

NEWSLETTER



27th August 2018 Term 3 Week 6

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St Canice's Catholic Primary School
Katoomba 2019

Growth through love and learning

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Dear Parents and Carers

St Canice's has been a school in Katoomba since 1901. As a Catholic school, we provide an opportunity for the young people in this area, an education that is centred around the messages of Jesus Christ.

We are gifted through the students, parent community and by the staff who work here. Not only are the staff all highly skilled and educated who go the extra distance to ensure the best is provided for each and every student, but we provide an environment that is compassionate, caring and loving.

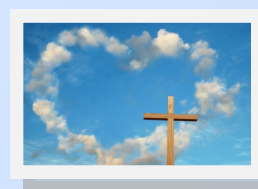
Sometimes we can be challenged in our faith by what we see and hear around us in the world, but as a Catholic school, our focus never changes.

In yesterday's Gospel (John 6: 60-69), The apostles were challenged by the crowds as to why they believe in this man, Jesus asked Simon Peter what he thought about the crowd's reaction and he said "Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe we know you are the Holy One of God".

St Canice's school is a wonderful place to work and I would like to thank each and every one of you for your contributions to this terrific school. Over the past few weeks, there have been quite a few special events and each time this community came shining through. The drought appeal, Winter sleep-out appeal, Book Week adventures, community catchment project and the numerous sporting events. Each time the St Canice's community stepped up and did something amazing. Recent Facebook comments have been: "What a creative lot you are!" "You guys seriously are the best teachers ever!!!" "Best crew ever!!!". Thank you for your comments, this staff is truly amazing.

Each of us in the St Canice's Catholic school community should be proud of what we are achieving..

Mr Mark Geerligns
Principal



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish
Father Carlos Walker & Father Sean Bradley

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Website: marymackillopupperbluemountains.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.

Enrolling Now for 2019

Voice of Youth

This Friday 31st of August the Year 6 Voice of Youth Final speeches will be presented at 11:20am in the open learning area.

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend.

The Year 5 speeches will be held in class during week 7.

St Canice's will be hosting the Voice of Youth Cluster Final on Wednesday 5th of September at 10:15am.

Parents and Friends are invited to attend.

The Voice of Youth Cluster Final will involve 12 speeches from students at St Finbar's, St Thomas Aquinas, Our Lady of the Nativity and St Canice's.

Your
Voice
Matters



Fathers Day Stall

This Wednesday morning 29th of August at school.

Gifts will range from \$1 to \$10 for the student's to purchase.

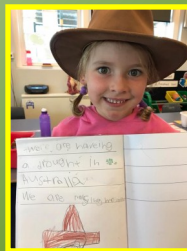
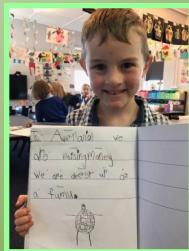


A Fiver for a Farmer

Our Australian farmers are experiencing the worst drought in many years and it is becoming a critical time to help our neighbours out. Last Tuesday, all students were encouraged to come dressed as a farmer for the day.

St Canice's raised \$1,216.15 to assist the drought effected farming communities.

Thank you everyone for your generosity.



Mrs Friend's Friendly Preschool Reading Group

Preschooler's and parents are welcome to join Mrs Friend's Friendly Preschool Reading Group in the lower part of the library every Tuesday morning for a fun story reading session from 8:40-9:00



Book Week

On Tuesday 21st of August, St Canice's celebrated Book Week.

The theme this year was "Find Your Treasure".

The Book Parade was loads of fun, the student's wrote a book in a day and Mr Tohy Riddle came to show us how to be an illustrator.

A special thanks to Ms Elizabeth and Rob for our wonderful Pirate ship in the Library.

Please come along and enjoy the learning space.

Be careful not to walk the plank and fall into a sea of sharks!



Access to Newsletter and Calendar

To find up to date information and gain access to the St Canice's Calendar and Newsletter, please subscribe via our school website at <http://www.stcaniceskatoomba.catholic.edu.au> Select "Current Community" and then click Newsletter this will enable you to enter your email address for your subscription to the Newsletter, latest news, Calendar etc. Information can also be found through the skoolbag app and our facebook page.



