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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 4

19th October 2017 Issue 16, Week 2

Monday 23rd October

Stages 2 & 3 Basketball Gala Day

Thursday 26th October

Kindergarten 2018 Transition Day 1

Ice Cream Day - Year 6 Fundraiser

Friday 27th October

2.20pm - Whole School Assembly

Tuesday 31st October Year 7 Orientation Day for McCarthy Catholic College and St. Dominic's

Thursday 2nd November
Kindergarten 2018 Transition
Day 2

Thursday 9th November Kindergarten 2018 Transition Day 3 Welcome back!

It was lovely to see the many happy faces of the students and their parents as the students returned to school last Tuesday. The holidays provide a great break from the routine of school and enable everybody's batteries to be recharged. This term is notorious for being very busy – please keep abreast of communication by reading the school newsletter, the Seesaw App and if unsure please contact our well informed office personnel. Please don't rely on hearsay or non-endorsed social media posts from others who may be ill-informed.

At the end of last term we presented our new Positive Behaviour Support for Learning (PBS4L) mascot - Bundeluk. 'Bundeluk' is the word from the local Aboriginal dialect for a native bird common to our local area - the crimson rosella. Bundeluk and our four whole school expectations will become very familiar to the children and families as we continue to implement PBS4L. To give you a more detailed understanding of the four whole school expectations I have included an extract from the *Expectations Teaching Matrix*.



Expectation	All Settings	
Safe	 Move safely Safe hands and feet Be in right place, right time 	
Respectful	 Use equipment appropriately Be polite Wear uniform with pride Interact fairly with others Listen to and follow instructions of staff Be reverent during all prayer times 	
Responsible	 Look after my own, others and school belongings Maintain a clean environment Accept the consequences of my choices Be organised 	
Learner	 Do your personal best Be an active participant Reflect and respond to feedback. 	

At Holy Family we are:

- Learners
- Safe
- Responsible
- Respectful

As a community we are reminded that many of our families have children engaged in the HSC. We pray for them and trust that they have calm hearts, clear minds, are rewarded for their efforts, and strengthened by the prayerful support of our School and Parish community.

In partnership let us continue to work to develop in the children strong minds and gentle hearts.

Mr Anthony McElhone

Principal

Welcome

We wish to welcome the Wandless family (Kobi in Stage 1) to our school community this term. We trust their time here at Holy Family will be happy and rewarding.



School Attendance



Every Learner, Every Day is a campaign designed to raise awareness about the importance of attendance for every student, on every school day and to promote a healthy attendance culture. As part of this initiative members of our Attendance Team, Mrs Marie Edwards, Mr Anthony McElhone and Sr Brenda Kennedy, will be regularly following up students with attendance levels that are concerning. In addition we will be promoting positive attendance patterns by acknowledging classes and individuals with excellent attendance.

Our current attendance level is 84%. We need to improve this and we can do it together. Let's aim for a 6% improvement! Parents and carers can do a few simple things to achieve this goal!

- 1. Send your child to school every day unless they are sick.
- 2. Develop good sleep and morning routines.
- 3. Schedule appointments outside of school hours.
- 4. Avoid taking holidays during the school term.



Kindergarten Transition

Next week we commence the transition to school program for our new Kindergarten in 2018. We look forward to welcoming the new students and connecting with their families during the initial phase of the transition process next week.



School Contact Details - Updated again

Please note the school has another new phone number - 4773 7100. If you call the previous number (02 4773 4485) it will divert to the new number, but only until the end of this year. Our school email address remains unchanged luddenham@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Teacher Professional Learning

At Holy Family the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff benefits from attending inservices, in curriculum areas, that assist them in providing quality learning opportunities for the students in their class. The following staff have or will attend professional learning:

Date	Staff Members	Professional Learning	
19th & 20th October	Mr McElhone	Principal's Master Class	
24th October	Mrs Van As	EMU Middle Years Training	
3rd November	Miss Bilotta	Early Career Teacher Professional Learning	
6th November	Mr McElhone, Mrs Van As, Mrs Ryan	Professional Learning to Support Implementation of Learning Progressions	
7th November	Mr McElhone	Principal's Network Meeting	

Principal's Medallions

Congratulations to the Principal's Medallion recipients for Term 3 - Heidi Lewtschenko (Early Stage 1), Sharlay Pantazakos (Year 1), Leila Andrews (Stage 2), Alexandria Pelle (Year 3), William Baldacchino (Year 4), Georgia Calderwood (Year 5) and Evangelina Papalia (Year 6).



