



# St Matthew's Catholic Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER WEEK 3

### 3rd August 2017

#### CALENDAR DATES TERM 3 2017

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| Aug 7<br>Mon    | Assembly 2:45 pm<br>Presented by Year 4  |
| Aug 8<br>Tues   | Feast of St. Mary of the Cross<br>MacKillop<br>Mass 9:00 am under the COLA   |
| Aug 9<br>Wed    | Confirmation Workshop –<br>Chisholm Primary School<br>9:30 am – 2:30 pm<br>Religious Education<br>Parent information Evening 7 pm<br>All welcome<br>Lucky door prizes. |
| Aug 10<br>Thur  | Kinder excursion<br>Godolphin  |
| Aug 14<br>Mon   | Assembly 2:45 pm<br>Presented by Year 2  |
| Aug 15<br>Tues  | Feast of the Assumption of Our<br>Lady Parish Mass 9:00 am<br>Stage 3 Parent meeting<br>re: Graduation 2:30 pm   |
| Aug 16<br>Wed   | Police visit 12 pm<br>Confirmation Mass- 7pm<br>St Matthew's Church  |
| Aug 17<br>Thur  | Zone Athletics Carnival<br>Confirmation Mass- 7pm<br>St. Matthew's Church  |
| Aug 19<br>Sat   | Parish Mass 6pm<br>All welcome<br>Presented by Infants   |
| Aug 22          | Netball Gala Day   |
| Aug 23<br>Wed   | Year 2 Excursion<br>Rouse Hill House & Farm<br>Depart 9:00 am<br>Confirmation Mass - 7pm<br>St. Matthew's Church   |
| Aug 24<br>Thurs | Confirmation Mass - 7pm<br>St. Matthew's Church  |
| Sep t 22<br>Fri | Staff Development Day<br>Last day of Term 3  |

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

During the week I happened to tune into a radio broadcast discussing the issue of role models in society. It was an interesting discussion focusing on the attributes of what makes a good role model and their significant influence on the formation of young people. The view of the discussion was that role models are people who others seek to imitate, emulate or look to for guidance. The other interesting aspect raised in the discussion was the various people named as influential role models. Many nominated a parent, grandparent, other family member, coach or teacher. The discussion examined the characteristics and aptitudes of good role models and centred on their behaviour, integrity, credibility, humility and relational sense.

Last week we had the opportunity to celebrate the role of Grandparents in the lives of our children. Grandparents hold a special place in the lives of their families. They often hold the stories, traditions and precious treasures of a family. Their relationship with their grand children is a very special and unique one.

As they grow older Grandparents may have difficulty with the walking, but not with the talking. Many play an important role in families, assisting with passing on the faith which is rightly a parent's responsibility, or caring for grandchildren. The love shown to grandparents by their grandchildren is a returning of the love they have received.

The work of our teachers in preparing the children for our celebration last week needs to be acknowledged. St Matthew's School is blessed to have such a dedicated and energetic team of teachers who are committed to supporting the children to achieve their best. My thanks to all the parents and grandparents who commented on the morning and the efforts of the teachers and children in making it a truly memorable celebration.



#### Child's Prayer for Grandparents

*Dear God,  
Please bless my  
grandparents.  
For the ways they  
love me no matter  
what, I rejoice.  
Bless them always.  
We ask this  
through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.*

*In partnership let us continue to work to develop in the children strong minds and gentle hearts*

Peace and Best Wishes  
Tim Vane-Tempest  
Principal

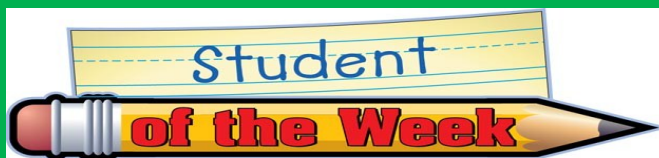
**Target - 90%**  
**average across the**  
**school**

Every Learner,  
Every Day

**Attendance in the past  
fortnight  
92.27%**

Thank you to all our parents, grandparents and students who supported our Book Fair last week. We sold \$5,800 worth of books which gives us just over \$1700 to spend on New books for the Library.

