

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 9 Term 3

Friday, 20th September 2019

From the Principal.....

Dear Parents

We welcomed our 2020 kindergarten students and their families at our first Kindergarten Orientation session on Tuesday morning. As usual our Kinder cohort is made up of a combination of new and existing school families. The orientation program enables not only our students but also our parents to meet new friends as they begin this new educational journey together. The children all had a wonderful session in their new environment, demonstrating some fantastic skills, enabling our Kindergarten teachers to observe the children's abilities and interactions with each other. We look forward to seeing them all again next week for the second of our five sessions which will conclude on Tuesday 19th November.

Well done to all our students who represented our school at the Zone Poetry and Public Speaking Competition on Tuesday. Special congratulations to Thomas Emery for winning the Stage 3 division.

On Thursday 10th October (second week of the holidays) we have a rare opportunity to work with staff from the Japanese Consulate in Sydney in a number of cultural activities at our school. The session will run from 9:30am to 12pm. During the session we will learn skills in making specific Japanese cuisine amongst other things. In order to prepare for the event adequately, we will need to know numbers of interested school family members. If you are available over the holidays and interested in attending, please email me your expression of interest including numbers of attendees – daniel.gubby@lism.catholic.edu.au



Please note NAPLAN results were sent home with the children yesterday, 19th September 2019.

Please remember that our last day of school this term is next Thursday 26th September. We will be holding a pupil free Staff Development Day on Friday.

Have a great week,

Dan Gubby
PRINCIPAL

From the Assistant Principal.....

Our STAR Reading students asked if I could come and read with them this week as they had been working hard on using expression when reading. The boys and girls did an amazing job reading their books with excellent expression and even added in a few character voices as well. Our STAR Reading students love being part of the program and that love for reading is thanks to the wonderful work that Mrs Joy Hosking does with the group. Well done STARS!



Conrad in Year 1 has asked if the school would like to support a fundraising project that helps make prosthetic hands for children. Conrad is collecting plastic bottle caps to be sent to a not for profit charity called Envision Hands. Envision Hands collects plastic recyclable waste destined for landfills and turns it into filament for 3D printers. This filament is then used for making prosthetic hands for children. For every one million caps that are collected the charity can make one hundred hands. Great initiative Conrad in supporting such a creative cause that recycles with a

purpose. If any families would like to help, please see the flyer at the back of this newsletter.

Regards and God Bless,

Matthew Ritchie
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note – Newly added events or date changes will be highlighted in blue.

TERM 3 - 2019		
Week 10	Monday, 23 rd September	Gymnastics
	Tuesday, 24 th September	Kinder 2020 Transition Day – 9am to 11am
	Thursday, 26 th September	LAST DAY OF TERM 3 FOR STUDENTS
	Friday, 27 th September	PUPIL FREE DAY
TERM 4 - 2019		
Week 1	Monday, 14 th October	FIRST DAY TERM 4

	Thursday, 17 th October	Crowley Visit 1S (9.40am)
	Friday, 18 th October	Polding Athletics Homebush
Week 2	Tuesday, 22 nd October	Exuro Year 5 Proclaim Retreat
		Parent Forum Meeting (All parents welcome) 6pm-7pm)
		Kinder 2020 Transition Day – 9am to 11am
Week 3	Thursday, 31 st October	Crowley Visit – KM (9.40am)
Week 4	Tuesday, 5 th November	Year 2 Dolphin Dreaming Excursion
		Kinder 2020 Transition Day – 9am to 11am
	Thursday, 7 th November	Crowley Visit – 5OF (9.40am)
Week 5	Sunday, 17 th November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
Week 6	Monday, 18 th November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
	Tuesday, 19 th November,	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
		Kinder 2020 Transition Day – 9am to 11am
	Wednesday, 20 th November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
	Thursday, 21 st November	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
	Saturday, 23 rd November	Family Mass-Early Stage 1 – 6pm

RE News...

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday	Ballina	6:00pm Vigil	(No Children's Liturgy)
Sunday	Ballina	9:00am	(With Children's Liturgy)
Sunday	Lennox Head	7:30am	(With Children's Liturgy)



Year 4 Accendere Retreat – **Spark the Flame**

On Thursday morning the Year 4 students were fortunate to be involved in a retreat morning at school - Accendere Spark the Flame. Last term twelve Year 4 students engaged in this retreat at a Diocesan level at Lismore.



This retreat had a scripture theme based on John 13: 34-35 “And now I give you a new commandment: love one another, as I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.”

The activities for the day were based on friendship. The children reflected on how they show love to one another by how they treat others, especially their friends and students in our class and school.

We model this love and acceptance and inclusion on Jesus. Please click on the link to view the photos from the morning. [Year 4 Accendere Retreat Morning Photos](#)

School Mass

Thank you to those families who joined us today to celebrate the Eucharist. Our first school Mass for Term 4 will be on All Saints Day, Friday, 1st November. Please place the date on your calendar.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK...

