

Term 4, Week
Tuesday November 27, 2018



St Monica's Primary School Newsletter UPDATE



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Diary Dates

Wednesday November 28	Kinder 2019 Orientation
Thursday November 29	Kinder 2019 Parent Orientation
Friday November 30	Kinder 2019 Grade Orientation
Monday December 3	Swimming Carnival - School Canteen Closed Yr 6 Reflection Day No Assembly Today
Tuesday December 4	Nude Food Day
Thursday December 6	Disco North Richmond Panthers Years K-2 5:15pm – 6:30pm Years 3-6 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Upcoming Dates: *Dec 14 – EOY Mass, Awards & Christmas celebration *Dec 17 – Yr 6 Fun Day *Dec 18 – Yr 6 Graduation Mass *Dec 19 – Yr 6 Dinner - Last Day Term 4	



You are invited to
A day of great
celebration!



Friday 14th December

Celebrating a wonderful 2018!

Order of Events

9:30am Awards Presentation
10:50am Thank You Morning Tea
11:30am End of Year Mass in Church
1:00pm Family Picnic Lunch
1:45pm Christmas Concert



BYO Picnic Lunch on this day.

Only Hot Dogs will be available for sale from the canteen on this day (due to end of year and low stock) as well as snacks and drinks.

No other normal canteen ordering will be available.
Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Dear Families,

Over the coming weeks we will begin the process of placing children into learning groups for 2019. This takes considerable time and the school has a clearly defined process that teachers work through with Mrs Van Der Burg and myself.

Children will have an opportunity to nominate 2 friends with whom they would like to be placed in 2019. Teachers will endeavour to place children with at least one nominated friend.

Information from parents about the learning or social needs of their children is also one of the factors that is considered. If you have a specific request about the learning or social needs of your child, you are invited to place this in writing, addressed to me and forwarded to the school office.

It is important that parents understand that this is not an invitation for you to nominate your child's teacher. Instead, it is an opportunity for you to highlight any learning or social needs about your child that we might need to consider when placing them in a learning group.

Teachers will not be assigned to classes until the process of forming learning groups has been completed. It is also important to understand that once children have been placed in a learning group, changes are not possible.

Requests are to be in writing and forwarded to me through the school office by **Tuesday 4th December (Week 8)**. Requests received after this date will not be considered. While all information will be taken into consideration, no promises can be made about placements.

I would like to assure all families that a child's best interests are always central to any decision made when placing them in a learning group.

Cameron Lievore
Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday November 28	Kerry Robinson & Alex Bourke
Friday November 30	Steve Chadevski
Monday December 3	Canteen Closed – Swimming Carnival Yrs 1-5
Wednesday December 5	Bethany Cox & Jodie McMurray
Friday December 7	Corrine Anderson & Melissa Panich
Monday December 10	Mardi Mantell

CAKE RAFFLE ROSTER

Week 6 – Thursday 27 th November			
KW	Kruze C	KB	Archie J
Year 1	Hayley C		
2W	Charlotte H-H	2B	Michaela L
3W	Joseph S	3B	Cooper S
4W	Darcy H	4B	Reegan M
5W	Isabella N	5B	Isaac O
6W	Max L	6B	Nelson M
K6 Gold	Matias M		

Please be aware that the canteen will be **CLOSED on Monday 3rd December**. Years 1-5 will be attending the school swimming carnival and year 6 will be on their reflection day.



**Pizza Lunch for Defence Force
Family Children**

You are invited to join fellow defence
family children for a pizza lunch.

Thursday, 13th December

At 1:00pm, outside the DSM room

RSVP to Mrs Bradley by 10th December

tbradley@parra.catholic.edu.au



Happy Birthday to the children celebrating their birthday over the next 2 weeks	
Connor B	5B
Brayden J	3B
Eamon K	3B
Maddison B	3W
Charlotte R	4B
Ariyah G	2W
Audrey W	4B
Ayla H	1B



St Monica's school disco will be held on Thursday 6th December at Panthers, North Richmond.

Years K – 2 5:15 - 6:30pm

Years 3 – 6 7:00 – 8:30pm

\$5.00 per child to be paid on the night.

We are in need of more volunteers for the Years 3-6 session. If you are able to help out please return your slip to the school office that was on the bottom of the disco note. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Year Two Cultural Day

A cultural explosion of dance, music, history, funny stories, sport and lots and lots of amazing food!

Mrs Valenti and Mrs Duval would like to thank and congratulate the Year Two children, parents and extended family and friends who attended, presented, offered assistance, served food, walked with the children and supplied food for our Year Two Cultural day. The support of our families is truly amazing and the Year Two children will certainly never forget this day.



Our Year Two History focus this term has been to study the impact migration has had on Australia's identity and culture. We asked the children to consider the question "Is Australia richer because of migration?" Our children have been researching the cultures and historical backgrounds of their own families and discovered that in our grade alone we have family members from countries such as the Netherlands, Malta, England, Fiji, Malaysia, Greece, Spain, Italy, Ukraine, Macedonia, Canada, NZ, Egypt, Ireland, Poland, France, Australia with Aboriginal descendants and much more.