A big thank you to all the teachers who helped set up, sell and pack up the books.



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| <b>Kinder</b>        | Phoebe Cook- for excellent effort with her recount writing<br>Victoria Tierney- for excellent effort with her recount writing<br>Samuel Manosalva- for fantastic writing about his grandparents<br>Alannah Dagher- for neatly recording her ideas in Mathematics<br>Mia Lodding- for fantastic singing during the grandparents day liturgy   |
| <b>Year 1</b>        | Flynn Buckingham - for excellent reasoning skills when placing numbers on a three digit number line, well done!<br>Haydn Smith - for his hard work and positive attitude when working independently, well done<br>Jamie Langford - for becoming a more active participant in class discussions and reflections, well done!<br>Charlie Biviano –for excellent reasoning skills when placing numbers on a three digit number line, keep it up!   |
| <b>Year 2</b>        | Monique Portelli - for being a responsible and respectful class member and continued effort to her learning.<br>Cameron Cwojdzinski - for excellent focus and using great reading strategies in reading groups.<br>Connor Sharp - for excellent focus and using great reading strategies in reading groups.<br>Kate Xie- for excellent focus and using great reading strategies in reading groups.   |
| <b>Year 3</b>        | Selina Cai - for her enthusiastic approach to PBL work.<br>Campbell Howden - for his insightful comments during class discussions<br>Luka Layton - for his enthusiastic approach to PBL work.<br>Lachlan Ridgeway - for his enthusiastic approach to PBL work.   |
| <b>Year 4</b>        | Dakota Charles - for trying hard to improve his handwriting.<br>Jasmin Crinnion - for her outstanding effort in Maths.<br>Sophie Howard - for contributing thoughtful ideas to discussions during reading groups<br>Zachary Byrnes - for great contributions during religion and a settled start to the term<br>Gracie Cansfield - for efforts in all areas and a great start to term 3.   |
| <b>Stage 3 Blue</b>  | Mitchell Cwojdzinski - for always working diligently and lending a hand to those in need.<br>Georgia Boulos - for always listening attentively to instructions and working diligently.<br>Ella Karberis - for logically recording her thinking in Mathematics and persevering with challenging tasks.<br>Crystal Murray - making a consistent effort to improve her reading and writing skills.<br>Jayden Xerri - for displaying maturity and great sportsmanship at the Soccer Gala Day.<br>Noah Krix - for showing determination and perseverance when faced with challenging tasks. |
| <b>Stage 3 Gold</b>  | Ben Bugeja - for his mature approach to learning and collaboration skills.<br>Leila Parry-Smith - for using a variety of strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems.<br>Jon-Pierre Dagher - working hard on completing tasks to the best of his ability.<br>Jon-Pierre Dagher - his work ethic this term<br>Hannah Xerri - her professional PBL migrant interview<br>Bethany Artz- her perseverance when attempting challenging tasks in maths.   |
| <b>Stage 3 White</b> | James ONeil - for seeking to extend himself during Mathematics lessons.<br>Natalia Tabone - for consistently making valuable contributions to discussions in class.<br>Chanel Refalo - for her positive attitude and enthusiastic engagement in all learning activities.<br>Madelin Rose - for being prepared and organised for her wonderful migrant interview.<br>Eric Su - for being a mature and respectful Stage 3 student.<br>Ava Xerri - for being a safe, respectful and responsible learner.  |

Greetings St Matthew's School Community! Thank you to all the Grandparents, Great Grandparents and parents that came along to celebrate Grandparents Day last Wednesday. Kindergarten gave us a wonderful opportunity to thank and honour our very special members of our school community. It was a very enjoyable occasion. Thank you Kindergarten and all of St Matthew's School.

### **Australia's First Saint**

Next Tuesday, the 8th of August, we are celebrating the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. There is a Liturgy at 9am under the COLA that everyone is invited to.

