DATES FOR TERM TWO 2015		
Monday 8th June	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY	
Wednesday 10th June	11:30am Year 5 Assembly (see Skoolbag App)	
Thursday 11th June	Year 3 excursion to Rouse Hill Farm	
Friday 12th June	 Year 4 excursion to The Rocks Year 1 excursion to Cumberland State Forest 	
Tuesday 16th June	Meal Deal Day—Bellissimo	
Wednesday 17th June	9:15am Kindergarten leading Infants Mass	
Friday 19th June	Student Reports to Parents	
Mon 22-Thurs 25th June	Parent/Teacher Interviews	
Wednesday 24th June	11:30am Year 4 Assembly (see Skoolbag App)	
Thursday 25th June	Stage 2 Boys/Girls Soccer Gala	
Friday 26th June	2:55pm term two concludes	

ST AIDAN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH—FIRST COMMUNION (every child in years two and three who have not made their First Communion)

Parent information evening Registration Parent instruction evening Children's sessions

Sacrament administered

Practice sessions

Wednesday 15th June 2015 at 7:30pm in Mary MacKillop Hall 18th/19th July 2015—Mary MacKillop Hall after all the weekend Masses Thursday 23rd July 7:30pm Mary MacKillop Hall Sunday mornings 8:30am Mary MacKillop Hall 2nd August 9th August 26th July 16th August 23rd August Monday 31st August and Thursday 3rd September 2015 at 7:30pm in the Church Sunday 6th September at 12:00noon and 3:00pm in the Church For further details please contact Elizabeth at the parish on 9625 8404.



BELLISSIMO DEAL DAY TUESDAY 16TH JUNE 2015 **\$5.00PAYMENT BY TUESDAY 9TH JUNE**

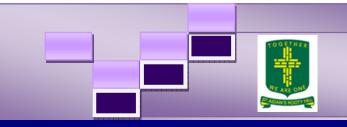
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- GARLIC BREAD \Box
- WATER \Box

Child's name/s

Class /es_



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From the Principal

Dear Parents, Find happiness in making others happy.

St Mary MacKillop

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Thank you to the parents who attended the parent information night for numeracy last week. The feedback about the evening from parents was very positive and gave the school several ideas for future parent workshops about numeracy. Congratulations and thank you to Miss Prudence Hall and all teachers at St Aidan's for organising such an informative and enjoyable session.

The mufti day held last week raised \$830 for the DWF (Diocesan Works Fund). This is yet another 'social justice' initiative for our school with the intention of reaching out to those in the Parramatta Diocese who are in need of special care. Thank you parents and children for supporting this very important initiative.

It was lovely that some parents were able to come along to 'coffee and a chat' with myself last Wednesday. There was a very relaxed feel to the gathering and it provided parents with an opportunity to meet other parents and have a chat at the same time. We will hold another such event next term.

Last Tuesday all parents received instructions for online reservations of parent/teacher interview times for their children. As stated in the handout, parents are strongly encouraged to attend these interviews in order to discuss their children's learning. Any parent experiencing difficulty booking the interviews online are asked to contact the school office for assistance.

Yesterday the children in years three to six took part in their annual athletics carnival. The carnival was held at Blair Oval St Mary's. It was a very exciting day and the children really enjoyed themselves. Congratulations to the Blue team who won the aggregate trophy and to the age champions who are listed in the 'hall of fame'. I also congratulate the sports leaders who did a great job with organising their teams ensuring that high level of sporting spirit was evident on the day. thank you Mr Julius for facilitating the day and to the St Aidan's staff and parents who ably assisted him with the various events.

Two of the St Aidan's dads have been in hospital recently so I send a cheerio to Mr Maksymowicz and Mr Lagana and hope they are feeling better and on the mend.

Remember to register online for you parent/teacher interviews. Please contact the school office if you need assistance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Elizabeth Ricketts Principal.

# **St Aidan's Primary School Rooty Hill Sharing News & Views**

#### HOW IS ASSESSMENT DATA USED?

Assessment data e.g. NAPLAN and ongoing assessments are used to inform future teaching and learning.

Teachers use a variety of assessment tools to determine students' understanding and knowledge.

