



TERM 1

MAY 9 2018

Number 6

### **Greetings Parents and Carers!**

*On the last week of Term One we had an extremely successful collaboration of **ANZAC DAY ceremonies!** Thank you **Mrs Rose and Mrs Hastings** and the Year 5 students for your organisation and preparation of the beautiful and memorable ANZAC Day Assembly. It was an extremely proud moment to watch our students take part with such reverence and respect. We were able to gather and reflect as a school community to not only commemorate the sacrifices that men and women have made over the years, but in particular remembering those Australian soldiers who served, died and assisted in the victory at Villers-Bretonneux. Our special guests all commented on the Assembly as **“one of the most beautiful tributes ever seen”**.*

*Following this we had the **‘ANZAC Awareness Activities’**, which were also **AMAZING and a lot of FUN!** Thank you to all staff for presenting and leading these activities with your group of students. A **HUGE** thank you to Mrs Kersvien for preparing **all** the resources for a fantastic session of activities for all our students to participate in and for **sewing all those berets for each student to wear!** These experiences gave meaning and insight into our ANZAC Day focus for this year and our connection to Villers-Bretonneux, and what it means to all of us as Australians.*

*Of course the special events didn't stop there! The **"Doonibalds"** Year 6 Art Exhibition allowed our Year Six students to showcase their **INCREDIBLE** portraits and research of their soldiers, as well as the busts and iMovie trailers they created about Sir John Monash. It too was a triumphant and **GREAT** night. A **FANTASTIC display of artwork!** A special thank you to Mrs Dobrzynski for working with the Year Six students to create such masterpieces!*

*Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the day and evening and to all our families who supported this special event by attending the assembly and/or the Doonibalds Art exhibition.*

*A special **‘THANK YOU’** to the students, parents and staff who were up bright and early to represent St John Vianney's school at the Blacktown RSL Dawn Service on ANZAC DAY. It is wonderful to see the ever-increasing numbers of the younger members of the community and their families attending dawn services either locally or in the city. These young people are our hope for peace in our world.*

**Blessing to all!**  
**Georgina Cox**  
**Principal**

### **IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Mothers' Day Breakfast**  
7.30am – 8.30am  
**Mothers' Day Assembly ~**  
Led by Yr. 1  
9.30am MPR  
**Mothers' Day Stall**  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May

**Parents & Friends**  
**Association Meeting**  
7.00pm  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May

7<sup>th</sup> May-18<sup>th</sup> May  
**School Dental Clinic**

**NAPLAN Yrs. 3 & 5**  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May

**Winter Uniform K-6**  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May

**School Photos**  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**Family Day Liturgy, Mufti**  
**Day, Open Classroom &**  
**Lunch ~ supporting work of**  
**CatholicCare**  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May

**School Newsletter Dates:**  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July

**SCHOOL'S PHONE**  
**NUMBER**

**8869 6300**

## CHESSE COMPETITION

This year we have 4 teams who will be participating in the NSW Chess League Friday afternoon competition. **The competition begins THIS FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> MAY** and runs on a 'home' and 'away' basis. The teams and draw for games will be sent home with the players this week. We know you will be welcoming and courteous hosts to our visiting teams and great ambassadors for our school when playing at other schools.

**The first game this Friday is a 'home' game for all of our 4 teams.  
Good luck to all!**

**Our 2018 Chess Players: Amelia Azzopardi (3G), Khodi Azzopardi (4G), Samuel Vella (3B), Jeremy Portelli (5G), Isaac Bayada (3B), Jacob Konstantinoff (3G), Nicolas Perez (4G), Max Konstantinoff (5G), Jayden Liu (4B), Jesse Scott (4B), Thomas Nouridine (3G), Boris Prokhorov (3B), Blake Norris (5G), Edward Paul (6B), Kevin Zhou (5G), Gabriel Paul (4B).**

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy)

This is an annual national assessment for all students in **Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.**

**This year NAPLAN will take place next week on:**

- ◆ **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May: Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation, Grammar) and Writing**
- ◆ **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May: Reading**
- ◆ **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May: Numeracy**

## WINTER UNIFORM

**ALL STUDENTS will need to be wearing their full winter uniform from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018. In the meantime parents, please use your own discretion as some days are still warm enough to wear summer uniform. Please make sure your child's jacket has their name clearly marked so it doesn't end up in 'lost property'.**

## SCHOOL PHOTOS – TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MAY

Envelopes to order photo packages have already been sent home. If you didn't receive these and you wish to order photos please contact the office.

