

Catherine McAuley Catholic Primary School

Orange

McAuley VI

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From the Principal

Term 2 has well and truly hit the ground running with Anzac Day, Mini Vinnies Mass, Peer Support and Athletics Carnivals just as a start. These events in particular are examples of those wonderful things that happen in a school outside the classroom. The teaching and learning process for children, parents and teachers fits into an 18 hour cycle (we will allow sleep time!) and is not only confined to a classroom setting.

I do wish to thank the wonderful cooperation the school always receives from parents in so many events. I also realise that it is often difficult to organise work time so that parents can be available and present to be with their children at school events but we certainly know that the children appreciate someone from their family feeling that they are part of the school community when other commitments allow. As an unbiased Principal I believe other schools may have a parent group that is equal to ours in commitment and spirit but I have not seen any better. Such commitment from parents is such a wonderful feature of the Catherine McAuley landscape.

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Connect the rich to the poor, the healthy to the sick...to do the work of God.

Catherine McAuley 1778-1841

McAuley School Rules

Faith: God's rules are: 1. Love God
2. Love others - treat others how you want them to treat you.

Justice: Make positive choices.

Respect: Respect yourself, others and the school environment.

Service: Help others in our school and the world.

Learning: Learn and let others learn.

From the Assistant Principal

Primary Athletics Carnival and Kindergarten and Year 1 Athletics Carnival: *The Year 2 to Year 6 Athletics Carnival was to be held on Monday 8th May however this date will be rescheduled due to Amber Budd's funeral. It is also likely that the Kinder & Year 1 Carnival date will change as well. A note will come home as soon as we can confirm new dates and we will also post the new dates on the McAuley Facebook page.*

Winter Uniform: Term 2 is when children begin to wear their winter uniform. During the first two weeks of the term students are permitted to wear their summer uniform if the weather permits. However, students must be in full summer or winter uniform not a mismatch of the two. During Term 2 & Term 3 children must have their shirt tucked in (except for when they are on the playground) and they do not have to wear a hat while outdoors. An important reminder that extreme hair cuts and hair colouring are not permitted and all hair below the shoulders (for boys & girls) must be tied off their face.

NAPLAN: The children in Year 3 & Year 5 will sit the NAPLAN on Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th May. It is important to acknowledge that these assessments in Mathematics, Writing, Reading and Language Conventions test basic skills and knowledge.

Teachers do not teach to the NAPLAN however they do give the children practice with past papers to ensure they are as relaxed and as comfortable as possible to achieve the best they can on the day. It is also important to acknowledge that the children are being assessed on what they have been taught from Kindergarten not just what they have been taught in the first two terms of Year 3 or Year 5.

Peer Support: Yesterday the children moved into Peer Support groups for an introductory session. Next week we will begin the program on Tuesday afternoon. It is a very valuable program that builds relationships and spirit in our school.

Diocesan Spelling Bee: A child from each grade in Year 3 to Year 6 will represent McAuley at the Diocesan Finals Day in Wellington on Thursday 1st June (Week 6 Term 2). Jeron Sijo from Year 6 has been nominated so far. The Year 3, Year 4 & Year 5 children will be named early next term.

ICAS Tests: As in previous years, students will be able to nominate and sit the ICAS tests for Mathematics and English. Catherine McAuley will offer students the opportunity to sit the English Tuesday 1st August and Mathematics Tuesday 15th August. A note will

FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:

"Keep your hands and feet to yourself"

Procedure if you have any concerns or issues: A reminder to parents that if they have any concerns with their child's progress in class or safety on the playground please contact your child's class teacher via the school office to make an appointment to see them. Many issues can often be solved through communication and listening to both sides of the situation. The teacher will involve a member of the executive if they feel it is necessary. Please be assured all concerns from parents are investigated thoroughly and dealt with according to the school's Pastoral Care and Discipline Policy. If the teachers are not aware of situations they cannot help your child. Discussing issues with the teacher will produce better results than discussing the issue with other parents.

Steve Maguire

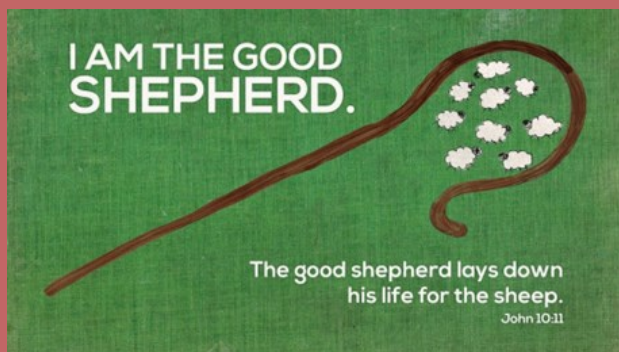
FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:

“Keep your hands and feet to yourself”

This is a very important rule at school. Many problems start with pushing, shoving hitting or kicking. At home or at different settings outside school it is often acceptable to wrestle and tackle as a form of play or mucking around. This is often in a controlled environment and usually supervised. However, in a school of approximately 540 children this sort of play is not allowed. There is no reason why a child at McAuley should hit or kick others. We need to make allowances at times for kindergarten children who are still learning and are often physical when trying to get the attention of adults or other children. If a child is upset or frustrated with another child they should follow these steps:

1. Tell the other student what they are doing to upset them (**name the behaviour**).
2. Tell the other student how it makes them feel (**name the emotion** eg frustrated/angry)
3. **Ask them to stop.**
4. If the behaviour continues, is a repeated behaviour or is serious in nature the student should seek assistance from a teacher rather than use their hands and feet to solve the problem themselves.

