

NEWSLETTER

16th November 2015 Term 4 Week 7

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St Canice's Catholic Primary School
Katoomba 2014

Growth through love and learning

A Message from the Assistant Principal

As we begin another week we are all reminded of the terrible tragedies that happened last week in the cities of Beirut and Paris.

In reflecting on the loss of lives and the fear that has engulfed these two cities I am reminded of the powerful words spoken by Jesus in the Gospel of John 14: 27: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

In today's world we have become close witnesses of world events due to the influence of social media in our lives. It is sometimes difficult to ignore the violent ways of our world. As teachers and parents it is therefore more urgent than ever before, to present to our children the loving face of Christ and to continue modeling His message of hope and love.

We pray for the people of Beirut and Paris at this time of national mourning, distress and fear. We pray for all those who have died that our Loving God will welcome them into his arms. We pray that God will comfort all who grieve, as well as the injured and the fearful.

I also ask you to keep Mr Geerligs in your prayers and thoughts as he travels from the Holy Land into Europe. Go gently this week.

'When the power of love
overcomes the love of
power the world will
know peace'
(Jimi Hendrix)

Chris van der Walle



Library News

Mrs Hartnett is looking for help from parents in Week 9 30th November, Tuesday 1st December and Wednesday 2nd December to help with Stocktake. If you are able to assist please leave your name at the Office.

Cake Stall

Congratulations to the Stage 3 for your wonderful effort with the Cake Stall on Thursday. A resounding \$409.90 was raised that will assist Miss Bennett on her World Youth Day adventure in 2016.

Guessing Competition

Congratulations to Callum Clarke who won the huge jar of Jelly Beans. The total amount raised was \$81.25. Thank you to all the Stage 3 students who helped sell guesses during their recess and lunch.

Fancy Dress Christmas Disco

Don't forget to send in your order form for the Disco. Orders must be received before Friday 4th December. An order form is attached to this newsletter.

School Leadership 2016

The applications for School Leadership roles are available from the Office and will close Friday 20th November (Week 7). The speeches for School Leaders will be on Wednesday 25th November in the Open Area at 11:30am. Years 3-6 will be attending. All parents are welcome

Needed Small Jars

Sr Colleen is asking for small jars for her Christmas Stall. Small jars like Vegemite and Infant jars are required. Please leave your donations at the Office.



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish
Parish Priest Fr. Ted Tyler

Presbytery Contact Ph: 02 4782 2804

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Website: marymackilloppupperbluemountains.org.au

Mass Times

Friday: Katoomba 12 noon Mass

Saturday: Katoomba 9.30 am Mass **Saturday Vigil:** Leura 5pm Mass

Sunday: Wentworth Falls 8am Katoomba 10am Leura 5pm

Rosary: Monday Katoomba 8.30 am, Tuesday Leura 4.45pm,

Wednesday Wentworth Falls 9.30 am, Friday Katoomba 11.30 am.

Saturday Katoomba 9 am.

School Calendar

November

Week 7

Tuesday	17th	Craft with Sr Colleen Student Banking Gymnastics	
Wednesday	18th	Uniform Shop Open	
Thursday	19th	Ukulele	
Friday	20th	My School Lunch Box Prayer Assembly Yr 2 Mass Year 2 CSE	8.45am 12noon 3pm

Week 8

Monday	23rd	Tai Chi My School Lunch Box	
Tuesday	24th	Craft with Sr Colleen Student Banking Gymnastics	
Wednesday	25th	Uniform Shop Open Leadership Speeches	11.30am
Thursday	26th	Choir	
Friday	27th	My School Lunch Box Prayer Assembly Mr Geerlign Mass Year S3B CSE	8.45am 12noon 3pm

World Youth Day

Letters have been sent home to those families who have not returned their sold or unsold tickets. Please complete the tear off slip and return as soon as possible.



Student Banking
Congratulations to the following students who recently received a certificate.

Outstanding Achievement
Olivia Mezei and
Leah Taylor

CELEBRATE BOOK WEEK BY PURCHASING TICKETS TO

PETER PAN

Featuring
Taniel Meza
(The Captain) as
the Storyteller

Join us as the magical world of
J.M. Barrie's *Peter Pan* comes alive on
stage. Perfect entertainment for the
whole family!

