Only 3 days left to get your tickets for the McAuley Dinner and Art Auction. If you are unable to make the night but would like to make a bid for your class "masterpiece" please ring the school office and indicate your name, child's class and amount bid. On the night it will be a silent auction meaning there will be a an allocated time to put your name down and the amount you are prepared to pay. The winner is the highest amount when the bidding closes.

Michael Croke
Student of the Week: Congratulations to the following children who were awarded student of the week: William Boyd, Willow Clarke, Austin Dews, Roxy Macdouall, Emerson Allen, Liam Fraser, Jeron Sijo, Lydianna Meade, Alix O’Neill, Sage Annis-Brown, Zac Irwin, Callum Wilcox, Emily Crain, Jade Edwards, Ruby Redmond, Agieg Aluk, Lucy Dean, Liam Hurley, Thomas Madigan & Emily Bekavac.

Woolworths Earn & Learn: The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program is under way this year. This is a fantastic way to earn equipment for our school that we don’t have to pay for out of school budget! Each child will bring home a sticker sheet today with the newsletter or you can pick up the sheets from Woolworths and for every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive one sticker to stick on your sheet. Return the completed sheet to the school office. The more stickers we collect the more equipment will be donated to our school.

Professional Learning: Last Friday Tonia Flanagan from Hawker Brownlow visited the school to work with Mrs Da Silva Tavares and Mrs Connor our Professional Learning Community (PLC) facilitators. This Wednesday & Thursday Mrs Da Silva Tavares, Mrs Connor, Mrs Miller and myself will travel to Dubbo to attend the first two of six academy days as part of the McAuley PLC journey.

Southern Region Athletics Carnival: We wish our squad of 53 athletes the best of luck as they travel to Canowindra this Friday 24th July to represent McAuley at the Southern Region Athletics Carnival. Thank you to Mr Croke, Mr Hudson & Mrs Dunn for travelling with the team and supervising them on the day. The back up date if needed is Friday 31st July. Children successful at this carnival will compete in the Diocesan Carnival at MacKillop School in Bathurst on Friday 7th August.

Chess: As I write this, our Chess teams are preparing to travel to Millthorpe to take part in the second day of the schools Chess Competition. From all accounts the children acquitted themselves very well yesterday at the Christian School. Thank you Mrs Mulligan for the time effort and enthusiasm she puts into providing this opportunity for our children.

ICAS Tests: Students who have nominated and paid to participate in the ICAS tests for Mathematics and English will sit the English Tuesday 28th July and Mathematics Tuesday 11th August. Arrangements will be made during school for the children to sit these tests during school times on these days.

Steve Maguire

SOUTHERN REGION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Children who are travelling to Canowindra on Friday 24th July for the Southern Region Athletics Carnival, please be listening to ABC or 2GZ radio in case of inclement weather for cancellation notices between 6:30am and 8:00am. The backup date for Southern Region is Friday 31st July and students should come to school as normal if cancelled this week.

INTERESTING FACT OF THE WEEK

Although Australia is the driest inhabited continent, Australians use more water than anyone else.
**The Feeding of the Five Thousand:** This weekend we hear the story of Jesus feeding the Five Thousand in St John’s Gospel. Jesus takes a child's lunch and from it, provides for all. The Apostles are a little confused and don’t see how the child's lunch can be of help to so many, but like so often, Jesus takes this problem and turns it into an opportunity to see how God will provide. Again and again Jesus shows us how God is there for us. Perhaps this week we could take a moment to think about and acknowledge the times when God has provided for us in our need.

**Confirmation Parent Meeting:** I apologise for the incorrect date for the Confirmation Parent Meeting that was published in the Newsletter last week. **This meeting will take place next Tuesday, 28th July in St Mary’s Church at 7:00pm.** It is important that all parents of those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year attend this meeting as there is a lot of information that needs to be given regarding the reception of this Sacrament.

**Jeans for Genes Day:** On Friday, 7th August, we will be fund-raising for Jeans for Genes Day. Children are invited to wear their denim jeans to school and contribute a gold coin which will be sent to the Children’s Medical Research Institute. This money will assist with the funding of research into cures for childhood diseases. Students are not expected to wear any part of their uniform, this is a casual clothes day. If students wish to participate and do not have jeans, they are welcome to wear other appropriate clothing and donate their money to this very worthwhile cause. We are hoping that special pins will once again be available for students participating.

