



# St Margaret Mary's School

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## Bulletin

Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2017

### Diary Dates

#### Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June

- Year Three Prayer Service 2:15pm in Learning Space.

#### Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June

#### Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

- Holy Trinity

#### Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June

- Public Holiday

#### Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June

- 8:40am Assembly and School Prayer.

#### Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

- Year Four Prayer Service 2:15pm in Learning Space.

### Mini Vinnies

The Mini Vinnies' Winter Sleepout has been postponed to next term. It will now be on the 11<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

### Change of Details

If you have moved house or changed your contact details, please notify the school office as soon as possible to update your details in case of an emergency.

### Skoolbag App

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



Read to Learn

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Boys and Girls,

As we leave the Easter Season through Pentecost, and celebrate Holy Trinity this Sunday, we see that Trinity Sunday honours the most fundamental of Christian beliefs—belief in the Holy Trinity. The human mind can never fully understand the mystery of the Trinity. However, God made us to be a reflection of the unity and individuality that is in the Trinity, that is, each person is totally united in love for each other.

Today as we hear and see more acts of violence in our world we need to support our children about learning about loving others, as well as being kind to each other. Showing our children that mercy and forgiveness are acts of love that the Holy Spirit uses through us can be a soothing force that keeps our children growing in Christ's light and love. The more we learn to love, the more we will understand what God is like. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, is an apt way of looking at God's love.

*Love is patient; Love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.*

Love is more than just words; it is action. In our families and our parish and school communities we come together to support Love, Faith and Hope – by living and modelling to our children the different strategies of loving, we are supporting their positive actions to others.

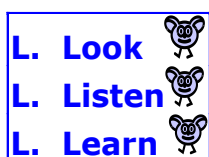
Today more than ever, our schools are meeting places for the world's cultures and languages, places of encounter and dialogue, where we learn about God's presence within us and where we encounter God in others. Through God the Creator, and Jesus as the presence of Love in our World we ask the Holy Spirit to work through others giving Hope to us all.

Yours in Christ,

Ms Jennifer Veness  
Acting Principal



### Learning Space Pointers



### Playground Pointers



# Administration

## 2018 Enrolments

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2018 are filling up fast. If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2012, and 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2013, please collect an enrolment form from the school office. Enrolment interviews have now commenced. If you have collected an enrolment form and not returned it, could you please do so as soon as possible. Please contact the school office if you have not yet received an appointment day and time for an interview.

## School Fees

All Term Two school fees need to be finalized unless arrangements have been made.

If you have any queries regarding school fees please contact Maria Pagano in the school office.

## New Accounting System

Parents, we would like to advise you that from the beginning of Term Three St Margaret Mary's will be starting a new finance system in the office. This system now relies on correct email addresses for parents to receive receipts for all payments.

To allow this new process to start smoothly we ask parents to complete the form below with a current email addresses for both parents/guardians and return it to the school office by Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

During this initial stage we do ask parents to be understanding and patient. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your kind understanding.

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### Parents' Email Addresses

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian

## Semester 1 Interviews

In week 10 this term the whole school will be conducting interviews. Kindergarten, Years One, Two and Three will hold Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews and Years Four, Five and Six will have student-led interviews. The dates for the grades are:

**Kindergarten, Years One, Two and Three:** Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> June and Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June (into evening). Year Three will also have some interviews held Wednesday morning until 9.20am

**Years Four, Five and Six** will all be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June in three timeslots. Our on-line booking system will be in place for Kindergarten, Years One, Two and Three.

Years Four, Five and Six will be asking parents to choose a specific hourly timeslot, through a letter. All information sheets and letters for Kindergarten to Year Six will go home this Thursday and the on-line booking will open Thursday afternoon, 8<sup>th</sup> June, at 4pm.

This will be an exciting time to see how your child/ren are progressing. Please bring along your reports that you will receive before the interview dates.

With thanks,

Ms Jennifer Veness



## Personal Growth



### BIRTHDAYS



Gabriella Dutrey

Sayasa Rai

Mario Beos

Paul Hanna

Anthony Abousleiman

Ameli Passa

Lexavier Amankwatia

Ajok Kondok

Mikayla Gadd

Joey Leibrandt

Jacob El Rassi

Lucas Bounassif

Congratulations to all those children who celebrated their birthday around this time.

## Premier's Reading Challenge 2017

Any child, K-6, wishing to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) this year may do so online by going to the PRC website:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

If you have any queries or problems, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Balogh-Caristo (Teacher/Librarian)



# Faith Community

## Pentecost Liturgy

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, St Margaret Mary's celebrated the church's birthday with the celebration of Pentecost! Why is Pentecost the birthday of the Church you may ask? It is mainly because the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and they were then able to speak to all peoples. The Church is for everyone who loves God.