Mini Vinnie's Pyjama Day

On Friday 18th of August, all student's came dressed to school wearing their PJ's and made a gold coin donation to raise money for some very needy people in our Katoomba Community. Our PJ Day was a lot of fun and over \$300 was raised.



Nut Free

We at St Canice's would like to remind all families that we endeavour to be a Nut Free School.



As part of our awareness and care for children in our school that have **Anaphylaxis**, which is a life threatening allergy, we ask that everyone be thoughtful in bringing snacks and lunch from home.

Please Do Not bring

- Peanut Butter
- Nutella
- Snacks that contain Nuts to School

In the event that your child may have cereal or toast with nuts for breakfast we ask that you ensure they clean their teeth and wash their hands and faces before coming to school.

We realise at times this may seem an inconvenience but there are many alternative spreads & snacks available.

Please assist us in keeping them safe & in anticipation of your understanding

THANK YOU!

Year 6 Sports Shirts

The commemorative Year 6 sports shirts have finally arrived from the manufacturing company. Please accept our apology for the delay. We realise with only 15 weeks of school left, our graduating Year 6 student's will not get a lot of wear out of the shirts if they were to wear them only once a week for sport.

To compensate for this late distribution, Year 6 students may wear their shirts on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** for the remainder of the year.

If an event arises prior to graduation where students are required to wear full school uniform, families will be notified.



Stage 3 Diversity Information Survey

A survey was distributed to Stage 3 families to gather information about diversity. All information will be used only for St Canice's stage 3 study purposes.



Please return notes by **Wednesday 29th August**.

General & Photographic Publicity Permission

A note was distributed requiring permission for student's to walk to educational activities within the local area and the publication of photographs.

This form will update all student's files and are required to be returned to the Office by **Friday 31st of August**.



Happy Birthday

Silvio Marcal
Sebastian Campbell
Roman Hay
Austin Nguyen
Emma Garraway
Billy Moseley
Madeline Chacana
Ava McCarthy



St Canice's Spring Fair

The St Canice's Fundraising Committee is planning a **Spring Fair**

Saturday 27th of October

If you are interested in being a stall holder or know someone who would,

please contact Monique on 0418 141 982 to discuss.

If you would like to donate to the mega raffle we would love to hear from you.

All donations are welcome



School Calendar

August

Week 6

Tuesday	28th	Student Banking Preschool Reading Group Library World of Maths	9am 9am
Wednesday	29th	Father's Day Stall Survey Note Due	8:30am
Thursday	30th	Ukulele / Choir Italian	
Friday	31st	Assembly Kindergarten Voice of Youth Mass Year 1 & S3M My School Lunch Box Ensemble General & Photo permission form due	8.50am 11:20am 12noon 3pm

September

Week 7

Monday	3rd	My School Lunch Box	
Tuesday	4th	Student Banking Preschool Reading Group	9am
Wednesday	5th	Voice of Youth Cluster Final	10:15am
Thursday	6th	Ukulele / Choir Italian	
Friday	7th	Assembly Year 2 Mass S2W & Year 2 Ensemble	8:50am 12pm 3pm

Our School Bell Times

8.40am School Begins

10.40 Recess

1.10 Lunch

2.50 End of Day

My School Lunch Box

The My School Lunch Box supplies healthy and fresh lunches delivered to our school on Mondays and Fridays. Simply browse the menu on the website and select the food and drinks required. Enter the school, child, class and day. Payment can be made via credit card or PayPal. myschoollunchbox.com.au

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Katoomba Out of School Hours operates at
10 Station Street Katoomba .
Phone 4782 2533 or
0478 166 352



Fundraising Raffle

Would you like to help raise funds for World Youth Day 2019?

Raffle booklets of 10 tickets are available from the Office at a cost of \$20

Individual tickets are also available for \$2 each and can be purchased at the Office.

