Term 1, Week 6 Wednesday February 2, 2017



St Monica's Primary School NEWSLETTER



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Díary Dates				
Wednesday March 1	*Mass Yrs 3-6 9:15am *Liturgy of the Word K-2 No meat products available in the canteen			
Friday March 3	Parish Mass Year 3			
Sat/Sun 4/5 March	Enrolment Forms for Sacrament of Confirmation available at Mass			
Monday March 6	School Assembly 8:50am – Prayer Year 3			
Tuesday March 7	Nude Food Day			
Wednesday March 8	Reconciliation Yr 5 P&F Meeting 7:30pm School Library			
Thursday March 9	Year 2 Excursion - Hawkesbury Museum			
Friday March 10	Parish Mass Year 4			
Monday March 13	School Assembly 8:50am – Prayer Year 2			
Tuesday March 14	Nude Food Day			

CANTEEN NEWS

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday 1st March 2017 and ends on Thursday 13th April

Meat (including chicken) will **NOT** be available in the canteen on Ash Wednesday and each Friday during Lent. We have a selection of *meat free* options available.

Special
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Cheese Pastizzi \$1.00 each Vegetarian Fried Rice \$3.50 Spinach & Cheese Roll \$2.50

Fish Fingers 60c each Fish Burger \$3.50 Mac & Cheese \$3.50 Nacho's \$3.50



Noodles \$2.50
Please see canteen price list for full selection

Dear Parents and Carers,

At our P&F Annual General Meeting held in November last year, we were unable to appoint office-bearers for 2017 due to no nominations being received, other than for Fundraising Co-ordinator. We will now proceed with a further meeting to elect office bearers on

Wednesday 8th March at 7:30pm in the school library

We need to fill the following positions:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Parent Representative Council Rep

I am very grateful to Allyson Reimer for nominating to continue in the role of Fundraising Co-ordinator and to Elissa Esposito and Michelle Rodziewicz for putting their name forward as Fete Co-ordinators.

The P&F is a wonderful support to the school and through its dedication and hard work, has been able to fund a number of projects over the years. Over the past 4 years, the P&F has raised funds for:

- Purchasing much needed technology (laptops and iPads)
- Purchasing Literacy and Numeracy resources
- Refurbishing the cricket nets
- Refurbishing the school library
- An annual donation to the school library for purchasing books and other resources

In 2017, it is hoped to raise sufficient funds to improve the school vegie garden, school grounds and provide playground markings (games) for the children to enjoy.

Please consider being part of the P&F by joining us on the night.

Meet the teacher interviews continue this week. These meetings are an excellent opportunity for teachers and parents to discuss the learning needs of each child. I would like to thank all parents and carers for making the time to meet with teachers and also to thank those parents who contacted the school if they were unable to make their appointment. This small courtesy is much appreciated by teachers.

Cameron Lievore

Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to the following parents who will be working in our canteen this week. We appreciate the time and effort you give to our students. If you are unable to attend on your rostered day please contact Alison on 0428 228 121

Wednesday 1 st March	Volunteer Needed Please Ash Wednesday - No meat products
Friday 3 rd March	Mardi Mantell No meat products during lent
Monday 6 th March	Joanne Apostolatos
Wednesday 8 th March	Nybia Ross
Friday 10 th March	Cassandra McKenzie & Michelle Saliba No meat products during lent



To the children who are celebrating their Birthdays over the next 2 weeks.....

*Jonathon P 1W	*Seth R KB	*Isabell Vella 3W
*Anthony A 1B	*Joseph S 2B	*Kayla T 6W
*Georgie A 6W	*Charlee R 2B	*Jacinta A 3W
*Darcy H 3B	*Rowdy G KW	*Bella C 3W
*Isabella B 2B	*Chloe R 5W	Bena 6 6 11

Cake Raffle

Cake Raffle is held on Thursday mornings. Check each fortnight to see if your child is rostered to supply a cake on this day. The cake can be homemade or purchased from the grocery store. Tickets are sold for 20cents each. All proceeds go towards purchases for our library.

