

Sophie C

Emily A

Hunter H

Oliver G

Clive Z

Tessa G

Ayla C

Eli M

Zach M

Beau T

Eliette J

Thomas R F

Braxton K

Ben G

Lara N

Evie S

Sumira D

Rylee F

Kobe E

Portia R

Thomas B

Toby W

Samuel T

Claire W

Lachlan M

Joey T

Darcy N

Ajay Y

Maverick E

Clayton B

Kalen C

Kiara C J

Tristan W

Kealan R

Lauren G

Cohen B

Phoenix R

Suzie B

Archie O

From Our REC

Sacramental Program

Please remember that the Sacramental classes for reconciliation are currently running. Please keep these children in your prayers. The Sacrament will be celebrated on the following dates:

St Mary's Toukley: Tuesday 9th April,

3.30pm or Thursday 11th April, 3.30pm

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah: Wednesday 10th April, 3.30pm

Stations of the Cross

Each Good Friday our students support the parish though re-enacting the Stations of the Cross. This is held in the church from 9-10am. We invite you all to attend.

Easter Egg Raffle

Tickets are still on sale for our annual Easter Egg Raffle. These will be on sale on the top playground before school from 8.30am. Tickets are 50 cents each or 3 for \$1. Donations of Easter eggs, baskets and gift bags can also be made at the raffle ticket table each morning. Thankyou in advance to our families that are supporting this initiative.

From Our Librarian

It's the second last week of Term 1 and now is the time to make sure all library books are returned to the library. Children will be borrowing a library book for the holidays if their borrowing record is up to date. Library books are each child's responsibility. We must keep library books in our library bag and keep our library bag in our school bag so that it does not wander around the house and become lost.

Holiday time means a well-deserved rest but a well-deserved rest also includes enjoying a reading experience that helps us escape from the hectic pace of the term. Here is a holiday reading challenge for you to try. Tick off the reading experiences you achieve over the next two weeks.

My library book.

A book from the local library.

An old favourite book that I have read lots of times.

A new favourite book I will read for the first time.

A novel with lots of chapters that Mum, Dad and I can read together.

A picture book.

The newspaper so I can learn what is happening in my local area and the world.

Holy Week

Please join us for our Holy Week Liturgy, which will be run by Year 5 on Thursday 11th April at 1.50pm.

ANZAC Liturgy and March

This year ANZAC day is in the school holidays. On Friday 12th April our school community will remember all those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can live in a free and safe country. Our ANZAC Day Liturgy will be held in the undercroft at 10.15am.

Details regarding the ANZAC Day March have been sent home and we have already received some responses. Thank you to the families who have already committed to attending this service.

Details are as follows:

VENUE: Meet at the Canton Beach Road Marshalling Area (near the Coles car park, look out for our school banner)

DATE: Thursday 25th April 2019

TIME: Meet from 9.15am for a 9.45am start

WEAR: Full summer uniform

PICK UP: Toukley RSL Club after proceedings

Liz Hartge

Religious Education Coordinator

Sports magazines about my favourite footy team.

The comics!!!

Download an e-book onto my device. The local library lends e-books that are free of charge.

A recipe so I can make something delicious for Mum and Dad to eat.

Solve a jigsaw puzzle with Mum and Dad.

Puzzles help us look for patterns and clues.

Read the instructions of a board game. Play old favourites such as Snakes and Ladders or Monopoly.

Play a new favourite game such as Second Rule where you have to think of things such as 3 yellow foods in 5 seconds.

Going somewhere? Read the street directory rather than Google maps or the bus or train timetable. Plan your route the old fashioned way!!!

Work on word puzzles such as crossword puzzles or word searches.

Read and follow the instructions to build a model plane or boat.

Write a letter to grandparents and ask them to write one back.

Read a travel catalogue and learn all about a different country.

Visit the local library and join in one of the holiday programs being held for kids.

Miss Gray - Librarian

A Spotlight on PE

We have had a fabulous, fun and very hot start to 2019.

Our kindergarten students have been learning what PE is all about playing games such as - Giant's treasure, stuck in the mud, Crocodile may we cross your river, Red Rover cross over and what's the time Mr Wolf. Kindergarten have been working on the fundamental motor skills of balance, sprint run and catching.

Our Year 1 and 2 students have been playing lots of games as well as improving their hopping, jumping, galloping, catching and underarm throw. They have also been introduced to overarm throwing and tracking a rolled ball.

Year 3 – 6 have spent 5 weeks on T Ball and 5 weeks on Cricket. These sports work on the fundamental skills of sprint run, overarm throw, catching and two handed strike. These are fundamental skills that will ensure our children are able to happily participate in every aspect of life and move forward into teenage years with confidence.



From Our PE Teacher

Canteen News

A friendly reminder that the school canteen is not open on Tuesdays.

Star Awards

Madison C
Natalija K
Amarli M
Tahlia T
Charli A
Oliver Ke
Kirrilee F
Lila V
Louis G
Marcus S
Harry M
Elijah P S
Lexie L
Polly T
Toby S
Matilda S
Silongo K
Gabrielle S
Eloise L
Logan R
Bella E
Isabelle C
Riley T
Iylah M
Harry P
Oscar S
Koby D
Jaxon C
Jayden F

Diocesan Sports Trials

This year we had about 30 children trial for Diocesan Teams in a variety of Winter Sports. Congratulations to everyone for having a go against the best in our Diocese.

The following children will be off to Tamworth or Parkes to compete against the rest of Diocesan Teams in the Polding Region – Harper R – Soccer, Claire W – Hockey, Megan M and Mia C – Netball, Mia C – Touch, Tayte B – Touch, Tayte B – Open League, Malachi P, Josh F, Caleb F and Griffin M – 11's League. Good Luck to you all!

CCC Cross Country

This year we had 100 keen runners who have done many laps of training around our school oval.

Congratulations to everyone who gave it a go and ran their best.

Top 20 results as follows – Kirrilee F – 9th, Chloe Spindler – 16th, Koby D – 4th, Max W – 12th, Will M – 8th, Harry B – 10th, Bailey N 20th, Mia M – 18th, Lucy N – 6th, Candice B – 17th, Mia T – 3rd, Grace J – 14th, Caleb H – 10th.

Liz Bain
Sports Coordinator



Have you heard about the Family Referral Service (FRS)?

It can be hard to know where to go for support when families experience challenges or hardship. There is a lot of support out there, but narrowing it down to find the best option for you and your family can be really difficult.

The FRS listens to your needs and supports you to find the right services for you or your family. Their job is to assist you to navigate the service system.

The services available include:

- Child and parenting programs
- Counselling and mediation
- Domestic violence support
- Financial assistance
- Housing and accommodation
- Mental health support
- Migrant and settlement assistance
- Youth support ... *and many other services you may need.*

Free interpreters are available if needed.

To access this service please call 1800 066 757 between 8.00am and 6.00pm Monday to Friday