Mary MacKillop was born on January 15th, 1842, Fitzroy- Melbourne. The eldest of eight children, Mary had the responsibility to provide financially for the whole family. In 1860, Mary took up the role of governess to her Aunt and Uncle Cameron's children, at Penola, South Australia. While there, Mary did not just educate the Cameron children, but all the children in the area who were living in poverty. Mary was a woman of faith and vision. She saw a need and used her actions to bring the love and mercy of God to the poor and disadvantaged. Eventually, Mary MacKillop transformed a disused stable in Penola, into her first school, St Joseph's. In 1867, Mary started the order of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. At the time of her death, Mary MacKillop had 750 women in her Order, 160 houses where her Sisters lived, 12 institutions which sheltered 1000 people in need and 117 schools. Mary MacKillop was Canonised on October 17th, 2010, at St Peter's Basilica, Rome.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop... Pray for us.

### **The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary**

On Tuesday the 15th of August is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.

St Matthew's School students will be attending Parish Mass at 9.00 am on that day. Everyone is invited to join us in prayer on this very special feast of Our Mother Mary. There are two days during the Church year that are known as Holy Days of Obligation (Catholics attend Mass). The two days are Christmas Day and The Assumption of Our Lady.

Mary, the Mother of Jesus Christ was born without Original Sin and was faithful to God throughout her life. After death, God assumed her into Heaven, body and soul. Mary is Our Mother too. She is always ready to assist us in our needs. We just need to turn to Mary and put our trust in Her.

Our Lady...pray for us.

### **Invitation to Religious Education Parent Information Meeting**

You are invited to come along and experience how and what your students are learning in Religious Education. This will take place in the Stage Three Learning Space at 7pm on Wednesday, 9th of August. There will be Lucky Door Prizes!

### **The Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation**

If your child is in Year's 4, 5 or 6 and they have not made their Sacraments and you would like them to be included in the programs- please contact me through the school office. They can be enrolled into the First Penance Program – meetings are being held on 29th of August and 30th of August. If for some reason you are unable to be part of a parish group to complete the programs, we can work something out to include your child in the programs.

If you would like to have your child baptised, this can also be arranged.  
God Bless.

Ann Climpson

Jesus in our hearts – Forever!  
Our Lady of Fatima – Pray for us.  
St Matthew- Pray for us.

#### **Dates to remember-**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Tuesday 8th August:       | St Mary of the Cross Liturgy- 9am                                    |
| Wednesday 9th August:     | Confirmation Workshop – Chisholm Primary School ( 9.30 am – 2.30 pm) |
| Wednesday 9th August:     | Religious Education Parent Meeting.                                  |
| Tuesday 15th August:      | The Feast of the Assumption.   |
| Wednesday 16th August:    | Confirmation Mass- 7pm   |
| Thursday 17th of August:  | Confirmation Mass – 7pm  |
| Saturday 19th of August:  | School/ Parish Mass- 6pm   |
| Wednesday 23rd of August: | Confirmation Mass- 7pm.  |
| Thursday 24h August:      | Confirmation Mass – 7pm  |
| Tuesday 29th August:      | First Penance Information Night- 7.30 pm                             |

# SPORT NEWS

Welcome back to another term with plenty of sporting opportunities for all the children at St Matthews. We have a very busy term so please take note of the following dates:

## Week 4

Stage 2 Touch Football Gala Day Trials held this week.

## Week 5

Thursday August 17 - Hills Zone Athletics Carnival

## Week 6

Tuesday August 22 - Stage 2 & 3 Netball Gala Day  
Stage 2 & 3 Basketball Trials held this week.



## Week 8

Friday September 8 Stage 3 Boys & Girls Touch Gala Day



## Week 9

Friday September 15 Stage 2 Boys & Girls Touch Gala Day  
Stage 2 & 3 League Tag Gala Day Trials

