St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thank you

Upcoming Events

- 1, 2, 3 Magic Parent Education 9.15-11.00am + 6.30pm-8.00pm Wednesday 29 May
- 9.15am Tuesday 4 June
- Education 9.15-11.00am + 6.30pm-8.00pm Wednesday 5 June
- Year 6 in Canberra Wednesday-Friday 5-7 June
- 1, 2, 3 Magic Parent Education 9.15-11.00am + 6.30pm-8.00pm Wednesday 12 June
- Athletics Carnival at Mingara Friday 14 June
- Year 2 Excursion to Tocal Friday 21 June
- Year 5 Assembly has been changed to Week 7, Thursday 13 June

Term 2 Week 5 29 May 2019



Athletics Carnival

Our Athletics Carnival is always an exciting, fun and action-packed day for our students. All children K-6 participate. You are most welcome to join us. It is at Mingara on Friday 14th June.



Compass

On Thursday 13th June our school will begin using a new roll marking system, called 'Compass'. There are many benefits to this system, you will initially notice that sign-in/signout slips will no longer be in use as they will be paperless and processed from an online 'kiosk' in the school office. There is a free app for parents for your devices, this will allow you to log your child's absences and eventually, access notifications. We will keep you informed over the next few weeks via the newsletter.

Kind regards,

K Williams

Kevin Williams Principal

Our School Feast Day Mass, ensuing fun activities and the annual Teachers vs Year 6 Touch match were celebrated and enjoyed

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

by many last Friday. We thank Year 2 teachers and children for preparing a lovely Your sense of reverence, joy of singing and beautiful reading ensured it was St Mary's Playgroup a meaningful liturgy.

Our Celebration Team 3 then organised a tremendous range of activities including Dance, AFL, Games, Karate, NRL, Hockey, 1, 2, 3 Magic Parent Rugby Union, Soccer, Netball, Tennis, Drama and Cricket for the children to enjoy. After such fun, we all enjoyed a BBQ lunch. In the afternoon's annual Touch game, even though they established a strong 3-0 lead early, the Teachers faded badly in the second half, with a 3-3 draw a fair result. The bunker had to take a look at the final students' try and gave it the green light.

> We also thank the many parent helpers from our Wellbeing Parent Team who cooked sausages and fed over 500 hungry children and staff. We appreciate your generous and selfless attitude.

Parish News

As you are aware, Father Tiziano finishes his service in our parish early next week. Over the past 18 months Father Tiziano has delighted in celebrating Mass with the school children. He has loved the children's joyful singing and delighted in the respectful and reverent manner in which they prayed in Church. Father Tiziano has also valued the articulate and clear manner in which our children have read at Mass. We ask Our Lord to bless Father Tiziano and thank him for his religious and spiritual leadership in our school and parish.

Late next week, Father Tomy (Parish Administrator) and Father Baby (Assistant Priest) begin their servant leadership roles in our parish. We welcome Father Tomy and Father Baby and ask Our Lord to bless and support them in their ministry in our parish.



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

Harvey L Charlie M Dali M Laykn V Archie H Mya C Eva S Harlow R Clive Z Grace B Elliott H Keoni L Ma'Niyah J Milla A Brody C Sophie B Lara N Alice N Emily T Charli D Cleo C Jaime-Lee S Indy K Tayla B Toby S Savannah T Marley R Mia M Ramone E Sienna S Eloise L Aedan F

Urgent

Lilly M

Charlize P Mia W

Phoenix R

Suzie B

Grace J

Miss Gray is in need of parent helpers to cover new readers. If you can help please let Miss Gray know. Thank you

From Our REC

Mary Help of Christians Feast Day

Last Friday we celebrated our School Feast Day, 'Mary Help of Christians'. It was a wonderful day, a mixture of reflective moments and fun activities. Thank you to all involved in preparing such a smooth day; the many dedicated teachers who organised activities, our wonderful Well Being Parent Team and parent helpers who prepared and ran the BBQ for our hungry students and teachers. Also, thank you to the many organisations who donated their time to provide fun activities for the students. We appreciate everything you did for our community last week - THANK YOU!!

First Eucharist

A reminder to parents and carers: The First Eucharist preparation has commenced. Please contact the parish office on 8379 1730 for further information.

Winter Appeal

Our 2019 Winter Appeal has begun! Our Mini Vinnies students will be hard at work over the remainder of the term collecting items donated to the school.

We ask families, before the end of Term 2, to please donate any jumpers and blankets. If you or your children have outgrown anything that is still in good condition, please donate! Although we ask for donations of clothing items that have been pre-worn, please ensure that they do not have rips or stains, as they will be new clothes for people in our local community. Your donations are much appreciated.

Liz Hartge Religious Education Coordinator



Mini Vinnies Winter Appeal is now on!



From Our Librarian

Kindy are programming Colby Mouse Robots to locate the cheese. We are learning how to work together in small learning teams. We are discussing the problem that Miss Gray sets and taking turns to work it out.

Year 1 are investigating the life cycles of different insects and animals. Every living thing has a life cycle even us!

Year 2 are investigating what life was like in the olden days. We are highlighting and recording the key ideas in the text. Frozen peas may not be our favourite veggie but it sure beats having to shell them!!!

