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## NEWSLETTER NO. 8 TUESDAY MARCH 21st 2017

### This week is the third week of Lent:

God of Mercy,  
I feel my heart overflowing with your tenderness.

I sense your loving touch deep within my soul.

I ask for your help in my weakness that I might be faithful to your word  
and I am so grateful that your mercy for my failings  
is as strong as your unbounded love for me.

I hear your invitation,  
"Come back to me"  
and I am filled with such a longing to return to you.

Show me the way to return.

Lead me this day in good works I do in your name  
and send your Spirit to guide me and strengthen my faith.

I ask only to feel your love in my life today.

Amen.



## **LITURGY**

On Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup> we will be running a Liturgy that focuses on the events of Easter. Easter Sunday isn't until April 16<sup>th</sup> which is at the end of the school holidays. Each of the areas of the school will present their take on a different aspect of the Easter events running from Palm Sunday through to the events after the Resurrection. It will be held in the Fr James Byrne hall at 11:30am. Family and friends are encouraged to come along for this presentation.

## **PARISH MASSES**

Masses for this weekend are:

* Saturday	6.00 pm	St. Patrick's
* Sunday	8.00 am	St. Patrick's
* Sunday	9.00 am	Our Lady's
* Sunday	10.00 am	Moyhu
* Sunday	10.30 am	Whitfield (1st Sunday)
* Sunday	10.30 am	St. Patrick's

Our Lady's typically has week day Masses on Tuesday and Friday both commencing at 9:00am. Some changes may happen if funerals are held on these days.

## **CONFIRMATION/FIRST EUCHARIST MEETING**

Families who were involved in the Sacrament of Reconciliation program last year are reminded that the first parent meeting for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist program is scheduled for TOMORROW Wednesday March 22nd at 7:00pm in the Our Lady's Community Room.

## **EASTER EGG RAFFLE**

Don't forget to send in your donation for our Easter Egg Raffle. Books of 12 tickets (use both sides) –total \$4-00 if purchasing all the tickets – have been sent home today with the eldest child in each family. Tickets cost 50 cents or 3 for \$1-00. Prize draw will take place on the last day of this term – Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>. All funds raised will go to Caritas.

## **FUNFAIR**

A very big heartfelt thank you to everyone involved with the preparation, organisation and running of the FunFair on Saturday evening. It was a wonderful evening full of fun and joy for all who attended particularly the students. It always amazes me to see so many people give so generously of their time and talent to make this evening run. Events such as this are important on so many different levels not the least being the community coming together to undertake a significant fundraising event. The final profit from the event will not be known for quite a few weeks until all the costs involved are paid.

Well done to the organising committee of Dani Bell, Kate Bell, Marc Bongers and Steve Abotomey and to the dozens of parents who supported them before, during and after the event.

## **SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – TONIGHT**

Our next School Board meeting will be held tonight at 6.30pm.

## **LITERACY CLASS WALK THROUGH**

A reminder that there is an opportunity for parents to visit to all classrooms tomorrow. The focus will be on the learning that is taking place particularly in the area of English. Each classroom will schedule the learning that is planned for that day so that visitors can see how the rooms are organised, what the students are doing and what the aims of the learning are. The visit will start with a short briefing at 9:45am in the staffroom and then move to a tour of each learning area.

## **TEACHER ADVISOR MEETINGS/TERM ONE REPORTS**

Teacher Advisor meetings are underway this week. If you have not yet made a time to meet with your child's teacher please contact them asap. We run these meetings at the end of each term to discuss learning progress and to plan for coming terms. They are also an opportunity for students, families and teachers to discuss reports for that term. Families are asked to place a high priority of attending these meetings as they provide valuable information about the individual learner.

## **PANCAKES THIS FRIDAY**

We have quite a lot of pancake mix left over from our Shrove Tuesday breakfast so we will have another cook up this Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, at Recess. Students can bring along a gold coin donation for Caritas and can have a pancake or two.

## **GRADE 3-6 COMBINED SPORTS DAY**

Our annual combined Sports Day with St. Patrick's Primary School will be held this coming Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> at the athletics complex in Appin Street. All students in Grades 3-6 will be participating. Permission notes have been sent home today and need to be returned by this Friday.

## **BRIDGING CENTRE CAMP**

All students in Grades 3/4 will be heading off to Harrietville in first week of Term Two. Permission/medical forms have today been sent home and must be completed and returned by this Friday.

## **FOOD HANDLING COURSE**

The Centre for Continuing Education is offering a food handling course on Tuesday May the 2<sup>nd</sup> at Yarrunga Primary School using their garden kitchen. The course runs from 9:00am to 4.00pm and will provide each participant with an industry recognized certificate. It would be a great opportunity to develop work place skills as well as gain knowledge in an area that would be very helpful to our school. The course will be free for any participants from Our Lady's Primary School.

## **PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING**

Now that we have the FunFair behind us we can start our planning for the rest of the year. The next P & F meeting is set for 9:00am on Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup>. Please come along if you can.