## St Matthew's Athletics Zone Team 2017

The Hills Zone Athletics Carnival will be held at Blacktown International Sportspark Athletics on Thursday 17th August. The following students have been selected to represent St Matthew's. Congratulations to:

| <u>Year 2</u>   | <u>Year 3</u>                | <u>Year 4</u>  | <u>Year 5</u>  | <u>Year 6</u>   |
|---|------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Joshua Baffo<br>Sarah Beattie<br>Taylah Caukill<br>Connor Holland | Myah Cowled<br>Samuel Murphy | Noah Beattie<br>Darcy Buckingham<br>Noah Burton<br>Georgia Crozier<br>Emerson Finch<br>Sophie Howard<br>Holly McKay<br>Matthew Simpson | Kade Burgess<br>Mitchell Cwojdzinski<br>Liam Henson<br>Lola Layton<br>Madaleine McDonald<br>Crystal Murray<br>Madelin Rose<br>Madison Rowley<br>Isabella Stanford<br>Christopher Xiberras<br>Audrey Zhou | Jordyn Bezzina<br>Charlie Burton<br>Jon-Pierre Dagher<br>Noah Holland<br>Anna Kennedy<br>Keiara King<br>Willem Machin<br>Danijela Prasnicki<br>Kurt Seget<br>Natalia Tabone<br>Tatiama Valente<br>Jayden Xerri<br>Juliana<br>Zambrano-Chung |

## **BOOTCAMP**

At Bootcamp we will be working on our fitness skills each Thursday morning at 8 am. This is optional and families do not have to commit to each and every week, however, it is a great opportunity to get active! The mornings have been brisk so please send your child along with a jacket.

Mrs Brand



# Save The Date!

This is an early notification for the annual St Matthew's Parish Dinner Dance on Friday 3rd November. This event is the major social and fundraising occasion for the parish. It is a great night of fun and entertainment, bringing together the three schools of our parish as well as the wider Catholic community. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

## Enrolling Now for 2018

The enrolments continue to be open for Kindergarten 2018. If your child turns 5 before the 31st July, 2018 and you would like them to start at St Matthew's please contact the school office to pick up or have an enrolment pack sent to you. If you know of any family who are seeking enrolment for 2018 and are not yet connected with the St. Matthew's please pass on this information. We look forward to welcoming you to St Matthew's in the near future.

## School Uniform and General Grooming

### A reminder to parents and carers of our expectations in regards school uniform

Full school or sports uniform is to be worn on relevant days.

Uniforms and shoes should be clean and neat.

School shoes must be black, polishable, hard leather, lace-up, closed school shoes to ensure safety and support (not leather sports shoes)

Sport shoes must be a jogger style to ensure safety and support during active play and PE lessons

Hair is to be kept tidy and off the face.

Long hair must be tied back for both boys and girls

Acrylic nails and nail polish are not to be worn.

Make up is not to be worn

Jewellery is limited to a wristwatch, sleepers or small plain studs in pierced ears.

The school hat is the only acceptable hat.

Sunglasses are permitted during recess, lunchtime and at outdoor events where extended sun exposure may be an issue, but are not permitted indoors.

St. Matthew's School reserves the right to enforce these uniform guidelines and will make every effort to do so fairly and consistently.

We thank parents and students for your support in the school's efforts in setting a high standard of uniform dress. We aim for our uniforms to reflect respect of our students, our school and our community.

The winter uniform is:

Girls: Check Tunic, Yellow Blouse, Check Ribbon tie, Navy Jumper/Vest, Navy Blue Tights, Navy Knee High Socks, Black Leather Shoes

Boys: Grey Trousers, Long Sleeve Blue Shirt, Navy Jumper/Vest, Grey Socks, Black Leather Shoes

Sport: School Sports Track pants & Jacket, School Sports Shirt, White socks, Sports Shoes. Sport Uniform is to be worn on the appropriate day for each grade/stage days

Please check with the front office if you have any questions regarding the school uniform.

## Staff Development Day

A staff development day has been scheduled for Friday 22nd September (last day of term 3). Staff will be attending a reflection day in the Blue Mountains.

This is a pupil free day, therefore there will be no supervision at school.

## Uniform Shop Hours

Friday 9:00 am - 12 noon

Uniform orders for socks, bags and hats can be placed at the front office or the form can be downloaded from the website.

Amanda will be able to assist you on Fridays only between the hours of 9:00 am & 12 noon.