Academic Achievement Awards Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Ava Rymills	Carla Dura	Sarah Bartolo
Caleb Hodgetts	Amelia Pelle	Sofia Zamprogno
Lacey Andrews	Alyssa Gattelları	Patrick Camilleri
Marcus Zamprogno	Julia Krilich	Concetta Coletta
Sarah Powderly	Matthew Hodgetts	Joshua Baldacchino
Mikayla Camilleri	Braden Ford	Josh Obereigner
Aiden Luppino	Gabriella Timpano	
Jake McClafferty	Sarah Macri	

One Heart One Mind Awards Congratulations One Heart One Mind Awards Recipients

Taleah Eades	Satyana Guedes	Nathan Vella
Zac Rossetto	Nelson Lopreiato	Christian Miliambro
Lucas Camilleri	Ciara Awad	Alicia Mizzi
Hayleigh Garousse	James Gunther	Selina Dura
Daniela Finianos	Olivia Vella	Montayah Astruc
Jacob Footit	Jessica Gattellari	Ryan Azzopardi
Leon Lui	Jack O'Mahony	
Diana Baric	Charlene Camilleri	

Sports Update

Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day



Stage 3 Boys

On Friday the 22nd of September we travelled down to the Kingsway in St Marys for a Touch Footy gala day. We played 7 games that day, winning all of them and beating most of the teams by 8 or 9 tries to 0. We all played with good sportsmanship and played as a team, not individuals. We won our pool and everybody in our team played with loads of effort. Overall it was a great day that we were lucky enough to participate in.

By Dom and Ryan Wo

Stage 3 Girls

The Year 6 girls Touch Football team had loads of fun and represented our school with pride. On the day we successfully played 8 games with every team player getting a fair go. We started the day off exceptionally well winning our first 3 games, but by the end of the day we had a couple of loses and a draw. Even with a few losses we were all happy to know that we all did our very best. All players were very encouraging the whole day, not only to our team, but to all the teams at the event. We would all for sure do it again in a heartbeat.

By Chloe and Alyse

Thank you to Patrick and Josh of St Dominics who volunteered their time to assist Holy Family by refereeing on the day.

Finally, thank you to all the parents that came down to support our students and for the countless offers of assistance the teachers received throughout the day. A day like this would not be possible without your support.

2018 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Currently only the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL & TENNIS are open and registrations close on Friday 27th October as these trials will be held in November 2017. All other sport registrations will open in November for 2018 trials.

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2018 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2017 and Term One in 2018.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2018 be invited to attend.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch (B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au

This online form is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for the 2018 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. Parents may complete this form to attend a selection trial. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY and MUST be approved by the child's school. In order for the child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of the school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. All fields and especially "Representative Experience" MUST be completed. *Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.*

Upcoming Sporting Events

Monday 23rd October 2017- Basketball Gala Day (Cambridge Park)

Wednesday 8th November 2017 – League Tag (Camden)

Christine Hall

Head of Sport

Book Club

Book Club was sent home last Thursday. This is our last order for 2017 and if you would like to order, please do so by Thursday 26th October.

If your order is a Christmas gift, just let the office know and we will contact you when we receive the items.





ICAS Awards

Congratulations to the students who participated in the ICAS exams. Awards for these will be given out next Friday 26th October at our Whole School Assembly.

School Fees

Thank you to the families who have finalised their school fees for Term 3. These fees are now overdue. Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Principal or myself, fees are payable in accordance with the Diocesan School Fees Policy which states "all fees are due and payable within 30 days of the date the school account statement is issued." If you are having difficulties with the payment of your school fees, I encourage you to contact me on 4773 7100 or mmiller@parra.catholic.edu.au to discuss payment options. The Catholic Education Office is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship. Please be assured of complete confidentiality when discussing financial issues.

The school fee collection process has commenced on overdue accounts that have not been addressed as above. School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, Direct Debit, cash, EFTPOS Credit Card or cheque.

Monica Miller Finance Officer



2018 Team Sport Trials

All correspondence to:

PDCPSSC

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Parramatta Diocese 2018 Information For Parents of current Year 4

and Year 5 students - Registration window open only for Basketball & Tennis ONLY

Dear Parents,

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2018 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2017 and Term One in 2018. It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2018 be invited to attend.** To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Registration closing date
AFL	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Basketball	Open boys & girls	14th November 2017	Friday 27th October 2017
Cricket	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Diving	10/11yrs girls & boys & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2018	Registration via CSSS in 2018
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2018	Registration via CSSS in 2018
Hockey	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Netball	Open girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys - NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Rugby Union	Open boys	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Softball	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018
Tennis	Open boys & girls	20th November 2017	Friday 27th October 2017
Touch	Open boys & girls	Term One 2018	Friday 2nd February 2018

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form". Each sport has a different registration criteria.