*“If you wish to receive mercy, show mercy to your neighbour.”
(St John Chrysostom)*

PRAYER

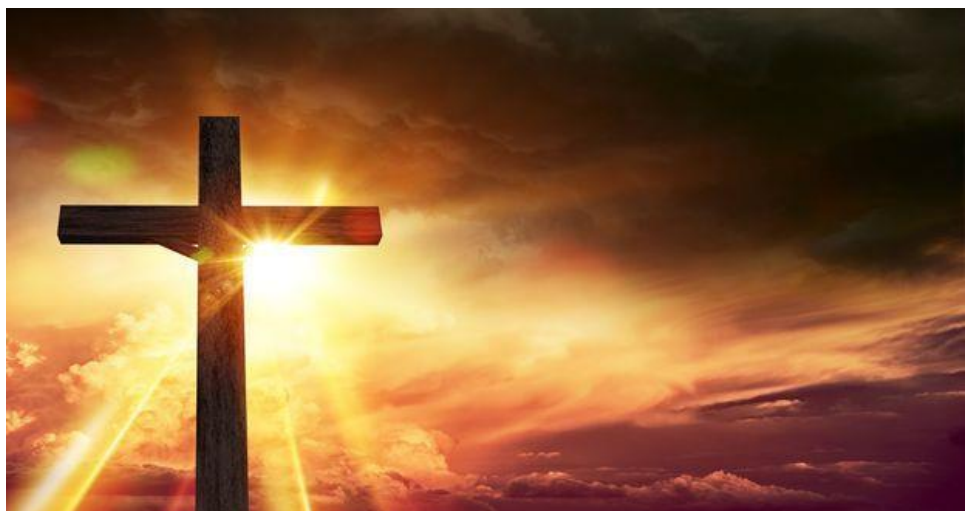
*Eternal Father, open our hearts of limitations to Your divine and very embracing love.
Amen*





Upcoming RE Dates for Term 4

Family Mass Early Stage 1
Saturday, 23rd November 6pm



Canteen News...

Canteen Roster - Term 3, Week 10 23.09.19 to 26.09.19

Monday:	HELP NEEDED
Tuesday:	HELP NEEDED
Wednesday:	N. Hannah, HELP NEEDED
Thursday:	K.Kelly & C.Whitty, HELP NEEDED
Friday:	PUPIL FREE DAY

CANTEEN URGENTLY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Tammy is looking for volunteers for canteen, if you are able to spare a couple of hours, **between 9am and 11:30, once a month** please contact the school office on 66863370 or see Tammy in the Canteen and just let her know what day suits you.

Sushi Day - Term 3 – Thursday, 26th September 2019

\$3.90 each - Sauce 20c each
Chicken, Tuna, Avocado or Vegetarian



Please note that any chicken or tuna sushi that are ordered will NOT have avocado in them.

Happy Birthday...

20th September to 26th September 2019



Cody Prowse	Ruby Slattery
Indiana Peachey	Alexis Simpson
Matilda Pignat	Zane Close
Dhkyra Jarrett-Torrens	

Sports News...

Gymnastics

On Monday, 23rd September in Week 10, Dance Fever will be having an open classroom in the school hall to showcase and display the gymnastic skills learnt by our students. All parents and caregivers are welcome and invited to attend during their child's lesson. The gate on Crane Street will be open during class times for ease of access to the hall. If you would like to attend, times and sessions for each year group are below:

Gymnastics Timetable



Year	Time
Year 3	9:30am to 10:15am
Year 4	10:15am to 10:55am
Kindergarten	11:40am to 12:20pm
Year 6	12:20pm to 1pm
Year 5	1pm to 1:40pm
Year 2	2:15pm to 2:45pm
Year 1	2:45pm to 3:15pm

Zone Summer Sports Trials

Nominations for the Zone Summer Sports Trials are now open and names of students at a **representative standard** are to be given to Mr Cook before next term. The Zone Summer Sports Trials are to be held on Thursday, 26th October. Nominations must be completed before the end of Term 3. Late nominations will not be accepted. **Again we ask for nominations only from those students who have participated in their sport consistently over several years and playing at a high standard.** Also, please be aware that Zone trials will take place out of school hours (4pm). Nominations are open to Year 4 & 5 boys and girls for the following sports:

- Tennis - Ballina St Courts, Lismore
- Softball - Nominations only required at this stage.
- Basketball - Trinity College (St Mary's Oval Courts)
- Touch Football - St. Mary's Oval (Behind Trinity Catholic College)
- Cricket - Woodlawn Grounds



You will need to organise your child's transport to and from the venue.