The Cultural Day has become a yearly event at our school which sees the families of Year Two children offering their time to showcase their culture to the children. This year we were really blown away by the support of our parents offering to present, bring food and help with rotations.

Our presenters were amazing and entertaining;

- First of all we were inspired by Mr Borg sharing his knowledge of his homeland, Malta. Later during our reflection, the children wrote about the church that was struck by a bomb that didn't explode! They also were amazed to hear about the flat roofs of the Maltese homes. Aaliyah we thank you for asking your dad to join us.



We then moved to the hall to be greeted by a very well dressed Englishman, Uncle Matt (Tyler's uncle). The children thought you were very funny and all wrote about the funny English words used, such as apples and pears to describe stairs! Tyler, thank you for inviting your wonderful uncle to join us.

- It was then time to travel to the library and experience, history, art and music of Greece and Malaysia! Mrs Apostolatos supplied modelling clay for the children to recreate famous Greek monuments. Anthony's grandmother then took us on a musical journey of Malaysia complete with traditional clothing and headwear. We are very impressed by your talented family members Anthony and thank you for inviting your mum and grandmother to our school.



Behind the Library, the children were treated to a very fierce looking Canadian hockey player! Mr Pace was a popular stop on our cultural journey as he showed us how to push the hockey puck with his official hockey sticks.

Scarlett we are so glad you invited your dad to share his love of Canada with us. Thank you also to your mum Mrs Pace for bringing the yummy food and helping serve for us.

- The sounds of Italy were streaming from the Year Two classroom with Mrs Esposito teaching the children traditional Italian dances. The children later reflected how much fun it was to dance with you. Lachlan we are so happy that you could share your talented mum with all of us.



Luella Bourke your English grandparents were very entertaining! Luella's grandparents played the guitar, sang for us and helped us dance to very fun English and Australian songs. We were so impressed with their voices and musical talent. They travelled a long way to join us and we thank you Luella so much for sharing your grandparents with us.

Our last two presenters were very popular with many children commenting how much they loved our last two countries.

- James invited his sister Bea who taught the children how to play the traditional Filipino game called Sungka (pronounced SOONG-kah). Many children wrote in their reflection of the day that they thought this game was their favourite. Thank you Bea for taking time away from your studies to be with us.
- Last but not least a much loved game of all the children and two wonderful presenters shared the traditional Maltese game Bocci. Thank you Jordan and Makayla for sharing your mums (Mrs Semaan and Mrs Gauci) with us.

The year Two children were able to use their skill and determination to get as close to the jack as possible. Sounds of cheering and support were heard from behind the kinder classroom. Bocci was definitely a favourite!

The day ended with a feast of food from many countries. The families of all the children baked and cooked the most amazing spread of hot dishes and delicious desserts. The children went away with very full stomachs as they sampled all of the food on our cultural dinner table.



The day could not have been a success without the extra help and support of family and friends on the day - Mr Foster, Mrs Bailey, Ms Hore, Mrs Zaghoul, Mrs Curl, Mr and Mrs Pace, Mrs Refalo and family, Mrs Laws, Mrs Esposito, Mrs O' Rourke, Bea Navarro, Mr and Mrs Borg, Mrs Gauci, Mrs Semaan, Mrs Apostolatos and mum, Mr Robinson and Tyler's grandmother, the Bourke family, Mrs Higgins, Rohan's

grandmother..... Not only did they join us on the day, they set up and packed away tables, cooked, served and cleaned up our hall kitchen.

Referring now back to the Year Two History focus question..... "Is Australia richer because of migration?". We can certainly say that St Monica's School is very lucky to have the talents, generosity, knowledge and compassionate families who are willing to share their lives with us and help make our school and country a wonderful place to be!

Words cannot express how grateful we are... thank you everyone!



Mrs Duval and Mrs Valenti
On behalf of our whole school community and especially the Year Two children



Year Two Cultural Day

Thursday 22nd

November 2018



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Gingerbread House Making Event
Wednesday 12th December
6pm in the school hall (Take home kits available)
\$35.00

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Invites you to the annual

CHRISTMAS PARTY and **MOVIE NIGHT**

Saturday, 15 December 2018

St Monica's Catholic Church
1A Bourke Street, Richmond

Movie night to be held in the Old Church

Join us for the HYPA Youth Mass at 6:30pm followed by a FREE Sausage Sizzle and other treats!
Santa will be making an appearance followed by a Christmas movie in the Old Church.
Feel free to bring your picnic blankets and pillows.

It will be a fun night for the whole family

HANNA PARK CAROLS

Your family is invited to

FREE CAROLS, FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT

SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2018 4:30PM - 9:30PM

CHRISTMAS CAROLS, LIVE BANDS, SAUSAGE SIZZLE, DRINKS, ICE BLOCKS, POPCORN, JUMPING CASTLE, SKATE COMP, WATER ACTIVITIES, CRAFT, HAIR SPRAY, TEMPORARY TATTOOS, BALLOON ANIMALS, CANDLES, NATIVITY SCENE WITH LIVE ANIMALS, SANTA BY HELICOPTER & FIREWORKS.

Please remember to return your colouring in competition by Wednesday 12th December.



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