This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2018 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport and when completed, click SUBMIT.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST** be approved by your child's school. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience"**.

Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.

Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.

\$8.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for after school trials & \$10.00 trialling fee is payable on the day for half day and full day trials.

This is to be paid upon registration at the trials once your child has been approved to attend the Parramatta Diocesan Trials.

Please note that the full day trials will be for boys cricket, boys soccer, boys rugby league & boys rugby union.

Due to the popularity of boys cricket, boys soccer and girls netball a maximum of 2 children only are eligible to trial from each school. Selection of the 2 boys and girls will be made jointly by the school sport coordinator and principal.

Half day trial for tennis and netball... all other trials will be held after school beginning at 4pm.

MACKILLOP TRIAL

It should be noted that the main purpose of the Mackillop trial is to select a team to compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. The Inter-Diocesan MacKillop Trial is not a competition although a round robin format is often used to facilitate the selection procedure.

NSW PSSA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Children who are successful at being selected in the Mackillop team will compete at the N.S.W. P.S.S.A. Championships. These championships involve three or four days of competition at various locations in NSW. Children selected in these teams may also be required to attend training sessions. At the NSW PSSA Championships a State team will be selected to participate at the School Sport Australia Inter State Exchange for some sports.

SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA

To be considered for selction in the NSWPSSA state team for participation at all School Sport Australia 12 Years & Under championships: Students mus be turning between the ages of 10 and 12 in the year of competition i.e. Students turning the ages of 8, 9 and 13 in the year of competition are not eligible for NSWPSSA State selection.

Please note the following information:

- Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangements and must remain to supervise their child at the trial at all times.
- · Children need to generally be of representative standard.
- Attendance at training days, where applicable is compulsory.
- The selector's decisions are final.
- Parents will need to make their own travel arrangements for children representing Parramatta at Inter-Diocesan MacKillop trials. This
 may mean travel to Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra, Wagga or Forbes.
- Please be aware that the teacher conducting the trial and accompanying the team to the venue is a "Team Manager" ~ not a coach.

If you would like your child to participate in one of the Parramatta Diocesan trials please complete the Team Online Registration Form that can be accessed via the website www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the SPORT you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "PDCPSSC Expression of Interest Registration Form".

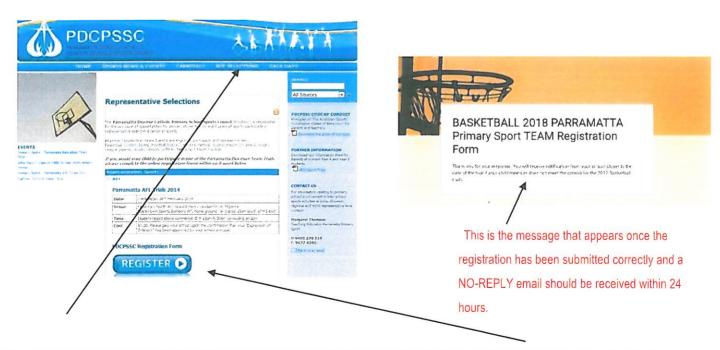
NOMINATIONS close Friday 27th October 2017 for the sports of Basketball & Tennis and entries close Friday 2nd February 2018 for all other sports.

Kind Regards,

Margaret Thornton

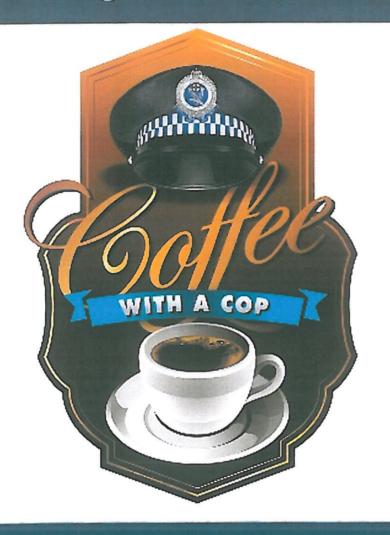
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Management and Staff would like to invite you to:



14/11/201 (a)

Gemma- Lee's Café Luddenham 9:30am

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!