11 - 13 December 2015

BOOK NOW: trybooking.com/152485

3aisterayouththeatre.com.au

Power House 2015

free FAMILY lunch

For all children & their parents,
grandparents or care givers

Third Thursday of the month
midday—2ish

@KOOSH 10 Station Street Katoomba

- *Connect with other parents
- *Fun games, activities & toys
- *Delicious & nutritious lunch
cooked by someone else

19 Nov Face Painting
17 Dec Christmas Lunch
With Mother Christmas

More info? josie@kncinc.org.au or 4782 1117

A Partnership Project...





Expand your imagination
by reading this summer and
you could **win** an **iPad mini**

Read as many books as you can, tell us why you love them, and
you could win one of four iPad minis.

The more books you read, the more chances
you have to win*.

Enter online at www.parra.catholic.edu.au
Entries close 5 February 2016.

Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge



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Catholic Education
Diocese of Parramatta

*Terms and Conditions apply

Cash only please!

The CORRECT TICKET MONEY MUST be enclosed in an envelope with your child's name and class on the front and securely attached to this form.

**Orders must be returned to school by
FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER.**

Orders after this time cannot be guaranteed.

Can you help?

To make this a fun and safe night for our kids we need volunteers to help now for various tasks; beforehand to decorate the hall and a few on the night itself. If you can help please add your name and number: _____

Tel: _____

Please tick availability:

- I can help **now** with various small tasks..... ☐
- I am available mid-afternoon only to help set-up the hall..... ☐
- I am available from mid-afternoon for set-up and at the disco..... ☐
- I am available during the disco only..... ☐
- I am available after the disco for a short while to assist with clean-up..... ☐

I would like to order:

Type	Description	Quantity	Sub-total
1	Combo deal \$13 each - one disco entry, loot-bag and meal pack		
2	Disco entry only - \$5 each		
3	Disco loot-bag - \$5 each		
4	Meal pack - \$5 each		
Exact total paid in CASH			

In the space below, please identify one child from your family whom you would like your order registered next to. Tickets for meal packs only, will be given on the night to be redeemed at the canteen.

Child's name	Child's class

I have enclosed the EXACT 'TICKET' MONEY which is attached to this form.

The simplest way

...to add veg to a barbecue.

The weather is warming up and so are the backyard barbecues. But it need not be an entirely meat affair. Here are some ideas for adding healthy veg to the barbie:

Kebabs - capsicum, zucchini, eggplant and mushrooms work well. Add to pork, chicken or lamb.

Chips - slice potato or sweet potato, and grill on the hotplate.

Salad – grab some green leaves and toss in tomato, cucumber, carrot, beans, capsicum or whatever takes your fancy!

Veggie sticks and dip – chop up carrot, cucumber, and celery sticks to dip in yummy hummus, or an eggplant or beetroot dip.



For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

The *Eat It To Beat It* program is supported by the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.

Transport for NSW

Fact sheet: The School Opal card

Who's eligible?

To be eligible for a School Opal card, students need to be NSW residents and may need to live a minimum distance away from their school:

- Years K-2 (Infants) there's no minimum distance.
- Years 3-6 (Primary) 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking or further.
- Years 7-12 (Secondary) 2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking or further.

Students completing secondary studies at TAFE, boarding school students and students temporarily in Australia may also be eligible for a School Opal card. The eligibility criteria for these students is available at transportnsw.info/school-students.

A School Opal card is provided to eligible students who need to travel within the Opal network. Paper travel passes are issued to eligible students who need to travel outside the Opal network.

Who needs to apply?

Most students or parents won't need to apply for the School Opal card. The School Opal card will be sent to a student's school automatically at the beginning of the new school year in 2016. However, a new application is required if:

- The student is just starting school or has not had a pass for travel before.
- The student is progressing from Year 2 to 3, or Year 6 to 7.
- The student is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school.
- The student's personal details have changed (e.g. address).

Applications must be made by a parent or guardian for children aged 15 years and under. Applications must be made by the student if aged 16 years or older.

How to apply

Step 1 Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students.

Step 2 Print, sign and submit the form to the school for endorsement.

Step 3 The school will then forward the application to Transport for NSW for processing. Once approved, Transport for NSW sends the School Opal card to the home address given in the application.

The application may take several weeks and the applicant's email address is required.

If the student doesn't qualify for free travel

They may be eligible for a Term Bus Pass which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.

Apply at transportnsw.info/school-students.

Find out more

For more information on the School Opal card and the School Student Travel Scheme (SSTS), please visit transportnsw.info/school-students.



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for NSW