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# ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PARRAMATTA PATER

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TERM THREE

No 4

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## St Mary MacKillop

8<sup>th</sup> August

*Holy God, source of all goodness  
you show us in Mary MacKillop  
a woman of faith who lived by  
the power of the cross.*

*Teach us to embrace the work she pioneered,  
new ways of living the gospel  
that respect and defend the  
human dignity of all in our land.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever  
and ever.*

*Amen*



Mary MacKillop was born in Melbourne (Australia) in 1842 and died in Sydney on 8<sup>th</sup> August 1909. She took the religious name of Mary of the Cross. Responding to the isolation of colonial families, she pioneered a new form of religious life to provide education for their children. She and her sisters shared the life of the poor and itinerant, offering special care to destitute women and children. She is remembered for her eagerness to discover God's will in all things, for her charity in the face of calumny, and for her abiding trust in God's providence.



**TERM THREE - WEEK FOUR**  
**Honour Awards: Trustworthiness**

KA	Zara Moussa
KM	Charlie Romanos
1C	Aaron Neroy
1S	Ivanka Markovic
2M	Ethan Lao
2Y	Valerie Liu
3L	Monica Giurgius
3T	Angelique Moujalli
4B	Nathan Didier Serre
4G	Louis Takchi
5C	Mariejose Nakhle
5T	Hunter Munro
6P	Stephanie Takchi
6W	Luis Mayonado

**Value Week 5: Independence**

**SUMMER UNIFORM ORDERS**

We are now taking orders for summer uniforms. Orders will be taken from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July until Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August between the times of **8.30am - 3.00pm**. Please assist the office staff by only coming between these hours. Payment is due at the time of ordering.

**Youth Group**

Unfortunately due to diocesan commitments Father Andrew has had to cancel Youth Group on the following dates.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Please ensure you arrange alternative pickup for your children on these days.

A reminder that Youth Group finishes at 4.30pm and all children should be collected by this time.

**MUFTI/GOLD COIN DAY**

On Tuesday we had our white mufti day. Children were very excited to be wearing something other than school uniforms. Year 6 had the opportunity to wear their mufti today. The school raised a total of \$884.00 which will go towards the St St Vincent De Paul winter appeal.

Thank you all for your support!

**CUMBERLAND ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

Congratulations to all students, parents and officials involved in the running of the Cumberland Zone Carnival. The day would not have been a success without your assistance and I know that all children involved had a great sporting experience. We particularly acknowledge the assistance of **Mrs Anna Altamore and Mrs Julie Abade** on a day where parent helpers were few, their support became all the more important.

Thanks to the students from Parramatta Marist, Westmead who assisted in various ways throughout the day ... Their behaviour was commendable. Our school's tradition of excellent behaviour was again a feature of the day. Our competitors were exceptionally well behaved. Our student support staff: **Brandon Tannous, Veronica Marquez, Monica Le, Brianna Bautista, Lisa Khouri, Isabella Boutros and Jacinta Maroon** were raved about by every school they had contact with. Congratulations!

We have eight students who will be representing our school at the **Diocesan Athletics Carnival on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August:**

<b>Evana Abade</b>	100m 12 Years
<b>Ashleigh Grubba</b>	100m, 200m, Long Jump 10 Years
<b>Antonia Khalil</b>	100m, 200m 11 Years
<b>Crystal Makdissi</b>	200m 10 Years
<b>James Maroun</b>	200m 11 Years
<b>Luke Maroun</b>	800m, 100m 8 Years
<b>Patrick Newman</b>	100m 11 Years
<b>Alexandra Younes</b>	800m 12 Years

It is also important to note that Antonia Khalil achieved the distinction of being the 11 year Girls runner up for Age Champion.

**Mark Baird**  
**Sports Co-ordinator**

**THE NED SHOW**

Thank you to all the parents and students who purchased the NED yoyos. The children appear to be playing with them safely and following the school guidelines as to where they may be used.

We hope that the yoyos will continue to remind the children to always be respectful, never give up, encourage others and do their best.

**Respect**  
**Positive Attitude**  
**Never give up**  
**Encourage others**  
**Do your best**

## 'GOD WITH US' Prayer Books



This week parents will receive a copy of *God is with us, a prayer book for families*, will be sent home for use in the family home. Along with traditional and daily prayers, there are prayers for special occasions. Special

reference is made to the devotion of The Angelus, which is prayed daily in every Catholic school in the diocese. Please keep your copy in a safe place and use it regularly as a family.

## SHOULD YOUR CHILD BE AT SCHOOL?

Over the last two weeks there has been a lot of illness in the school among staff and students. Unfortunately some students are coming to school when they are clearly unwell. We appreciate that it can be difficult for working parents to take time off to look after sick children. However, every day we have a constant stream of students sent to the sick bay who need to go home.

If your child is unwell in the morning, we ask you to please try and arrange care for them, as one sick child can infect many others. This includes staff. It is becoming increasingly difficult to replace sick staff members and also means that there may be times when classes will need to be split across the school.

