

Reconciliation Week

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

This week we recognise National Reconciliation Week. It is a time for us all to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Yesterday (even during a power failure), we were able to share in a thoughtful and moving liturgy in the church for Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day. Thank you to the parents who joined us, Miss Poulton our Aboriginal Education Teacher for organising the Liturgy and our students who participated.

Parent Teacher Interviews

On Friday June 17 your child's Report will be forwarded to you via Compass. Last week Compass booking opened for you to secure a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss both the Report and their progress. You can do this through Compass by going through the 'Conferences' tab. Parent-Teacher meetings occur in Week 9, June 20-23.

Disco

Our school disco is THIS FRIDAY! There will be two sessions in our hall; K-2 5.30-6.45pm, 3-6 7.00-8.30pm. Admission is \$2 and glow sticks will also be available for purchase (also \$2). Where possible, please bring cash/coins to pay. Teachers will be supervising this event, parents will not be allowed in the hall during the evening, for safety.

A note with more information (eg drop off/pick up) will be sent home tomorrow.

Pandora Gate Access

As our new fencing project nears completion, the gates that go through to Pandora Parade will be closed during the day, roughly 9.30am-2.30pm. If you are coming onto the school site during these hours, you will need to use the access via the main carpark.

Dog on School Grounds

Recently, we have had quite a number of dogs brought onto the premises. While we understand that they are under your control, we're not actually allowed to have them in the school grounds. If you do walk your dog with you for drop off and pick up, we ask that they please remain off our grounds, tied up.

Year 6 in Canberra

As the weather cools off and a chill hits the state, it seems to be perfect timing to visit Canberra! Our Year 6 students are growing in excitement for their excursion next Wednesday - Friday in the Nations' Capital. There will be lots of learning to take place in these transitional times in Parliament. Kids, pack your warmest jackets!

Sacred Space

Kinder Green and Kinder Gold both having their Sacred Space tomorrow. Please join us from 1.50pm in the hall.

Excursions

Excursions are a wonderful time for our students to share fun and learning in a place different to school. This Friday Year 2 head to Tocal Homestead and next Friday Year 1 go to Hunter Wetlands. Have a wonderful time!

Your Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep the McFadden Family (Zali 6 Green) in your thoughts and prayers. Zali's great grandmother recently passed away. We trust that our Lord's strength gives you considerable comfort in your time of grief.

Final Day of Term 2

Our staff will participate in a Professional Learning Day, alongside the other 43 schools in our diocese, on Friday July 1st. This will be a pupil free day.

Kind regards,

Emma Sellars
Principal



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Office Hours. Monday-Friday 9.00am-2.00pm

Merit Awards

Conor H
Cruz C
Leo C
Willow M
Vivian B
Braxton C
Oliver Y
Angus H
Ara W
April M
Hannah B
Martial G
Sage M
Ivie T
Lillian A
James B
Neve R
Tianna O C
Manaya M P
Amarli G
Jackson Q
Ashlee S
Levi R
Harrison B
Frankie G
Tessa G
Dominic W
Arlie M
Sunie T
John M
Kingston K
Brooklyn C
Matilda S
Zoe D
Dylan B
Scarlett W



From Our REC

First Eucharist

Many students in Years 4-6 are preparing for their First Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers.

Year 4 Sunday Parish Mass

Please keep Sunday June 19th free for those families with Year 4 children. We will be attending mass at 9am. Teachers will be handing out ministries soon. We are aware many students will be making their First Eucharist, this will be a lovely way to celebrate and support the other Year 4 students.

Winter Appeal

Our Winter Appeal has begun. We will be collecting blankets and clothing for the St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal. These need to be in good condition. If you have donations could you please bring them to school.



From our Family Liaison Officer

Feeling that you belong to our school community is something that we want for all our students and families. A sense of belonging means that children (and parents/carers) feel accepted, included, valued, respected and secure in our school environment and in relationships with staff and peers. The more time spent at school, getting to know one another and participating in activities the more comfortable people feel, the stronger the relationships that develop with time spent together and as a consequence the better children achieve academically.

Confidence is also important for children to succeed. Confident children are more motivated to engage in more experiences, more able to build positive relationships and in the long term become happier, successful adults. As children start school and begin to compare how well they can do things compared to others their confidence can begin to slip, but it's important to let them know that everyone is good at something and they definitely have their own unique talents and gifts. The supportive adults around them

National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week

Yesterday we celebrated National Sorry Day (officially held on May 26th) and Reconciliation Week with a liturgy. Miss Poulton, our Aboriginal Teacher, prepared our students for this liturgy. Thank you to all the students who lead the liturgy (even with all the changes) and the parents who joined us to celebrate and recognise this important occasion.

Kinder Gold and Green Sacred Space

Tomorrow at 1.50pm Kinder Gold and Kinder Green will share their learning in Religious Education. This will be in the hall. If you would like to join us you are more than welcome.

Cath Kyle
Religious Education Coordinator



can actively help build their confidence by being interested, supportive and encouraging of what they do. When praising children it is important to focus on their efforts and improvements to try to build a 'growth mindset' where they learn that achievements come through effort and persistence, not simply because they are naturally good at something.

Children feel more connected at school and build their confidence when they have the regular every day contact with their friends and classmates and get to practice and reinforce the skills they are learning every day which makes it so important that they attend school every day they are well enough.

Our evening 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching session that was postponed from last night due to the wild weather and black-out will now begin next Tuesday June 7 then June 14 & 21.

Donna Falzon
Family Liaison Officer

A Spotlight on Year 6



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.

Chicken and Vegetable Pies are now back in stock and available to order via Qkr!.

This Friday June 3 Soup Lunch Special is Chicken and Sweetcorn.



Thank you
Donna and Lauren

Star Awards

- Skye M
- Kelly B
- Harper P
- Tariq M
- Andy C
- Theo S
- Ollie B
- Vincent N
- Lennox K
- Billy L
- Maci T
- Flynn B
- Archer G
- Harry P
- Iylah M
- Addison W
- Sophie B
- Koby D
- Chelsea B
- Anton W



From our PE Teacher

After School Club Connect Rugby League will be on this Friday for all those who have signed up.

Liz Bain
Sports Coordinator



TASTE of TOUKLEY

VILLAGE GREEN
SATURDAY 4 JUNE - 11AM TO 2PM

Celebrating the best of Toukley
Free tasting boxes from local restaurants
Petting Zoo • Live entertainment
Roving performers • Giveaways
centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/whats-on

Central Coast Council

Parent Webinar

HELPING KIDS THRIVE ONLINE

Free one hour webinar suitable for parents and carers of children aged 5 - 12 years old
Wednesday 8 June 7:30pm

Presented in partnership with the eSafety Commissioner

This Term 2 webinar offers tips about how to support young people to socialise, learn and have fun online safely

It explains how to access information, use technology safely and navigate new online platforms.

The presentation is designed for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old.

It will cover:

- how to talk to young people about online risks on different social media platforms and games
- how to help young people develop skills to protect themselves when they are online
- where to go for help if things go wrong and how to access mental health support and information through eSafety.

Wednesday 8 June 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Register here
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/715182158220149006>

Council of Catholic School Parents