Keep your hands and feet to yourself comes from our school rule of Respect.



From the Religious Education Coordinator

Good Shepherd Sunday: Each year on about the fourth week of Easter, we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday. The readings remind us that Jesus is our shepherd, our guide, calling each of us by name and protecting us as a shepherd protects his flock. Perhaps this week we could reflect on just what kind of sheep are we? Do we follow, listening to his voice, or are we sometimes caught up in our own interests and wander off on our own path. This week's readings encourage us to think about our lives, and try to be like the sheep, not letting other things in life distract us from following our true shepherd, Jesus.

Thoughts and Prayers: At this time of deep sorrow on the passing of Mrs Amber Budd, we offer our thoughts and prayers to all of Amber's family and friends. She was a remarkable woman, mother and teacher and we will miss her greatly. May she rest peacefully in God's loving care.

First Holy Communion 2017: Thank you to all parents who were able to come along to the First Holy Communion Parent meeting last week. Enrolment Forms for the Sacrament were given out at the meeting, and may only be obtained from the Parish Office, not through the school. If you were unable to attend the meeting, please contact the Parish Office to organise your child's enrolment for First

Communion. The Sacrament will take place at the Parish Masses on the weekend of 27th and 28th May.

"A Bright Light In the Darkness": We are looking forward to our play on the life of Catherine McAuley tomorrow when 'Blue Whale Theatre' visit our school to perform "A Bright Light In the Darkness". The play is uplifting and heart warming and chronicles the life of Catherine McAuley in 3 main sections: the childhood influences of her father, the pivotal experiences of her early adulthood and then her achievements later in life and the legacy she left behind. All students will attend the play in Kenna Hall. There is no cost involved as this has been included in the school fees.

Mothers' Day Liturgy: Mothers' Day falls at the end of next Week. We will be celebrating with a ***Mothers' Day Liturgy Friday, 12th May at 10:30am in St Joseph's Church.*** Thank you to everyone who has sent in photos for the powerpoint that we usually run. If you would like to send in a photo to be included in the powerpoint, could you please send them to me as soon as possible so I can get this organised. I will be away next Thursday and Friday so I will need them by Wednesday morning at the latest. You can email me on r.petty@bth.catholic.edu.au or send them in on a thumb drive or hard copy and these will be returned to you as soon as possible. God Bless,

Robyn Petty

Prayer

I am the good
shepherd
says the Lord;
I know my sheep
and mine know me.

John 10:14

Proposed Liturgies for Term Two:

Week 3: Wednesday 10th May: Year 4
Grade Mass 12:45pm

Week 3: Friday 12th May: Whole School
Mothers' Day Liturgy 10:30am

Week 5: Sat/Sun 27/28th May: First
Communion

Week 6: Wednesday 31st May: Whole
School First Communion Thanksgiving
Mass: 12:15pm

Week 7: Thursday 8th June: Mercy Mass
– Farewell of the Mercy Order: 11:00am

Thursday 8th June: Confirmation Parent
Meeting: 7pm St Mary's Church

Week 8: Wednesday 14th June: Year 5
Grade Mass: 12:45pm

Week 9: Wednesday, 21st June: Kinder
Grade Liturgy 12:45pm

Week 10: Wednesday 28th June: Year 3
Grade Mass 12:45pm

From the Primary Coordinator

Mini Vinnies 2017 Commissioning Ceremony

Thank you to our gorgeous group of dedicated young people who on Sunday were officially commissioned at our parish Mass. I would also like to thank the families of these students who joined their children and provided a lovely morning tea. It was also wonderful to be supported by so many teachers who happily spent their morning serving tea and cordial on the Church lawn.





Basketball: Year 4 are lucky enough to have Grant Cole visit our school and coach them in basketball skills this term for 4 sessions over 4 weeks. Each class spend a valuable 45 minutes going through passing, dribbling, shooting and team work skills. If the first session is anything to go by we are going to see some future budding basketball stars emerge from our Year 4 cohort in the coming weeks! A big thank you to Mr Hudson who co-ordinated the sports funding for this project which helped make this happen. It is wonderful to see our Catherine McAuley students loving their sport!



Anne Mulligan



Cross Country: Congratulations to the children who represented our school at the Bathurst Diocesan Cross Country in Coolah yesterday. A big thank you to Miss Colquhoun and Mrs Petty for organising the children at Coolah. Congratulations to Taj Jordan, Nicholas Rowland, Jack Dean, Amelia Hogben and Oliver Livingstone who will now represent the Bathurst Diocese at the Polding Cross Country.