**Items from Oz Fashions  
can be ordered via the app  
St Matthew's Primary Uniform Shop**

## **ST MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

12 Tebbutt Street, Windsor



### **MASS TIMES**

Monday - Saturday: 9.00am

(Thursday Hospital): 10.45am

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am & 5.00pm

**SUNDAY CHISHOLM PRIMARY MASS: 9.30am**

### **INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 9.30-10.30am

**Telephone: 4577 3073**

Office Hrs: 9.30am-4.00pm ~ stmcc@tpg.com.au



**Oakhill College  
Year 7, 2019**

Applications for enrolment into **Year 7, 2019** close on **Friday 18 August, 2017**. Interviews will take place on Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 September, 2017. Parents who wish to apply for enrolment of their sons in Year 7 at Oakhill College in 2019, and who have not yet submitted an Application for Enrolment, are requested to contact the Registrar before the closing date **Friday 18 August** on 9899 2288 or [registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au](mailto:registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au). Applications are also being taken now for Years 8-11, 2018.

### **Information for Newsletter**

### ***MindQuest 2017***

Glenwood HS

Cnr Forman Ave and Glenwood Park Ave  
Glenwood 2768

**Saturday 9 & 10 September 9.30am-3.30pm**

The 85th *MindQuest* program will be held for gifted and talented primary students from Years 1-6 at Glenwood HS. These include gifted and talented students, gifted underachievers and students with well above average ability with a special interest. Students will have an opportunity to participate in over 36 exciting, fast paced courses in the two day program. They include courses in chemistry, earth sciences, drama, lego robotics, chemistry and much more. Most of these highly successful courses have been run in the past and students' evaluations suggest that they have been challenged and enriched by the experience. The cost of the weekend is \$195 (including GST). Send your applications in early to avoid disappointment.

Glenwood HS is in the Baulkham Hills area close to the M7 and is easy to get to from most parts of Sydney. It is 20 mins Beecroft, 35 mins North Sydney, 25mins Strathfield, 30 mins from Richmond, Penrith and Hornsby.

Contact your school for a brochure or call Shelagh 02 4232 2494  
Closing Date: Monday 14 August 2017

# TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO CELEBRATE THEIR BIRTHDAY DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



### St Matthew's Primary School – Term 3, 2017



#### Eat Fresh: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind!

##### Every Day Hot Food

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Chicken Nuggets     | 4 for \$2.80 |
| Chicken Nuggets     | 6 for \$4.00 |
| Party Pie           | \$1.00       |
| Corn on the Cob     | \$1.00       |
| Garlic Bread        | \$2.00       |
| Sausage Roll        | \$3.00       |
| Chicken Fingers (6) | \$3.50       |
| Traveller Pie       | \$3.50       |

##### Burgers

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Chicken Burger               | \$4.00 |
| Beef Burger                  | \$4.00 |
| Veggie Burger                | \$4.00 |
| Add cheese to any burger for | \$0.50 |
| All Burgers include salad    |        |

##### Wraps

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Salsa Wrap                | \$4.50 |
| Chicken Caesar Wrap       | \$4.50 |
| Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap | \$4.50 |
| Nemo Wrap                 | \$4.50 |
| Lamb Kebab Wrap           | \$4.50 |
| Chicken Tender Wrap       | \$4.50 |

##### Pasta & Rice (Homemade)

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Butter Chicken & Rice          | \$4.00 |
| Pasta Bolognese                | \$4.00 |
| Lasagne                        | \$4.00 |
| Fried Rice & Chicken Wings (2) | \$5.00 |

##### Sushi Roll

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| (Available Tues, Wed, Thur) |        |
| Chicken & Cucumber          | \$3.50 |
| Chicken Teriyaki            |        |
| Tuna & Cucumber             |        |

##### Sandwiches

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|---|--------|
| AVAILABLE IN WHITE OR MULTIGRAIN            |        |
| WRAP OR ROLL ADD 0.50c TO SANDWICH PRICE    |        |
| Vegemite, Jam, Devon                        | \$2.00 |
| Tomato, Cheese                              | \$2.50 |
| Tuna or Egg                                 | \$3.00 |
| Leg Ham, Chicken or Salmon                  | \$3.50 |
| Salad Sandwich                              | \$3.50 |
| Lettuce Tomato, Cucumber, Beetroot & Carrot |        |
| EXTRAS – Including Toasting                 | \$0.40 |