**Second Rite of Reconciliation:** This week, Year 5 celebrated the Second Rite of Reconciliation. Next Wednesday, 29th July, Year 4 will celebrate this beautiful Sacrament of healing.

Wishing you a wonderful week, God Bless,
Robyn Petty

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**McAULEY DINNER & ART AUCTION**

Just a taste of some of the quality work produced by our Year 2 classes to be auctioned at the McAuley Dinner!
It is not just our school building that is going through an amazing process of transformation. Our school has also embarked on another exciting transformation. We at Catherine McAuley, have committed to a process of continuous improvement in staff performance and student learning through our work as a Professional Learning Community. Over the past year you may have heard teachers and students abuzz with terms such as data, collaboration, targets, goals, intervention, enrichment and wondered...what does it all mean? It means a cultural shift in the way that we conduct our core business here at Catherine McAuley.

There are three big ideas that drive the work of a Professional Learning Community

1. All students learn at high levels.
2. A culture of collaboration by staff.
3. A focus on results to drive remediation and enrichment.

_Dufour, Dufour, Eaker & Many, 2010_

Last Friday, members of our leadership team worked with Tonia Flanagan, a senior training associate for Hawker Brownlow Professional Learning Solutions. We began plans to develop a sustainable framework of distributive leadership within the school that will see Catherine McAuley using the unique giftedness of staff and students to drive the transformation of Catherine McAuley to a true Professional Learning Community.

_Camille da Silva Tavares_
Project Development Teacher for Professional Learning Communities

CLASS OF THE WEEK 6H

_Perspective Photography by 6H_

Look at our Key Ring

Watch Out LILLY!!!!!

Jack put that BOY DOWN!!!

Kyle how many times have I told you, DON”T play with your SHOES

If you would like to see more, come and have a look outside 6H. You are all welcome. Remember bring the TimTams.
OUR CHESS CHAMPIONS!

16 students from the Year 5 & 6 chess club were lucky enough to participate in the NSW Junior Chess league primary schools competition, Orange zone, held on Monday 20th July at Orange Christian school and Tuesday 21st July at Millthorpe public school. Seven schools competed in the competition. They included Orange East, Orange Christian school, Millthorpe public school, Orange Anglican Grammar, Blayney Public School, St Mary's Catholic Primary School and Catherine McAuley Catholic Primary School.

It was such a close finish! In the A grade division, Catherine McAuley tied in second place with St Mary's and was pipped at the post by 1/2 a point to the winners, Millthorpe public. Our intermediate team also came a very impressive second place and our two rookie teams gained so much experience from playing students from the Orange area. Considering our chess club only started in Term 2 this year, these are amazing results!

The students were a credit to themselves and to the Catherine McAuley community in the wonderful way they displayed good manners and in the way they played chess with fairness and great enthusiasm.

A big thank you to the mums who helped transport the children to and from the venues over the two days: Julia Hobbs, Mercedes Blashki and Alison Karbowiak. Also, thank you to Isaac Rodd in 6H who was prepared to be our standby reserve if needed.

It was a wonderful experience for all involved and we look forward to participating in next year's competition!

The students in the chess teams were: **A division**: Noa Fraser, Aaron Cox, Kaelen Monk, Sean Donato **Intermediate**: Josh Karbowiak, Dale Pangilinan, Tyler Bartimote, Callan Arden **Rookies**: Hannah Edwards, Lucas Blashki, Charlie Hobbs, Ethan Dillon

Tyler Bell, Kallum Sullivan, James George, Henry Madigan.

Congratulations!

Mrs. Mulligan
On Tuesday the 14th of July ten students from Mini Vinnies and Mrs Tavares went down to St Francis Aged Care Facility to celebrate the resident’s birthdays for this month. We gave teddy bears to the residents and had cake and cordial, it was really yum! We then went and played the pianola. Each student had a turn playing a song. We all had a great time.

By Hope, Chelsea, Saige, Henny, Lucy, Charlotte, Jyothis, Molly, Zali, Shay-Lea, Jade and Lucas.

Happy Birthday to the following children who have birthdays this week: Michaela Sharp, William Vial, Matthew Allen, Isaac Cardwell, Robert Schmidt, Ryan Downie, Lilly O’Brien, Xavier Bliss and Chayse King.

BIRTHDAYS

TUCKSHOP

Roster—Commencing Monday 27th July to Friday 31st July 2015

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