This year the children need to be in their **FULL WINTER UNIFORM** for our school photos.

**All students will need to be in their Winter Uniform with school tie available from Lowes Blacktown (not sports uniform), boys navy socks, girls navy tights and black shoes (not joggers) are to be worn. All girl's hair accessories are to be navy blue and long hair should be tied back, in a bun, ponytail, plaits etc.**

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

At St John Vianney's Parish school, we continue to promote student attendance. **Thank you to our parents for the support and value that you place on your child being at school each day.**

**Below are the current attendance levels per Grade:**

**Kinder: 85.3%**

**Year 1: 84.5% ↓**

**Year 2: 81.4% ↓**

**Year 3: 91.8% ↓**

**Year 4: 83.0% ↓**

**Year 5: 80.0% ↓**

**Year 6: 79.8% ↓**

- Regular school attendance plays a critical role in ensuring that every student has access to the same learning opportunities.
- When students are not at school, are late to school or leave school early, they are missing out on so much that can impact on their future learning.
- As you can see our **current school average is 83.8%** which is **well below** our target of 90%.
- **We love seeing you at school and ready for learning. Let's make regular school attendance a priority for every family.**

## **APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED LEAVE**

Parents, as you know, **it is very important that children attend school every day.** Quite often leave is requested by parents for various reasons. While we understand that this may be necessary sometimes, it is not encouraged. **Every school day is important for every student.**

If you intend taking your child out of the school for **five days or more** you must make a formal application to the Principal in writing and also complete the '**Application for Extended Leave**' form which is available from the school office. The application must be **submitted at least 4 weeks prior to the expected leave** or earlier if possible.

**It is important for parents to know that, depending on circumstances, this leave may not be approved.** Each application will be considered on an individual basis and could depend on circumstances such as the intention for the leave, your child's attendance and the impact the leave may have on your child's academic progress.

These regulations are in place in all schools in the Parramatta Diocese to make sure that all students have the best opportunity to achieve to their full potential. We appreciate your support and understanding of these requirements.

*Mrs Georgina Cox – Principal*

**Absence Explanation Note:** If your child is away from school, a note explaining their absence is required within 7 days of returning to school. If no note is received the absence is recorded as 'unexplained'. Parents can use the Skoolbag app to complete the 'Absentee Form' located under eForms.

## **Have You Changed Your Contact details???**

We always need up to date information in case of emergency or other safety reasons.

**Have you changed: Phone numbers? Email address?**

**Home address? Emergency contacts?**

**Please let the school office know ASAP so we can update family records.**

## **MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST and ASSEMBLY**

This Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May, the Parents and Friends are hosting a **scrumptious breakfast for all MUMS from 7:30am-8:30am.** Make sure you've placed your orders for yourself and if you want your children to join you for brekky you'll need to order for them too. They will be issued with a coloured wrist band to wear. All other students will be in another playground area during breakfast.

**Following the breakfast, Year 1 will be leading a special Mothers' Day Assembly in the MPR at 9:30am.**

We look forward to your company! **HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!**

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be **NO ACCESS** into the school via the bridge gate on **FRIDAY MORNING 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY** Please enter via the main gate.

## ANZAC DAY



Thank you to the staff and students who represented our school at the Dawn Service for Anzac Day at Blacktown RSL. The following students represented our school with pride and respect – well done to **Thomas Donevski, Daniel Sinclair, Edward Paul, Isaac Bayada, Charlotte and Isabella Attard, Aaliya-Rose Robertson, Ian Ceniza, Lucy and Clare Ciappara, Lucy and Nicholas Borg, Max and Jacob Konstantinoff.**

Thanks to Mr & Mrs Hastings, Mrs Cox, Mrs Attard, Mrs Smith, Jacob, Victoria-Rose and Mrs Bayada for assisting on the day.

Thanks for helping to keep this important tradition alive!