##### Salad

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| Cup               |        |
| Fresh Fruit Salad | \$2.00 |

##### Boxes

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|--|-----------|
| Garden Salad                                   | \$4.00    |
| With Ham or Tuna                               | \$4.50    |
| With Salmon or Chicken                         | \$5.00    |
| Add to your Salad box                          | ea \$0.40 |
| Egg, Cheese, Avocado, Sprouts, Bacon, Croutons |           |
| Chicken Caesar Salad                           | \$5.50    |

##### Snacks

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Piece of Fruit                      | \$1.00 |
| Cookies, Delights, Popcorn, Jumpy's | \$1.00 |
| Assorted Chips                      | \$1.30 |
| Screw Top Yoghurt                   | \$2.00 |
| Fruit Yoghurt Cup                   | \$2.00 |
| Banana Bread—Slice                  | \$3.00 |

##### Drinks

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|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Juice - Poppers                   | \$1.60 |
| Plain Milk 300ml                  | \$1.60 |
| with Sippah Straw                 | \$2.20 |
| Pop Top Juice                     | \$2.00 |
| Bottled Water 600ml               | \$2.00 |
| Glee 99% Sparkling Juice          | \$2.20 |
| Blackcurrant, Raspberry, Tropical |        |
| Flavoured Milk Lite 300ml         | \$2.30 |
| Fruit 2o                          | \$2.50 |
| Orange Mango, Dragonfruit         |        |
| Iced Tea LOW SUGAR 500ml          | \$3.00 |

##### Ice Blocks

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| Zooper Dooper              | \$0.80 |
| Frozen Juice Cup/ Icy Mony | \$1.00 |
| Paddle Pop                 | \$1.60 |
| Slushie Cup                | \$2.00 |
| Streets Paddle Pop Cup     | \$2.20 |

Visit the Canteen for ice block specials

##### Canteen Bento Box

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| 1/2 Sandwich, Chicken Wing, Cheese and Crackers, Seasonal Fruit & 2 Mini Muffins | \$5.00 |
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Check with the Canteen for the current Meal Deals \$5.00

Order Your Lunch Online  
Orders can be placed before 9:00am  
[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)



##### PLEASE NOTE

- Recess orders are to be PICKED UP FROM THE CANTEEN.
- All ICE CREAMS ordered with lunch are given out when the LUNCH BAG IS RETURNED TO THE CANTEEN.



## Canteen competition currently running this term



# 1st Prize

## HOME ENTERTAINMENT UNIT (TV & DVD PLAYER)

## How to Enter

1. BUY SNACKS/MEALS FROM YOUR SCHOOL CANTEEN CONTAINING FRESH FRUIT AND/OR VEGETABLES TO RECEIVE A FRESH FOR KIDS STICKER AND ENTRY FORM.
2. COLLECT 2 STICKERS AND STICK THEM ON YOUR ENTRY FORM.
3. SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED ENTRY TO YOUR SCHOOL CANTEEN OR SUPERVISING TEACHER BEFORE 3PM ON FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2017 FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!

Visit [www.freshforkids.com.au](http://www.freshforkids.com.au) for full terms and conditions.

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# EAT FRESH & WIN



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize

**APPLE IPAD MINI  
16GB**

x3



**x10**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize

**GIFT PACK  
(BACK PACK, LUNCH  
BAG, DRINK BOTTLE)**



x20

## 4<sup>th</sup> Prize

## EVENT CINEMA MOVIE VOUCHER

**FREE  
CHARACTER  
KEYRING**

**COLLECT ALL 7**



\*PICTURES DISPLAYED FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY. PRIZE MODEL SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.





