St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Please Join Us

Upcoming Events

- Mingara Friday 14 June
- Year 2 Excursion Thursday 20 June
- First Eucharist Practice 3.30pm Thursday 20 June
- Year 5 Assembly 1.50pm Thursday 20 June
- Reports sent home Friday 21 June
- First Eucharist 9.00am Sunday 23 June
- Year 3 Assembly 1.50pm Thursday 27 June
- Soccer Gala Day Fridav 28 June
- Sacred Heart Mass 9.15am Friday 28 June
- Year 4 Excursion Thursday 4 July
- Year 1 Assembly 1.50pm Thursday 4 July

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

- Athletics Carnival at On Friday we enjoy an action-packed day at our Athletics Carnival at Mingara. The purpose of the day is for the children to participate, to get in and to have-a-go. We also appreciate the fantastic encouragement that children give one another during the day. These two aspects are important elements of our school's culture.
 - As is our usual practice, no child is permitted to leave the carnival early. Early leavers drain the spirit of such an event. We are all there to support one another until the final presentation.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Bookings for Parent Teacher Meetings to discuss your child's Report and progress can be made from 4.00pm this afternoon. Please visit our school's website for the letter outlining log in details. On Friday 21st June your child's Report will be sent home with them. You will also receive an emailed copy in the week beginning Monday 24th June.

Well Done, Year 6

Late on Friday, our Year 6 returned from their Canberra excursion. The feedback I received was that the kids were frequently praised for their excellent attitude, behaviour and listening skills. Congratulations Year 6! You were wonderful representatives of our school and a fine reflection of your families.

We thank the following adults for generously sacrificing their time to accompany the children: Mrs Sellars, Mrs Duncan, Mrs Doyle, Mrs Foster, Mrs Devine, April Rodger, Martin Elwell, Mel Jefferson, Darren Smith and Bec Vassallo.

Excursions and Assemblies

On Thursday 20th June Year 2 travel to Tocal for their excursion. On Thursday 4th July Year 4 travel to The Rocks for their excursion. We wish both grades a safe and fun trip filled with great learning.

Term 2 Week 7 12 June 2019



Many assemblies are heading our way. Year 5's Assembly is on Thursday 20th June. Year 3's Assembly is on Thursday 27th June and Year 1's Assembly is on Thursday 4th July. All assemblies commence at 1.50pm.

You are most welcome to join us.

Compass is Coming

Next week you will see a change in the school office – the installation of a Compass Kiosk.

The Kiosk looks like a large ipad and is to be used by parents who pick up their child/ren early and for late arrivals.

Also, shortly you will receive details about a Compass Parent Portal and App which will enable you to access information online about your child/ren, anytime, anywhere, from any modern web-enabled device.

Initially you will be able to:

- view information on your child/ren's attendance
- enter explanations for absences
- receive communications
- update your contact details

Please keep a look out for an email with login information and instructions over the coming weeks.

NAP-CC

Next Monday 17th June, students from 6 Gold will be participating in a trial National Assessment Program for Civics and Citizenship (NAP-CC). Students will complete a series of online questions about Australia's system of government, rights and responsibilities, Australian identity and what it means to belong to a community.

Your Prayers and Thoughts

Please keep the Cross family (Mia 6 Gold, Maddi 5 Green and Marli 2 Blue) in your thoughts and prayers. The children's grandfather passed away recently. We pray that the strength of Our Lord gives you great comfort in your time of need.

Kind regards,

K Williams

Kevin Williams Principal

Parish Details

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Mass Times

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.30am 9.00am 6.00pm

Father Tomy Parish Priest Father Baby Parish Priest Deacon Paul

Merit Awards

Ruby P Billy H Sophie C Caspian W Van B Anika L Cochella O Zoe S Filippo C Addison W Eli M Rose M Liliana C Alina L Ryder A Coco T Xavier S Marcus S Tia S Charlie S Noah T Ava G Penelope P Harry B Jonah M Harry M Malaya M Jackson J Yumi S Matthew P Theresa D Vasiliki P Jaxon C Alex S Elly S Timothy V

From Our REC

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. The Sacrament will be celebrated here at St Mary's on Sunday 23/5/19 at 9am.

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 preworn, 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.

From Our Librarian

NOT AGAIN!!