For more information please call the Green Valley Local Area Commands Crime Prevention Officer Senior Constable FRISINA –

Green Valley Local Area Command



100 Station St

Penrith NSW 2750

To Whom it May Concern

PAWS Studios is collaboratively working with the Penrith Community Kitchen on fundraising for 2018. 2018 is the 20th Anniversary of the Penrith Community Kitchen and with their kind assistance PAWS will be asking for donations and sponsorships for their gala community event they will be holding in 2018.

The money raised will help the kitchen replenish old items, stock the freezers and assist with overheads, to ensure the kitchen can continue to feed approximately 500-800 underprivileged or homeless each week.

We thank you in advance and appreciate the support to help those less fortunate.

If you would like any further information on the kitchen please contact Gai Hawthorn on 0437506517.

Kind regards

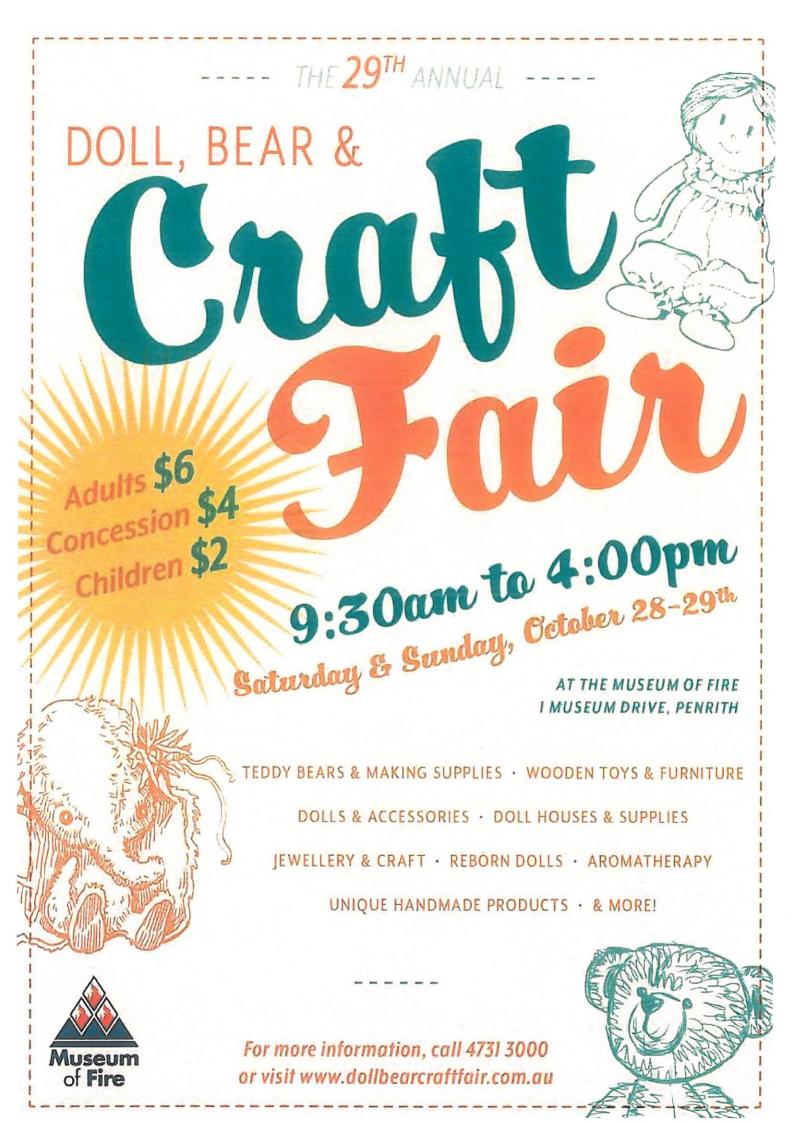
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President

Penrith Community Kitchen

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Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2019

Catherine McAuley Westmead is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2019. The closing date for Year 7 2019 applications 1st round offers is Friday, 6th April 2018.

Parents and their daughters have the opportunity to tour the school campus at one of our upcoming school tours specifically for Year 7 2019 applicants, but open to any year group.

Wednesday 18th October and Monday 6th November 2017 9.15 – 11am

These mornings will provide parents and students with the opportunity to tour our school on a normal school day. You will be able to view our school grounds and facilities, go into classrooms and meet our students and teachers. Enrolment packs will be available on the day.

Please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100 to book a place on a school tour.

Save The Date – The Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Afternoon will be held from 4.00pm – 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th March 2018.

