

Catherine McAuley Catholic Primary School

Orange

McAuley VI

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Term 3 -Week 5 - 16th August 2017



From the Principal

Whilst it is hard to believe that we have reached Week 5 of Term 3, it is always the week every term that our teachers have real affection for, as it is at Catherine McAuley a "Sabbatical Week" (from the latin word "sabbath" meaning "rest"). During this week the staff have no meetings or other after school activities and the children have no prescribed homework. It will also give Mr Hudson a chance to have a rest after the angst he feels watching his beloved Wests Tigers and to celebrate their weekend victory!

We would all agree that parents and children are leading lives busier than ever and for some reason some children have their free time organised within an inch of their lives especially in relation to sports training, music and dance training and all things in between. Good parenting is sadly sometimes defined by the after school timetable on the fridge! We seem to live in a world where being successful seems to equate with being busy. Whilst we want to make sure our children are learning some skills and seeing the benefit of team sport, in recent times some people have forgotten that for a child, free time (where they can be spontaneous and not abide by adult rules) and spare time and doing nothing and "amusing themselves" is just as important and will teach them much. Some have even suggested that some children have a "nature deficit disorder". Free play will also be easier on the family budget!

Famed rugby league coach Jack Gibson was once asked what is the best way a child could prepare for a career in sport. His answer was to "go to the creek, get muddy and catch tadpoles, it will make them more grounded". I give parents permission to adopt a "McAuley Sabbatical week" at home!

Michael Croke

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Try to view passing events as you will in a year hence, Or as if they had happened a year ago.

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

SABBATICAL Week: This week is the halfway point of the term. As always we don't have meetings and try to keep extra curricula activities to a minimum. **The best part of the SABBATICAL week for many is that there is no homework and for others no meetings!**

Kindergarten & Year 5 at the Eisteddfod: WOW! I was fortunate enough to watch the Kindergarten Verse Speaking Choir at one of their final practices and they were fantastic. The skill level was great and the smiles and enjoyment was there for everyone to see. As a result of their fantastic efforts and skill they were presented with First Place in their section of the Orange Eisteddfod last Friday. Thank you to Mrs Sutton, Mrs Derwin and Mrs Wright for giving the children the opportunity to perform.

Congratulations to Year 5 who also represented McAuley in verse speaking. It is a wonderful activity that promotes fun, teamwork and harmony.

Work Experience Students from James Sheahan: Last term we were extremely fortunate to welcome back four past students who did work experience at McAuley. They were a huge help to the teachers and the children enjoyed having these Year 10 students help them in the classroom. Jack McFawn, Olivia Casey, Talah Guyer and Lily Sutton were a credit to their families and James Sheahan Catholic High School.

ICAS Tests: The children from Year 3 to Year 6 who nominated for the Mathematics ICAS Test sat it yesterday 15th August. These tests are not compulsory or set on the Australian Curriculum that we implement. They are one way of acknowledging the achievement of students that are working above grade level.

Personal Development: All classes in our school take part in Personal Development as part of Health studies in PDHPE. The Year 6

program covers the changes that will occur to them as they develop into adolescence. **The Year 6 parents and children are required to attend session on Monday 21st August commencing at 6:00pm in Kenna Hall.**

Year 6 Canberra Excursion: The Year 6 teachers have begun preparation for the Year 6 Canberra excursion that will take place on Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd November. As it is a big responsibility to take over seventy children away over night all Year 6 children must behave appropriately at school and all school functions to experience the great privilege. Parents of children who are not exhibiting expected behavior will have to agree to a contract that stipulates that the child won't attend this excursion if their behavior continues to be unacceptable.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2018: The enrolment process has finished and letters of offer have been sent out. Orientation for Kindergarten students will begin on Wednesday 8th November with a parent evening. The children will then visit the school for three consecutive mornings on Friday 10th, Friday 17th and Friday 24th November.

Cyber Bullying: Cyber bullying is something that is real in our society. At McAuley we will address instances of Cyber Bullying if it effects relationships at school. It is important for parents to be aware of their children's activity online, particularly Primary aged children who in many instances are not old enough to have social media.