As parents we enjoy reading with our kids but often we are asked to read the same book over and over again. Are you guilty of accidentally putting that favourite book in a very safe place and forgotten just where it is? It can get a little boring...for us but that is definitely not the case for our children!!! Children who read and re-read the same book are gaining huge benefits!

DEVELOPING VOCABULARY

If you are at the point of having memorised that favourite book you have read every night for the past 3 weeks the chances are your child has too. When children read a book over and over again they are reading and developing a larger vocabulary. When you read aloud to your children they are becoming aware of how words are pronounced as well as how words sound when they are put together. They benefit from hearing the patterns and rhythm of text which also affects the way they form and speak aloud their thoughts and ideas.

FLUENCY

Children who love to read the same book over and over again become fluent readers. The text is familiar and predictable so children tend to read without stumbling or stopping.

Sacred Heart Mass

Our Sacred Heart Mass will be on Friday 28/6 (Week 9) at 9.15am. This mass will be led by Kindergarten. Please join us.

Kids 4 Community

Well done to Zara and Mia from Year 5 who as part of their Kids 4 Community initiative organised and ran a lolly guessing competition. The money raised will go to the charity, 'Save the Children.' Well done girls!

Liz Hartge Religious Education Coordinator



COMPREHENSION

Have you ever re-read a book and learnt something that you hadn't noticed before,... especially in a good mystery! Each time children re-read the same book they discover more about the plot and the characters. They dig deeper into the story's meaning. Comprehension is at the heart of reading. Each time children re-read a book they are preparing to move onto more complex narratives.

CONFIDENCE

Re-reading books builds children's confidence. They read fluently and clearly understand what they are reading. When they are ready, children choose more challenging books because they have confidence in their own ability to read, navigate and problemsolve their way through the story.

The next time your child asks you to read that old favourite again know that you are helping your child grow into a confident reader.

Miss Gray Librarian

> Seasons For Growth notes have gone home with the children today. Please take a few moments to look over it and complete the permission slip if you are interested.

A Spotlight on Year 5



5 Gold practicing their presentations



5 Gold artwork



5 Green students reading with Aspect students



From Our PE Teacher

Uniform Shop News

We have had a number of children losing jackets, hats and lunch containers. Please make sure all items are labelled with your child's name. We ask if you could please check your child's items and if they do not belong to you could you please return them either to the uniform shop, office or your child's teacher.

Sport tracksuits are now in stock.

Please also remember that girls and boys ties are COMPULSORY, they must be worn with the winter uniform.

Due to the Athletics carnival on Friday the shop will be **closed.**

Thank you Leesa Sternbeck Uniform shop coordinator

Star Awards

Gwyneth M Havden T Max B Matthew W Frankie G Aila K Harry P Summer G Beau B Lukas F Lila V Elise C Will M Evie S Rose D Marcella R Josephine R Bailey F Savannah T Will S Olivia C Mikayla M

Canteen News

Athletics carnival on Friday NO LUNCH ORDERS.

Athletics Carnival this Friday

Good weather is predicted for our exciting day of races and games. The children always have a great time participating as well as supporting their schoolmates and house colour. Thank you so much to our wonderful parent helpers, I look forward to seeing you all at Mingara.

Polding Touch Trials

Congratulations to Mia C and Tayte who represented Broken Bay in the recent Touch Football trials to make the Polding team. Mia C has made the Polding team to play in the All Schools competition later this year. Mia is having a fabulous year also making the Polding Netball team!

Open Rugby League - Central Coast Final

Thursday 4th July at Morrie Breen - further details as soon as I get them.

Mariners School Holiday Clinic

The Mariners will be running holiday clinics this July and would love to invite all our local Central Coast students to attend.

The clinic involves: A visit from some of your favourite Mariners stars. A Mariners training shirt. A BBQ on Day 3, with parents welcome to join. A tour of the Mariners Centre of Excellence, and see where the first team trains!

Further details can be found in the link below.

https://www.ccmariners.com.au/news/mighty-mariners-holiday-clinics-mini-striker-school

Liz Bain Sports Coordinator

SMASH TRASH DAY TUESDAY JUNE 18TH.

Year 4 have been concerned about the rubbish at school. We have decided to have a SMASH TRASH DAY next Tuesday 18th June.

We aim to have no rubbish at lunch and recess on that day.

There will be no bins put out except for one compost bin. The children will need to have all their food for lunch and recess in reusable containers.

The purpose of this day is to raise awareness about unnecessary wrapping on items we buy.



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