At the Prayer Service, students from different grades held symbols that represented the Holy Spirit. We learnt that Pentecost is a very special time for the church where we celebrate that we are all disciples of Christ.

By Kaylii Jara and Kyna Garcia (Five Red)



## Year Five's Pentecost Liturgy

On Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> of June, Year Five held their whole grade liturgy, based on Pentecost! They shared the events of Pentecost, what the disciples were feeling when they were touched by the Holy Spirit. We reflected on being God's Children in Christ. Year Five would like to thank all of the parents for coming to this special occasion.

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# Partnership

## Parent to Parent

On Behalf of the 2017 Parents & Friends Association, we would like to thank all the parents who have helped so far with our events this year. We welcome as many new parents and friends to join us.



The next **P&F Meeting** will be held in Term 3, on Wednesday, **26<sup>th</sup> July**, from 7:00-8:00pm.

The **School Disco** will be held on Friday, **21<sup>st</sup> July**, 2017. Information regarding times for the disco's and parent helpers will be sent out in the coming weeks.

The **Fete** will go ahead as planned for Saturday, **21<sup>st</sup> October**, 2017. We will be holding our first formal **meeting** regarding the Fete. On Monday, **19<sup>th</sup> June** from 2:00pm - 3:00pm. At this meeting we will be talking about activities that have already been organized and booked for the Fete, as well as areas we still require help with from our parents and friends. Please join us at this meeting and show your support. The location of this meeting will either be in the staff Study or LARC. The venue will be confirmed on arrival. A follow up **meeting** will be held on the following Monday, **26<sup>th</sup> June**, from 9:00am-10:00am.

Thank you to all the parents who have already volunteered their time for the fete.

We look forward to working as a community and celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the school.

P&F President  
Tanya Georges

## MERRYLANDS WEST SCHOOL &

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\*\*Lay-by Welcome\*\*

Mon-Thurs 9-5 Sat 10-3

## ALL YOUR UNIFORM NEEDS IN ONE PLACE...

- School uniforms for St Margaret Mary
- Grosby school shoes - 30% off second pair (equal or cheaper value)
- Boys shirts, shorts and trousers
- Girls dresses, slacks, blouses and skirts
- School socks, sports socks, tights
- School back packs & laptop bags

# CHOOSE WATER as a drink

Water is the best drink as it does not have any added sugar. Fruit juices, soft drink, sports drinks or cordials should not be given to your child everyday as they contain a lot of added sugar.

## HOW MUCH WATER SHOULD CHILDREN DRINK EVERY DAY?

1-5 years	6x 250ml glasses = 1.5 litres
6-12 years	6x 250ml glasses = 1.5 litres

MAKE HEALTHY NORMAL

NSW Health Western Sydney Local Health District

### HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD DRINK MORE WATER

- Show children that you enjoy drinking water
- Drink water with every meal
- Take a reusable bottle of water when you go out
- Place water with your child's lunch
- Encourage your child to drink water when they play sports
- Limit buying sugar sweetened drinks



# Asthma First Aid

## 1 Sit the person upright

- Be calm and reassuring
- Do not leave them alone



## 2 Give 4 separate puffs of blue/grey reliever puffer

- Shake puffer
- Put 1 puff into spacer
- Take 4 breaths from spacer

Repeat until 4 puffs have been taken

Remember: Shake, 1 puff, 4 breaths

OR give 2 separate doses of a Bricanyl inhaler (age 6 & over) or a Symbicort inhaler (over 12)



## 3 Wait 4 minutes

- If there is no improvement, give 4 more separate puffs of blue/grey reliever as above

OR give 1 more dose of Bricanyl or Symbicort inhaler



## 4 If there is still no improvement call emergency assistance - Dial Triple Zero (000)

- Say 'ambulance' and that someone is having an asthma attack
- Keep giving 4 separate puffs every 4 minutes until emergency assistance arrives

OR give 1 dose of a Bricanyl or Symbicort every 4 minutes - up to 3 more doses of Symbicort



### Call emergency assistance immediately - Dial Triple Zero (000)

- If the person is not breathing
- If the person's asthma suddenly becomes worse or is not improving
- If the person is having an asthma attack and a reliever is not available
- If you are not sure if it's asthma
- If the person is known to have Anaphylaxis - follow their Anaphylaxis Action Plan, then give Asthma First Aid

Blue/grey reliever medication is unlikely to harm, even if the person does not have asthma



## Asthma Australia

Contact your local Asthma Foundation

1800 ASTHMA Helpline (1800 278 462) [asthmaaustralia.org.au](http://asthmaaustralia.org.au)

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