



ST MONICA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 10 Term 2 Tuesday June 22, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Week 10 newsletter.



Reports

As you know, the Semester 1 reports went home with the students last Friday.

I hope that you were able to spend some time on the weekend sitting down with your child and looking at the report together. This is a time to read the assigned subject grades and comments written by the teacher and discuss

the next steps in their learning journey for 2021. It is also a chance for you to congratulate them for their efforts and achievements.

Please do not compare your child to other children as every child learns and develops at their own rate. The most important thing to look for is their growth in achievement and their effort or attitude to learning.

Farewell not Goodbye!

This week we say a fond farewell to two staff members - Mrs Regina Bryan and Mrs Annemarie Bond.

Mrs Regina Bryan is retiring after 50 years of service as a teacher. Remarkably 42 of those years have been at St Monica's Primary School. We are very grateful for the contribution that Mrs Bryan has made to the education of the many students she has taught here at school and the commitment and dedication she has brought to her role.

Yesterday we began her farewell week with a lovely presentation by the Stage 2 students who Mrs Bryan currently teaches.

On Wednesday we will be having a Farewell Mass with the students and Mrs Bryan's family, past teachers and current staff and on Friday please join us for a blessing and honour guard beginning at 2:45pm in the cola courtyard.

Mrs Annemarie Bond who has been our Acting Assistant Principal for Semester 1 while Mrs Vanderburg has been seconded to St Andrew's at Marayong is returning to Mary Immaculate Primary School as Acting Assistant Principal.

During her time here we have greatly valued her enthusiasm, numeracy expertise and her willingness to be involved in every aspect of the staff and student's learning and development. We wish her all the best as she continues her leadership and service to the education of students in Parramatta.

Wishing you a wonderful fortnight ahead as you take time to rest and replenish for the new term ahead.

We look forward to seeing everyone after the holiday break on Monday 12th July ready to start learning together at St Monica's.

Mrs Melissa Beggs

Principal

"Children are the future of the human family: all of us are expected to promote their growth, health and tranquility."



NEWSLETTER

CONFIDENTIALITY WHEN VOLUNTEERING AT ST MONICA'S

At St Monica's, we welcome parent/carers, visitors and volunteers and they enter into a partnership with the school that is based on mutual respect. Parents/carers and other volunteers are in a position of trust and confidentiality is essential.

Parent/carers and volunteers should not discuss with any other parent, child, friend or neighbour any personal information about students, staff or other parents whilst involved in school programs. This includes those working in the canteen, second-hand uniform shop, attending excursions, helping at carnivals or supporting the learning in the classroom spaces.

You may see children struggling with work or behaviour or even becoming upset with others or situations. You might also hear/see other information concerning a child while you are helping at school. It is vital that you do not share anything about specific children with friends, family or a child's parent. The teachers and principal have the responsibility of informing parents of any concerns about a child. Often situations are misinterpreted and misreported causing unnecessary angst.

Parent/carers and volunteers are not to discuss any information they obtain at school with anybody, other than the classroom teacher or the Principal. Please see Mrs Beggs directly if you have any issues or concerns and these will be addressed confidentially.

What's Happening at St Monica's...

Diary Dates	
Wednesday June 23	Whole School Mass and Farewell Lunch for Mrs Bryan
Friday June 25	Blessing & Honour Guard for Mrs Bryan Last Day Term 2
Monday July 12	School Returns for Term 3
Friday July 16	Athletics Carnival - McMahons Park Kurrajong



Happy Birthday to the children who are celebrating their birthday this week and over the holidays.....	
James M - S1G	Evie S - S3G
Eliana G - S1G	Joel L - S3W
Valentina D - S2W	Christian B - S1W
Alicia P - S3W	Layla P - S1B
Jessica P - S1B	Aaliyah B - S3B
Marcus G - K6G	Michaela L - S3B
Joshua R - S2W	Alex Z - S1B

CANTEEN

Wednesday June 23	Natasha Josevski & Mariana Gelvski
Friday June 24	Jenny Hopper & Jeanette Rogers
Thank you 😊	

Thank you to the following parents who will be working in the canteen this week. We appreciate the time and effort you give to our students. If you are unable to attend your rostered day, please contact Michelle via the school office on 4570 3700.

