# St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

# **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

Term 2 Week 1 27 April 2022





# **Welcome Back**

## **Upcoming Events**

- Year 6
   Graduation
   Meeting
   Wednesday
   4th May, 3.15pm
- Mother's Day
   Stall Wednesday
   4th May
- Mother's Day Breakfast and Liturgy Friday 6th May
- Parent Workshop: Supporting Maths at Home Monday 9th May
- NAPLAN Window
   Tuesday 10th
   May Friday 20th
   May
- Athletics Carnival
   Friday 20th May
- School Feast Day Celebrations
   Friday 27th May
- Playgroup
   9.15am, Tuesday
   May 17th and
   9.15am, Wednesday
   June 15th
- School Disco Friday 3rd June
- Year 6 Canberra Excursion
   Wednesday 8th -Friday 10th June

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

It has been great to welcome everyone back to school for a fantastic term of learning and friendships and fun. I hope your family were able to enjoy time together.

Yesterday, on their return, your children looked calm and ready to learn. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all of the importance of your child arriving to school by the 9.00am bell and not leaving early. Please continue to support your child in wearing their correct school uniform. They look fantastic when they do.

## **COVID Update**

Attached to this newsletter is an additional document which outlines new protocols for close contacts and how this impacts parents and students at school. I invite you to please read it in full.

# **Mother's Day**

Next week we celebrate Mother's Day. We will celebrate with a school liturgy (9.15am) and breakfast on Friday 6th May. Our Mother's Day Stall will be Wednesday 4th May. This is the final chance to order a gift from the Mother's Day Stall and place your order for the breakfast. Both are finalised this week via the Qkr! App (the same that we use for lunch orders). It is also the last chance to submit the Mother's Day photo for the reflection. Please see the REC section on the following page for details.

We are asking for more helpers to ensure these events are successful. You can sign up to help the PIP Team using the link on the last page of today's newsletter.

## **ANZAC Day**

Thank you to the students who made the commemoration of ANZAC Day so special, by participating in the March with our school and also joining in our Liturgy yesterday. Thank you to the members of Toukley RSL Sub Branch for supporting our school with your attendance.

#### Winter Uniform

Compulsory winter uniform begins in Week 4, Monday 16th May. Until then, we ask for children to wear their complete summer uniform (not mixing and matching between the two uniforms). The uniform shop is open daily from 8.15am-9.45am.

### **School Calendar**

Today, students will bring home a copy of our Term 2 calendar that was shared with you on Compass last term. It will also be available on our school website.

## Something you may have noticed

Over the holidays workers have begun constructing our new fencing. This will, once complete, go around the entire school block, including behind the oval. We anticipate that completion will be in the next month, weather permitting.

## **Maths Parent Workshop**

On Monday 9th May at 9.15am, I will be leading a Parent Workshop on how you can support your child with their Maths at home. Everyone is welcome to attend, *especially* if you think "You don't like Maths".

### **Year 6 Graduation Meeting**

There is a parent meeting at school next Wednesday 3.15pm as preparations for the Year 6 graduation begin. All Year 6 parents are welcome to attend.

Kind regards,

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Emma Sellars Principal



#### **Parish Details**

Ph. 4396 4455 Email. toukleyparish@ bbcatholic.org.au Office Hours. Monday-Friday 9.00am-2.00pm





#### Merit Awards

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Koa C Isabella W Willow M Henry Mc Heath W Billy S-D Isla Mc Ollie C Maci F Ollie T Grace L Zac B Harrison P Natalija K Sienna H Jack L Riley G Mia Mc Sasha R Matthew W Cynthia A Liam G Cochella O-C Kirri Lee F Sienna G Ma'Nivah J Alina L Ava S Bailey N Nikita R Marcella R

# **From Our REC**

### **Stations of the Cross**

Thank you to Sam Hanham, Sister Jennifer and Di Healy for preparing our students in the Stations of the Cross. Our children delivered the reenactment so well and with great reverence. Thank you to all our families who joined us to watch this on Good Friday.

#### **ANZAC DAY March and Service**

Thank you to all our students and families who joined us on Monday for the ANZAC Day service and march. It has been two years since our students have been able to march. Even though the weather wasn't great we were impressed with how many students came along. They marched so well and represented our school with great reverence. Thank you to Mrs Walker, Mrs Sellars, Miss Dawson and Miss Evans for supervising our students.

