St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Bishop Anthony

Term 4 Week 4 6 November 2019



Upcoming Events

- Mariners' Cup Monday or Tuesday 12 November
- Kinder Transition 2
 9.30am
 Wednesday
 13 November
- Kinder Transition 3
 9.30am
 Wednesday
 20 November
- Advent Liturgy 1
 Kinder + Year 2
 1.50pm
 Thursday
 21 November
- Advent Liturgy 2
 Year 1 + Year 3
 1.50pm
 Thursday
 28 November
- Kinder Transition 4
 9.30am
 Wednesday
 4 December
- Advent Liturgy 3
 Year 4
 1.50pm
 Thursday
 5 December
- Awards Ceremony
 Wednesday
 11 December
- Advent Liturgy 4
 Year 5
 1.50pm
 Thursday
 12 December

St Mary's Catholic School Community,

Monday night at the Light of Christ Centre at Waitara, Bishop Anthony Randazzo, was installed as the fourth Bishop of Broken Bay. Surrounded by over a 1000 strong congregation, Bishop Anthony was joined by many clergy and fellow bishops. Previous bishops, David Walker and Peter Comensoli were able to join the celebration.

Our School Captains, Cody, Isabella, Lucy and Connor were able to join both Mrs Hartge and myself for the special occasion.

Please keep Bishop Anthony in your prayers asking Our Lord to give him great strength, courage and wisdom as he leads the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

New School Uniform

Some of our girls have begun to wear their new summer school uniform. Our Kinder 2020 group will all be wearing the new uniform and there is a transition period for all other girls. All girls are expected to be wearing the new uniform by the beginning of the 2021 school year.

Cyber Safety

On Thursday 14th November Mackillop Catholic College, Warnervale are holding a second parent information session from well respected cyber security and social media expert Kirra Pendergast and have opened the event to parents of children in all of the local catholic primary schools. Parents who attended the first session have spoken very highly of the presentation and the wide range of new information and skills they picked up. The information presented is valuable for parents of children of all ages, from Kindergarten to Year 12 students and it would be well worth attending. A flyer with more information is coming home with todays newsletter.

Kinder Transition 2

Our Kinder Transition 2 session begins at 9.30am on Wednesday 13th November.

Kind Regards,

K Williams

Kevin Williams Principal





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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

Jazz B Corben D Mia N Charlotte C Sophia K Noah B Harlow R Ashton M Emmanuelle D Archie M Levi M Sunie T Oscar L Cooper M Braxton K Havana G Elise C Vanessa M Sumira D Summer M Brody A Eliiah P Zali M Chelsea B Mavah H Charlotte G Ben R Patrick C Milan B Indy K Lachlan M Lily T Jaxon C Cohan S Mia P Mikayla M Tiarna G Jayden S Tahla M Mia C Mia C Izzy C

Ryan V

Mia T

From Our REC

All Saints' Day Mass

Thank you to Year 4 and their teachers in leading us in Our All Saints Mass last Friday. Congratulations to all of you on displaying great reverence, responsibility and leadership, whether you had a formal role to play or not.

Golden Jubilee

We warmly invite all families to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our parish on the 30th November at 11am in our school church. Please save the date.

Remembrance Day

Next Monday is Remembrance Day. On Monday we will we stop to remember and acknowledge all of the men and women who have seen the horrors of war. Please join us at our morning assembly for a short reflection and remembrance ceremony. Lest we forget.

Liz Hartge Religious Education Coordinator



From Our Librarian

WHY ARE THE KEYS ON A COMPUTER KEYBOARD NOT IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER?

Producing texts using digital devices is a skill our children require. While many devices allow us to touch and swipe there is still a need to be familiar with the keyboard whether it is a pop up on screen or attached to a tablet or computer. We expect children to know numerical and alphabetical order but keyboards are not set out that way. Have you ever wondered why?