This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)



## TWO - PART SEMINAR

### Understanding Family Law

PRESENTED BY:

**Beth Jarman**

Lawyer—Accredited Family Law Specialist

#### Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> August - SESSION 1

##### Overview of the Family Law Act with Focus on Separation, divorce and children.

- Principles of Family Law Act
- Role of Family Law Courts
- Filing a divorce application
- Family violence
- How court determines the “Best interest of Children”
- Parental Legal Responsibilities
- Mediation
- Role of Independent Children’s Lawyer
- Filing Consent Orders for Children and Property

#### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August - SESSION 2

##### Overview of the Family Law Act with Focus on Property

- What constitutes or determines Property
- Application of the Act in de facto or same sex relationships
- Requirement for Pre-action Procedures
- Spouse Maintenance
- Timetables under the Family Law Act
- Timetables within the Family Court

#### DATES

**Session 1** Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**Session 2** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017

#### TIME:

7 pm—9 pm

#### VENUE:

38 Prince St, Blacktown  
(Cnr First Ave)

#### COST:

\$ 7.00 per session

#### FURTHER INFORMATION/BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

**Contact:** Solo Parent Services PH: 8822 2222

Email:

[soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

# Bishop Office

## Volunteers Needed

Chisholm Cottage is a four bedroom accommodation house in Westmead operated specifically to offer comfortable, affordable accommodation to people from regional NSW who are attending or accompanying loved ones to hospital stays or medical appointments in Sydney.

Chisholm Cottage is operated by the Sisters of Charity Outreach. We are currently seeking Volunteers to assist with housekeeping, laundry and front office duties including washing, ironing, taking guest reservations and welcoming guests. Are you interested in volunteering for either morning shifts from 9.30am to 1.00pm or afternoon from 1.30pm to 4pm?

Please contact: The Volunteer Co-ordinators, (02) 832 6432. Learn more about Chisholm Cottage by visiting <http://www.sistersofcharityoutreach.com.au/>

## Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

### Early Bird Registration

Early-bird registration has now opened for the largest gathering of young Catholics since World Youth Day Sydney in 2008!

Bishop Vincent & Catholic Youth Parramatta invite young people from Year 9 to 30 years of age to celebrate the young heart of the Church, with 15,000 others, at this year's triennial ACYF being hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney (December 7-9) at Sydney Olympic Park.

Here's how to register:

- Student in our Catholic System – speak to your REC
- Student in State School System – contact Catholic Youth Parramatta
- Over 18 years of age – register as an individual

Visit [www.acyf.org.au](http://www.acyf.org.au) now to secure the \$250 early bird rate before August.

For all enquiries contact Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, James Camden, 02 8838 3428, [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)

Volunteers for ACYF?ACYF is looking to engage around 600 volunteers will be needed for this festival, providing leadership to the young people through service and hospitality. Way Finders, Program & Stage Management Support, Ushers, Marshals, Welcomers & more. All volunteers must be 26 years of age or older (as at 1st December 2017) and must hold a valid Working With Children Check. For more information and volunteer registration please visit: <http://youthfestival.catholic.org.au/get-involved/volunteers>

### Los Angeles Religious Education Congress 2018: Rise Up

A wonderful opportunity for a faith formation experience for parishioners, leaders, teachers, catechists ... all people in ministry and all people who would like to enrich their faith! Join this pilgrimage group to attend the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress 14th - 23rd March 2018. Cost of pilgrimage \$3080 for 7 days with some additional expenses. Please contact Lisa Bright on 9622 1125 or [lbright@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:lbright@mqofblacktown.org.au) for an information pack.

### Liturgical Ministry Courses: 7 August

Liturgical Ministry Courses begin again on Monday 7th August, 2017. For an application form please see your parish office. For more information contact the Office for Worship on 02 8838-3456 or [ivergano@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:ivergano@parra.catholic.org.au).

### Santa Maria: Missionary of Hispanic America: 13 August

The chaplaincies and the Hispanic Communities of NSW want to invite you to this celebration. Sunday 13th August 2017: Holy Rosary 9.30am and Holy Eucharist 10.30am

The Good Shepherd Parish Hall 130 Hyatts Road Plumpton NSW 2761. Special Guest: Arch Bishop from Coro, Venezuela - Monsignor Mariano Parra S. After Mass there will be a show and typical foods will be on sale. For more information contact Fr Luis Herrera on 9622 1125



## Nigerian Mass in Igbo: 13 August

Rev Fr Chukwunonyerem Akamadu, Chaplain to the Nigerian Catholic community, will celebrate Mass at 11.30am at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. Contact Fr Akamadu tel 0451 174 438, Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: 18 – 20 August

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a Marriage Enrichment experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage!