**Mrs Kersivien**

### ***STUDENT OF THE TERM TERM 1 2018***

Congratulations to the following student who were nominated by their teacher to receive this special award:

**Caitlin Morales, Mica Enrile, Stephanie Nery, Jacinta Aquino, Stella-Rose Deluca, Skye Garcia, Marcus Liao, Nina Isakov, Rhianna Bartlett, Myron Nicolas, Jayda Ramia, Gabrielle DeGuzman, Nikolai Quimpo, Basil Joseph, Phoenix Marsters Barber Sio, Lasuba Aggrey.**

## Religious Education News

**We extend a warm invitation to our**

**Mother's Day Assembly**

**When: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30am**

**Where: MPR**

**Led by Year 1**

**Please join us for a cuppa and scones after the assembly.**



**Family Day Liturgy, Mufti Day, Open Classrooms & Picnic Lunch**  
**Thursday 31st May**

On Thursday 31st May, St John Vianney's Parish School will be celebrating Family Day. We are asking all children to wear mufti clothes on this day and bring along a gold coin donation to support the work of CatholicCare. CatholicCare is the organisation in our diocese that offers services in support of families and the celebration of this day will occur at the request of Bishop Vincent.

Please join us to celebrate our Family Day Liturgy at 12noon on Thursday 31st May in the Multi-Purpose Room. This will be followed by an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom and to join your children for a picnic lunch. There will be a **photo booth** available for you to take some fun family photos for a donation. The photo booth will be available after the liturgy until the end of lunch at 2pm.

**When:** Thursday 31st May 2018  
**Time:** 12.00noon  
**Where:** MPR followed by the grass area for lunch  
**What to bring:** Gold coin donation for mufti day, donation for the photo booth and lunch to sharing with your family

We look forward to celebrating with you!

**Project Compassion**

Thank you to all families who were able to support the Project Compassion appeal this Lent. Caritas is always extremely grateful for the money that we raise here at St. John Vianney's. This year we aimed for all grades to raise \$70 and this goal was achieved. I would like to make a special mention to 3 Gold who raised a huge \$251.35 and 3 Blue who raised \$191.55. **As a whole school we raised \$1399.50. This is a fantastic effort!**

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

**May – Month of Mary**

May is a special month in the Catholic Church as it is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. During May we remember and honour our holy mother Mary and we encourage families to pray the Rosary more often during this time. At St. John Vianney's the Year 3-6 children have the opportunity to pray the Rosary every Monday at lunchtime and we thank our volunteer Mrs Jane Buttigieg for generously leading the children in prayer each week.

Laura Rutherford  
Religious Education Coordinator

**ENROLMENTS 2019**

**Enrolment Forms for Kindergarten are available  
from the office.**

**Interviews will be commencing soon.**

**LIBRARY NEWS**  
2018 Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2018.  
**Thomas Nourdine, Rhianna Bartlett, Brooke Shaw, Lucy Ciappara, Clare Ciappara, Nicholas Lim, Stella- Rose Deluca, Jake Cutajar and Tiana Cutajar.**

Well done!!

**Mrs Kersivien**

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**SCHOOL TERM DATES 2018**

**Term 2: Monday 30 April to Friday 6 July 2018**

**Term 3: Monday 23 July to Friday 28 September 2018**

**Term 4: Monday 15 October to Friday 21 December 2018**

❖ **Students finish Wednesday 19 December 2018**

**DIOCESAN CROSS COUNTRY**



Congratulations to all our athletes that competed in the Diocesan Cross Country at Eastern Creek on Tuesday, 1st May.

They performed extremely well on a very difficult course. This squad was the best performing team that I have ever taken and they should be very proud of their individual performance.

**Thomas Nourdine, Jacob Konstantinoff, Jordan Laidlaw, Moses Justin, Brandon Duff, Aidan Feliciano, Linda Aggrey, Amelia Azzopardi, Hayden Tarr, Khodi Azzopardi, Myron Nicolas, Andrew Aggrey, Matthew Buttigieg, Bella Flores, Jamie Lavender, and Max Konstantinoff.**

OUR SCHOOL IS VERY PROUD OF YOU ALL.

