

Our Place

St Aidan's School

Term 3 Week 5 Friday 18th August 2017

"Creating faith filled, curious, self motivated and excited learners who are meeting the challenges of being creative contributors and innovative problem solvers...."

Draft Vision Statement 2017

The above statement aims to give us a sharp focus on what we are trying to achieve at St Aidan's.

We want every student to be excited about the learning and be creative problem solvers who are self motivated and inquisitive.

Of course we aim to a create faith filled community which nurtures spirituality and Catholicity in our students.

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STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY

Our last Professional Learning day comes up next term on Monday, 9th October (first day of T4).

School resumes on Tuesday, 10/10 for students.

Book it in Danno...

DATES COMING UP - Week 6 of term 3

Mon 21/8

NAPLAN online readiness testing.

As mentioned previously, no results from this testing will be forwarded home since it is a state wide readiness activity in preparation for future online testing with NAPLAN.

Wed 23/8

8:45am Parent 'drop in' - tour of the school K-6 to see the wonderful learning happening with your children

Fri 25/8

Dance Fever

Diocesan Athletics Carnival

Celebrating 110 Years of Catholic Education at St Aidan's

August 31st. Feast day of St Aidan

Mass with Bishop Vincent at 11:30am



We are expecting a number of past teachers and students to attend along with our own community. So it will be a full house!

Visitors will have a chance to walk through the classrooms and enjoy our beautiful school.

Parents are invited to stay on after mass and share a picnic lunch with their children. The canteen is looking to have pre ordered lunches available.

The Feast Of The Assumption

Gospel

Lk 1:39-56

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Almighty has done great things for me; he has lifted up the lowly.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed,

for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name,

and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him.

He has shown the power of his arm,

he has routed the proud of heart.

He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy



according to the promise he made to our ancestors –
 of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

The Gift of Resurrection Life by Fr Michael Tate

Many mothers will tell you that the nicest gift that they can get from their child is a little card or some small object which they have made themselves. It far outweighs some very expensive, glittery present. Why? Because it gives something of the son or daughter – something personal, something of their life.



I think mothers especially appreciate this because a mother carries her child in her womb for nine months, giving that child a share in her own life. Here is an extraordinary thought – what if a child were really able to share its life with the mother? A sort of reversal of roles.

That is what we believe happened between Our Risen Lord and his mother, Mary.

It is our faith that Mary, the Mother of our Lord, has been gifted by her Son with a share in His new state of life. He now nourishes her with his Resurrection life, and that means that her body/soul, her total humanity, is suffused with divine glory.

With Mary, the Tradition inspired by the Holy Spirit tells us that at the end of her earthly life, she grace-fully made the transition from earthly to heavenly existence without the wrenching apart of body and soul which we may expect.

That is what we mean by 'The Assumption'. It has been believed and celebrated since the early centuries of the Church.

The Proven Benefits of Reading with Your Child



Children's reading Improves......

The research is conclusive: When parents successfully support their children's literacy learning from an early age, everyone benefits. When teachers and parents work together to support children's reading and academic success, learning outcomes for all children improve.



Being on Time

Attendance is not just about being at school but also about being on time. Being late 5 minutes a day equals 25 minutes over a week, 250 minutes a term or 4 hours per term, or the equivalent of 3-4 days per year and over the schooling years is equivalent to one whole term of missed learning time. When a student arrives late they have often missed the introduction to a lesson and they have missed time socialising with their peers.

EVERY LEARNER, EVERY DAY is our school slogan for 2017. It is our combined responsibility to have our children at school every day and on time.

Attendance is a major focus for St Aidan's this year.

Week 1 attendance level is 79.4%

Week 2 attendance level is 80.0%

Week 3 attendance level is 79.8%

Week 4 attendance level is 74.6%

Week 5 attendance level is 75.4%

Attendance level target for all
Diocesan schools is 90%
COME ON ST AIDAN'S WE CAN GET TO 90%!



SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations Shelbilise Teuma-Manaog (3 Blue) who performed phenomenally at the 2017 Gymnastics State Championships. She placed second for the vault, bars and floor and third for beam.

Go Shelby!







If your child has any sports news they would like to share please email me: jchetcuti2@parra.catholic.edu.au.

INFANT'S TABLOID SPORTS CARNIVAL

The infant's Tabloid Sports Carnival will take place on Friday 22nd September 2017. It will run from 11:30am until 2:30pm at Kimberley Park.