QWERTY keyboards get their name from the first six letters arranged on the keyboard. Around 1874, an American, Christopher Sholes invented a mechanical device called a typewriter. The typewriter was welcomed as a new way to write with greater speed, fluency and readability. The coordination of mechanical arms hitting inked ribbon to produce typed text on a page underwent the usual trial and error of invention. When first invented, typewriter keys were arranged in an alphabetical order, but people typed so fast that the mechanical arms got tangled up. So the alphabet keys were randomly positioned to actually slow down typing speed and prevent key jams.

Over these first weeks in the library we have been working with a typing program to become familiar with the arrangement of the alphabet on the keyboard. We are also learning where to place our fingers and which fingers are responsible for the different letters we type. The index fingers of each hand are placed over the letters f and j. These keys also have a ridge on the surface to help us find them without looking. Our thumbs press the space bar. It takes practise but we are getting quicker at knowing where the letters are. Knowledge and skill in typing is essential in helping us create and produce texts efficiently and effectively. Encourage your children to create and type simple texts in their spare time at home!



Happy reading everyone Miss Gray Librarian

A Spotlight on Year 3



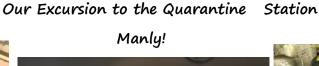
















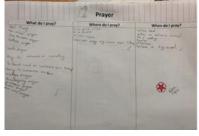






To start the term in English we were looking at different types of poetry. We even had a go at writing some of our own. This week we are beginning to write and design our own picture books! We are discussing the features of pictures books and what we need to include in them.











We have just completed our first Year 3 assignment! We loved learning about different celebrations from around the world.







In Religion we have been exploring Prayer. We have engaged in a variety of different types of prayer.







In Maths we have been focusing on different aspects of the Measurement and Geometry Strand. We started off the term with Length and Area and this week have started Mass and Volume and Capacity.

Canteen News

2020 Canteen Volunteer forms were sent home in Week 2 and sadly only a handful have been returned so far. Our school canteen relies on the generosity of our parent helpers to run effectively and if you are able to help out, just once a month, it would be greatly appreciated. Please complete the form and return to school by Friday November 22nd. If you need another form, it is available on the school website or you can pick one up from the office. Thank you.

Donna and Janet

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

Star Awards

William M Sienna H Ella T Phoenix W Rosie W Arlie M Lukas F Ryder A Tayla M Zara B Havi M Rylee F Jonah M Matilda S Dakota L Emma C Yumi S

Gabrielle S Aedan F

Elliot T

Mia W

Year 6 Graduation Meeting

There will be a Year 6 graduation meeting on Monday 18th November at 3pm in the library. Year 6 parents are most welcome to attend.

From Our PE Teacher

Polding Athletics

Congratulations Mia C who has continued to impress us all with her sporting talent this year. At Homebush last week she won the 100m and was 3rd in 200m. She has now qualified for the NSW All Schools Athletics Championships to be held at Homebush against the most talented primary school athletes in all NSW schools. Good luck Mia!

Good Luck Josh H

He competes in the NSW team in the Australian Golf Titles next week. We wish him well as he chases his dreams.

Waratah Shield Cricket

Congratulations St Mary's Cricket Team on your efforts in the preliminary rounds against St John Vianney and MacKillop. Winning both these games qualified our team for the semi finals against OLR The Entrance and then the final against Terrigal. Although losing the final our team played well and showed great sportsmanship. Many thanks to our coach Matt Ryles and scorer Bailey Laugwitz.

Liz Bain **Sports Coordinator**





From The Office

Family Registration forms for 2020 were sent home 2 weeks ago. We kindly ask that you complete and return the form to school by Friday 8th November. Both parents must sign the form for it to be valid. The information on this form is used to apply sibling discounts. If you have misplaced the form you can arrange for another one to be sent home or you can download a copy from the school's website.

Thank you Julie, Jacqui & Leesa

Woolworths Earn & Learn

We recently received the maths equipment purchased through the Woolworths Earn & Learn initiative. Thank you to all the families who supported this. I'm sure the students and teachers will love using the products.



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