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THIS WEEK: Yrs. 5/6 Canberra Excursion

Mon 31/8:	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 2/3) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
Tues 1/9:	10:00a.m. PEDALS Playgroup
Wed 2/9:	No Leadership Meeting
Thurs 3/9:	No Assembly 3:45p.m. PSSA Committee Meeting

NEXT WEEK:

Sun 6/9:	Father's Day
Mon 7/9:	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 1) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting 7:30p.m. Parent Group Meeting
Tues 8/9:	The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10:00a.m. PEDALS Playgroup
Wed 9/9:	3:45p.m. Leadership Meeting 7:30p.m. School Committee Meeting
Thurs 10/9:	12:45p.m. Assembly (Year 3/4)
Fri 11/9:	PSSA Gala Day Boys: Basketball Girls: Soccer

22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



The Pharisees saw that the disciples were eating their food with unwashed hands. So they asked Jesus, "Why do your disciples not follow the teaching handed down by our ancestors?" Jesus said, "It is what comes out of a person that makes him unclean. For it is from a person's heart that evil ideas come and which lead

him to do all sorts of evil."

(ref Mark 7:1-23)

Inner Purity. Children generally obey their parents' rules for fear of being punished. As they mature, they recognize the love behind the rules and they embrace them. Jesus also challenges us to do more than obey through blind obedience; he calls us to purify our hearts so that our outer deeds may arise from heartfelt values.

Lord God, Every good thing comes from you. Fill our hearts with goodness. Amen.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Please remember to continue to keep families of our school community in your thoughts and prayers throughout

the week, and those who may have members of their family suffering from serious illness or sickness.

BOOK WEEK

Last week we saw many 'book characters come to life' as the children and teachers celebrated Book Week. The theme for Book Week 2015 was '**Books Light Up Our World**'. Many thanks to all students and teachers who dressed up as their favourite book character as part of the school's celebration of Book Week. Everyone looked great.

I would encourage all children and families to continue to read each night and spend time talking about the book that they have read with their children.

EISTEDDFOD

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Choir and Verse Speaking sections of the Eisteddfod last week. Both choirs and each class performed exceptionally well with great enthusiasm and success. The teachers were very proud and delighted with the efforts of the children.

Special congratulations to Year 1 and Miss Buddle for winning the Infants section, Year 2/3 and Mrs. Schinckel for coming second and Kindergarten and Miss Zammit for receiving an Honourable Mention. Also, special congratulations to Year 5/6D and Mrs. Denton for winning the Primary section and Year 5/6M and Mrs. McKay for receiving an Honourable Mention.

Again, well done to all our children and thanks to the teachers for their hard work preparing them for the Eisteddfod.

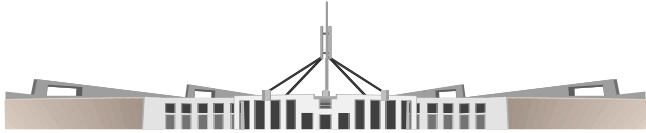
FATHER'S DAY ACTIVITIES

Thank you to everyone who supported the Father's Day Stall, Raffle and BBQ. The children always enjoy the experience of selecting a special gift for dad and having dad at school for the Father's Day BBQ and raffle. Many thanks to our Parent Group for coordinating and organising these activities and to all the parents who assisted in some way. It is greatly appreciated.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

We congratulate the children who made their First Reconciliation on Friday evening. A big thank you to parishioners, staff and parents who helped in different ways to make this occasion memorable for the children and their families.

YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA EXCURSION



The Years 5 and 6 students will be away this week on their excursion to Canberra. They will have the opportunity to visit places such as Parliament House, the National Museum, War Memorial, Institute of Sport and Questacon as well as the snowfields. The children have been looking forward to this excursion for many weeks. Mrs. Denton, Mrs. McKay and Mr. Rynne will be accompanying the students on this excursion.

YEAR 4 RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT

This year we are introducing the Year 4 Online Religious Literacy Assessment. Our Year 4 students will be sitting this online assessment this week.

The intention of placing the testing in Year 4, the end of Stage Two, is to inform the learning process & highlight areas of improvement for the learner, the parent, the teacher, the school and the system. When our current Year 4 students reach Year 6 in 2017, we will also introduce the Year 6 Online Religious Literacy Assessment to assist in identifying progress for both the students and the school.

The online assessment will be a computer generated unique test of equal difficulty for each student. Included in the test will be 35 multiple choice questions - 5 questions from each of the theological elements: God, Jesus, Church, Scripture, Sacraments, Prayer and Christian Life.

On completion of the test there will be a report made available to learners, parents and the school comparable to the NAPLAN report. Religious Literacy Assessment places a priority & seriousness on knowledge acquisition on Religion as a subject with as much rigor as all other subjects.

ASSEMBLIES

This Week: NO ASSEMBLY

Next Week: Thursday, 10th Sept (Hosts: Year 3/4)

PARENT GROUP MEETING

Our next Parent Group meeting will be held next week on **Monday, 7th September** at **7:30p.m.** in the **Admin Meeting Room**. All current and new families are welcome to attend this meeting.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

The next School Committee Meeting will take place next **Wednesday, 9th September** at **7:30p.m.** in the Admin Meeting Room.

PSSA GALA DAYS

Next week (**Friday, 11th September**) will be the first of our two Gala Days this term for students in Years 3-

6. The girls will participate in soccer and the boys in basketball. Information about these Gala Day will be sent home next week.

On **Wednesday, 16th September** the girls will be participating in basketball and the boys in cricket.

Students who are not participating in the Gala Days will be required to attend school as usual.

NAPLAN TEST RESULTS

Letters have been sent home to parents who have children in Years 3 and 5 providing a report of your child's performance in the 2014 National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy which were held earlier in the year. The results of these tests assist teachers to assess, monitor and support your child's literacy and numeracy needs. You are encouraged to contact your child's teacher if you wish to talk about your child's report and their current progress in reading, writing and numeracy. Below is more information that may assist when reading these reports:

YEAR 3

Band 1: Students are below the national minimum standard

Band 2: Students are at the national minimum standard

Bands 3 to 6: Students are above the national minimum standards

YEAR 5

Band 3: Students are below the national minimum standard

Band 4: Students are at the national minimum standard

Bands 5 to 8: Students are above the national minimum standards

SCHOOL FEES

Just a reminder to those families who have outstanding school fees that they should be paid **as soon as possible**. As you can appreciate the school relies on the school fees to pay for the general running costs of the school.

Wishing all our dads a very happy Father's Day.

Trevor Rynne
PRINCIPAL

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