



St Margaret Mary's School

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Update

Wednesday, 8th November, 2017

Diary Dates

Thursday, 9th November

Friday, 10th November

• Staff Professional Learning Day

This is a Pupil Free Day.

Saturday, 11th November

- Remembrance Day.

Sunday, 12th November

- Confirmation Session Five

Monday, 13th November

- 8:40am Assembly and School Prayer.
- St Margaret Mary's Parish Confirmation Rehearsal 7:00pm

Tuesday, 14th November

Wednesday, 15th November

- Kindy 2018 Orientation Morning 9:00am - 10:40am.
- Year Five Cerdon Coaching Clinic 11:20am-12:20pm.
- St Margaret Mary's Parish Sacrament of Confirmation 7:00pm.

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 in writing.

It is a CEDP Policy that **10 weeks notice** is given to the school, otherwise a full term fees will be required to be paid prior to leaving the school.

New School Phone Number

The new St Margaret Mary's School phone number is **8633 8400**.

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.

Administration

Staff Professional Learning Day

Friday, 10th November, 2017

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Reminder

Parents are reminded not to park across or stop in driveways in Henson Street, Chetwynd Road, and Davies Street.

Our neighbours and the school can and will notify police of parents parking across and in driveways.



Slime

Students are reminded that Slime, that children play with, is not to be brought to school. If students are caught with Slime it will be taken from them.

November

The Men of St Margaret Mary's will be participating in the November Foundation Grow a Mo for Men's Health. This includes men's cancer foundations. Please support our male staff in this event.



Faith Community

All Saint Mass

On Wednesday, 1st November, St Margaret Mary's School and Parish came together to celebrate All Saints' Day. On this special day, we remember all those who have gone to Heaven and become Saints. We reflected on some of our favourite Saints like St Margaret Mary and St Patrick, and also prayed for people in our lives who have gone to be with Jesus in Heaven. Thank you to all who attended and prayed with us.



Mini Vinnies

On Friday, the 3rd of November, a small group of Mini Vinnies' members created a prayer which they presented in the morning, at student prayer. They read the gospel of Matthew, where Jesus was explaining the most important commandments. Jesus said, "God's Greatest law was you must love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and with all your mind." They then asked us to reflect, on how we can be a better person.

By: Salome Blandon and Raia Vivas (Year Six)



Faith Community

Raising Money for Westmead Children's Hospital

Can you even imagine what it would be like if you were in the hospital this Christmas?

It would be dreadful!

So that is why Mini Vinnies will be holding 'Treats for toys'!

On Tuesday, 14th November, Mini Vinnies will be selling treats such as Zooper Doopers, lollies, donuts,

biscuits, popcorn bags, brownies, chocolate crackles and fruit cups. There will also be a guessing jar competition for primary and infants.

We are doing this to raise money to buy toys to give to the sick children in Westmead Children's Hospital this Christmas. All prices are starting from \$1.

This event will only be happening at recess, so bring in you money for a treat!

By: Isabella and Tania



Personal Growth

Principal's Morning Tea

On the 2nd November, Mr Mills held a Principal's Morning Tea to reward the children who had

received their Principal's Award. This was a fun experience for the Primary and Infants students.

They had lolly cups, poppers, packets of chip and zaatar. They were then given yummy ice blocks.

It was a great experience and on behalf of the students we would like to thank Mr Mills for the fabulous morning tea.

By Mikayla Yaacoub & Therese Ibrahim



Partnership

Wacky Hair and Sock Day

Wacky Hair and Sock Day was a big success.

Many students from Kindy to Year Six, had wacky hair and socks. We

had never seen children with so much colour in their hair! We were so happy to see students and staff participate in this event.

We had raised a lot of money for our graduation and Year Six would like to thank everyone who supported us.

By: Elie Merhi and Grace Neculman (Year Six)



StMM's Band

On Tuesday, 7th November, the Year Two students were entertained by a wonderful

performance from the StMM's Band. Mrs Ciccarelli led the band which played a variety of well known songs. The band students were

demonstrating the types of instruments that are available for students to play if they

join the StMM's Band next year. If your child would like to join the school band information

is available from the school office.



OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, November 15, 2017- the last tour of the year.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

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every learner every day

ABSENCES ADD UP!

2 DAYS A MONTH = 4 WEEKS A YEAR = MISSING MORE THAN 1 YEAR OF LEARNING IN 12 YEARS

DID YOU KNOW

1 IN 6 PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

- BE PREPARED: Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
- Establish good sleep and morning routines
- Schedule appointments after school
- Avoid taking holidays during term time

GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY

Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life

SCHOOLS ARE THERE TO HELP

If you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it

every learner every day

L. Look
L. Listen
L. Learn

D. Do
Y. Your
B. Best

K. Keep
O. On
T. Task

Q. Quick
Q. Quiet
Q. Quality