

# ST MUNCHIN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Our Vision

*St Munchin's Catholic School aspires to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.*

## Our Mission

*In the tradition of Eucharistic sharing, St Munchin's Catholic School community aims to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.*

*The school community works together to provide pastoral care for each person and to nurture the development of the whole child.*

Term 4 Week 6  
16 November 2016



### Term 4 Dates for your Diary

#### Week 1

Friday 14 October *St Munchin's Day*  
*Whole School Mass – 9.00am*

#### Week 2

Tuesday 18 October  
*Parent Information Evening (First Penance)*  
*6.30pm Parish Centre*  
Thursday 20 October  
*Yr 4 Excursion to the Zoo*

Friday 21 October *St Munchin's Spelling Bee*

#### Week 3

*Community Nurses Screening KM & KW students*  
Monday 24 October  
*Senior Choir Performance at Lumen Christi College*  
Wednesday 26 October  
*Interschool Athletics Carnival (Track)*  
Friday 28 October  
*Interschool Athletics Carnival (Field)*

#### Week 4

Friday 4 November  
*Yr 2 Class Mass – 9.00am*  
*Pre-Primary Assembly – 2.20pm*

#### Week 5

Wednesday 9 November  
*First Penance - 6.30pm*

#### Week 6

Tuesday 15 November  
*Sundowner 6.00pm followed by AGM 7.00pm*  
Thursday 17 November  
*Choir Performance Kmart Belmont*  
Sunday 20 November  
*Closing of Year of Mercy*  
*Senior Choir Performance – St Vincent de Paul*

#### Week 7

Friday 25 November *Yr 5 Class Mass - 9.00am*  
*Family Fun Night 5.45pm*

#### Week 8

Friday 2 December  
*Choir Performance at Morning Assembly*  
*Parent Helpers' Morning Tea 10.30am*

#### Week 9

Tuesday 6 December  
*Year 6 Graduation Mass and Morning Tea – 9.00am*  
Friday 9 December  
*Whole School Mass 9.00am*  
*Yr 6 Graduation Lunch*

**LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS**

“When the Doors close –  
What will you do when the Year of Mercy finishes?”

From November 20, the Holy Doors around the world will close and the extraordinary Year of Mercy will end. As the symbolic doors close, God opens a window to us, a window that invites us to not only continue looking for ways to experience the mercy of God, but to find ways to open our hearts to show mercy to others.”

*Vincenzo Ferraioli*



*Pope Francis tweeted yesterday*

“If every one of us, every day, does a work of mercy, there will be a revolution in the world!”

**We pray in thanks for the grace and blessings given and received during**

**this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy:**

**May the new seeds of compassion and forgiveness  
planted in our minds and hearts,  
re-focus our efforts to continually reach out with love to  
all those in need,  
within and beyond our school community.**

**Through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

Only a few weeks remain in this academic year and we still have much work to be done. Teachers will be keeping the students working hard until the end and we ask your support in supporting the teachers with this matter. We are very pleased that the students are working enthusiastically and their efforts are commendable.

#### **Staff for 2017**

Currently staffing is being finalised and this will be announced in the newsletter in a couple of weeks.

#### **Class Groupings for 2017**

Teachers will group children for classes for 2017. The leadership team will then consider the class groupings and will devise the final group of students in a class. The criteria for class groupings is based on St Munchin's Splitting into Grades Policy which is available on the school website. School resources are taken into careful consideration so that the needs of all students are catered for.

Parental requests are taken into consideration but the final decision is made by the school. Class groupings and allocated teachers will be posted on the glass notice board on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

No changes will be made once these lists have been publicly displayed.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Thank you to the parents that attended the meeting yesterday evening. Sadly, the staff outnumbered the parents and caregivers. A great deal of information was presented in the reports and these will be made available via the school website.

We farewell and thank Jackie Vogels from the School Board. Jackie's commitment, dedication and spirit of service has been much appreciated.

School Board members for 2017 are Luke Bresland, Mike Hutchison, Derek Ingram, Robyn Wall, Marc Metzger and ex officio members, Fr Philip, Rob Romeo, Lisa Harrison and Joe Musitano.

#### **P&F Members for 2017**

Robyn Wall has stepped down as President of the P & F. Robyn has carried out a wonderful job over the past three years in leading the committee and members to raise much needed funds and to foster community spirit.