## 2013 SCHOOL FEES

Term 3 School Fee accounts have been sent out by the Catholic Education office. The due date for payment is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.

If you are experiencing difficulty in making fee payments, please contact Mrs Nutter.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012  
2013

"The 'door of faith' (Acts 14:27) is always open for us, ushering us into the life of communion with God and offering entry into his Church."

Pope Benedict XVI

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a continually growing assortment of tracksuit jackets, hats, school jackets and other items left by children around the school. Unfortunately these items do not have names anywhere so we are unable to return them to the owners.

Please label all your child's school clothing and remind them to look after their possessions.

If your child brings home an item of clothing belonging to another child, please return it the next day. Several items with children's names have gone missing and have not been returned.

## LETTERS sent home this week

6 Voice of Youth  
4 & 6 Religious Literacy Assessment

## COMING EVENTS/EXCURSIONS

9<sup>th</sup> August - Kindergarten Calmsley Hill Farm  
Please note change of date.

15<sup>th</sup> August - Feast of the Assumption BVM  
Mass 9.30 a.m.

16<sup>th</sup> August - Year 3 Sydney Maritime Museum  
Year 4 Elizabeth Farm and  
Government House

19<sup>th</sup> August - Year 6 - Voice of Youth  
From 19<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Religious Literacy Test  
20<sup>th</sup> August - Tiddalik the Frog (Infants classes)  
21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> August - TriSkills begin for 5 weeks  
23<sup>rd</sup> August - Diocesan Athletics Carnival  
Year 5 excursion to Bathurst

From 26<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Religious Literacy Test  
28<sup>th</sup> August - Year 5 Parent/Child Program 7.00  
29<sup>th</sup> August - Monty Pryor (Primary classes)  
30<sup>th</sup> August - Fathers' Day Mass 9.30  
Stall 11.30

## ENEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

Read our newsletter online at:

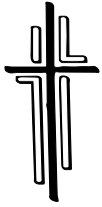
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**Compulsory School Attendance - Information for Parents is available on this site.**



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Our **VISION** is to –  
be a child centred faith community within an innovative, interactive learning environment.

Our **MISSION** is to –  
Live out the Gospel Values in a visibly Catholic tradition

Nurture students for Christian Leadership

Create a range of learning experiences which allow children to progress at their own level

Assist our students to develop into independent thinkers with a deep sense of responsibility and justice

Lead each individual towards reaching his/her potential

Generate a sense of community and compassion in which all experience belonging.

*Opportunity for all*

## COMING EVENTS 2013 TERM THREE - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### TERM THREE

#### Week Four

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August

Assembly 9.00 a.m. Year One  
Kinder Excursion

#### Week Five

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August

ICAS Maths Competition  
Feast of the Assumption of BVM Mass  
Assembly 9.00 a.m. Year Six  
Year Three Excursion  
Year Four Excursion

#### Week Six

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

"Tiddalik the Frog" K, 1, 2, 3  
TriSkills Gymnastics program begins  
TriSkills  
Diocesan Athletics Carnival  
Year 5 Bathurst Excursion  
Assembly 9.00 a.m. Year 4

#### Week Seven

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August  
  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August

TriSkills  
Year 5 Personal Development Night  
TriSkills - Monty Pryor Author Yr 4-6  
Fathers' Day Mass and Stall  
Year 6 Canberra Excursion

#### Week Eight

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September

TriSkills  
TriSkills  
Assembly 9.00 a.m. Year 5

#### Week Nine

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

TriSkills  
TriSkills  
Assembly 9.00 a.m. Year 3

#### Week Ten

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

TriSkills  
TriSkills  
Last day of Term

Trust in God  
Mrs Gloria Bryant  
and Staff

### MASS TIMETABLE FOR ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, PARRAMATTA

Priests: The Most Rev Bishop Anthony Fisher, The Very Rev Father John McSweeney, Rev Father Andrew Bass, Rev Robert William

#### MASSES

**Saturday Vigil** 6.00 p.m.  
**Sunday** 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.  
Children's Liturgy 9.30 a.m.

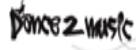
#### WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday to Friday** 6.45am, 12.30 p.m.  
**Saturday** 8.00am  
**Public Holidays** 8.00am

#### RECONCILIATION

**Monday to Friday** 11.45am to 12.30pm  
**Saturday** 8.30 to 9.00am & 5.15 to 6.00pm

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### Sisters of Mercy Parramatta (1888 – 2013)

#### INVITATION TO HIGH TEA

You are invited to join the Sisters of Mercy Parramatta  
to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their foundation.

**Date:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2013

**Time:** 2.30pm

**Cost:** \$20.00 per person

**Venue:** Catherine McAuley rooms  
Mercy Congregation Centre  
6 Victoria Road, Parramatta

Bookings essential, email preferred  
method.

