| PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP (PIP) NEWSLETTER

## Term 2 – 2023

Welcome back to Term 2! What a whirlwind it's been with the holidays, ANZAC Day, school photos and then Mother's Day just gone – it's been hectic! I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and are back in the swing of things.

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This term is always a busy and exciting one for our school community kicking off with the Mother's Day celebrations we had last week as well as celebrating our School Feast Day, which will be celebrating 50 years of St Mary's – what an achievement!

Our Cinema Night was unfortunately postponed last term due to the wet oval – we are looking to reschedule this for some time in October – watch this space.

#### New and returning families

We extend a warm welcome to all the new families who have recently joined the St Mary's community:

- The Wood family Fox (1 Green) & Dylan (4 Blue)
- The Hulm family Willow (3 Gold)
- The Aad family Sophia (4 Gold) & Anabella (4 Green)
- The Campbell family Georgia (2 Green)

Thank you to all the parents and friends who came and participated in the Semester 1 PIP events so far:

- Mother's Day stall
- Mother's Day breakfast



- Kindy 2024 Welcome afternoon
- Easter raffle wrapping











Upcoming events – Term 2						
Dates	Event/School Initiative	Team Helpers Required	Sign Up Link			
Fri May 26 <sup>th</sup>	St. Mary's School Feast Day	Helpers - Required	Team Helper Sign Up Link - https://signup.com/go/frLfGiN A team of helpers are required to cook and serve a sausage sizzle lunch for students and staff to celebrate St. Mary's Feast Day.			

We would love to see as many new (and old!!) faces participate in these events – as the cliché says, "Many hands make light work". Our PIP Team regularly use a platform called 'Sign Up' which is a quick and easy way to respond to and confirm your support and help for school community events.

By keeping an eye out via Compass, our weekly School Newsletter and term PIP Newsletter you will be able to see when opportunities arise where leaders and helpers are required.

Thank you again to you all for your support! Our school, in partnership with families, is a stronger, happier and inclusive place for our children to be the best they can be!

Have a great term everyone

The PIP Leadership team

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# **Mini Vinnies – Winter Appeal**

Our Mini Vinnies team are collecting pre-loved items for the Winter Appeal.

If you have good quality winter clothing or blankets to donate, it will be put to good use by members of our community.

Mini Vinnie representatives will collect from classrooms

Thankyou



# School Concert

SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY \* FUN \* \* MUSIC \* DANCE Performance Group Green – Tue 5<sup>th</sup> September Performance Group Gold – Wed 6<sup>th</sup> September The Art House, Wyong See You Soon

## **Canteen volunteers wanted!!**

Can you spare a day to help in our canteen?

Shifts are 9am-11.30am, 12pm-2pm or 9pm-2pm

Help prepare lunch orders

Serve snacks at recess and lunch

Kids love to see a friendly face in the canteen

Parents, grandparents or carers are welcome

## If you can help, please contact Lauren – <u>lauren.zahra@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u>



Parent School Calendar Term 2, 2023

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	April 24 Staff Development Day	25 ANZAC Day	26 ANZAC Day Liturgy, 10.30am	27 Year 5 Bathurst	28 Year 5 Bathurst
2	May 1 School Photos Day 1	<b>2</b> Year 7 Taster Day (Mackillop and St Brigid's)	3	4 School Photos Day 2 First Eucharist Parent Info 3.30/7.00pm	5 CCC Cross Country 7 <sup>th</sup> Year 2 Sunday Mass 9.15am
3	8	9	10 Mother's Day Stall Playgroup	11	12 Mother's Day Liturgy, 9.15am
4	15 Winter uniform	16	17	18	19
5	22	23	24 Feast of Mary Help of Christians	25	26 School Feast Day Celebrations
6	29	30	31	June 1	2 Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day
7	5	6	<b>7</b> Year 6 Canberra	<b>8</b> Year 6 Canberra	9 Year 6 Canberra
8	<b>12</b> King's Birthday Public Holiday	13	14	15	<b>16</b> First Eucharist 17 <sup>th</sup> 6pm & 18 <sup>th</sup> 9am
9	19	20 Playgroup	21	22	23 Sacred Heart Mass, 9.15am
10	26	27 Smoking Ceremony for NAIDOC Week	28 Athletics Carnival	29	30 System Staff Development Day



## St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

## WHAT IS PLAYGROUP?

Playgroup is about having fun, meeting new friends and sharing new experiences. Our vision is for playgroup to provide opportunities for children to learn through play, and to then practice the skills they are learning through fun activities.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

Playgroup allows children to experience fun activities and build self confidence. It provides parents with the opportunity to meet other families coming to St Mary's and to learn more about our school. There are always opportunities for parents and children to have fun together. We look forward to welcoming you and your child.

#### Faith, Love and Understanding

### PLAYGROUP DATES

Tuesday 4th April 2023 Wednesday 10th May 2023 Tuesday 20th June 2023 Tuesday 1st August 2023 Monday 4th September 2023 Each playgroup is held in our hall, 9.15am - 10.45am

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