



St Mary's Rydalmere Newsletter

Term 4 Week 2

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DIARY DATES

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Wednesday 28th Oct	Kindergarten Transition Begins 9:00–10:30am
Wednesday 28th Oct	Parent Information Night Sacrament of Penance Program—7:30pm Church
Monday 2nd Nov	All Souls Day Liturgy
Wednesday 4th Nov	Kindergarten 2010 Transition 9:00–10:30am
Friday 6th Nov	Year 6 East Timor Incursion 10:00–1:00pm
Sat/Sun 7th/ 8th Nov	Sacrament—Enrolment for Penance. Enrolment at each weekend Mass.
Friday 13th Nov	St Patrick's College Orientation Day for Year 6
Friday 13th Nov	FAMILY BUSH DANCE
Weekend Sat 14 Nov Sun 15 Nov	Preparation Sessions for Sacraments - 10am to 4pm

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WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE...

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for the final term of 2009. We welcome any new families to our school community. We also welcome back Mr Stennett who has returned after three months long service leave. I hope the holiday period was a restful and enjoyable time with your children without the pressures of timetables, school routines and homework!

This weekend we celebrate the feasts of All Saints and All Souls days. Both these feast days are significant celebrations in the Church's liturgical calendar. Over the weekend and at our Parish masses, we pray for and remember those of our families and friends who have passed away. Though they are no longer with us, their spirit, memories and the love we have for them are always present in our hearts and minds. The school community, Grades 3-6, will celebrate with Father Peter the mass of All Souls Day next Monday with our parishioners at the 9:15 am mass. Friends and families of our school community are invited to join us for this celebration.

As we draw closer to the end of the year, children tend to outgrow their uniforms. If you don't have siblings or cousins to hand them to, you could always donate them to the second hand clothing pool that operates every second Friday. If you have any uniforms that are of a good quality, free of stains etc please send them into the school office and they will be greatly appreciated by others in the school community.

Last Thursday I had the privilege of taking the Year 6 Cricket teams, both boys and girls, to the Milo Cricket Super Eights Gala Day. Both teams played very well throughout the day achieving good results. The most pleasing aspect of the day was the sportsmanship and encouragement shared by all our children not only with St Mary's students but also with the opposing teams. Congratulations and thank you to these children for the way in which you represented our school. Thank you to those parents who supported the teams on the day.

Enclosed today is this term's school planner. Please pay particular attention to the various events throughout the term and put them in your diaries. It is a busy term with our annual swimming programme, Christmas celebrations, Year 6 graduation and end of year housekeeping just to name a few! Please be advised that the school term finishes for students on Wednesday 16th December. Teachers will remain at school planning for 2010 until the Friday.

Have a great week!

Tony Hughes
PRINCIPAL



FAITH JOURNEY...

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Tonight there will be an information session for all parents who would like to enrol their child in this year's Reconciliation program. Reconciliation is the first of the three sacraments which form the overall parish sacramental program. Next year the program continues with Confirmation and Holy Communion. Children must be seven years or older to enrol. If your child has missed the program in the past and is presently in an older grade, it is fine for them to join.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS

Next Monday, 2nd November, the Parish will be holding a special morning mass to celebrate the feast of All Souls. Primary classes have been invited to attend and we would like to extend that invitation to all St Mary's families.

The Feast of All Saints celebrates all men and women who have lived saintly lives though are not formally noted by the Church, the Feast of all Souls recognises that every soul

OCTOBER—THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the month of the Rosary. This prayer has helped many people from generations past to the current day experience a closeness with Jesus and His beloved Mother Mary. The prayer is a meditative form of prayer which allows us to reach out to God by meditating on the joyful, sorrowful, glorious and luminous mysteries of our Lord's life through the eyes of His Mother. Although this weekend marks the end of October, our community has a special devotion to Our Lady, and in the busy months ahead remember that Mary is there as a constant figure of inspiration and strength.



Mr Stennett
Religious Education Coordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS...



Rock your socks off at the St Patrick's Marist College ~~ TRIVIA NIGHT ~~



Put your best foot forward as there are lots of games, a raffle and prizes for the best socks and dressed table.

Saturday 7th November in the new La Valla Centre
6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

Cost is \$12 per person. Tables of 8 or we can make a table for you.
BYO drinks and nibbles and gold coins. Tea, coffee and cake supplied.

For more information and bookings, please contact Kathy on 0425 274 797 or email
stpatricksmaristtrivia@hotmail.com

Ermington United Sports and Recreation Club

is running a **FREE NETBALL CLINIC** on Saturday 31st October and Saturday 7th November from 10:00am—12:00pm at Yates Avenue Netball Court, Dundas.

This is open for children ages 6+ that are interested in starting netball next year.

All enquiries, please phone Tracy on 0415-618-977 and book your spot.

Roselea Ladybirds Netball Club

Roselea Ladybird's Netball Club invites you to come and sample a free fun morning of netball!

When: Saturday 21st November from 10:00am

Where: Dunrussil Park, Dunrussil Avenue, Carlingford

Feel free to contact us or drop by!
0466 694 704

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