



# St. Aidan's Primary School

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# Newsletter

## Term 2 Week 9

## THE DREADED HOLIDAY SLUMP!

*The most important thing a parent can do to ensure that their child maintains their desire to learn is to continually feed the desire to learn at home and anywhere else they may find themselves. So long as they do that, the love of learning that is inherent in children will likely not be extinguished.*

[Antonio Buehler](#)

With the school break rapidly approaching.....

it is time to think about the **HOLIDAY SLUMP** !!

After all the learning successes the children have enjoyed this year, it would be a huge shame to go BACKWARDS.... and just like an athlete needs to continually train or lose performance, your child also needs to continue daily reading, writing, spelling, numbers and so on to maintain peak learning fitness..... or else decline quickly and significantly!

**Please encourage your child to read, write, count,  
play, etc during the upcoming break !**

# Family Conferences

This week, teachers started the conferences which will continue into next week.

Students will share their insights into their learning progress and parents and teachers will further discuss the report card.

Next Tuesday is our late evening session for parents. A special thanks to the St Aidan's teachers who have made themselves available to assist families on this evening before then attending the parish Confirmation ceremony at the parish church.



# Did you know

Your child's best learning time is the start of the school day just a little bit late doesn't seem much but

He/she just missing,

That equals ..

Which is ...

and over 13 years of schooling that's ...

10 minutes per day

50 minutes per week

Nearly 1.5 weeks per year

Nearly half a year

20 minutes per day

1 hour 40mins per week

Over 2.5 weeks per year

Nearly 1 year

Half an hour per day

Half a day per week

4 weeks per year

Nearly 1 and a half years

1 hour per day

1 day per week

8 weeks per year

Over 2 and a half years

# IMPORTANT DATES

\* Wed 27th June to Thurs 5th July - Family Conferences

\* Fri 6th July - last day Term 2 students finish at 2:55pm

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\* Mon 23rd July - Staff Professional Learning Day

(NO CLASSES)

\* Tues 24th July - First day of Term 3

for students 8:40am \*

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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29	30	31				

# SPORT NEWS

## Cross Country Representative Day

On Friday 15th June, Hayden Bell from Year 4 competed at the NSWCCPS Cross Country Carnival. There were 70 students all up in his race and he placed 19th.

***Congratulations to Hayden on such an amazing effort and achievement.***



If your child has trained/competed in discus or shot put and they would like to be considered for the representative athletics carnival, please send through their pb's for each event by 4/7/18 to either

Mrs Power on [kpower4@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kpower4@parra.catholic.edu.au) or

Mrs Harris on [aharris11@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:aharris11@parra.catholic.edu.au)



# Attendance Matters Every Learner, Every Day

As Winter is well underway, it's getting harder to get up and get motivated in the morning but it is important that your child comes to school **on time every day**, unless they are genuinely unwell.

Getting your child to school before the bell is really important because **learning begins at 8:40am** here at St Aidan's every morning.

Here are a few ideas you may find helpful:

## The night before:

- Have your child pack everything they need into their bag, ready for the next morning. Notes, school readers, library bag, homework etc.
- Prepare lunch and recess ready to go straight into your child's bag for the next morning.
- Get school uniform, shoes, socks, jumper, hat etc. and lay them out for the next morning.
- Make sure your child has a regular bedtime routine, **going to bed at the same time** every night is a good habit for life.

\* **NO ELECTRONICS** for at least **30 MINUTES** before going to bed.

## In the morning:

\* Set an alarm allowing enough time for your child to wake up, have breakfast and get dressed.

\* Don't allow your child to watch TV or play with any electronics until they have had breakfast, brushed their teeth, are dressed ready for school and have their bag packed.

\* Leave home with enough time to allow for unexpected traffic, remember school supervision starts at 8:15am every day.

\* If possible, have a backup plan for getting your child to school in case you are unwell.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's school attendance, please do not hesitate to call the school on (02) 8886 9800.

I ♥ MY  
SCHOOL®

School  
Attendance



every learner  
every day ✓



# KINDER 2019

**Enrolments for 2019 are NOW being interviewed.**

Looking forward to meeting your child, your neighbour's child or your friend's child !

Just let them know. *Thanks.*



**Staff Professional Learning day**

**First day of next term**

**Monday July 23rd**

**Students start Tuesday 24/7**



OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE PARRAMATTA

## College Open Morning Tour

Wednesday July 25, 2018

*expanding beyond what we know we can be*

# OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on **Wednesday, July 25 2018**.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2020.

Visit [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

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