Vanessa Killen will continue as P&F Treasurer and Helen Rozendaal will continue as Secretary. Thanks to the ladies for offering their services for another year.

### **URGENT REQUEST**

**THE P & F REQUIRE A PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT TO SHARE THE LOAD  
DO CONSIDER OFFERING YOUR SERVICES AS ALL WORK CARRIED OUT BENEFITS THE STUDENTS**

#### **Remembrance Day**

On Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am, we remembered the many who have given their lives so that we may live ours in peace.

The poppy has long been a part of Remembrance Day. In Science, the Year 6 and 5M students made poppies from recycled cans to remind us of those who gave their lives so that we could live in freedom.

Have a good week! God Bless!

Kind regards

Rob Romeo, *Principal*





## First Penance 2016

Congratulations to the following children who celebrated the Sacrament of Penance last week.

<i>Chloe Abogado</i>	<i>Patricia Aparo Jacob</i>
<i>Jacob Arcorace</i>	<i>Rhian Aica Javier</i>
<i>Chryster Gabrielle Balgoa</i>	<i>Lachlan Keane</i>
<i>Juan Carlos Borlongan</i>	<i>Ninna Angela Lanuza</i>
<i>Ethan Braulio</i>	<i>Kyle Marquis</i>
<i>Olivia Braulio</i>	<i>Andrea Martin</i>
<i>Lachlan Cotter</i>	<i>William McAuliffe</i>
<i>Emily Crestani</i>	<i>Josephine Milne</i>
<i>Michal Durech</i>	<i>Nate Paardekooper</i>
<i>Charmaine Fruelda</i>	<i>Philip Paesu</i>
<i>Ma Angela Garavillas</i>	<i>Finn Redfern</i>
<i>Warwick Garwood</i>	<i>Kaden Stuurman</i>
<i>Stephanie Gordon</i>	<i>Blake Smith</i>
<i>Raphael Graham</i>	<i>Ashlin Tom</i>
<i>Lucy Griffin</i>	<i>Nicole Whittle</i>
<i>Ihinosen Matilda Itotoh</i>	<i>Trent Zawtinit</i>

First Penance was a wonderful night filled with excitement, hope and celebration. To all parents and supporters of our parish children who created a feeling of peacefulness in the church, thank you. You powerfully gave witness to the sacredness of the Sacrament and the sacredness of the moment. A huge thank you to Fr Philip, Mr Loh, Mrs Rowland and Mrs Ingram who prepared the children so thoroughly for the celebration, and to Mrs Gonsalves for your endless and beautiful supply of music. May God's love fill all who celebrated First Penance with hope and peace, and inspire each of us to be people of forgiveness in the world!





The following students represented St Munchin's at the 2016 Interschool Spelling Bee Competition:



Year 4

Patrick Costantino & Daniel Zhuo

Year 5

Nichelle Solomon & Ajini Fernando

Year 6

Lance Dcruz & Enna Vujanovic



Congratulations to Nichelle Solomon who was awarded first place in the Year 5 event. An impressive achievement with students from 8 different schools competing. Amazing spelling Nichelle!



**Oxford Wordlist Writing Competition**

Congratulations to Agna Biju who is one of three winners in this national story writing competition. Agna, we are very proud of you. Well done!



**Confirmation and First Holy Communion Photos**

Mayfair Photographic Studio has left an album of photos for each Sacrament Day. The album and order forms are in the office, however, orders now need to be posted and payment made directly to Mayfair Photographic Studio.



**Group Photos from Academy Photography**

Academy Photography has a display of the following group photos in the office. The photos cost \$15 each and order forms / envelopes are available at the office for your convenience. *Please note that after Friday, 18 November 2016, orders will need to be submitted directly to Academy Photography.*

- Year 6 Graduation
- Cricket
- Netball B
- Choir
- Football
- Soccer
- Sport Captains
- Netball A
- Interschool Swimming



**Thank you for ordering your child's booklist for 2017 through the school or on-line. Ziggies will have your orders ready for collection in the Parish Hall on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016.**

The following items are available from the office:

School Diary (available next year)		Display / Music Folder	\$ 5.00
Chair Bag *	\$15.00	Library Bag	\$15.00
Desk Mat (Yrs 1 – 3)	\$15.00	Desk Mat (Yrs 4 – 6)	\$15.00
Class Satchel	\$15.00		