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ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PARRAMATTA PATER

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TERM ONE

No 2

THE LENTEN SEASON ... A TIME FOR RENEWAL

The Lenten Season begins next Wednesday when we have ashes sprinkled on our foreheads as a reminder of repentance and bodily death.

Lent is an opportunity for renewal, for personal growth and prayer.

A time for thinking less of ourselves and more of those in need.

A time for sharing our time, patience and talents with God and others.

Lent is a time for:

Helping others

Remembering the needy

Caring for all of my family

Doing my best in all things

Giving up simple pleasures e.g. sweets, chips. T.V.

Attending Mass and saying extra prayers.

Lent is a time for giving our all to Jesus.

New date

OPENING MASS

TUESDAY
12TH FEBRUARY 2013



AT
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
9.30 A.M.

Please join us

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Students in Years 3 to 6 will be attending the
9.30 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on
13th February
At St Patrick's Cathedral.

FRIDAY ASSEMBLY TIME CHANGE

Please join us tomorrow, Friday 8th February
when we will be commissioning our new Student
Leaders.

Assemblies will now be at **2.00 p.m.** instead of
9.00 a.m.



TERM ONE WEEK TWO

Honour Awards: Respect

1C	Isabella Younes
1S	Christian Walker
2M	Simone Sabat
2Y	Elise Sassen
3L	Adrian Stevanja
3T	Naomi Faddoul
4B	Alana Maroon
4G	Nicholas Parkes
5C	Rachel Corpuz
5T	Yvette Roque
6P	Nicole Wang
6W	Alex Younes

Value for Week 3 Term 1: Co-operation

SHROVE TUESDAY - PIKELETS

A letter has gone home today for pikelet orders. Children will be able to order one or two (no more) at a cost of 50 cents each. Orders must be received with the correct money tomorrow or Monday. Unfortunately Tuesday morning will be too late.

Orders in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class, number of pikelets and amount enclosed. One order per child please do not put multiples in the one envelope.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE YEARS 3-6

This year students in Years 3-6 will again participate in the NSW Premiers Reading Challenge. To receive a certificate signed by the NSW Premier, a student needs to read 20 books before 1st August 2013.

Please see letter sent home for more information.

PARENT HELP NEEDED

Can you help? The parents of a Year 1 girl require help to look after their child from 3.00 pm to 5.30 pm Monday to Thursday (school days). If you are able to help please contact the school office where we can give you the details. (After school care had no vacancies).

CONGRATULATIONS

to Amelia McGlenn (5T) who will be performing in the upcoming "Wizard of OZ" at Riverside theatre from the 8th to 23rd February. Tickets can be purchased by phoning 8839 3399 or at www.riversideparramatta.com.au.

BOOKCLUB ISSUE 1-2013

Due next Friday morning 15th February 2013

If paying by cheque please make the **CHEQUE** out to **Scholastic Australia**.

Remember to fill out Order Forms correctly and place in a **sealed** envelope clearly marked with

NAME - CLASS - BOOKCLUB
CORRECT MONEY (no change given)

2013 SCHOOL FEES

Term 1 School Fee accounts have been sent out by the Catholic Education office. The due date for payment is Friday 8th March, 2013. We appreciate your prompt completion of these fees. All 2012 arrangements need to be renewed/updated for 2013. Please contact Mrs Nutter to organise a new arrangement

VALIDATION FORMS.

Please return the validation forms sent home from the CEO to the school office as soon as possible. Please mark changes clearly on the forms.

LETTERS HOME THIS WEEK

All Years - Parent/Teacher Goal Setting Meetings

Shrove Tuesday - Pikelets

Yr 3-6 Premier's Reading Challenge

Yr 3 Severe Food Allergy

Yr 4 Excursion to Arabanoo

Yr 5 Excursion to Cumberland State Forest

Yr 6 Excursion to Mamre Homestead

NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

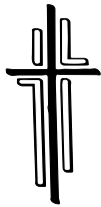
Read our newsletter online at:

<http://www.stpatsparra.catholic.edu.au>

If you require a hard copy please let us know.