Prior to the carnival, from 10:15am until 10:45am, there will be an infant's Dance Fever presentation in the hall.

Parents and family members are welcome to come along for the day. Feel free to join your children at recess and/or lunch, you may even have a picnic!

I hope to see you there!

Miss Jessica Chetcuti (Sports Coordinator)

SPORTS NEWS

2017 Parramatta Zone Athletics Carnival

On Tuesday 15th August, 31 talented athletes went to represent St Aidan's at the 2017 Parramatta Zone Athletics Carnival. It was an excellent day, with each student showing excellent sportsmanship and school pride.

We had a number of students perform amazingly on the day. The following students will be representing Parramatta at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival next Friday, 25th August.







- Megan Fuimaono 10 Years Female 100m and Junior Female 200m
- Gabrielle Romero 12 Years Female 100m and Senior Female 200m
- Hayden Bell 8 Years Male 100m
- Shyla Cruise 8 Years Female 100m
- · James Schofield Junior Male Discus
- Catherine Schofield Senior Female Discus

SPORTS NEWS







Megan Fuimaono was also the 10 Year Old Female Age Champion runner-up!





A big thanks to Mr Schofield, Mrs Warwick-Smith, Mr Warwick-Smith and Ms Colusso who helped on the day. Also, thank you to all the families who came to support the students. The day wouldn't have been the same without you!

Miss Jessica Chetcuti (Sports Coordinator)

DANCE FEVER CHALLENGE COMING UP

Students and families are invited to join us at Homebush for this great event. It is voluntary but we would like to see you there.

Fri 15 September

Doors open at 5:30pm

6:00 pm start

Sydney Olympic Park Netball Centre

\$6 per person at the door

Please send forms to the office if you are intending to attend.



KINDERGARTEN... here I come!



Enrolments and interviews for Kindergarten 2018 are still occurring. Various parent meetings and orientation days for students will take place later in term 3 and during term 4.

Please call in at the office and pick up an enrolment form between 8:15am and 3:15pm Monday to Friday.

Please tell your family and friends that now is the time to enrol for 2018!

School Fees

School Fees have now been issued and are due by Monday 21st August 2017.

Many thanks to all the families who have paid.

If you are experiencing any financial difficulties, please contact Mrs Blaga Wakeling on (02) 9625 3181.

DANCE FEVER

As Dance Fever is part of our PDHPE curriculum, all students are required to participate.

Thank you to the families who have paid for Dance Fever.

Payment of \$35 per child is now due.

Thank you for your cooperation.





BOOK CLUB ORDERS/MONEY DUE ON WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST 2017.





Sydney Markets Fresh for Kids have a competition running until Friday 13th October 2017!

1st prize—Home Entertainment Unit (TV & DVD Player) - 1 only to be won!

2nd prize—Apple iPad Mini 16Gb—3 to be won!

3rd prize—Gift pack (back pack, lunch bag, drink bottle) - 10 to be won!

4th prize—Event Cinema movie vouchers - 20 to be won!

How to enter:

- Buy snacks/meals from the school canteen containing fresh fruit and/or vegetables to receive a fresh for kids sticker and entry form.
- 2. Collect 2 stickers and stick them on your entry form.
- 3. Submit your completed entry to the school canteen before 3pm on Friday 13th October 2017 for a chance to win!



Plus there are 7 free character keyrings available after you collect your stickers and put in your entry with the canteen lady!

Full details available at: www.freshforkids.com.au

Monday 7th August - Friday 25th August

Meal Deal - \$5.00

Meal Deal 1

Egg & Lettuce
Sandwich
Bottle Water
Fruit Salad

Meal Deal 2
Pasta Bolognese
Juice Popper
Jumpy's Snacks









St Aidain's Primary School - Term 3, 2017



\$1.00

\$1.30 \$2.00 \$2.00

\$3.00

\$1.60 \$2.20 \$2.00 \$2.00

\$2.30

\$2.50

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Canteen Bento Box

\$5.00 Crackers, Seasonal Fruit & 2 Mini Muffins 1/2 Sandwich, Chicken Wing, Cheese and

Check with the Canteen for the current Meal Deals \$5.00

CLASS RASS

Orders can be placed before 9:00am

Order Your Lunch Online

www.flexischools.com.au

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PLEASE NOTE

- Recess orders are to be PICKED UP FROM THE CANTEEN.
- ◆ All ICE CREAMS ordered with lunch are given out when the LUNCH BAG IS RETURNED TO THE CANTEEN.



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