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Update

Wednesday, 11th September 2019

Diary Dates

Newsletter No 28

Thursday, 12th September

Year 5 Vision Valley Camp

Friday, 13th September

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Monday, 16th September

• Whole School Assembly and Prayer.

Tuesday, 17th September

Wednesday, 18th September

Infants Liturgy

The Infants Liturgy will now be on Wednesday 25th September, Week 10 at 2pm in the school hall.

Change of Details

If you have moved house or changed your contact details, please notify the school office as soon as possible to update your details in case of an emergency.

Skoolbag App

All parents are encouraged to have the Skoolbag App, as this will be the main preference for communication to all parents. Our School Name for Skoolbag App is SMMPM.

Administration

Term 3 School Fees

Term 3 fees are now overdue, unless you have opted for an arrangement with the school for the year. If you have any queries regarding your statement please contact the school office.

Please note, one terms notice (10 school weeks) in writing, must be given to the principal/school before the removal of a student or a full terms fee will be payable.

Skoolbag App

Last week we experienced very hot weather, so on Wednesday morning there was a notice on the Skoolbag App that summer uniform was allowed for that day. Please ensure you download the App to keep up to date with all the Notices, Newsletters, Updates, Masses, Liturgies and any changes that may occur at school.

This week the weather has turned colder but from today onwards students are allowed to wear either their full Summer Uniform or full Winter Uniform. It must be the correct uniform. You will have the choice as to which uniform you would prefer to wear depending on the weather. Students will return to school in Term 4 in full summer uniform. Please don't forget your hat. No hat no play.

Car Pick Up

It is important that all parents involved in this service are attentive to the rules of the road. They are to only join the car pick up line from Henson street via Mason street. Parents are NOT to join the line from Davies Street. **U-turns in a school zone are illegal and cause traffic congestion.**

For Parents:

- Car line up following StMM's instructions.
- We suggest that you space your arrival between 3:00pm and 3:30pm.
- We have been advised it is illegal to double park on the other side of Henson Street. The police will book cars.
- Move to the cones to pick up your child.
- All students must have correct seating arrangements.

For Students:

- Move quickly to the Car pick-up Area.
- Sit with members of your family.
- Take a book to read & listen for your number
- Move quickly when your number is called.
- Follow the staff instructions at the cones.
- Move quickly into the car and put your seatbelt on.
- Thank the staff member who is helping you.

School Hours

Parents are reminded that lessons begin at 8:40am and finish at 3:00pm. Children should be at school by 8:30am.

There is no supervision in the mornings before the 8:15am bell. From 8:15am until 8:30am it is a walk and talk time only. Students are reminded that there is to be NO running or ball games in the playground in the mornings. If you are dropping your child/ren off or picking them up from the Parish car park please remind your child/ren about the safety around cars and the dangers of running in this area.

Parents are also reminded that they need to collect their child/ren from school at 3:00pm. If you are running late please contact the school office. The school office is open from 8:15am to 3:15pm every day.

Student Attendance

Our school attendance has dropped from the beginning of the year to 82.6% which is still above the CEDP's average attendance rate.

Letters will be sent home to parents for students who have attendance under 80%. Please remember attendance at school is very important in your child's learning.

School Canteen

Tender process for the school canteen is well underway and is being handled by the Catholic Education Department Parramatta.

Personal Growth

Monday Morning Assembly

On the 9th September, Isabella and Angelique from Yr 5 announced that we would have student prayer after eating time on Wednesday. Joseph D and Cristiano from Yr 5 congratulated our winners for last week's question on the big screen. Our infants winners were



Jacob from 2R and Ben from 1B and our primary winners were

Shakira from 6B and Felicity from 5Y. Just a reminder, every Friday there will be a challenge

question related to maths on the screen for infants and primary to answer. A table will be set up and a Yr 5 and 6 will be there to collect students' answers. Also, this week Year 5 will be having their leadership



camp, lasting 2 days and 1 night. They will be leaving on Thursday and will be returning on Friday. By Keisha Manalansan and Rhos Shi Wang Media Team

Big Screen

Congratulations to the Year 6 and Year 5 students who have been updating the big screen and running the competitions every Friday.

Teaching and Learning

Kindergarten

Here are some letters sent to Mr Mills from our Kindergarten students.

Dear Mr Mills,

You are an alien and you ate moon cake. You are a funny alien. By Eason Lin

Mr Mills can you please make moon cake

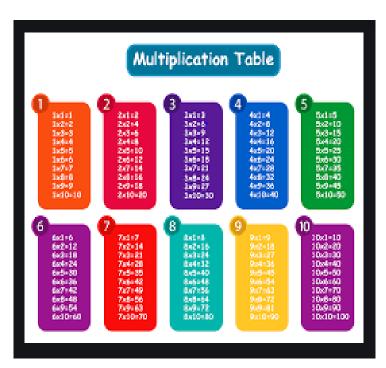
Dear Mr Mills Mr Mills is an Alien Mr Mills is an Alien who is mad



Dear Mr Mills

By Amelia Kasiss

Mr Mills is an alien and I saw you and you eat moon cake and can I have some new moon cake?



Partnership

School Fundraiser



The School Fun Run will be held on

Thursday 17th October, Week 1, Term 4.

Today students will bring home sponsorship forms and a parent

Please take the time to read the information provided.

If you have any questions please contact the School Fun-Run Office on 1800 FUN RUN.

School Disco

The P&F will be holding a School Disco on Friday, 20th September. A note was sent home yesterday.

This day will be a Mufti Day for INFANTS STUDENTS

There will be 2 separate sessions providing suitable and enjoyable music for each group.

INFANTS K - 2 3:30pm - 5:00pm PRIMARY Years 3-6 5:15pm - 7:00pm

Please note: There will be NO SUPERVISION PROVIDED FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS AFTER SCHOOL.

Primary students ARE TO GO HOME after school and RETURN for their disco, commencing at 5.15PM.

Children not attending the disco are required to be picked up from school as normal, at 3pm.

Entry Fee for the disco will be \$2.00 per child, which will be collected on entry to the hall.

During the disco, we will be selling the following:

Sausage Sizzle \$3.00 Water \$2.00 Poppers \$1.50 Chips \$1.50 Mixed Lollies \$1.00 Glow Sticks \$2.00



