

NEWSLETTER



18th July 2017 Term 3 Week 1

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back everyone to the start of a new term. This term will certainly be a wonderful and enjoyable time for learning. To find out more about what is happening at the school, please access the school calendar via our school website www.stcaniceskatoomba.catholic.edu.au.

The Gospel reading on Sunday was certainly characteristic of this school. Matthew 13:1-23, tells the parable of the rich harvest - "some seeds fell on rich soil and produced a crop that was a hundred fold". St Canice's is like the rich soil. The staff, students and community are nurturing and caring of one another and provide the 'rich soil' for each of us to grow and flourish. Our community is a warm and caring one that allows for the individual to achieve their best.

Welcome back to Ms Magann in Stage 2M. I ask that you keep Ms Magann's father in your prayers as he recovers from a serious illness. Welcome to St Canice's Mrs Emma Nispel who will be working in the office 3 days a week.

A special Grandparents afternoon will be held in August. More information will be sent home later.

Mr Mark Geerligs
Principal

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Parish Priest Fr. Ted Tyler

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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.

Enrolling Now for 2018

Other News from the Principal

Preschool Storytelling

Miss Sally invites all Preschooler's to her fun and exciting Storytelling on Tuesday's from 9 am in the Library. Everyone welcome.



Donations for Fathers Day Stall

Sr Colleen is collecting gift donations for the upcoming Fathers Day Stall. A donation from each family would be appreciated. Some suggestions for donations include socks, pens, hankies, small lollies.



Blue Mountains Basketball Gala Day

St Canices Stage 2 and Stage 3 Students have an opportunity to participate in the Blue Mountains Basketball Gala Day on Wednesday 2nd of August. All notes must be returned to the Office by Friday 21st of July.

Milo T20 Blast School Cup

St Canices Stage 2 and Stage 3 students have been invited to participate in the Cricket NSW Milo T20 Blast School Cup on Monday 14th of August. Permission notes must be returned to the Office by Monday 7th August.



Nepean Zone Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the children who qualified to participate in the Zone Athletics Carnival on Thursday 10th August. Please ensure all permission slips be returned to the Office by Monday 31st of July.

Mini Vinnies Winter Sleep-Out

St Canices Mini-Vinnies group together with Ms Morley are organising the Winter Sleep-Out to be held on Friday the 4th of August 6:30pm through to Saturday 5th of August 8am. The event will be supervised by staff from St Canices. Those children who have expressed interest in the event, please return permission slips to the Office by Friday 21st of July.



Student Banking

Congratulations to our Student Bankers!

Bronze Awards: Lucy Hargraves, Callum Hargraves, Timothy Clines.

Silver Awards: Andrew Jones & Marshall Field.

Gold Awards: Xavier Pono.

Outstanding Bankers: Tara Kondek, Logan Kondek & Annabelle Kondek.

School Disco

St Canices School Winter Disco will be held on Friday 25th of August 6pm—7:30pm in the Hall. Orders for the pre-sale combo deal are to be returned to School by Friday 18th of August.

Japanese Students

Starting Monday

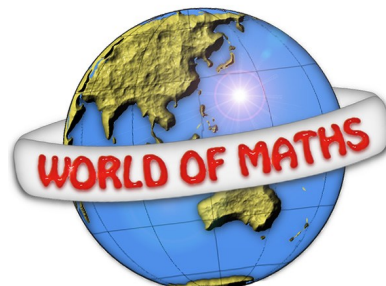
31st July, 10 Japanese students will be visiting our school. They will be having their English



classes in the morning, followed by visits to the classrooms in the afternoon. It will be a great week for our students to mix and learn about life in Japan. Thank you to our families who will be hosting the students. There is a meeting for all the host families this Thursday afternoon from about 3:00pm in the library. If there are any families who are interested in hosting, please contact the Office on 4782 1260

World of Maths

World of Maths is a travelling maths show that will be visiting the students at St Canices on Wednesday the 19th of July. The students will be participating in fun, colourful, hands-on, mathematical, problem solving activities in the library throughout the day.



Plastic Bag Free Month

Congratulations and Thank you to Holly Garrett and Amy Goulding who gave up their time during the holidays to represent the school at the Food Co-op plastic bag free month promotion on Saturday 8th July.

On this cold morning, the girls demonstrated how to use plarn (plastic/yarn).

Many of the public commented on the wonderful things we are doing at St Canice's.