## **GRADE 6 SHIRTS**

Just a reminder to parents and Grade 6 students that they are only permitted to wear their green Grade 6 polo shirts on Wednesdays and Fridays. Red polo shirts must be worn on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## MOWING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Our mowing roster for this year is as follows:

March	Graeme Lovel & family
April	Peter Sullivan & family
May/June/July/August	Darren Brockwell & family
September	Luke Holley & family
October	Darren Bell & family

If you would like to join the roster please contact Julie in the office.

## MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY THANK YOU

At the start of each week we give thanks to some of the positive behaviours that we noted in the past week. It is an opportunity to acknowledge helpful behaviours, it raises language that highlights good choices and it models the need to regularly thank people in a way that communicates what we are thankful for. This week we thanked:

- To everyone who does their best when they make decisions that keep all people safe and happy
- For doing your best when you keep your body to yourself
- To those who show respect for our school when they choose to use polite language and voice volume
- To those that help others succeed by choosing to use ICT as a tool not a toy
- To everyone who did their best by making positive choices about behavior at Mas
- To the Leadership Centre students who did their best with the Regent Honey Eater propagation activity
- For showing respect for your school through your behaviour choices at the St. Patrick's Day Liturgy
- To everyone who helped with the FunFair

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

Our expectations focus for this week is '**Being Prepared for Learning**':

Doing your best: By being prepared

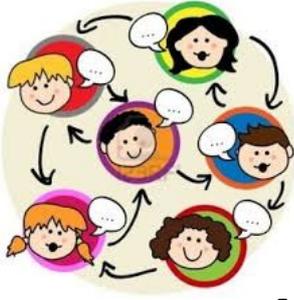
Helping others succeed: By committing to doing you best as often as you can  
When you support the learning of all students

Respecting your school: By cleaning up after self

**Power Play Focus: Students who are prepared for learning**

Congratulations to Mikylle Grainger who was the winner of last week's PowerPlay Raffle.

Mark



## CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

**Phonological awareness** is one of the key building blocks for reading and writing. It is listening to and thinking about the sounds in words.

1. As you read with your child, practice breaking words up into syllables (beats in a word). For example, chick-en (chicken) has two syllables and el-e-phant (elephant) has 3 syllables. Clapping out the word into syllables can help. Talk about how longer words have more syllables.

Ask your child to think of the longest words they know. Demonstrate the length by clapping out the beats or syllables – Caterpillar (Cat-er-pill-ar has 4 Claps), encyclopedia (en-cy-clo-pe-di-a has 6 Claps).

### FUNFAIR NEWS

#### MAJOR RAFFLE WINNERS

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize:	Harry Bell
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize:	Rolly Obanana
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize:	Jo Nugent
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize:	Kat Livingstone
5 <sup>th</sup> Prize:	Gail Campbell

Money Tree: Kevin De Fazio

#### 2017 SPONSORS LIST

Further along in the newsletter you will find a list of sponsors for this year's FunFair. If any stall co-ordinator has any other business to add to the list please let Julie know by the end of this week so we can send out official thank you notes.

These businesses will be acknowledged over coming weeks in the newsletter and we ask that all families support them during the year whenever possible.

### P & F NEWS

#### WANGARATTA FUN RUN

Thank you to the following students and parents who volunteered their time to man an aid station at the Wangaratta Fun Run at the end of February:

Denny & Jordan Mitchell, Noah & Violet Fitzgerald, Phoebe Bosley, Dani Bell, Jane Dwyer, Olivia Mitchell, Monica Lindsey, Letitia & Philip Fitzgerald

The Wangaratta Marathon & Fun Run committee have kindly made a \$300-00 donation to our P & F in recognition of the contribution on the day of the people listed above.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Tuesday	March 21 <sup>st</sup>	6.30pm School Board meeting
Friday	March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pancakes at Recess <i>Gold coin donation for Caritas</i>
Monday	March 27 <sup>th</sup>	Grades 3-6 Combined Sports Day 9.00am to 2.45pm
Wednesday	March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Presentation 11.30am <i>All Welcome</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 31<sup>st</sup></b>	Easter Egg Raffle draw 12.30pm  <b>End of Term One <u>2.10pm</u> finish</b>
Tuesday	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Term Two 8.45am start
Wednesday-Friday	April 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	Bridging Centre (Grade Three/Four) Camp in Harrierville
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>ANZAC Day Public Holiday</b>
Wednesday	April 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am P & F Meeting <i>All Welcome</i>
Monday- Friday	May 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Leadership Centre (Grade Five/Six) Camp in Melbourne

### **FOOTY TIPPING**

Footy tipping starts THIS THURSDAY March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We will be running our Footy Tipping competition again this year. It costs \$2-00 each week to enter -\$46-00 in total for the year. We have a mid-season prize draw after Round 12 and an end of year prize draw after Round 23. If you would to enter please complete the form below and return to the office by TOMORROW, Wednesday March 22nd so a tipping card/s can be sent home.

Please note any students entering MUST have written parental consent.

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I/We would like to participate in the 2017 Footy Tipping Competition.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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