The raffle will be drawn on 27th October 2018



Subscribe to the Parent Calendar and Newsletter

What's On in Our Community

10TH ANNUAL QUILT SHOW

To be held at:

Blue Mountains Retirement Village

Queens Road, Katoomba

Saturday and Sunday

8th and 9th September 2018

10.00am – 4.00pm

Entry: \$5

Beautiful quilts for you to view – some available for purchase

Morning and afternoon tea available

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Tickets on sale during the show

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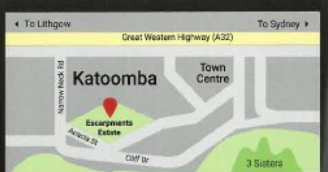
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KIDS 7ASIDE SUMMER SOCCER

Wentworth Falls FC is running its annual summer 7aside competition.

Anyone can enter a Team.

It's lots of fun.

No need for coaches.

Just come along and play.

Age Groups are 8/9, 10/11, 12/13 & 14/15.

Running from 5 Oct 2018 to 9 Mar 2019.

It's on Friday afternoons.

Kick off times being 4pm, 4:30pm & 5pm at

PITT PARK Wentworth Falls.

Cost per player is \$60 and can be paid when you register.

Get your team in asap, as it will fill fast.

We look forward to seeing you all this summer.

For more information please contact Michael Garwood
on 0451 127318 or smichaeldoowrag@hotmail.com





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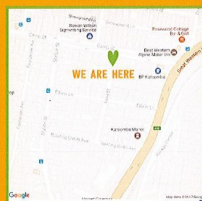
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Morning tea is provided for kids & adults.

Regular cooking mornings where the young
children themselves do the cooking!

Parents can chat with others while kids play.

\$5 per child per week

Any enquiries? Call Robyn ph. 0438401088

We're hiring!

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is seeking a Nurse to attend World Youth Day 2019 in Panama. The role will be responsible for encouraging and coordinating healthy practices and the preliminary identification and assessment of medical, health and wellbeing needs of pilgrims. More information at: <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/positions-vacant>

Save the Date - Liturgy Conference 2018

Date: 10 November 2018. Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter Williams Vicar General from the Diocese of Parramatta. Workshops (still to be finalised): Singing the Psalms, RCIA ritual & symbols, Training Junior Altar Servers and Music and Prayer in the Classroom. To register your interest go to parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/

Tickets: On sale soon (we'll let you know when).

ACYMC 2018

Early-bird registration for the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta on behalf of the Australian Catholic Bishops is now open at www.acymc.org.au. The event will host up to 500 adult delegates who are engaged in ministry with young people in parishes, schools, agencies and ministries of the Catholic Church. Rooty Hill RSL, September 21-23.

Contact James Camden, Director, Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information (02) 8838 3428 or james.camden@parracatholic.org

Lawn and Garden Services: Help CatholicCare to Help Disabled Workers

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains (CatholicCare) is the diocesan social services organisation. Our Mamre Garden Services employed disabled people in a lawn and garden service lawns for both residential and commercial clients. The team of workers is supervised by our Garden Crew Supervisor. Each job is quoted separately and you will not be disappointed with the quality of the work. If you're interested in having your lawns and/or gardens serviced by CatholicCare or would like more information, please contact 02 8843 2500 or visit our website www.ccsw.org.au

RCIA: How it can grow your Parish's Faith Life

Wednesday 12 September – Part 1

Wednesday 19 September – Part 2

To be held at the IFM, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown from 7.00–9.00. To register contact the Office For Worship: ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org or 02 8838 3456.

Creating a Safe Church: 31 August - 1 September

The Diocese of Parramatta is co-hosting two days of presentations by Fr Hans Zollner SJ addressing the most significant issues facing the Catholic Church today with respect to harmful behaviour, including the theological and spiritual implications arising from the abuse crisis and their impact on victims and survivors, together with members of the Church. Fr Hans is regarded as one of the leading ecclesiastical experts in the field of safeguarding of minors and on areas concerning sexual abuse both in the Roman Catholic Church and beyond. More information and registration via parracatholic.org/safechurch