



St Margaret Mary's School

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Update

Wednesday, 3rd July 2019

Diary Dates

Thursday, 4th July

Friday, 5th July

- School Closes for Term 2 at 3pm.

Monday, 22nd July

- School Resumes for Term 3.
- Whole School Assembly and Prayer

Tuesday, 23rd July

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Wednesday, 24th July

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School Holidays

We hope that all students, parents and teachers have an enjoyable holiday and a good rest. We look forward to seeing you all next term.

Apology

Mr Mills would like to apologise to all the infants parents who brought their shoes to participate in the So Energetic yesterday. We will hold another one early next term.

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**.



Administration

Enrolment

All sibling families should have received their child's letter of offer for a place in our Kindergarten 2020. Acceptances are now overdue, please return the acceptance slip by Friday 5th July, as we have a number of families on a waiting list to enrol at St Margaret Mary's.

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2020 are now taking place. If your child was born between 1st August, 2014 and 31st July, 2015, please collect an enrolment form from the school office.

School Office

No money will be taken at the school office on **Thursday 4th July and Friday 5th July**. **All Term 2 school fees must be finalised by Wednesday, 3rd July unless arrangements have been made.**

There will also be **NO SALES** of Hats, Caps or Library Bags **on these days**.

StMM's Canteen

Our online canteen service will continue into Term 3. The space will be refurbished during the holidays and the CEDP will begin the tender process once the work is completed. It is important to note the tender process is being handled by head office and all communication will be via the CEDP. We are looking forward to having the work completed and getting everything back to normal.

Important Dates for Term 3

Monday, 22 nd July	School Resumes for Term 3
Friday, 26 th July	Year 3 Excursion to Featherdale Wildlife Park
Tuesday, 30 th July	Rescheduled Stage 2 Boys & Girls Soccer Gala Day
Wednesday, 31 st July	P&F Meeting 6:30pm in the Staffroom
Friday, 2 nd August	Mini Vinnies Winter Sleepout
Tuesday, 6 th August	Cumberland Zone Athletics Carnival
Thursday, 8 th August	Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
Friday, 9 th August	Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
Tuesday, 13 th August	Kindy Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm
Friday, 15 th August	Feast of the Assumption
Friday, 23 rd August	Diocesan Athletics Carnival
Wednesday, 28 th August	Stage 3 Netball Gala Day
Friday, 30 th August	Father's Day Liturgy
Sunday, 1 st September	Father's Day
Tuesday, 3 rd September	Year 5 Planetarium Incursion
Thursday, 5 th September	Infants Athletics Carnival 12:30pm –3:00pm
Sunday, 8 th September	Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday, 12 th September	Year 5 Overnight Excursion to Vision Valley
Friday, 13 th September	Year 5 return from Vision Valley
Friday, 27 th September	Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day
	School Closes at 3:00pm for Term 3
Monday, 14 th October	School Resumes for Term 4
	Students return in Full Summer Uniform

Faith Community

Infants Liturgy

Last Wednesday, the infants students and teachers gathered with their families to celebrate a liturgy with the theme of "Pentecost: The Holy Spirit".

The students read some beautiful readings and sang songs with actions in response to our liturgy theme. We shared the story of, "The Pentecost Story" and students acted out the story as part of their liturgy. Students shared what they had learnt and how the Holy Spirit was sent to the disciples to help them to continue Jesus' work and spread his message around the world. At the end of the liturgy, our families were invited to sing and do the actions with us to the closing song "Holy Spirit Fills Me Up". Thank you to our families for celebrating this special celebration with us.



Sacred Heart Mass

On Friday, 28th June, we gathered as a school community to celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. This day symbolises how much Jesus loves us. Jesus showed his heart to St Margaret Mary in

several visions. This celebration also symbolises Jesus spreading his heart around the world so people can be kind to others and show faith. In the church there is a statue and also pictures of Jesus showing his Sacred Heart. Also there is a mosaic statue behind the altar with Jesus showing all his love from his Sacred Heart to St Margaret Mary. During the Homily, Father talked about the Solemnity of The Sacred Heart of Jesus and how it reminds us of the love Jesus has for humanity.

By Talia Moses and Sophia Khamis



Teaching & Learning

SORA - eBooks

All students in the Parramatta Diocese now have access to eBooks from home. Primary school students have access to the collection considered appropriate for a 'juvenile' audience by the publishers.

Students at St Margaret Marys need to use their Google Login and Password to access the eBooks and ACEN Collection - where school name is required. Students can borrow up to 3 eBooks at a time for usually 3 weeks. The books can be read on an iPad if you download the SORA app. or on a computer if you use the direct link to SORA: <https://soraapp.com/library/cenetau>

Lisa Nash, from CEDP, has created a short YouTube clip about using SORA: https://youtu.be/t3B_UCKVxJ0

Hope you all enjoy reading during the school holidays – the perfect time to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC closing date 30th August).

Mrs Balogh-Caristo



Partnership



Next Level Sports Winter Clinic Dates Confirmed:

- Week 1: Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th July.
- Week 2: Wednesday 17th to Friday 19th July.

Location: ST PATRICK'S PS, PARRAMATTA.

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Personal Growth

Principals Morning Tea

On Friday, 28th, students attended the Term 2 Principals Morning Tea. Mr Mills provided us with some lollies in a cup, a juice, packets of chips and a Lebanese pizza! The children enjoyed this fun experience. There were a lot of students who attended the morning tea.



To get a Principal's Award you need all four Pillar awards, Teaching and Learning, Faith Community, Partnership and Personal Growth. Keep working hard for the morning tea in Term 3! Thank you Mr Mills!

By: Isaac Zoumpoulis & Lakkari Harrison



Stranger Danger

Parents are reminded to talk with their children about the importance of Stranger Danger and how it can affect them and people around them. There have been reported cases of Stranger Danger in the area.

If a stranger follows you or tries to grab you...



BE SMART!
"If no one is with you, call 'HELP! HELP!' This stranger is trying to harm me! Run towards a public place where there are people. Never run into a dark or deserted area."

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30% of all St Margaret Mary's School Uniform Items at Merrylands West Uniform Shop until sold.

Books for Bubs in NICU

If you would like to help, you can keep an eye out for books on sale or some great fabric from your local fabric store. You may be able to pick up fabric on sale for \$2 per meter, and every meter helps.

If you have some time and would like to help us put the bags together, please call me on and I will arrange the fabric to be cut and delivered to you. We deliver once every 3 months so there is time to sew as much as you can.



If you would like to know more about the project, visit 'Books for bubs in the NICU' on Facebook, or you can contact Pauline Poulmale 0414 798 966.

