



St Margaret Mary's School

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Update

Wednesday, 13th September, 2017

Diary Dates

Thursday, 14th September

- Year Four Science Incursion
11:30am - 12:30pm.

Friday, 15th September

- Kindergarten Prayer Service
2:15pm in Learning Space.

Monday, 18th September

- Assembly and School Prayer
8.40am.

Tuesday, 19th September

Wednesday, 20th September

New School Phone Number

The new St Margaret Mary's School phone number is **8633 8400**.
Telstra has provided CEDP with a new digital phone line upgrade for all schools, which has resulted in a new phone number for our school.

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.

Leaving

If you know your child/ren will not be returning to this school in 2018, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Administration

Staff Professional Learning Day CANCELLED

The Staff Professional Learning Day that was scheduled for Friday, 22nd September, 2017 has been **cancelled** and is now a normal school day for all students and staff.

School Hours

Parents are reminded school commences at 8:40am and finishes at 3:00pm. It is important that students are here by 8:30am to begin classes at 8:40am. There is no supervision in the mornings before the 8:15am bell. Parents are also reminded that they need to collect their child from school at 3:00pm. If you are running late please contact the school office. School office hours are 8:15am to 3:15pm.

Lunch Orders

All lunch orders are to be handed in at the canteen before going to class at 8:40am. If your child is placing a lunch order please ensure that they are at school before 8:30am to have their lunch ordered and ready for class when the 8:40am bell goes.

Summer Uniform

All students will return to school in full summer uniform for Term Four.

Students with long hair are reminded they are to tie their hair back with school coloured ribbons or hair ties.

Some students have been wearing the incorrect sports shoes and socks. This is just a reminder, that sports shoes should be joggers that are predominately white. There are to be No 'High Top' joggers (*basketball style shoes*), canvas lace ups or slip on shoes. Sport socks must be short white turn over tops socks. Not the ankle socks that are hidden under the shoe. We thank you for your support in this matter.

Car Pick Up

Thank you to all the parents who use the car pick up service, we have not had any problems with the police in this area. Please obey all the car pick up and road rules to ensure a safe pick up for your child/ren.

Partnership

P & F News



Donations for the FETE

If you have not yet donated an item from the list for each grade it is not too late. All items must be brought in by Friday 15th September. Students names will be marked off when they bring in their item by their class teacher. Alternatively, items can be left at the school office.



Last Chance to buy Ride Wristbands for the FETE



P&F will be pre-selling ride Wristbands for \$25 each in the LARC, for the very last time before the FETE, on Monday 18th September after the morning assembly for half an hour only.

YES, you can purchase as many Bands as you wish. **CASH ONLY**

*Tickets will be available to be purchase on the day of the fete @ \$5 each ride or an unlimited ride band @ \$35.

Volunteers Needed

If there are any parents, friends or family that have a First Aid Certificate your help on the day of the Fete would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the P&F on email: smmpmfete@gmail.com.



Administration

Important Dates for Term 4

Friday, 22 nd September	Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day. Normal School Day – Not Staff Professional Learning Day. School Closes 3:00pm for Term 3
Monday, 9 th October	School Resumes for Term 4.
Wednesday, 11 th October	Year Three Fizzies Education Incursion.
Monday, 16 th October	Feast of St Margaret Mary Whole School Mass 9am. Whole School Picnic at Holroyd Gardens Park, Pitt Street Merrylands 11:00am—2:30pm.
Wednesday, 18 th October	Whole School Open Day.
Saturday, 21 st October	P&F 75 th Anniversary School Fete.
Thursday, 26 th October	Year Six Cumberland Sustainability Expo. Kindergarten 2018 Parent Information Evening 6:00pm—7:30pm.
Tuesday, 31 st October	Invitational Swimming Carnival 9:00am—11:00am.
Wednesday, 1 st November	All Saints Day.
Thursday, 2 nd November	All Souls Day.
Friday, 10 th November	Staff Reflection Day. This is a pupil free day.
Wednesday, 15 th November	Kindergarten 2018 Orientation Morning 9:00am—10:40am.
Friday, 17 th November	Year Five Leadership Day at Narrabeen Sport and Recreation.
Saturday, 18 th November	P&F Family Portraits Day.
Wednesday, 22 nd November	Kindergarten 2018 Orientation Morning 9:00am—10:40am. Kindergarten 2018 Parent Numeracy Information Session 9:00—10:40am.
Thursday, 23 rd November	Year One Let's go walkabout Bicentennial Park. Year Six Art Show.
Wednesday, 29 th November	Kindergarten 2018 Orientation Morning 9:00am—10:40am. Kindergarten Parent Religious Education and Literacy Information Session 9:00am—10:40am.
Sunday, 3 rd December	1 st Sunday of Advent.
Thursday, 7 th December	Year Six Graduation Mass.
Friday, 8 th December	Year Six Graduation Dinner.
Sunday, 10 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent..
Monday, 11 th December	Year Six Aquatic Centre Fun Day.
Friday, 15 th December	School Closes for students for 2017.
Sunday, 17 th December	3 rd Sunday of Advent.
Monday, 18 th December	Staff Professional Learning Day.
Tuesday, 19 th December	Staff Professional Learning Day.
Monday, 29 th January	Staff Return for 2018.
Tuesday, 30 th January	Years 1—6 Return.
Friday, 2 nd February	Kindergarten Start.

Personal Growth

Principals Morning Tea.

Mr Mills will hold a Principal's Morning Tea early in Term Four. Students will have the next two weeks to achieve all their awards for a Principal's Award.

Infants Tabloid Sports Carnival



On Wednesday, 6th of September, Infants had their Sports Carnival at King's Park. They played lots of games like cat and mouse, parachute, tunnel ball, tug of war, rob the nest and egg and spoon race. After we played some games, we had recess at the park.

By Gabriella Mifsud and Sienna Tamer



Faith Community



St Margaret Feast Day 75th Celebrations



On 16th October, the Feast day of St Margaret Mary, we will be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of our School. The plans for this important event will be:

- 9.00am: Whole School Mass
- 11.30am - 2.30pm: A Whole School Picnic Day at Holroyd Gardens.

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend this special day and join us to celebrate this important event.

More details will follow.

Anne Prendergast
REC