Thank you to all the families who are reading the Newsletter on line.

New developments: School Notes & Forms have been added to our site under the heading on the left hand side PARENTS. This will allow parents to download required excursion notes or Administration Notes.



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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 ONE – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week Two

Friday 8th February

Assembly – School Hall 2.00 p.m.
Student Leaders Commissioning

Week Three

Tuesday 12th

School Opening Mass 9.30 a.m.***

Shrove Tuesday – Pancakes

Wednesday 13th

Ash Wednesday Mass 9.30 a.m.

Friday 15th

Assembly Year Five – School Hall 2.00 p.m.***

Week Four

Monday 18th February

Kindergarten Parent Meeting 7.00 p.m.***

Wednesday 20th

Cricket Clinic begins

Thursday 21st

Cumberland Zone Swimming Carnival

Friday 22nd

Cricket Clinic

NO Assembly ***

Year Six Retreat Day

Year Three Excursion

Year Four Excursion

Week Five

Wednesday 27th February

Cricket Clinic

Thursday 28th

Cricket Clinic

Friday 1st March

Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Assembly Year Four – School Hall 2.00 p.m.****

Week Six

Wednesday 6th March

Cricket Clinic

Thursday 7th

Cricket Clinic

Friday 8th

Assembly Year Three – School Hall 2.00 p.m.****

Week Seven

Tuesday 12th March

Catholic Schools Week

Wednesday 13th

Parent Forum 7.00 p.m.

Thursday 14th

Cricket Clinic

Friday 15th

Cricket Clinic

Celebrating St Patrick's Feast Day

Week Eight

Wednesday 20th March

Cricket Clinic

Thursday 21st

Cricket Clinic

Friday 22nd

Harmony Day – Mufti Gold Coin for Caritas

Assembly Year Two – School Hall 2.00 p.m.****

Week Nine

Thursday 28th March

Holy Week Liturgy

Year 6 Nursing Home visit

Friday 29th

Good Friday

Week Ten

Monday 1st April

Easter Monday (Public Holiday)

Tuesday 2nd

Easter Liturgy 8.50 a.m.

Friday 5th

Primary Cross Country (NO Assembly)

Week Eleven

Friday 12th April

Last Day Term One

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 Suresh & Rev Father Andrew Bass

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

Catholic Education Office

Parent Representative Council - PRC

The Parent Representative Council (PRC) invites parents and caregivers to attend a free presentation delivered by Clinical Psychologist Christina Ott on 'Tips for the teenage tightrope'. The presentation will be held on 4 Monday 4 March at 7.00pm at Aengus Kavanagh Centre, Railway Street Mt Druitt. For more information visit <http://tinyurl.com/b7hwchb>

Oasis Youth Group

Secondary students are invited to an exciting youth evangelisation event where Bishop Anthony Fisher will launch the "JESUS" CD by OASIS YOUTH GROUP, 6pm Mass, Saturday 16th February at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Click here to read the article.

Bishops Office

Sacramental Coordinator – Casual

St Matthew's Parish at Windsor is seeking to employ a Sacramental Coordinator who will work closely with the Parish Priest and the Parish Team to prepare and manage the programs for Sacraments of Initiation. Click on "Employment" to download the position description at: www.parra.catholic.org.au

Applications close on 17 February.

Ash Wednesday: 13 February

Australia's Catholic Bishops invite the faithful to join with them to observe the Fridays of Lent as special days of penance in the wake of the sexual abuse crisis including:

- * The prayerful reading of Holy Scripture;
- * A Holy Hour of prayer and petition before the Blessed Sacrament; and
- * Penance, in particular fasting and abstaining from meat.