**A SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS** goes to **JAMIE LAVENDER** who placed 5th in his race and **HAYDEN TARR** who placed 6th in his race. Both boys have now progressed to represent the Parramatta Diocese in the NSWCPs Cross Country, which will be held on Friday, 15th June at Eastern Creek.

We wish Jamie and Hayden all the best. **GO BOYS GO!!!!**

Margaret Hancock  
**Sports Coordinator**

## **Term 1 Overview 2018**

By Cyanne Dela Cruz and Justin Franswah

Good morning Mrs Cox, Parents, friends, teachers and students. We, Cyanne and Justin, proud members of the Student Council, are extremely excited to present to you today the first Term Overview for 2018. It has been an incredible term with so many memorable events.

On the first day back of 2018 at St John Vianney's Years 1 - 6 came back refreshed and energised to gain more knowledge than they had the year before. Later that week on a bright and sunny day the new Kindergartens spent their first official day at 'big school' where they were accompanied by our senior students in Year 6. At the end of the day they left the school with cheerful smiles ready for another day of fun-filled learning.

The Primary Students ended Week 1 with a splash at the Annual Swimming Carnival of 2018. During the day the students competed in many exciting races from 25m - 200m. Besides racing the children were involved in novelty events which were taken care of by Miss D'sa, Mrs Asaad, Mrs Cox and Mrs Smith. At the end of the day everyone was very tired but thoroughly enjoyed their day. We then had some very talented swimmers represent St John Vianney's at the Zone and Diocesan Swimming Carnivals. On the Wednesday of Week 10 Years 3-6 competed in the 2018 cross country run. We extend a big thank you to Mrs Hancock and the 8 dedicated sports captains for organising these events and we can't wait for more!

During Week 6 we celebrated Catholic Schools Week and welcomed all the new students from Kindergarten - Year 6 and all the new teachers including Mrs Otazu, Mrs Assad, Mr Stennett, and Mrs Balintec. After the assembly we showcased our hard work via open classrooms, in which we showed our parents our art, our workbooks and anything else we had been working on. We finished the morning with a picnic morning tea. It was wonderful sharing this time with our parents/grandparents and other friends and family members.

Also during Catholic Schools Week, our Student Representative Council (SRC) and the Sports Captains attended the G.R.I.P Leadership Conference. The Grip Leadership Conference was an inspiring day filled with many interactive, fun filled activities. We had the privilege to learn about the many roles and responsibilities of a leader and the characteristics of a good leader. The "Grip Leadership Team" explained the many ways to put ideas into actions and what type of leaders we should be. Thank you Mrs Cox for organising this wonderful experience.

In our school we are devoted to Christ and so it is very important to us that as a community we, the Primary, attend Mass every Thursday. To begin Lent, on Ash Wednesday, the Primary students went to mass and received ashes from our very special Parish Priest Father O'Neill. While, we were at Mass the children in K-2 had a special prayer time in their classrooms. Each Primary grade has also had the opportunity to receive the sacred sacrament of Penance. Last Week, the school was led by Year 6 into the significant events of Holy Week through very meaningful and sacred prayers, so as a school we could journey with Jesus through the events of Holy Week. A big thank you to Father O'Neill, Father Eugene and Mrs Rutherford our Religious Education Coordinator for helping us to continue to deepen our faith.

Throughout this term our school has been involved in raising money for Project Compassion, Caritas Australia, helping young children from different countries in our world to receive a better education and way of life. To contribute to this Year 3 collected bottles with the 10c symbol and raised over \$123, reaching high above their aim and still counting.

The Year 2's went on a fun and educational excursion to the museum, where they deepened their knowledge of dinosaurs. During the same week the Year 6's went on a thrilling trip to the NSW Parliament House in Sydney, where they learnt about the Upper House (Legislative Council) and the Lower House (Legislative Assembly) and were enriched with unknown knowledge about our State Parliament.

It has been a busy term filled with many fun and hands-on activities! Thank you to all the staff at St John Vianney's for making it a great term. However, it is still not over and we still have our Whole School ANZAC Assembly and ANZAC activities to look forward to next week, as well as our display of the AMAZING Artwork of our Year 6 students at "THE DOONIBALDS" next Wednesday night 11th April at 7pm. We hope you will join us for this notable event.