Mrs Christine Leahy Assistant Principal.

### LITERACY MATTERS

Students in year five and year six consistently use correct punctuation.

The students have developed a variety of strategies including effective sequencing of ideas and writing in detail.

Students have also developed their skills in summarising information in order to research different topics to aid in their writing.

Students have begun to edit and reread their work in order to make adjustments. Encourage your child to write each day.

Mrs Christine Leahy Assistant Principal.

### **PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Please book your Parent/Teacher interviews online. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions:

#### U6X4M

#### Simply enter the code and press "GO"

- Enter your details. 1.
- Select your child's teacher. 2.
- Select the appointment time/s that suit your family 3. best
- When you click FINISH, your interview timetable 4. will be emailed to you automatically.

## SKOOLBAG APP ST AIDAN'S ROOTY HILL

#### Skoolbag App—St Aidan's Rooty Hill

Stay connected with what is happening at St Aidan's.

On the school app you can now access notes that are sent home.

Where do you find the notes?

Click on the news followed by 'school notes'. All the current notes will appear on this page. If you misplace the initial note sent home you are able to prince a new one.

If you currently do not have the school app, go to the app store or google play and download it. With the school app you will be able to receive notifications and reminders. The app is free.

Ms Grace Carlo-Stella Teacher/Librarian.

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### **NUMERACY NEWS**

By the end of year six students should be able to apply their counting skills to different situations and be able to count by different fractions and decimals.

What can you do to support your child?

- Count forwards and backwards by 1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/3, 1/5, 3/4 etc.
- Practise converting fractions to decimals and count forwards and backwards using decimals.
- Play a game of *Target Number*. Using flash cards with different fractions or decimals, children turn over two cards and try to match two fractions or decimals that could be added together to make the target number (1).
- Different target numbers could be used (5, 10, 20 etc).
- Encourage your child to apply their counting skills to different situations including counting money, cooking in the kitchen using cup measurements and using TV guides to determine the duration of TV shows.

In the next newsletter I will explore the importance of number sense.

What mathematics will you notice, discuss and explore with your child this week?

Miss Prudence Hall Lead Numeracy Teacher.

### **BABY NEWS**

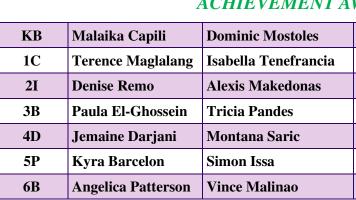
Congratulations to Koko Adriano 3Q and her family on the birth of a baby girl, Isla.

#### SCHOOL FEES

School fees are now overdue. Please contact Mrs Wakeling in the school office on 9625 3181 if you are having any financial problems.

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THANK YOU

Thank you to Mrs Bell, Mrs Ereira, Mrs Vigliarolo and Mrs Rodrigues who assisted at the Kindergarten excursion last Monday.

yesterday.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2015

BLUE—526 *RED*—482 GOLD-416 **GREEN**—328

AGE CHAMPIONS 2015

| 8 yrs boys | Agazio Fragomeli | 8yr g |
|-------------|------------------|-------|
| 9 yrs boys | Tong Wol | 9 yrs |
| 10 yrs boys | Jeremy Rahman | 10 y |
| 11 yrs boys | Ricardo White | 11 y |
| 12 yrs boys | Michael Ayoub | 12 y |
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Congratulations to the following who have been listed in the *Hall of Fame* this fortnight.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

| KH | Benji Reyes | Priyanka Sharma |
|------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1M | Rebecca Joseph | Andrea Plaatjes |
| 2 U | Ella Bijac | Matthew Ereira |
| 3Q | Maureen Cabalhin | Alyssa Cacho |
| 4K | Lance Regala | Viliami Vunipola |
| 5W | Akon Anei | Bol Dak |
| 6C | Chenae Cruise | Leduina Piliae |

Thank you to Mr & Mrs Warwick-Smith, Mrs Derjani, Mrs Darjani, Mrs Casserly, Mrs Khan and who assisted at the Athletics Carnival

girls Kacey Alvarado Jwer Akol s girls Gabrielle Romero rs girls Tiffany Wu rs girls Alexi Bonete rs girls