

SAINT MARY MACKILLOP Primary School Keilor Downs

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IMPORTANT DATES

2017 Term Dates

Term 4 10 October-20 December

2017-Term 4

Monday 6 November School Closure Day

Tuesday 7 November Melbourne Cup Day-No School

Monday 20 -Wednesday 22 November

Year 4 Camp-Mt Evelyn

Wednesday 13
December

Christmas Carols Night from 7.00 pm

Thursday 14 December Year 6-Big Day In

Friday 15 December

Last Day for Year 6 at 1.00pm

Year 6 Graduation at 7pm in the Church

Wednesday 20

December

Last Day for Year P-5 at 1.00pm

The wisdom of St. Mary MacKillop

"If we have love in our hearts, we shall have God with us."

1890

Dear Community,

Welcome back to Term 4! We have eleven weeks to the conclusion of this school year and in that time, we have much to achieve and celebrate.

Make sure you check the school calendar to ensure you are up to speed with the major happenings of this term. Of course, there will be other events that may arise. These events will be organised by the school admin, year levels and the Parents Association. Keep checking emails, e-News and Care-Monkey, so you know what is going on. Thanks everyone.

Yesterday, Monday 09.10., we engaged in some important Professional Learning with Daniel Birch, a school principal and leading educational consultant from New Zealand. Daniel together with Deb Vietri, an educational consultant who has been working with us over a number of years, are supporting us in documenting our pedagogy, i.e. the why and way we teach.

This need arose out of our review earlier this year, whereby a recommendation from the National School Improvement Tool was to 'Discuss, clarify and document the agreed SMMPS pedagogy.'

We have developed a draft essence statement, which says in a nutshell what we value and believe in learning and teaching. I look to sharing this document with you, after we have tidied it up a little and made sure it reflects what we believe.

Again, thank you for your support yesterday in allowing us to keep learning. Remember we are all lifelong learners.

Over the school holidays, I once again enjoyed the privilege of visiting St. Mary MacKillop's tomb in Sydney. I consider this a sacred place, where I can reflect and pray in the company of a great saint and the many other people visiting there.

I recall the fact that St. Mary MacKillop is our patron watching over our school. We are invited to look to her for inspiration in the many moments of our life and experience.

I have come to appreciate that 'God is not an optional extra, but is the great reality behind the small realities of every day'. Mary MacKillop reminds us that 'If we have love in our hearts, we shall have God with us.' (1890) And even if we are lacking awareness, we have 'his watchful presence' (1871) looking out for us.

We are certainly blest to have St. Mary MacKillop's wisdom and guidance to inspire us.

Have a good term everybody.

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Anthony McCluskey

Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Last Saturday the 7th October, Ms Tara Ciantar (teacher 3B) was married to Mr Andrew Sciberras. We would like to congratulate the happy couple and wish them a life full of love and happiness.

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM FOUR

SAVE THE DATE!!! As seats are limited. Ladies Night: Wednesday 25th October 2017 Venue: Quatrefoils Come and support the students at CRC Sydenham at their restaurant. See flyer.

Sausage Sizzle- Date to be confirmed

Christmas Carols Night- Wednesday 13th December, 7.00pm until 8.30pm

St. Mary MacKillop Primary School is Fundraising with Entertainment Books!

The brand NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment Hard Copy Books are no longer in stock. Digital memberships are just \$70 each and are packed full of great offers. Not only will you receiving amazing discounts to a variety of venues and restaurants, but you will also be helping our school. St Mary MacKillop P.S. will receive 20% of all membership sales! If you would like to order your digital membership, just visit www.entbook.com.au/9127y31



Key Dates and College Tours Year 7, 2019

Year 7, 2019 - Key Dates

Wednesday, 24 May 2017 Applications open

Friday, 25 August 2017 Applications close

Friday, 13 October 2017
First Round Offers posted

Friday, 27 October 2017 Final date for acceptance

Application forms available at College Office or www.crcnk.com.au



Term 3 Tours

Thursday 17 August, 9am Thursday 14 September, 9am

Meet the College Principal Visit Learning Spaces Chat with College Staff

Bookings essential

Please contact the College Office Phone: 9361 5900 Email: office@crcnk.vic.edu.au

Tours run for approximately 1 hour

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Village

MARKET DAY

KEILOR RETIREMENT VILLAGE 868 OLD CALDER HIGHWAY, KEILOR Sunday 15 October 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Loads of Great Bargain

SMMPS PARENTS ASSOCIATION INVITES YOU TO



On Wednesday the 25th, October 6:00-9:00 pm

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OFF FROM THE COOKING AND KIDS. LET THE KIDS COOK FOR YOU!

Venue: Quatrefoils Restaurant (run by the students at CRC Sydenham)
380 Sydenham Road, Sydenham (enter via Pecks Rd)

Cost: \$30 per person for 3 courses

There will be door prizes and a Raffle on the night

This is a LADIES ONLY event, so get your girlfriends together and enjoy an evening of catching up over great food and drinks.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

RSVP by October 18th. Seats are limited to 60.

Reply Slip for Ladies Night 2017

Name
No. Of Tickets Required @ \$30each
Mobile Phone No
Total Enclosed:

Thank you for your support of this event