To end our overview we would like to thank the wonderful P&F for their exceptional hard work during the term, for organising tea and tissues, the Fruit frenzy, the ice block stall and for the extremely successful Easter Raffle with 158 prizes. There was LOTS of delicious chocolate and many happy winners!! We are now at the second last week of the term and can't wait to see you all in Term 2 for more fantastic learning.

THANK YOU TEACHERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS

## TERM 2 CALENDAR

Thursday	May 10	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	May 11	<b>7.30am-8.30am – Mothers' Day Breakfast P&amp;F</b> <b>9.30am Mothers' Day Assembly- Led by Yr. 1 ~ MPR</b> <b>11.30am Mothers' Day Stall ~ P&amp;F</b> <b>NO MERIT ASSEMBLY</b> 3.15pm Chess at St John Vianney's
Sunday	May 13	<b>Happy Mothers' Day</b>
Monday	May 14	<b>7.00pm P&amp;F Meeting ~ Staffroom</b>
Tuesday	May 15	NAPLAN – Language Conventions and Writing
Wednesday	May 16	NAPLAN Reading
Thursday	May 17	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 NAPLAN Numeracy
Friday	May 18	<b>9.30am Pentecost Assembly</b> <b>NO MERIT ASSEMBLY</b>
Sunday	May 20	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>
Monday	May 21	<b>Winter uniform for all students</b>
Wednesday	May 23	Maths Olympiad
Thursday	May 24	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	May 25	2.15pm Merit Assembly ~ MPR
Tuesday	May 29	(ICAS) Science ~ Yrs. 3-6 <b>SCHOOL PHOTOS – Winter Uniform</b>
Thursday	May 31	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 <b>12.00noon Family Day Liturgy, Mufti Day, Open Classrooms &amp; Picnic Lunch</b> supporting work of CatholicCare.
Friday	June 1	Yr.5 Bathurst Excursion <b>NO MERIT ASSEMBLY</b>
Thursday	June 7	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 8	2.15pm Merit Assembly ~ MPR <b>Hot Dog Day ~ P&amp;F</b>
Monday	June 11	<b>QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
Wednesday	June 13	Yr.1 Aquarium Excursion (ICAS) Spelling ~ Yrs. 3-6
Thursday	June 14	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 (ICAS) Writing ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 15	2.15pm Merit Assembly ~ MPR
Wednesday	June 20	<b>Primary Sports Carnival ~ Yrs.3-6</b>
Thursday	June 21	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 22	<b>9.15am P&amp;F Meeting ~ Staffroom</b> 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~ MPR Semester 1 Reports K-6 go home
Monday	June 25	<b>Parent/Teacher Interviews (Weeks 9 &amp; 10)</b>
Thursday	June 28	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 29	2.15pm Merit Assembly ~ MPR
Thursday	July 5	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	July 6	<b>9.30am Student of the Term Assembly</b> Pizza Day ~ P&F <b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>

**SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENTS ON MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY**

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Date	Time	Event
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	7:30 am to 8:30 am	Mothers' Day Breakfast
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	After recess	Mothers' Day Stall
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	P&F Meeting
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June		Hot Dog Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July		Pizza Day

### Mothers' Day Breakfast

To celebrate Mothers' Day we will be holding a special breakfast for mums before school on **Friday 11th May**. **Serving time for the breakfast will be between 7:30am and 8:30am and you will need to pre order your breakfast.** Students whose mothers/grandmothers are at the breakfast may join them.

### Mothers' Day Stall

The stall will be held on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May** after recess. All gifts are \$7 each and cards \$1 each. There is a wonderful variety of gifts to suit all Mums and Grandmothers.

**Volunteers to assist with selling the gifts on the day would be greatly appreciated.** If you can spare some time please complete the volunteer section of the Mothers' Day Stall flyer and return it to school. Alternatively you contact us in person, via Facebook or email.

### P&F Meeting

**On Monday 14th May at 7:00pm we will be holding our first evening P&F meeting in the staffroom.** We hope that this gives everyone who is unable to make our day time meeting the opportunity to attend a meeting. A decision will be made after this meeting, depending on number of attendees, whether this will be a regular occurrence. So come along for a chat and find out what is happening during the term, we would love to see you there.