Year 3 have been travelling around Australia and learning about places like the Daintree Rainforest, Tasmania's Cradle Mountain and the Tanami Desert. We are taking notes of the key ideas that we see and hear in video text. There were a few grumbles about being stuck in the Daintree and having to eat bush tucker!!!

Year 4 are learning to code! We are making mistakes that encourage us to use our problem solving skills. Well done Year 4! I love your persistence.



Year 5 are working on the assignments of different aspects of colonial life and its impact on the development and expansion of early settlements. We are learning to take notes and present these in our own words. We are learning that plagiarism is not some mysterious disease but a rule we follow when using information created by other authors.

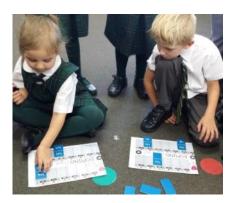
AND Year 6 have been exploring the different places they will visit in Canberra. This week they are watching a video text about our nation's capital city. They are excitedly counting down the sleeps until they leave on this exciting excursion next week.

URGENT: There are a significant number of library books that were borrowed in Term 1 that are now well overdue. PLEASE look at home and return these as soon as possible. Children who have overdue books have received a page listing the books they need to return. Kindergarten, particularly, borrow a book each week but this needs be returned the following week. Some of our little people have three and four library books needing to be returned. I encourage all children to keep library books in their library bags once they have been read so they do not get misplaced at home.

Happy reading everyone Miss Gray Librarian

A Spotlight on Kinder

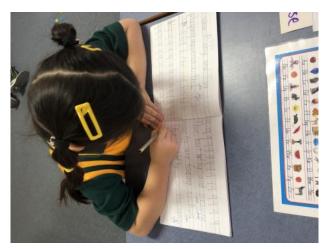
In Maths, we have been learning how to add numbers together. In class we do this in lots of different ways. We can use dominoes, counters and dice.





In English, we are continuing our recognition of sounds and common words. Our sentence writing is becoming more detailed and we love to read our own writing.





On our excursion we learnt so many new things about where our food comes from and what can be grown at a farm. Our teachers were so proud of our behaviour and the way we listened on the day.







Canteen News

Term 2 Winter Lunch Specials have begun. This Friday May 29, soup is chicken noodle & vegetable.



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

If anyone has some time to help out in canteen (particularly on either Thursday or Friday 12pm-2pm) it would be very much appreciated. Due to work and/or family commitments some parents can no longer volunteer and we are short of help on a few days. It's just once per month, either all day or just a couple of hours.

Thank you Donna Falzon

Star Awards

Yenna W Willow C Sophia K Vincent E Zoe W Lila V Bethany M Dylan B Luca K Connor V Milan B Owen W Charlie T Evli P Griffin M Malachi P Bella E

Brydie G

2019/2020 Entertainment Books are on sale in the office. They are great value at only \$65.00.

From Our PE Teacher

SPORTS NEWS

Diocesan Cross Country

Congratulations to our St Mary's Athletes who tackled the extremely difficult Galston course, long and full of hills!

These are our amazing athletes Caleb H, Candice B, Grace J, Harry B, Kirrilee F, Koby D, Lucy N, Mia M, Mia T and Will M

Shotput and Discus Trials

10yrs - 12yrs - Top results go to Athletics Age Champions and CCC selection Wednesday 29^{th} May, Friday 31^{st} May, Tuesday 4^{th} June Time - 7.45 - 8.30am on school oval

Roosters Dance Spectacular

The Sydney Roosters are holding a dance spectacular at the Telstra Premiership League fixture Sydney Roosters v Cowboys on Sunday 14th July 2019(middle week of holidays). Children from Year 1 – 6 are welcome to be involved – notes at office – practice lunchtimes

MATCH DAY PERFORMANCE

<u>TIME OF ARRIVAL</u>: 12.00pm <u>TIME OF PERFORMANCE</u>: 2.00pm <u>VENUE</u>: Central Coast Stadium - Gosford

MEETING POINT: Central Coast Stadium - Western Side Entrance under the Bridge <u>PICK UP DETAILS</u>: Once the children have finished their performance, please arrange for the children to be collected inside the ground at the side of the training field, at the Western Gate, 15 minutes after the performance.

<u>TICKETS</u>: Each participating child as well as supervising teachers will receive a complimentary match ticket for the game. Parents, family and friends can take advantage of a special \$15 match ticket redeemable online at ticketek.com.au. Instructions to claim this discount will be given out closer to the time.

Boots For Africa Donation

Brydie & Lilly of year 6 are asking our school community for your support.

The girls are collecting donations for Boots for Africa, their chosen charity for their Kids 4 Community initiative.

The girls will be collecting items such as second hand:

- Soccer / football boots
- Head / shoulder gear
- School shoes
- Joggers / runners
- Sport equipment

Donations can be made every Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 - 8:55 am in the top playground from Week 5 Term 2 through to Week 5 Term 3.





Woolworths Earn and Learn

For the next month our school will be taking part in the Woolies Earn and Learn promotion. A sticker sheet will be sent home with todays newsletter. You can fill this in at home or send the stickers to school. Thank you to those who have already sent stickers in. We hope to be able to aquire more free resources for our school. Thank you from Year 5 Gold.

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