A list of Ash Wednesday Mass times across the Diocese of Parramatta will be published on the diocesan website: www.parra.catholic.org.au

South Australia Tour: 3 October

Join the social group from Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes, for an extensive tour of South Australia. Travel from Sydney via Narrandera and Mildura, visit the Adelaide Hills, Hahndorf, Flinders Ranges, the Barossa Valley, Adelaide, Strathalbyn and Victor Harbour. Length: 9 days flying home from Adelaide, or 13 days travelling home by coach via Broken Hill, Cobar and Dubbo. **Deposit of \$200 due NOW.** Full itinerary and costs: Marie (02) 9896 7046 or Frances (02) 9636 5548, 0421 027 119, francesgrima@optusnet.com.au

Christian Meditation: 17 February

You are invited to a Christian Meditation Renewal & Introduction Day at St Benedict's Monastery. Arrive 10am for 10.30am. Program includes presentations, introduction to Christian Meditation, two periods of meditation, Eucharistic celebration and information exchange. Concludes about 3pm (coffee & tea provided – BYO picnic lunch). Books & CDs for sale. Monastery is at 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, tel (02) 9653 1159. For accommodation at 'The Cottage' guest house contact Br Bernard 0438 282 318. Inquiries: Ann Bergman (02) 9498 2625, anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas (02) 9456 4775, atlomas@bigpond.com

Holy Spirit Mission: 16-17 February

Jesus our Healer – presented by Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR, a missionary for more than 22 years in the Philippines, and Costandi Bastoli, founding member of the Disciples of Jesus. Catholic Charismatic Renewal is hosting a program that includes: Sunday Mass, Confession, Prayer Ministry, Children's Ministry, Workshops (coffee & tea provided – BYO lunch). Times: Sat. 9am--4pm; Sun. 11am-5pm. Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 7 Grantham Rd, Seven Hills. Details: CCR Parramatta 0404 093 118, (02) 9864 2430, (02) 9896 3711.

World Congress of Families: 15-18 May

Early bird registration closes 28 February.

Happy Families – Healthy Economy: a new vision for national prosperity and social progress. Speakers include:

- * Bradford Wilcox, Director of the National Marriage Project at the University of Virginia, US. His research focuses on marriage, parenthood, and cohabitation, and on the ways that gender, religion, and children influence the quality and stability of marriage and family life;
- * The Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP, Secretary of State for the UK's Department for Work and Pensions. In 2004, he founded the influential think tank, the Centre for Social Justice, which worked to develop innovative policies on tackling poverty and welfare reform;
- * Prof Patrick Parkinson, a specialist in family law, child protection and the law of equity and trusts, Chair of the Family Law Council (2004-07). He is President of the International Society of Family Law.

For more information and to register: www.wcfsydney2013.org.au/registration

NEWS

Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2014

Catherine McAuley Westmead holds a number of School Open Mornings throughout the year. There will be two Open Mornings specifically for Year 7 2014 enrolments on:

Tuesday 19th February and Thursday 14th March 2012 9.15 – 11am

These mornings will give interested parents and students the opportunity to tour our school on a normal school day. You will be able to view our school grounds and facilities, go into classrooms and meet our students and teachers. Enrolment packs will be available on the day.

To book places for a school tour on one of these tour mornings please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100.


There will also be a Year 7 2014 Enrolment Information Evening on Monday, 18th March from 6.30 – 7.30pm. This evening will provide further information on the school and the enrolment process. Completed enrolment forms may be lodged at this meeting. Prior to the presentations there will be a further opportunity to tour the school with school tours running at 5.30pm and 5.45pm.

Please RSVP for the Year 7 Enrolment Information Evening by phoning the School Reception.

DISCOVER WHAT A MERCY EDUCATION CAN DO FOR YOUR DAUGHTER

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta invites you to its 2013 Open Day on Friday, March 8. Principal's welcome and College tour at 10.30am, 1.30pm am and 4.00pm. Reservations are essential and can be made by visiting www.olmc.nsw.edu.au or phoning the College Office on 8838 1263.

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Parramatta Marist High School

(Years 7 - 12 Catholic Systemic Boys' School)


Information Evening

Wednesday 20 February 2013

- 5:30pm sausage sizzle
- 6.00pm school tours
- 7.00pm - 7:30pm address by Principal and information session

Bookings are essential.
Please book via website at www.parramarist.nsw.edu.au
Enrolment packages will be available on the evening.
Year 7, 2014 enrolments open 21 February 2013.
Year 7, 2014 enrolments close 3 May 2013.

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