Weekend date: 18th to 20th August at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings online at [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au) or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com)

## Christian Meditation Introduction & Renewal Day: 20 August

Presentations, Introduction to Christian Meditation, two periods of meditation, Eucharistic Celebration and information exchange. BYO picnic lunch – tea & coffee provided. Arrive 10am for 10.30am, concludes about 3pm. Books & CDs for sale. St Benedict's Monastery is at 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, tel (02) 9653 1159. Self-catering accommodation may be available in the monastery guest house. Contact Br Terry 0438 282 318. Inquiries: Ann Bergman (02) 9498 2625, [anniebergman@hotmail.com](mailto:anniebergman@hotmail.com) or Ann Lomas (02) 9456 4775

## Putting Rungs on the Ladder: 23 August

You're invited to your 'Place at the Table' at our Annual Tri-Diocesan. Social Justice Twilight Reflection Evening: Putting Rungs on the Ladder. Join Catholics from Parramatta, Broken Bay, and Sydney Dioceses for a prayerful dinner event to celebrate our social justice work and reflect on the themes of this year's Social Justice Statement, 'A Place at the Table: Social Justice in an Ageing Society'. AUGUST 23, 6:30-8:30PM. St Columba's, 213 Elswick St, Leichhardt. RSVP August 18. Contact Sr Louise McKeogh [lmckeogh@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:lmckeogh@parra.catholic.org.au) or 02 8838 3461.

## Migrant and Refugee Sunday Launch: 27 August

"Walking with Refugees and People Seeking Protection" The aim of the Journey is to galvanise a Diocese-wide, faith-filled urge to bring about a community and political culture that values fair and compassionate treatment of people seeking refuge and protection in Australia. The launch will take place during Migrant and Refugee Week on Sunday 27 August 2017 from 2pm to 4pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, 7 Grantham St Seven Hills. Our special guests will be Bishop Vincent and Father Tom Smolich SJ, Jesuit Refugee Services International Director. RSVP by phoning the Social Justice Office 02 8838 3461 or letting us know online at: <https://register.eventarc.com/38860/invitation-to-migrant-and-refugee-sunday-launch-27-th-august>

## Gospel of the Family - Joy for the World: 27 August

Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World is a free family event that offers a program of Spiritual Enrichment for families on the launch of the World Meeting of Families 2018. To be held on Sunday 27 August from 1pm -3.15pm. Mass available at 11am and BYO Picnic Lunch. Mt Schoenstatt Family Hall 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. To register: 02 8838 3460 or [lmf@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:lmf@parra.catholic.org.au)

## Shrine Time for Young Adults 18-35: 27 August

One Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for WYD 2018 in Panama. From 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by social gathering. Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary; See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life; and Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS. In the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.





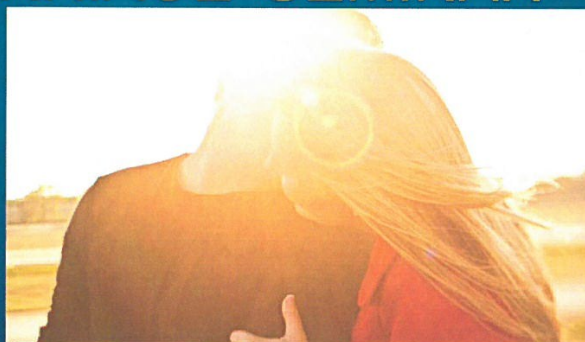
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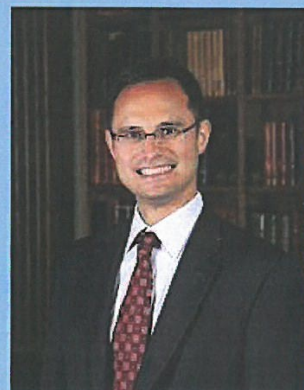
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