Week 6 – Thursday March 2					
KW	Chloe C	KB	Abigail C-T		
1W	Archer B	1B	Marcus B		
2W	Matilda B	2B	Harry D		
3W	Aaron C	3B	Michael B		
4W	Zachary C	4B	Dylan B		
5W	Nicole C	5B	Kevin A		
6W	Makyah C-G	6B	Mitchell B		

Week 7 – Thursday March 9					
KB	Valentina D	KB	Flynn F		
1W	Travis C	1B	Anika C		
2W	Maddison B	2B	Elizabeth F		
3W	Morgan C	3B	Charlotte C		
4W	Corey H	4B	Imogen C		
5W	Jayden C	5B	Jake C		
6W	Aara D	6B	Kiara B		
K6G	Matias M				

FROM THE REC

Collection of Data.

Beginning on February 27th, all students will be asked to write or tell what they know about the picture included below. This is part of our collection of data that will help to inform us of the impact of teaching our Lenten/Easter units. The students will be asked to state what they know about the who, what, where, why and when of the events that lead up to the crucifixion, and what happened as a consequence.

Please talk to your children over the weeks of Lent about the image below. Children learn best from their parents, so if you can read a passage from a children's Bible, or retell the event as a story in your own words, they feel that they are sharing something important with you, linking school and home. If you are able, I encourage you to bring your children to the ceremonies taking place during Holy Week, as these celebrations are important not only to their lives, but will help to give them a better understanding of what we talk about in Religious Education. The image below is displayed in all learning spaces throughout the school and in prominent places like the Hall

and library.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Enrolment Forms for Sacrament of Confirmation will be available at weekend Masses from 4-5 March until the Enrolment Ceremonies at weekend Masses on 1-2 April.

1-2 April – **Enrolment Ceremonies** at Vigil and Sunday Masses

Tuesday 18 April – **Parent Night** starting at 7:00pm

Sunday 30 April – Sacramental Groups begin. 4 weeks duration

Tuesday 30 May - **Reconciliation** available 7:00pm

Tuesday 13 June Confirmation Ceremonies – commencing at 7:00pm

Wednesday 14 June



Come and Join Us!

Sunday, March 26th at 9:30am Mass, all St Monica's students are invited to celebrate together. Students in Kinder, Year 2 and 5 will be actively involved in many ministries for this Mass. Mass will be followed by morning tea in the meeting room. All students are welcome, regardless on the class they are in.

SPORTS NEWS

It has been a big couple of weeks for our swimming students. Congratulations to those who attended the swimming carnival and competed in their races. We had a number of students follow through to Zone, with Tayla K 5W being presented with 11yr Girls R/up. Tayla K, Emily K 4B, Siennah-Lilly B 6W(for individual events) and the Girls Senior Relay Team(Tayla K 5W, Holly D 6B, Siennah-Lilly B6W, Ashley T 6W) then went on to compete at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival. Siennah-Lilly B and the Senior Girls Relay Team have also made it through to the next level to compete at the Mackillop trials.







Water Fun Day

The hot weather didn't put a damper on our Water Fun Day! The children had an absolute ball at school enjoying lots of water activities and keeping cool.



Dominoes

The cold, crisp night shadows the land below Grey clouds gather, then the sea arose, The vivid sun shone and created a dazzling glow.

> The sea raced to shore Like a herd of fierce steeds, Salty blue waves arise Calmness is what it needs.

The towering rocks stood tall
Glancing at the crystal glazed sea,
It's as if nature made a call,
A call to call the sea.

The ragged rocks plunge into the depth of the sea below.

The sandstone erodes,

By the aggressive seas teeth.

Weakened. Shortened.
No longer tall,
Day by day, Night by night,
The rocks will fall.

The 12 Apostles - By Georgie Attard 6W





Bede Polding College Year 7 Enrolments 2018

Enrolment Application forms for Year 7 2018 will be available from the school office from Monday 27 February 2017. All feeder schools will also have enrolment forms available from this date. Completed applications MUST be returned to the College no later than Friday 26 May 2017.

It is absolutely essential that families with children at Bede Polding ensure that they collect an enrolment form for siblings they wish to commence at Bede Polding in Year 7 2018. The school has no way of knowing that you wish to enrol a sibling unless you submit an application.

School tours will be conducted during Catholic Schools Week (Monday 6 March to Friday 10 March 2017). If you wish to come to a tour of the College on Wednesday 8 March from 3:30pm to 5:30pm, please call the office to express your interest on 4577 6455