### Staying In Touch



You can stay in touch with news and events, contribute your ideas and helpful contacts through our "SJV Parents & Friends" page on Facebook.

### Clothing Pool

The clothing pool, which is located in the old canteen (near MPR entry), will be open on the following dates in Term 2 from 8:30 am to 9:15 am. **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July.**

**We are in desperate need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition and washed. Please leave items at the school office.**

Thank you.

**Teneille Shaw &**

Maryanne Vella  
**P&F Secretary**

# LITERACY

## 1. Sharing a book at home

Together with your child, you can enjoy sharing reading. Children love to hear a story read aloud.

- ▶ Try reading with different voices, lots of emotion, invented sound effects and funny faces. Change the tone in your voice, vary the loudness or softness of your voice. Have fun and enjoy it.
- ▶ It is a good idea to practise reading before sharing a book.
- ▶ Listen to your child talk about the story and the pictures.
- ▶ Try asking your child which parts of the books he or she found exciting, funny or different.
- ▶ Give your child the chance to choose a book to read.
- ▶ Try reading to your child and, at other times, ask your child to join reading the book.
- ▶ Let your child hear how *hill* and *home* start with the same sound or how *trouble* and *bubble* rhyme.

**Mr Stennett**  
**Literacy Coordinator**



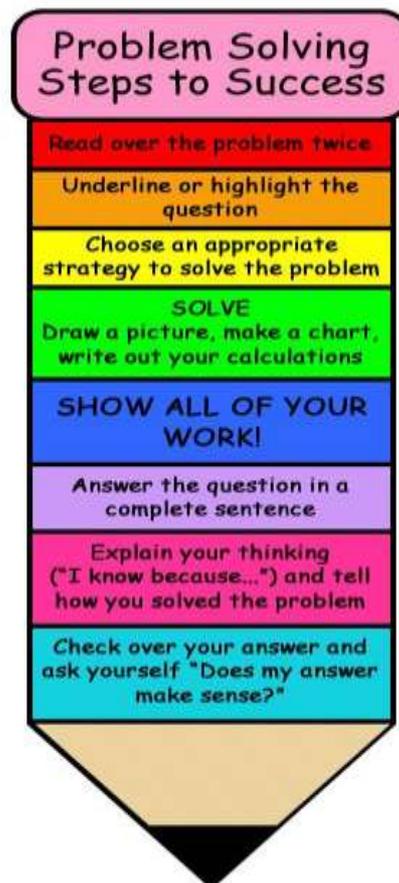
Dear Parents,

**Problem solving** is an important component of mathematics education because it is a skill which can enhance **logical reasoning**.

It is the vehicle which seems to be able to help students achieve all three of the values of mathematics **functional, logical and aesthetic**. It teaches and reinforces mathematical knowledge and helps to meet everyday challenges. Approaching mathematics through problem solving can create a context which simulates real life and therefore justifies the mathematics rather than treating it as an end in itself. The skill of problem solving encompasses skills and functions which are an **important part of everyday life**.

When your child is provided with a Maths problem, it is important to encourage them to find multiple approaches to solving one problem and explain how they got their answer to a problem and discuss alternative ways of doing it. Ask your child to explain their thinking and how they worked it out. Discussing the efficiency and suitability of different strategies is an important part of maths lesson. Explaining strategies orally helps to develop the use of appropriate mathematical vocabulary.

Listed below are steps that you can encourage your child to take when solving problems;