**Contact:** Anne Ferguson 9683 2555  
or 0427223434

**Email:** [annef@parrasom.org.au](mailto:annef@parrasom.org.au)

**RSVP:** 14<sup>th</sup> September 2013



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Carers and  
Children
- This friendly group  
meets in the St  
Patrick's  
Cathedral Church  
Hall

This is a great opportunity for you and  
your child/ren to enjoy a morning out  
in the company of other parents,  
grandparents and carers.

Contacts:  
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Sister Susan  
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P. (02) 8839 8412

**Tuesdays 9.30am-  
11.30am during School  
Terms**

### **Inside Catholic Outlook's August issue**

\* News and photos of our pilgrims at World Youth Day in Rio

\* National Vocations Awareness Week annual feature

### **Hunter Valley Winery Day Tour: 14 September**

**Bookings close on 26 August** for this coach-driven tour of Hunter Valley wineries to raise funds for *Project Ten: 2003-2013*, a program of major works in St Patrick's Cathedral precinct. Itinerary includes visits to some of the family-owned wineries operating in the region. Departures will be from Penrith and Seven Hills at 6.45am, returning at 7pm. It is great value at \$65 for adults and \$55 concession. Booking tour seat with Helen Howard tel (02) 8838 3403, [howard@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:howard@parra.catholic.org.au)

### **Faith in Marriage: 15 September**

**Register by 15 August** for this conference about marriage for couples hosted by CatholicCare Social Services Parramatta in conjunction with Australian Catholic University. Incorporating the annual Celebrating the Journey Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral with Bishop Anthony Fisher OP. The gifts and graces of marriage give us great hope and strength for ourselves and our society. Guest speakers share their insights, observations and experiences for building and enriching marriages. Time: 8.45am-5pm. Venue: Our Lady of Mercy College, Ross St, Parramatta. Cost: \$50 per couple or \$25 for individuals (includes hot finger food lunch, morning and afternoon tea). Registrations: tel (02) 9933 0222, [marriage@ccss.org.au](mailto:marriage@ccss.org.au)

### **St Philomena Association Holy Mass: 10 August**

Mass at noon with confessions from 11.30am. St John Vianney's Catholic Church, 17 Cameron St, Doonside. Nearest railway station is Doonside, next one after Blacktown. **RSVP: first week of August** (please bring a snack to share) to Elizabeth tel 0423 15 44 63 or [epeoples9@gmail.com](mailto:epeoples9@gmail.com)

### **Mass in Igbo language: 11 August**

Mass celebrated in Nigerian by Rev Fr Henry Ibe at 11.30am at St Oliver Plunkett's Church, 35 Wigram St, Harris Park. Details: Austin Okerefor 0421 928 116, Evaton Onton 0469 627 218 or Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472, [stellanwosu@msn.com](mailto:stellanwosu@msn.com)

### **Walk to honour The Assumption of Our Blessed Mother Mary: 15 August**

**Starts 1pm** at Holy Innocents Chapel, Garden of the Immaculate, Kellyville Franciscan Friary, 8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville. We will walk along Windsor Road to St Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta (approx. 14km). There will be refreshment stops along the way. Everyone is welcome to bring Marian banners and join us at any point of the pilgrim walk. Please contact Angela at the Kellyville parish office tel (02) 9629 2595 at least one week in advance in courtesy.

### **Wisdom at the Gate: 16-17 August**

A colloquium facilitated by the Council for Australian Catholic Women and supported by the National Office for the Participation of Women. It aims to gather, connect and re-energise those who are responding to the issues of women's participation in our Church within their local context. It is open to all women of faith who are interested in dreaming together and sharing wisdom, and is particularly aimed at those working in a Church context, whether in voluntary or paid capacities. Watch the video at: [www.wisdomatthegate.org.au](http://www.wisdomatthegate.org.au) Venue: Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney. Prices start at \$109 (GST incl).

### **Christian Meditation: 18 August**

You are invited to a Christian Meditation Renewal & Introduction Day at St Benedict's Monastery. Arrive 10am for 10.30am. Concludes about 3pm. BYO picnic lunch. Tea & coffee provided. Books & CDs for sale. Monastery is at 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, tel (02) 9653 1159. For accommodation at 'The Cottage' guest house contact Br Terry 0438 282 318. Inquiries: Ann Bergman (02) 9498 2625, [anniebergman@hotmail.com](mailto:anniebergman@hotmail.com) or Ann Lomas (02) 9456 4775, [atlomas@bigpond.com](mailto:atlomas@bigpond.com)

### **Australian Catholic Historical Society Colloquium: 18 August**

Spying for the Holy Office: a Sydney story. Speaker: Emeritus Prof Fr Edmund Campion, latterly Catholic Institute of Sydney. Time: 2.30pm - all welcome. Crypt Hall of St Patrick's at Church Hill, Grosvenor St, The Rocks. Inquiries: Dr John Carmody, President ACHS, (02) 9417 2082, [john.carmody@sydney.edu.au](mailto:john.carmody@sydney.edu.au)