## ANZAC Day Liturgy

Yesterday our school held our own liturgy. We thank Mr Bob Wilson, President of the Toukley RSL sub branch and the other men who joined us. Our students led the liturgy so well and enjoyed hearing from Mr Wilson. A special thank to Mr Merlino for preparing and

## resourcing our liturgy.

## Mother's Day Liturgy

Next Friday after our Mother's Day breakfast we will be holding our Mother's Day Liturgy. It will begin at 9.15am in the church. We are putting together an iMovie to celebrate the special women in our lives. If you would like to include a photo in the iMovie please send to Mrs Duncan,

emily.duncan@dbb.catholic.edu.au
These photos will be accepted up until Monday 2nd May. The iMovie will be put on the school Facebook page.

#### First Eucharist

Yesterday I sent a Compass message out to all families with children in Years 4, 5 and 6 regarding First Eucharist enrolment. Enrolment is online using the link <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BYBWB">https://www.trybooking.com/BYBWB</a> There is a compulsory parent session at St Mary's on Wed 4<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm or Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 7pm. St Brendan's is holding their session on Wednesday 4th May at 4pm. To make their First Eucharist, children need to have been confirmed and made reconciliation.

Cath Kyle Religious Education Coordinator

# From our Librarian

# Welcome back to Term 2. BAGS AND BOOKS

I hope everyone had the chance to read a good book over the holidays, the chance to re-read an old favourite or even listen to an audio book. It's time for all library books that are still at home from the holidays to be returned as soon as possible so all children can read them. A few class library days have changed so it may be worthwhile having the new day on the fridge calendar so that we don't forget our library bags or books. Check your child's class on the table below.

We ask that extra care is taken of our library books and readers. Please keep them in a safe place. We are receiving books with significant damage to hard covers, spines and torn pages. Library bags are still important to protect our books between home and school so children will need to bring these on their library day.

#### KEY IDEA

Welcome back to Term 2. During this term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
2 BLUE	KINDER BLUE	2 GREEN	3 GREEN
1 GREEN	KINDER GREEN	3 GOLD	KINDER WHITE
6 GOLD	4 GREEN	1 GOLD	1 BLUE
6 GREEN	3 BLUE	4 BLUE	5 GOLD
2 GOLD	4 GOLD	K GOLD	5 GREEN
		5 BLUE	

we will be reading and selecting the key ideas in stories and information texts. We will be learning how to take notes and reconstruct these into our own words. These are important skills to use when working on projects. We are looking forward to another term full of activity, adventure and fun in the library.

### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

We have all begun the 2022 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge. The PRC has become entrenched in our library time to ensure every child completes the challenge. Kinder, Years 1 and 2 read 30 books and Years 3 to 6 read 20 books. This has been an amazing school achievement that supports our value of reading across the school. Children who are new to our school community since the beginning of the year have already been entered into this year's challenge. The NSW PRC website has recommended booklists for children. This is a great resource when parents are stuck for ideas on suitable books for children to read.

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/ booklist/home.html

Happy reading everyone.

Miss Gray Librarian

# A Spotlight on Year 1















### **Canteen News**

Lunch orders are via the Qkr! app. Cut off time for orders is 9am. You can order up to 2 weeks in advance.

If sending money in with your child to buy a snack or iceblock over the counter, please have a chat to them about what they can purchase with the money you give them. Also please don't send in too much money, \$2 maximum is plenty, especially for the younger students.

If you are a canteen volunteer and are unable to fulfill your rostered day please contact the school office as early as you can.

Thank you Donna and Lauren

#### Star Awards

Josie M Savannah S Bowie G Ruby J Alekzander K Sage C Penelope R Abigail H Zane B Flynn B Jay K Abel N Tayla G Phoenix W Eddie A Mayah H



## **Stations of the Cross**





## **Anzac Day March**





# Year 6 Graduation

Meeting for parents Wednesday May 4, 3.15pm Meet at the school office

## Mother's Day Stall Helpers Needed!

Our PIP Team are asking for a team of keen helpers to set up and run the annual Mother's Day Stall on Wednesday, May 4th.

Our fantastic Maria Mackenzie will again lead the group to set up the stall and help children choose the prized gifts that every child loves to give to their mother on Mother's Day morning. Please use the 'sign up' link below to RSVP your availability to help.

LINK: https://signup.com/go/QPyBFKn

## Mother's Day Breakfast Helpers Needed (Calling All Dads!)

Our PIP Team require an enthusiastic team of helpers (preferably some eager Dads!) to help set up, cook, serve and pack away a scrumptious BBQ breakfast to celebrate Mother's Day on Friday, May 6th.

Please use the 'sign up' link below to RSVP your availability to help.

LINK: https://signup.com/go/CszPqEO

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