



St Margaret Mary's School

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Update

Wednesday, 2nd November, 2016

Diary Dates

Thursday, 3rd November

- Infants Liturgy 2:15pm in the Hall.

Friday, 4th November

- Year Five Leadership Day at Narrabeen.

Monday, 7th November

- 8:40am Whole School Assembly and Prayer.
- No Second Hand Uniform Shop today. **Closed**

Tuesday, 8th November

- Infants Tabloid Sports Carnival 9:30am—12:00pm at King Park, Merrylands. Parents are invited to attend.

Wednesday, 9th November

- Kindergarten 2017 Orientation 9:00am—10:40am.
- Second Hand Uniform Shop open today 8:50am—10:40am.
- St Margaret Mary's Parish Confirmation Mass 7:00pm.

Leaving

If you know your child/ren will not be returning to this school in 2017, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Head Lice Alert

We have been notified of a number of cases of head lice across the grades. This is a reminder that it is a good time to treat your child/ren's hair and wash bed linen & school hats. Head Lice are an ongoing problem within schools which can only be solved with parents support.

Reading Folders

Mr Mills will be visiting grades during next week to check student's reading logs. Parents are to encourage their child/ren to read every day.

Administration

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY FRIDAY, 25th NOVEMBER

THIS IS A PUPIL FREE DAY

Skoolbag App

All parents are encouraged to have the Skoolbag App, as this will be the main preference for communication to all parents.



Kindergarten 2017

Orientation Mornings will be held on Wednesdays 9th November, 16th November and 23rd November, from 9:00am to 10:40am. Students are to bring a small snack to eat and a drink in a small backpack. We encourage students to attend all three days.

Car Pick Up

Parents please reminded your child/ren about the expectations of Car Pick Up.

1. Children are to sit with family in the number area.
2. Children are to be listening to the caller for their car number
3. Children must be attentive and not playing.
4. Children are to walk quickly and follow all instructions.
5. Children are to use manners at all times.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Infants Tabloid Sports Carnival

The Tabloid Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 8th November, at the Kings Park, Merrylands, starting at **9:30am** and ending at about **12:00pm**. All children must be at school by 8:40am. Their teachers will walk them to the park.

An invitation to attend the carnival is extended to all parents and friends.

Uniform: School sports uniform is to be worn, including hat and sunscreen. Please ensure all hats and jackets are labelled with your child's name.

Recess: Recess will be at the park from 10:30am-10:45am. Children will need to bring their recess and drinks to the park with them in a small bag.

Thank you

Mr Mills and the Staff of St Margaret Mary's would like to thank our P&F for the lovely morning tea provided for us on World Teachers' Day last Friday. It was greatly appreciated by all staff.



Thank You!

Student Banking

Just to let all parents and students know that the last day for Student Banking for 2016 will be Tuesday, 15th November. Thank you to all the students who participated in this program.

Principal's Morning Tea

Mr Mills will be holding a Principal's Morning Tea on Friday 11th November, for all the students who have received all 4 Pillar Awards, and are eligible for a Principal's Award.

The 4 Pillars

Faith Community
Personal Growth

Partnership
Teaching and Learning.

Faith Community

World Youth Day

The destructive earthquake tore down and left serious damage to houses and schools, this is what brought the people from all around the world to the Philippines. Representing our school, St Margaret Mary's, Miss Fardella and Mrs. Prendergast made a difference to many peoples lives. Miss Fardella went to a high school called Christ the King Academy while Mrs Prendergast went to Panglao Elementary School. As well as teaching the students, there they learnt a much bigger lesson: To be grateful for what you have.



Even though a lot of the children didn't have what we have they always had a smile on their face. Because of the destruction the teachers helped reconstruct the schools that were damaged. Miss Fardella put together a presentation to explain her pilgrimage and shared it with our school students.

By Grazia Carrano and Angelina Georges



Personal Growth

Monday Assembly

On Monday, 31st October, Mr Mills reminded us about working hard towards one of the Five Pillar Certificates which is awarded to the classes. He also talked about respecting others as we would like to be respected, and to treat others as we would like to be treated.

Partnership

Parents and Friends

Just a couple of reminders.

Firstly our BINGO Night to be held on Friday the 18th November. This is a fun night so mark the date and bring the family.

We are looking for parents who can help with the wrapping of prizes on Thursday 17th November. If you can help please complete the slip at the bottom of last weeks newsletter and drop it into the school office. All help will be greatly appreciated.

Students can bring in a donation for the BINGO Night from Monday 14th November to Thursday 17th November.

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School uniforms for St Margaret Mary's

Grosby school shoes – 30% off second pair (equal or cheaper value)

Boys shirts, shorts and trousers

Girls dresses, blouses and



Important Dates for Term Four

Thursday, 3rd November

Infants Liturgy 2:15pm in Hall.

Friday, 4th November

Year Five Leadership Day at Narrabeen.

Tuesday, 8th November

Infants Tabloid Sports Carnival. 9:30am—12:00pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, 9th November

Kindergarten 2017 Orientation Day 9:00am—10:40am.

Second Hand Uniform Shop Open 9:00am—10:40am.

Year Five Liturgy 2:15pm in Learning Space.

Friday, 11th November

Remembrance Day.

Principal's Award Morning Tea.

Monday, 14th November to Thursday, 17th November

Students to bring in a donation for the Bingo Night.

Tuesday, 15th November

Last day for Student Banking for 2016.

Wednesday, 16th November

Kindergarten 2017 Orientation Day 9:00am—10:40am.

Second Hand Uniform Shop Open 9:00am—10:40am

Friday, 18th November

P&F Bingo Night.

Sunday, 20th November

Feast of Christ the King.

Wednesday, 23rd November

Kindergarten 2017 Orientation Day 9:00am—10:40am.

Thursday, 24th November

St Margaret Mary's Year Six Art Exhibition.

Friday, 25th November

Staff Professional Learning Day.

Sunday, 27th November

1st Sunday of Advent.

Monday, 28th November

P&F Morning Tea in the LARC at 9:00am.

Wednesday, 30th November

Year Four Liturgy 2:15pm in Learning Space.

P&F Annual General Meeting 6:30pm in the Staffroom.

Sunday, 4th December

2nd Sunday of Advent.

Thursday, 8th December

Year Six Graduation Mass.

Friday, 9th December

Whole School Thanksgiving Mass 9:00am.

Year Six Graduation Dinner.

Sunday, 11th December

3rd Sunday of Advent.

Monday, 12th December

Year Six Aquatic Centre Fun Day.

Friday 16th December

Students finish at 3pm for 2016.

Sunday, 18th December

4th Sunday of Advent.

Monday, 19th December

Staff Professional Learning Day.

Tuesday, 20th December

Staff Professional Learning Day. School Closes for 2016.

Friday, 25th November

Staff Professional Learning Day.

Monday, 30th January 2017

MAI Testing for all grades.

Tuesday, 31st January 2017

MAI Testing for all grades.

Wednesday, 1st February

MAI Testing for Kindy 2017 Students in Years 1-6 2017 return to school.

Thursday, 2nd February

All Kindergarten 2017 start school.