PRINCIPAL

I welcome everybody to Term 4 and trust that the final stretch of the school year is a productive and happy one. We certainly have been greeted by some beautiful weather and the footballs, soccer balls and netballs are being slowly replaced by cricket bats and other summer activities.

I do ask all of us to remember in our prayers Sr Carmel Quade who is currently not in the best of health and also Mrs Anne Mulligan whose father, Mr Greg Galvin from Cowra, passed away in the holidays. Our thoughts and prayers are with Anne and her family.

In other news of a different sadness it is my unhappy duty to inform all members of the Catherine McAuley community that Mrs Carol Gill, our much loved (and very competent) school secretary will be finishing her duties early this term. Carol has been the school secretary at St Joseph’s School and now Catherine McAuley for many years and feels it is now time to pursue other things in her life. I do not wish to write any long testimonials at this stage but to simply say we will farewell Carol in an appropriate manner at some stage during the term.

Michael Croke

THE GOOD OF SOCIETY
The Sisters shall feel convinced
that no work of charity
can be more productive
of good society,
or more conducive
to the happiness of the poor
than the careful instruction of women,
since whatever be the station
they are destined to fill,
their example and advice will always
possess influence......

Catherine McAuley
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Welcome Back to Term 4
It is wonderful to see all teachers and students well rested and eager to begin the final term for 2013. This is a very busy term with lots of things happening at McAuley.

Summer Uniform
Thank you to the parents for sending the students back to school in the correct summer uniform. As the weather gets warmer it is important to have your name on all jumpers and tracksuit pants as these are often taken off and left on the playground at this time of year. If the weather turns cold it is acceptable to send students in winter uniform over the next two weeks as long as it is full summer or full winter uniform and not a combination of the two.

No Hat No Play
Commencing this Friday any student that is not wearing a school hat will not be allowed to play and must sit in a shaded area designated by the teachers.

Year 5 Assembly
The next Whole School Assembly will be organised by Year 5 on Friday, 18 October commencing at 12.00noon in Kenna Hall. Everyone is welcome.

PSSA State Athletics
Congratulation to Ben Norris (200M & High Jump) Alexandria Emerson (High Jump) and Amelia Wilcox (High Jump) on a fantastic effort in qualifying to represent Polding at the PSSA State Athletics at Homebush on Wednesday, 16 & Thursday, 17 October.

Canberra Excursion
The Year 6 teachers and students are getting organised for their excursion to Canberra as part of the HSIE unit they are studying. It is a great experience for the students and we appreciate the extra effort on behalf of the Year 6 teachers in order to make this trip possible.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

God of love, you want life to the full for each and every one of us.
Your Spirit, the Spirit of Christ the anointed one, courses through us and with your Spirit living in us you want to transform this world, to evangelise it, to make it Good News for all.
Help us open our hearts and minds to hand over our lives so as to be Christ in the world.
Help us to accept, appreciate and love differences as blessings and riches created by you, to trust in people’s nobleness rather than our own wealth, power and might, and so make of this world a Good News planet of life for all.
And we ask you this through Christ your Son.
Amen.

Mission Week
Over the next two weeks our whole school focus will be on Catholic Missions. The theme this year is “I Will Build My Church”. During this week students will join with a partner class to learn about the work of the Catholic Missions, and in particular, the work being carried out in Mongolia, a country who has only heard about the Catholic Church for the past 20 years. Next week we will have various fundraising activities to both continue to raise our awareness of the desperate plight of these poverty stricken people, as well as assist them in a practical way. For more details, please refer to the Mission note sent home this week. Please look for the separate information sheet with details of events, which went home yesterday.
**Liturgies and Masses**
We have a very full term with a Mass or Liturgy scheduled for nearly every week this term. We will be starting our Liturgy Celebrations this term with our first whole school Mass next Wednesday, 16 October at 9.30am for the Missions. For those who may have missed it last term, below is a schedule for this term.

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Parents and families are always very welcome to join us for all our celebrations.

Wishing you a wonderful week, God Bless,

**Robyn Petty**

**PRIMARY CO-ORDINATOR**
During Term 3 Kindergarten were engaged in the Science Unit "What’s It Made Of”, and a HSIE unit called “I am Australian”. The culmination of these units involved a contemporary learning day. In the morning the students were asked to make a shelter using everyday materials such as milk and egg cartons, fabric and sticks. The students worked in small groups to design and make the shelters. It was so much fun to be able to play in the shelters during playtime. We thank the many parents who assisted on the day. Later in the day the students were able to explore different aspects of other cultures by playing games, creating beautiful art work, story telling and trying some different food. The students thoroughly enjoyed the activities and learnt so much.
Catherine McAuley 1778-1841
Foundress of the Sisters of Mercy

Clare Miller

BIRTHDAYS
Nyakot Malual    Samuel Ward    Kyle Gummer    Caitlyn Shields
Shari Watson    Alexander Morley    Ellie Mulhall    Mitchell Crain
Leilani Byron    Daniel Cooper    Claire Finley    Hunter Priest
Joshua Streatfield    Adut Thit    Samantha Medlyn    Isaac Rodd
Mackayla Cox

TUCKSHOP

Roster – Commencing Monday 14 to Friday 18 October 2012

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