The canteen will be closed for Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 on Friday 16th July (Week 1) due to the Athletics Carnival being off premises.

Well Done Stage 1

Stage One achieved the largest amount in fundraising for our Colour Run and have earned a mufti Day this Friday June 25th.

Please make sure the children wear sensible clothing and fully closed shoes.

Please note this mufti day is for Stage 1 children only. All other stages are to wear full winter uniform.



Congratulations!

Term 2 Week 10 Awards

Week 10	Class	Catholic Values	St Monica's Award 1	St Monica's Award 2	St Monica's Award 3
Kindergarten		Harrison Tutty	Ella Bridges	Isabella Borg	Sophia Moellmer
		Harry Clough			
Stage 1		Braydon Young	Edgar Stockey	Tenielle Refalo	Olivia Laming
		Skyla Semour	Oliver Donnelly	Isla Lindop	Lucas White
Stage 2		Emily McMurray	Mikeila Adams Richie Diego	Andreas Xerri	Billy Rodziewicz
		Ellie Lindop	Drew Crofton	Austin Doyle	Joshua Robinson
Stage 3		Alayna Vella	Anika Chadevski	Cooper Sansom	Olivia Wicket
		Alex Duncan Rhys Toulson	Flynn Berger	Annabel Stockey	Natalie Zaghloul
K-6 Gold		Tavish Mendiratta	Anthony Attard		





The Learning Bar

CLOSING FRIDAY - 'Tell Them From Me' Survey

Parents/carers are invited to provide feedback on their experience at St Monica's using the online 'Tell Them From Me' survey. We value the role of parents within our school community and we would greatly appreciate your feedback. Please use this link to access the survey <http://tellthemfromme.com/jxr46>



LOST AND FOUND

We have a lot of jumpers/jackets in lost property, some with names and others without. While we regularly sort through the lost property collection, we are unable to keep up with the ever increasing pile. ***Please have a look through for any lost items when you visit for interviews this week.***



St Monica's Primary School Uniform

During the holidays please take the opportunity to ensure the students have the correct uniform. Students are to be neatly and cleanly dressed and presented at all times. Shoes should be clean and well presented.

Girls should be wearing a tab on the top button of their shirt and sports sock should be white ankle socks. Jumpers and jackets should be the blue St Monica's style

and we ask that these are all labelled.

HAIR

Boys hair is to be neat and tidy, off the collar, of consistent natural colour, of gradual even grade and all extremes of fashion are to be avoided. Hair of shoulder length is to be tied back from the face. Fringes and other lengths of hair are to be off the face and out of the eyes.

Girl's hair that is longer than shoulder length, is to be tied back from the face. Fringes and other lengths of hair are to be off the face and out of the eyes. The colour should be a consistent natural colour and extremes of fashions are to be avoided.

JEWELLERY & ACCESSORIES

Apart from **one pair** of sleepers **or** small plain studs and a wrist watch, jewellery is not permitted for safety reasons. A chain with cross or religious medallion may be worn under the uniform.

Our uniform can be purchased through Brynorms or various items through the second hand stall. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that all students arrive at school each day in their correct uniform.

BRYNORMS - <https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/stmonrich>

Please refer to our uniform expectations which can be found here;
<https://www.stmonicasrichmond.catholic.edu.au/Enrol-Now/Handbook>

Term 2 2021 eSafety Webinars for Parents/Carers

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) sees parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner, CEDP would like to invite you to join the following free webinar for parents and carers:



eSafety's guide to parental controls - Thursday 24 June 2021, 12:30 -1.30 pm

This live webinar explores the latest research and is a great way to learn how you can help your child develop the skills to be safer online. The session is delivered by the eSafety Commission's expert educators.