**Mrs Arze Derjani**  
**Numeracy Coordinator**

**MERIT CERTIFICATES**  
**Congratulations to the following Students:**

<b>KBLUE</b>	<b>Nikolas Pino-Undzillo Julienne Esclanda Arya Neupane</b>	<b>KGOLD</b>	<b>Nathaniel lejero Nathan Abreu Demaiyrah Desouza</b>
<b>IBLUE</b>	<b>James Tarr Mark Boctor Eliza Arranz</b>	<b>1GOLD</b>	<b>Bella Ramia Simon Pastoral Marina Siric</b>
<b>2BLUE</b>	<b>Caleb Dacayo Alexandra Castillo Gabriel Talione</b>	<b>2GOLD</b>	<b>Arrabel Gutierrez Caetlyn Dolores Lily Fidler</b>
<b>3BLUE</b>	<b>Sophia Miranda Chelsea Quimpo Moses Justin</b>	<b>3GOLD</b>	<b>Thomas Nourdine Maria Kanesh Isabella Khattar</b>
<b>4BLUE</b>	<b>Mico Aducayen Cryztle Espino Meriel Cruz</b>	<b>4GOLD</b>	<b>Dominik Pino-Undzillo Sarah Muhammad Timothy Cheng</b>
<b>5BLUE</b>	<b>Alexis Vella Luke Buere Grace Chandler</b>	<b>5GOLD</b>	<b>Angelina Shafig Irish Raymundo Blake Norris</b>
<b>6BLUE</b>	<b>Amelia Esposito Xavier Talione Abinav Chennupati</b>	<b>6GOLD</b>	<b>Lasuba Aggrey Lucas Perez Jared Cruz</b>

**TERM 2 SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNT**

Accounts will be posted out by the Catholic Education Office next week  
 Fees are payable by **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.** Please contact Mrs Fletcher, **before the due date**, if you are unable to finalise your account. Payment of fees can be paid by Eftpos, Bpay, Postbill, Cash and Cheque.



## **CHILD PROTECTION**

Building Child Safe Communities New procedures reminders for volunteers

<http://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/asp/volunteerscpmodule/index.asp>

If you are considering volunteering for school excursions, sports carnivals etc. it is important to complete the requirement as set out below.

It is a system requirement that child protection training be completed by all volunteers commencing work in our school and a briefing every second year for existing volunteers.

An online training module for use by volunteers.

1. Open the module by clicking the Start link below.
2. Read through the presentation.
3. Complete and submit quiz questions. This will take approximately 45 minutes.
4. After successful completion of the module, fill out the form by typing your name, email address, contact number, contact address and the school you intend to volunteer at.
5. A notification of your successful completion of the module will be sent via e-mail to the school and also to your email address.

Click on Start the module.

### **Volunteers**

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/volunteers>

Thank you for your interest in volunteering. The opportunities provided to students are greatly enhanced by the contribution of volunteers.

### **ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE STEP 1 AND STEP 2**

#### **Step 1: Complete 'Building Child Safe Communities - Undertaking for Volunteers' Form**

You will need to complete a Volunteers Form for each location that you volunteer. A notification of your successful completion of the form will be sent via e-mail to the volunteering location and also to your email address.

**VOLUNTEER FORM**

**PRIVACY STATEMENT**

#### **Step 2: Complete the online training module**

It is a system requirement that the online training module be completed by all volunteers commencing at any of our locations and the training needs to be completed every second year.

- Open the module by clicking the **Start** link below.
- Read through the presentation.
- Complete and submit quiz questions (this will take approximately 10 minutes).

**TRAINING MODULE**

**PRIVACY STATEMENT**



## **Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Morning**

9.15 – 11am  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### **Enrolments for Year 7 2020**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2020. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on our upcoming school tour especially for Year 7 2020 applicants but open to any year group. School tours later in the year get very crowded so beat the rush!

Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome.

Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking.



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For further enquiries, or **to make the switch** please contact Jackie De Abreu on (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website [www.kindercare.com.au](http://www.kindercare.com.au)

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New Students can also join on: Saturdays, 12 May, 19 May.

<b>New and Returning Students</b> Ages 5-8 Class Time 9:00 to 9:45AM	<b>New and Returning Students</b> Ages 3-4 Parents must be present Class Time 8:30 to 9:00AM	<b>New Students</b> Ages 9-16 <b>and Returning Students</b> Class Time 9:45 to 10:25AM
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Returning Students please see website at [www.karate-kids.com.au](http://www.karate-kids.com.au) for class times.

REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO THE THIRD WEEK OF TERM. NO PRE-REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY. JUST TURN UP 10 TO 15 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS TIME ABOVE IF POSSIBLE. WE ACCEPT CHEQUES OR CASH. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, SEE WEBSITE AT [www.karate-kids.com.au](http://www.karate-kids.com.au).