Children participating at this level will need to wear appropriate clothing for their sport, including safety equipment. Appropriate sun protection is also recommended. It is also advisable to bring their own drink bottle.

All participants, **if successful must pay a \$10 levy**, which is to be handed in to Mr Cook or the Office before Thursday 19th October.

Please note no more than 5 students from each school for each sport are able to attend these trials. Therefore, selection trials might need to be held at school to decide who is eligible.

Athletics NSW News....

Congratulations to Tyler Dogan, Jake Clark, Alexandra Dogan and Luke Dogan who all competed in a run at Casino on the weekend organised by Athletics NSW. They entered as a SFX school team and ended up being the fastest four competitors for a primary school over the 5kms. Tyler Dogan won the 5km - Open Male event and Alexandra Dogan won the - Open Female event winning a cash prize. The team also won a perpetual trophy which was presented to the school on Monday and will be displayed in the library.



NSWPSSA Boys Cricket Championships

In Term 4 (week 1) the NSWPSSA boys Cricket Championships will be held at Wollongong. Good luck and all the best to Kai Dalli.

Mr Cook
Sports Coordinator

Public Speaking News...

2019 Public Speaking and Poetry Competition



The Zone Public Speaking and Poetry Competition was held on Tuesday this week at St Mary's in Casino. Congratulations to Luke Dogan, Maggie Doyle, Mia Sten, Lillian Brunke, Zali Raudonikis, Phoebe Ryan and Thomas Emery for the fantastic way in which they represented our school. The competition was of a very high standard and I am very pleased to announce that Thomas Emery in Year 5 won the Stage 3 Speech section. A big thank you to parents and caregivers for your support in taking your children to this event. Please click on the link to view the photos. [Zone Public Speaking Photos](#)

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Spelling Bee News...

Annual School Spelling Bee



Congratulations to Harper Neale in Year 5 who won the 5th Annual St Francis Xavier Spelling Bee Final this morning. All of the finalists from Years 3-6 did a fantastic job! Congratulations to Kai Dalli in Year 6 who came second. The top spellers from



Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 were also presented certificates today. Thanks again to parents and friends who came along to support our spellers. All Top Spellers and Finalists are listed below.

Kinder – Sameer Harshad-Patel, Nash Whitton, Indi Williams, Lilla Morley, Olivia Harry, Jarrah McGauran. **Year 1** – Benjie Love, Ava Hart, Indiana Buchan, Rae McGuinness-Francis, Adelaide Boronski.

Year 2 – Ava Morley, Ellen Freeman, Maggie Doyle, Charlotte Doyle, Alana McCarthy. **Year 3** – Ryder Price, Zachariah Wilton-Ryan, Lillian Bruncke, Zali Raudonikis, Maddison Mikaere. **Year 4** – Myles Jensen, Celeste Dalby, Dakota Pettingill, Sonny Joyce, Billy Bienke. **Year 5** – Amy Henderson, Erica Regan, Eoin Shannon, Harper Neale, Ava Ryan. **Year 6** – Layna Ghassemi, Ava Sommerfeld, Bodhi Smith, Kai Dalli, Tyler Dogan.



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School News...

Last Day of Term 3

Thursday, 26th September



**STUDENT
FREE
DAY**

Pupil Free Day

Friday, 27th September 2019

First Day Term 4

Monday, 14th October 2019



Community News...

BALLINA BREAKERS & BRUTON BASKETBALL PRESENTS



BRUTON FUNDAMENTALS CLINIC

HOSTED BY NBL HALL OF FAME CAL 'BLACK PEARL' BRUTON

2 Day Clinic Sep 28 - 29 2019 9am - 3pm \$120 per player
Ballina Basketball Association 57 Cherry Street Ballina

Register at www.blackpearlbasketball.com.au
or contact Secretary 0428 874 346

✝ Family Retreat ✝

2nd and 3rd November or 9th and 10th November
Tyalgum Ridge Retreat, 783 Tyalgum Creek Rd, Tyalgum

**Spend a weekend deepening your family's faith,
enjoying beautiful surroundings and connecting
with other friendly families.**

The Family Retreat is open to all families with children in Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Lismore. Enjoy some time out from the busy-ness of life to reconnect with God and each other.

- Choose from 2 weekend dates.
- Saturday 10am - Sunday 2pm.
- Engaging programs for all ages from infants to adults.
- Adult Faith Sessions facilitated by experienced retreat leaders Valerie Murphy and Martin and Ann Costigan.
- Powerful and motivating Secondary Sessions led by experienced youth leader, Hogan Rogers from Unleashing Personal Potential.
- Fun outdoor activities to do as a family including flying fox, canoeing and bushwalks.
- All costs covered by Lismore Catholic Schools Parent Assembly.
- To register click [here](#) or go to <http://bit.ly/2kyWRLO>

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