

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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	Wednesday 15th June 2015 at 7:30pm in Mary MacKillop Hall
Registration	18th/19th July 2015—Mary MacKillop Hall after all the weekend Masses
Parent instruction evening	Thursday 23rd July 7:30pm Mary MacKillop Hall
Children's sessions	Sunday mornings 8:30am Mary MacKillop Hall 26th July 2nd August 9th August 16th August 23rd August
Practice sessions	Monday 31st August and Thursday 3rd September 2015 at 7:30pm in the Church
Sacrament administered	Sunday 6th September at 12:00noon and 3:00pm in the Church For further details please contact Elizabeth at the parish on 9625 8404.

\$5.00



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BELLISSIMO DEAL DAY
TUESDAY 16TH JUNE 2015

****\$5.00 PAYMENT BY TUESDAY 9TH JUNE****

- LASAGNE
- GARLIC BREAD
- WATER

Child's name/s _____

Class /es _____



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From the Principal

Find happiness in making others happy.
St Mary MacKillop

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Dear Parents,

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.

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"

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

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.

Congratulations to the following who have been listed in the *Hall of Fame* this fortnight.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

KB	Malaika Capili	Dominic Mostoles	KH	Benji Reyes	Priyanka Sharma
1C	Terence Maglalang	Isabella Tenefrancia	1M	Rebecca Joseph	Andrea Plaatjes
2I	Denise Remo	Alexis Makedonas	2U	Ella Bijac	Matthew Ereira
3B	Paula El-Ghossein	Tricia Pandes	3Q	Maureen Cabalhin	Alyssa Cacho
4D	Jemaine Darjani	Montana Saric	4K	Lance Regala	Viliami Vunipola
5P	Kyra Barcelon	Simon Issa	5W	Akon Anei	Bol Dak
6B	Angelica Patterson	Vince Malinao	6C	Chenae Cruise	Leduina Piliae

THANK YOU

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

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

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2015

BLUE—526

RED—482

GOLD—416

GREEN—328

AGE CHAMPIONS 2015

8 yrs boys	Agazio Fragomeli	8yr girls	Kacey Alvarado
9 yrs boys	Tong Wol	9 yrs girls	Jwer Akol
10 yrs boys	Jeremy Rahman	10 yrs girls	Gabrielle Romero
11 yrs boys	Ricardo White	11 yrs girls	Tiffany Wu
12 yrs boys	Michael Ayoub	12 yrs girls	Alexi Bonete