School Calendar

July

Week 1

Tuesday	18th	Student Banking Craft with Sr Colleen Preschool Storytelling	8.45am 9am
Wednesday	19th	Ukulele World of Maths	1.20pm
Thursday	20th	Music and Italian Japanese student info session	3 pm
Friday	21st	My School Lunch Box Prayer Assembly Yr 1 Mass S3W String Ensemble	8.50am 12noon 3pm

Week 2

Monday	24th	Tai Chi My School Lunch Box	8:50am
Tuesday	25th	Student Banking Craft with Sr Colleen Preschool Storytelling	8.45am 9am
Wednesday	26th	Choir	1.20pm
Thursday	27th	Music and Italian	
Friday	28th	My School Lunch Box Assembly S3W Mass Year S3K String Ensemble	8.45am 12noon 3pm

Our School Bell Times

8.40am School Begins

10.40 Recess

1.10 Lunch

2.50 End of Day

2017 Fees

Billing Date	Due Date
20th July	21st August

Absentee Letters

Due to a directive from the Catholic Education Department of Parramatta Absentee Letters will be sent home on Thursday's for all students who have an "Unexplained Absence". All absences must have an explanation. If you receive one of these letters please complete and return to school as soon as possible. To assist administration time please send in notes, skoolbag notifications or phone the Office when your child is absent.

Change of Home or Emergency Contact Details

If you have any changes to your home or emergency contact numbers, please contact the school Office as soon as possible. In cases of sickness or emergency, it is important that we have the correct contact details for your child(ren).

Reminder to Parents

Parents and visitors are reminded that, if entering the school grounds to attend classroom activities, etc, they are required to sign in at the Office on arrival, and sign out on departure.

Second Hand Uniform

We have a small collection of second hand uniform available for sale from \$5 per item. Please call into the Office for assistance.

Subscribe to the Parent Calendar and Newsletter
www.stcaniceskatoomba.catholic.edu.au
 Select "Current Community" click on Newsletter



St Canice's School Winter Disco!

When: Friday 25th August.

**Combo-deal orders due
18th of August.**



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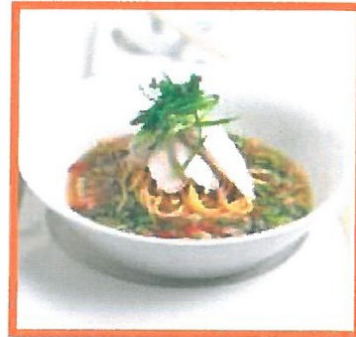
The simplest way

...to warm a winter night with Asian Noodle Soup.

Serves: 4 | Prep time: 10 mins | Cooking time: 5 mins

Ingredients

4 cups salt reduced chicken stock
¼ Chinese cabbage, finely sliced
2 tbs coriander, chopped
1 bunch bok choy, shredded
1 tsp ginger, finely chopped
2 tbs reduced-salt soy sauce
1 tbs fish sauce
1 small red chilli, finely sliced (optional)
125g Hokkien egg noodles, cooked
1 cup skinless chicken, cooked and shredded
1 cup mung bean sprouts
1 spring onion, sliced



Method

Bring stock and cabbage to the boil in a large pot. Simmer over gentle heat for 5 minutes or until tender. Add chilli, coriander, bok choy, ginger and sauces. Divide hot noodles and chicken between 4 deep serving bowls. Ladle soup mixture over noodles, add bean sprouts and garnish with spring onion.

**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.

Bishop Office

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 2018!

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 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

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>

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship:

applications now open

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 17 July 2017.

Details and application: <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

Shrine Time for Young Adults 18-35: 23 July

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.

Screening of The Sultan and the Saint: 29 July

The Australian premiere of a new film about the historic meeting between St Francis of Assisi and the Sultan of Egypt, Malik Al-Kamil, in the midst of the conflict of the Fifth Crusade, will take place on 29 July at Western Sydney University's Parramatta South Campus. More information and a trailer for the film can be found at: www.sultanandthesaintfilm.com Tickets are \$10. Book at <https://sultansaintsydney.eventbrite.com.au>

The screening is being co-hosted by Diocese of Parramatta

Holy Hour for Vocations:

Everyone is welcome to join the Holy Hour for Vocations from 7.00pm-8.00pm (check with Fr John Paul for the new time) for an hour of adoration, prayer, music and quiet time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. For information about priesthood in the Diocese of Parramatta and Holy Spirit Seminary, please contact Fr John Paul Escarlan, Director of Priestly

Vocations, vocations@parra.catholic.org.au

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 or Ann Lomas
(02) 9456 4775,

Greystanes Parish OLQP Social Group

Join us for a Tour of Cowra, 17th October to 20th October. Four fun filled days, includes three nights accommodation at Cowra Services Club Motel, self-guided tour and lunch, Japanese Garden, Cultural Centre Cowra, Wine tastings in Canowindra and more.

- Cost: \$860 per person twin share (+\$198 single supplement).
- Deposit: \$200 payable with booking. Balance by 1 August 2017.
- Enquiries: Frances 9636-5548/ 0421 027 119.

For more events please go to: [http://
parracatholic.org/events/](http://parracatholic.org/events/)