Diocesan Winter Sport Trials: Congratulations to the children who represented McAuley at the Bathurst Diocese in the Polding Winter Trials last Friday in Bathurst. They represented our school proudly and were great ambassadors for our school.

Connor Vardanega will trial for Rugby Union which will be later in the term in Forbes.

Netball: One of our Year 6 Netball teams represented McAuley at a Cowra Netball Gala Day yesterday. Thank you to Mrs Hazelton for taking the girls. From all reports they had a great day and played very well.

Steve Maguire

A Model of Christ Centred Learning (MCCL)



Last week we started a new series of awards at Catherine McAuley. The awards stem from the diocesan Model of Christ-Centred Learning and were representing the pink dimension of the model; Rich Catholic Curriculum.

The following students were awarded by their teachers for demonstrating actions or deeds indicative of the Gospel values: Jessica Adamson, Jessica Williams, Cynthia Palmer, Lynk Wright, Lachlan Gander, Jayde Lewis, Wil Kennedy, Abbie-Rose Theobald, Jaimie Sijo, Arjun Reji, Selena Livermore, Emerson Allen, Molly Dunn, Grace Dickinson, Duncan Hood, Charlene Bilal, Freya Bieniek, Ally-Rose Madden, James Gibson, Naomi Wright and Jyothis Jojo.

Trish Aumuller
MCCL Facilitator



Happy Birthday



Connor McKendry
 Caiden Hoy
 James Weston
 Harper Corby
 Harlow Corby
 William Kingham
 Patrick May
 Evie Tyack
 Kashae Gentles
 Sage Annis-Brown
 Georgia Buss

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



CATHERINE McAULEY
 KINDERGARTEN 2018
 ENROLMENTS OPEN
 NOW AND CLOSE ON
 FRIDAY 26TH MAY 2017

*Enrolment packs available
 at the school office.*

Tuckshop Roster—Commencing Monday 8th May to Friday 12th May 2017

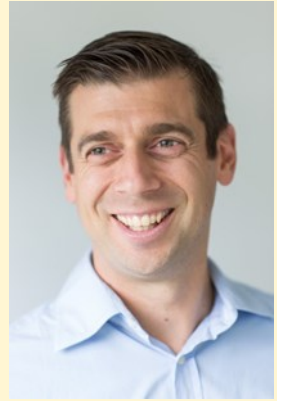
Day	9.30am—11.30am	11.30am—2.00pm
Monday	-	S Bohringer
Tuesday	-	K Fischer
Wednesday	-	-
Thursday	T Scott-Robertson	-
Friday	K Callaghan / P Taberner	N Day / E Kingham

*12:45 - 1:45pm T Newman / P Crain

Tuckshop Ph: 6362 0942



Dr. Justin Coulson Child Psychologist



You've heard him on the
radio...now you can hear him in
person in Orange.

Join us on Tuesday 16th May

at

James Sheahan Catholic High School

46-49 Anson St Orange

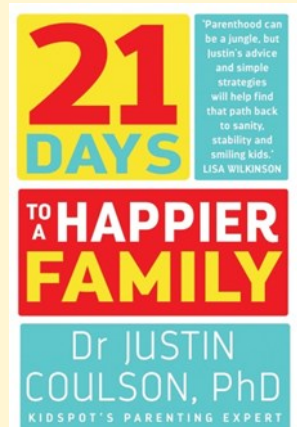
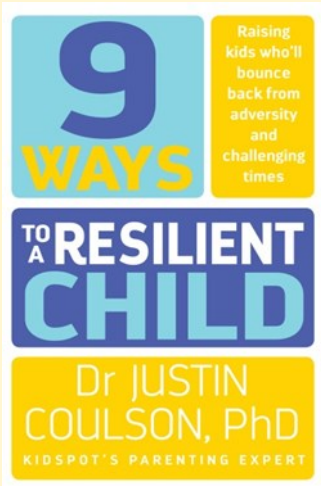
7-9pm

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upcoming EVENTS

Friday 5th May

1st Communion Enrolments Due to Parish Office

6T Assembly 12:15pm

Monday 8th May

Year 2 - Year 6 Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 9th May

NAPLAN

Wednesday 10th May

Year 4 Grade Mass 12:45pm

Year 6 to Function Centre - Fr Rob Galea

NAPLAN

Thursday 11th May

NAPLAN

Year 6 Excursion IGA

Friday 12th May

Mother's Day Liturgy 10:30am

Notes of the Week

Year 2 - Orange Regional
Museum

Year 2 to Year 6 Athletics
Carnival

Year 2 and Year 5 Athletics
Carnival Baking

Kinder & Year 1 Athletics
Carnival

Year 6 Music Retreat Day

Interesting Fact of the Week

Even when adjusted for
inflation the movie Titanic cost
50% more to make than the
ship of the same name.

Mass Times

St Mary's Church - Saturday 6:00pm

- Sunday 9:30am

St Joseph's Church - Sunday 8:00am

- Sunday 6:00pm

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