



Newsletter

Term 2 Week 10 Thursday, 18 June 2020

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2020 Term Dates

Term 2 :

Tue 14th April -
Fri 26th June

Term 3:

Mon 13th July -
Fri 18th September

Term 4:

Mon 5th October -
Fri 16th December

Upcoming Dates

19 June

Reports sent
home

22-24 June

Parent Teacher
Interviews

26 June

End of Term 2

Dear Parents,

It hasn't taken long for us to be back into the swing of things here at school. The children have settled in really well and I am always amazed at how they are far more adaptable than we give them credit for. Thank you to the parents who have completed the parent survey. If you would still like to offer your thoughts you have until Friday afternoon to do so.

There are students who have returned wearing a whole variety of configurations of the school uniform. I have let this go for now as I understand there are many reasons such as sizing and lack of availability of some items. By the start of term 3 all children should be wearing the correct uniform, including footwear, on the appropriate days. If you are looking to buy a long sleeved white shirt, unfortunately these are not available through the uniform supplier. I am happy for you to purchase a plain white shirt from Big W, Target, etc. If your child is out of uniform without any explanation, you will receive a message from your child's teacher. If your child needs school shoes, start looking for them now, rather than waiting for the second week of the holidays.

Flexibuzz will no longer be in operation from the 1st July. The company has changed the configuration of the app so we have decided that because Seesaw has been working so well we will use that for future correspondence. If your child is absent you can ring the office, email your child's teacher or send them a message via seesaw.

You will receive your child's report tomorrow. Parent teacher bookings have closed but if you would still like to make an appointment, please call the office and speak to Melissa or Antonia.

We are still awaiting news on how and when the Sacraments will go ahead. This decision will be based on advice from the State Government on raising the number of people allowed to attend Church celebrations. Unfortunately this decision is out of our hands and the Parish hands. As soon as I know something more I will communicate this to you. Colin Healy has sent some information to Year 4 parents this week regarding Eucharist and what are asked to do at home.

Social Media is a great way to keep in touch with family and friends. As we teach our students it is also a way to create hysteria and many people choose to use it in a negative manner. Posts and comments can be cruel and damaging to reputations of people, businesses and communities. The best rule of thumb before posting is to ask yourself these questions: is it kind? is it true? Would I say it to the person's face? Would I like it said about me? This is a great conversation to have with your children at home as well.

Tomorrow we will celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart. As we cannot gather as a whole school for Mass, Father Kevin has recorded the celebration and each class from year 2-6 will watch the Mass via the youtube link in their classroom. The prep and year 1 students will learn about this Feast Day in another way, via a presentation put together by our Religious Education Leader, Colin Healy.

On this day, we celebrate God's creative love bursting forth into the heart of creation, into the heart of humanity. It is a day to reflect on the boundless love that God has for each person. In essence it speaks of the great tenderness of a God who stoops down and lifts us up when life is filled with challenges and suffering. God's love reaches out to us, invites us, and draws us into the very heart of God where our lives are transformed into being the hands and feet, the gentle voice and the listening ear of Christ in the world today.

One of the lovely aspects of today's social media connection is the opportunity to hear good news through the sharing of random acts of kindness. In essence the feast of the Sacred Heart is about celebrating the goodness, kindness and compassion that was at the heart of Jesus' ministry. A way to celebrate this feast would be for us to give recognition to the many acts of random kindness and goodness that we see around us each day. For it is in the daily activities of life that people continue to give witness to the compassionate face and heart of God.

This Sunday we will celebrate the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Gospel

Matthew 10:26–33

How often we have taken for granted the possibility of gathering Sunday after Sunday to celebrate the Mass. In recent times, however, we have been confronted with a reality in which this has not been possible. Our Sundays have not been blessed with the celebration of the Breaking of Bread in our parish church. However, we have continued to gather in our family for the sacred sharing of bread with our family at our family meals. Built on this tradition, we will return renewed to our parish celebration.

God Bless

Julie

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Orders will close for Issue 4 tomorrow. Thank you for all the parents who have ordered online. Due to restrictions, my wonderful helper, who previously was in charge of the organisation of Scholastic Book Club, is no longer permitted onsite. It is also not considered "Good Practise" to be handling cash.

I must ask that if you are ordering Book Club in the future, that you order online, please.

As a side note, I happened to be passing along the corridor when the Preps were putting their catalogues in their bags. There was cheerful chatter as the children compared what they wanted to buy and the cost of the books. It was a joy to behold.

I think their reading is coming along quite well.

Evelyn Pickering

Literacy (F - 6) and Numeracy (3-6) Leader



SPLASH PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARD



Class	Pupil of the week	Has demonstrated the 3 R's
Prep JR	Matilda Griffiths	For being a self motivated learner who strives to do her best work in every task ! Well done Matilda
Prep MR	Taiyo Marshall	For being a responsible member of our classroom and always showing respect. Fantastic Taiyo
1 H	Lila Debono	For showing responsibility during maths tasks and determination to her best.
1 S	Zac Fulton Scanes	For making good choices and sharing great ideas during class discussions. I have been so impressed at the way you are joining in and giving everything a go. Keep up the great work.
2 JB	Ronnie Kaminski	For being a responsible learner and being self-motivated.
2R	Ruby Stepanoski	For using the dispositions of creativity and determination when working remotely and keeping it up at school!
3BC	Samuel Plummer	For displaying respect and responsibility in being such a caring friend to his classmates.
3CC	Dilan McMullan	For displaying determination when approaching work tasks and having a growth mindset. Great effort Dilan!
4PS	Ruby Parker	For her enthusiastic approach to learning and eager participation in class discussions!
4SF	Ivey Lambert	For having the confidence to take risks in her learning.
5/6 C	Jamie Lacy	For being a kind and considerate member of the classroom
5/6 MT	Erin Wilson	For being an enthusiastic and self motivated learner, who always puts in her best effort!
5/6R	Chris Ji	For being a positive, hardworking member of 5/6R. You're always trying your best and asking for feedback to find out how you can improve. Well done and keep it up!