About the webinar

eSafety's guide to parental controls

This webinar will look at how parents and carers can set up devices and apps to help kids and young people stay safe online. It is designed for parents and carers of children aged 4-13. It will cover:

- the benefits and limitations of parental controls
- how to set up iOS and Android devices for safety
- how to set up popular games and apps like YouTube and Roblox for safety
- using family tech agreements and other parenting strategies to manage online risks
- how eSafety can help when things go wrong.



What you need to do

Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link:

- 24 June 2021 session - [link to register](#)

If you have any further enquiries please email safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au.



A big congratulations to Jake and Harrison Moulton for being the first students at St Monica's to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2021.

Well Done!!

Numeracy Spotlight in ES1

Early Stage One has commenced planning for our 100 days of School celebration with some puzzling catering questions!

LI: We are learning to multiply and divide.

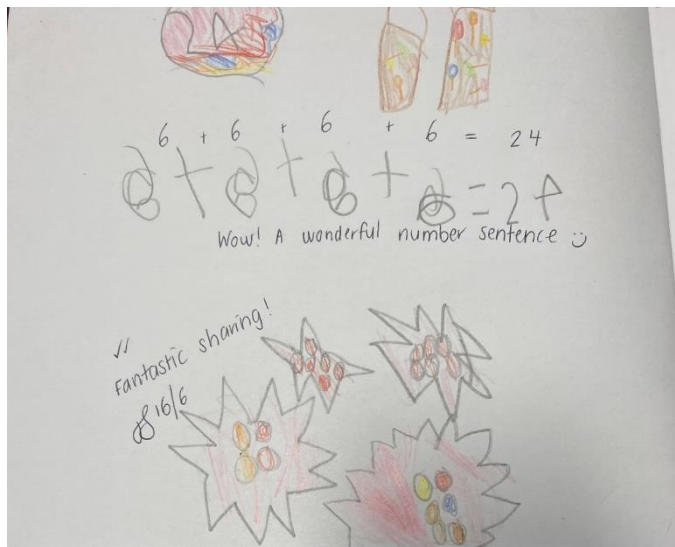
SC: I can show equal groups

I can discuss my Mathematical Thinking to my group

We are planning our 100 Days at School Celebration. We need to work out how much party food your group will receive. Your group will be given a bag of lollies to share. How many did you each receive? How did you share the lollies fairly?



First of all the children collected 20 counters (lollies) and thought about all the ways they could share them fairly. Take a look at some of their findings and the different ways they recorded their thinking.



The students participated in discussions during the week about the most effective ways that they could share the food. Early Stage One really enjoyed applying their Mathematical thinking skills to help plan for their big event next term!

The last day of Term 2 is

Friday 25th June.

Children return to school for Term 3 on

Monday 12th July.

We wish you all a safe and enjoyable break.

Congratulations to the children who received a Blue Awards Morning Tea with Mrs Bond today

Stage 1 – William C, Maeve C, Brayden Y, Amelia O, John M, Christian B, Jayden V, Georgia Z, Mason H



SPORTS NEWS

Our 2021 Athletics Carnival will be held at McMahons Park Kurrajong, on Friday 16th July commencing at approximately 10:00am.

TRAVEL: The children will be travelling by bus to and from school to McMahons Park

WHAT TO WEAR/ BRING: The children will need to wear their school sports uniform including their hat. They may wear a sleeved shirt in the colour of their sports house. They will need to bring sunscreen, food and drink for the day. They may also like to attach a safety pin to their shirt for any ribbons they receive on the day.

CANTEEN FACILITIES: The canteen will be selling hot dogs at a cost of \$3.50. Children and spectators are asked to bring their money on the day. **No other hot food will be provided.** Snacks and drinks will be available, but please ensure children have an adequate supply of food and water for the day.



