



St Mary's Rydalmere Newsletter

*** WELCOME BACK *** **INFORMATION UPDATE** **Week 1, Term 3**



Welcome back to St Mary's for Term 3. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break. Below I have listed some important information and dates for you to mark in your diaries:

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—WEDNESDAY 26TH AUGUST

On Wednesday 26th August there will be a Staff Development Day. **This is a pupil free day.** OOSH will be operating on the day for those parents who require supervision. Please contact 9638 2401 for more information.

TERM 3 GYMNASTICS PROGRAM

A reminder that the children will be starting, or have started the Fit School Gymnastics program this week.

Monday will be KB and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. **Friday** will be KM and Years 1 and 2.

Below are the days on which each year will need to wear their sports uniform this term:

KB / KM:	Monday and Friday	1L / 1P:	Wednesday and Friday
2G / 2L:	Wednesday and Friday	3R / 3S:	Monday and Wednesday
4B / 4Q/A:	Monday and Wednesday	5J / 5M:	Monday, Thursday and Friday
6C / 6E:	Monday, Tuesday and Friday		

EXCURSIONS AND PERMISSION NOTES

We have had some enquiries regarding outstanding excursion notes. Below I have listed what excursions we have at the moment:

Whole School

* Life Education (\$9.00 per child) - Friday August 7—Thursday 13th August

Selected Years

* Years 4—6 Australian Theatre of the Deaf—Take Off (\$5.00 per child) - Tuesday 4th August

* Netball Gala Day (\$12.00 per child) - Thursday 13th August

* Year 5 Blue Gum Camp (\$215.00 per child) - Wednesday 5th August—Friday 7th August

* Years 3 and 4 Soccer with St Patricks (no charge) - starts Wednesday 12th August

Permission and payment for all of these excursions is now overdue. If you haven't paid or can't remember if you have paid, please come to the office to check and collect a permission envelope. Thanks.

NETBALL GALA DAY TRAINING

With the Netball Gala Day fast approaching, some of the coaches are keen to start training. Teams will be training at the following times. Children will need to bring their runners with them on these days, if they are not already wearing them:

Senior Boys and 10 Year Girls:	8:00am starting Thursday 30th July
Junior Boys:	Lunchtime starting Wednesday 29th July
Junior Mixed:	Lunchtime starting Monday 3rd August
Senior Mixed:	Lunchtime Tuesdays and Wednesdays starting Wed 29th July
11 Year Girls:	8:00am Mondays and Wednesdays starting Mon 3rd August
9 Year Girls:	Lunchtime starting Monday 3rd August

R.E. UPCOMING EVENTS

There will be a mass held on **Friday 7th August** celebrating Mary MacKillop. It will commence at 9:15am. Everyone is welcome to come along.

On **Friday 14th August** we will have our School Feast Day Mass at 9:15am, followed by a picnic in the park. More details will follow.

GUITAR LESSONS

I would like to thank everyone who responded to the Guitar Tuition. We had a wonderful response. By now you would have been contacted by Michael, the guitar teacher. All lessons will start on Wednesday of Week 2 (August 5th).

PARENT CYBERSAFETY MEETING

On Tuesday 25th August we will be holding a Cybersafety Meeting for parents. This is a government run program, with specialist speakers coming to St Mary's to explain the dangers of the internet. It is extremely important that parents are aware of the problems their children are facing, not only at home but also at school. All parents are invited to come along to this important information evening (time TBC).

ST MARY'S MUSICAL INFORMATION MEETING — THURSDAY 30TH AUGUST

We are looking for parents to help out with our upcoming Musical which will be held on Thursday 3rd September. This Thursday 30th August at 7:00pm we are holding a meeting in the Library to discuss the musical, and what parent involvement would be appreciated. If you are able to provide assistance in the lead up to the big night, please come along on Thursday. Remember, many hands make light work...

McCARTHY CATHOLIC COLLEGE **TRADE TRAINING CENTRE, PENRITH**

Information Night: Tuesday 4th August 2009—7:00pm **McCarthy Catholic College—75 MacKellar Street, Emu Plains**

The McCarthy Catholic College Trade Training Centre Penrith will enable students commencing Year 11 in 2010 to gain experience and skills in their chosen trade while completing their Higher School Certificate.

The Trade Training Centre has been established by a network of schools— McCarthy College, Emu Plains; St Columba's High, Springwood; Xavier College, Llandilo; and Caroline Chisholm College, Glenmore Park.

Students will have the opportunity to gain a Certificate III qualification in one of a number of trades, including:

- * Automotive Mechanical Technology
- * Metals and Engineering
- * Hairdressing
- * Building and Construction
- * Electrotechnology
- * Hospitality

Applications are invited from all interested students in the Greater Western Sydney area.

For further information please phone 4735 3211 or visit the McCarthy Catholic College website www.mcchs.nsw.edu.au