The Stage 2 and 3 football Gala Day players were presented with their certificates at this weeks assembly.



Parish White Elephant Stall

**St Monica's Parish White
Elephant Stall**

In the Old Church

25th, 26th, 27th June

The Parish of Richmond

St Monica's school and Parish work closely together and support each other in every way possible.



Parish Mass Times St Monica's

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am

St Gregory's Saturday: 9am

Sunday: 8am & 9am

Nutrition Snippet

Healthy Holidays Guide.

Looking for fun activities for the kids these school holidays?



Check out our free Healthy Holidays Guide that includes lots of ideas to get cooking, get crafty and get moving!

For more information visit healthylunchbox.com.au

STARLIFTERS CLINIC 10 - 17 YEARS



9 -3 pm 30th June

Improve your skills

Shooting clinic run by our own
qualified HDBA rep coaches

Improve your accuracy

Layups, jumpshots and free
throws using our shooting
machine



Bring your own lunch and water.

\$50 payable to HDBA

Pre-book and pay via our office or

book online - see our website or FB page



CANTEEN MENU

SANDWICHES																	
Bread rolls (add extra)			\$0.50														
Roast chicken			\$3.50														
Roast chicken with salad			\$4.00														
Ham & salad			\$4.00														
Ham			\$3.00														
Tuna			\$3.00														
Vegemite			\$2.50														
Cheese			\$2.50														
Cheese & salad			\$3.50														
Mediterranean roll (w/Tuna, olives & tomato paste)			\$3.00														
Egg & lettuce			\$3.00														
Jaffle: Ham & cheese			\$3.50														
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SALAD PACKS																	
Salad with Avo, Feta & Olives			\$4.50														
Chicken & salad			\$4.50														
Ham & salad			\$4.50														
Tuna & Salad			\$4.50														
Egg & salad			\$4.00														
Salad bowl			\$3.50														
WRAPS																	
Roast chicken, avocado, lettuce & mayo			\$4.50														
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Chicken tender wrap with lettuce & mayo			\$3.50														
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HOT FOOD																	
Chicken Nuggets	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00															
Gluten free nuggets	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00															
Hash browns		\$1.50															
Fish fingers	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00															
Corn on the cob		\$1.50															
Hot roast chicken roll		\$3.50															
Pie -Traveller (Large)		\$3.50															
Nacho dippers with salsa & cheese		\$3.50															
Potato Pie		\$4.00															
Lite sausage roll		\$3.00															
Spinach & cheese roll		\$3.00															
Pizza – Cheese & bacon		\$3.50															
Lasagne		\$4.00															
Macaroni & cheese		\$4.00															
Mamee chicken noodles		\$3.00															
BURGERS																	
St Monica's cheese burger with tomato sauce		\$4.00															
St Monica's beef burger with lettuce & tomato		\$4.00															
Fish burger with lettuce & mayo		\$4.00															
Chicken burger with lettuce & mayo		\$4.00															
SNACKS																	
Red rock deli chips – Honey & soy			\$1.50														
Smith's salt & vinegar (Gluten free)			\$1.50														
Popcorn			\$1.00														
Want Want Rice Crackers			\$0.30														
Eucalyptus drops			\$1.00														
ICE BLOCKS																	
Quelch – 99% Fruit juice			\$1.00														
Zooper Doopers			\$1.00														
Zing (yoghurt & fruit)			\$1.00														
Frozen apple/blackcurrant cups			\$1.00														
Jelly joy sticks (Gluten free)			\$0.30														
DRINKS																	
Popper juice Apple or Orange			\$1.50														
Spring water			\$2.00														
Chill J (Raspberry, orange passion)			\$2.50														
Flavoured milk Strawberry or Chocolate			\$2.50														
Cup of plain milk			\$1.00														
<p>Please Note: RECESS & LUNCH ORDERS ARE TO BE IN SEPARATE BAGS</p>																	