Having computers or the devices in a central spot in the house, parents knowing children's pass words and taking devices off children when they go to bed are some simple suggestions to prevent issues for your children with social media.

FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:

Always play appropriately on the playground:

The focus this fortnight is on how children behave on the playground. With approximately 530 children on our playground during breaks we have a relatively small amount of incidents, accidents and arguments! However, from time to time we do have issues on the playground. The children will be reminded to:

- keep your hands and feet to yourself
- play appropriately
- treat others how you want to be treated
- inform a teacher if someone is being hurt physically or emotionally.

Issues in the Classroom or on the Playground: It is important for parents to be reminded that if they have an issue or query with an occurrence in the classroom or school regarding their child the first point of contact should be the class teacher. If necessary the Executive will assist whenever needed. It is not necessary for parents to contact teachers on behalf of children other than their own. **Parents are under no circumstances allowed to approach children other than their own on the playground if they are doing something wrong. Please inform the teacher on duty or the class teacher so incidents can be investigated properly and appropriate action taken.**

Woolworths Earn & Learn: The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program is a fantastic way to earn equipment for our school that we don't have to pay for out of school budget! Each child has brought home a sticker sheet. Extra sheets are available from Woolworths, the school office and on the school website. For every \$10 spent at Woolworths until Tuesday 19th September 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. There is a box in the children's foyer of the school office to put the completed sheets in.

Steve Maguire



Hail Mary
*Hail Mary, full of grace,
 The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women,
 And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 Pray for us sinners now,
 And at the hour of death.
 Amen*

From the Religious Education Coordinator

The Assumption: Yesterday we celebrated the Feast of Mary's Assumption into heaven. Mary is held up to the Church as a wonderful role model for all. Her faith was incredibly strong and she was always willing to listen to God and do as He asked. When she died, she was rewarded by being taken to heaven body and soul.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year

A: All of the readings this weekend remind us that God's love and invitation are for all people. No one is more special than anyone else. All the readings speak of the inclusiveness of God's call. Gentile or Jew, male or female, God's call goes out to all. So, who are we to discriminate on the basis of gender, race, ethnicity, age, social status, etc? The readings are about treating everyone with respect, and not judging people. We are reminded that each and every one of us is a beloved child of God. If we want to help build the kingdom of God then we need to move out of our 'comfort zone' occasionally and reach out to those who have been rejected for one reason or another.



DIOCESAN YOUTH FESTIVAL: It's time to prepare for the annual Diocesan Youth Festival! This year we are celebrating by launching a new name and identity. We all know and love "Blast" but it was time for a change, so the Festival has been renamed **RISE Youth Festival**. RISE Youth Festival will occur from 27th-28th September 2017 at Ridgcrest Conference Centre, Burrendong.

RISE is a chance for young people in Year 6 to Year 9 to spend time together, have fun and learn more about their faith. Why not consider being part of RISE this year? Come and be part of an unforgettable experience! For more information visit www.bathurst.catholic.org.au or contact Deacon Josh on 0458 261 513 or email ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au

Fathers' Day Liturgy: Fathers' Day is on the first weekend in September. This year we will celebrate with a Fathers' Day Liturgy on Friday 1st September at 2:20pm. We are in the process of making plans for a lovely Fathers' Day celebration, culminating in our Liturgy. Thank you to all who have already sent in photos for the powerpoint at the liturgy. These can be photos of our children with their dads, granddads, uncles, or other special men in their lives. You can send these in through email, USB or hard copy, and I will begin the lengthy process of organizing this presentation. I am happy to send hard copy photos and USB's home again the same day. My email address is:

r.petty@bth.catholic.edu.au

God Bless,

Robyn Petty



Netball NSW Schools Cup:

Congratulations to Millie, Hayley, Bella, Hope, Claudia, Lucy O, Lara, Jess, Maddi and Lucy C on winning the Netball NSW Schools Cup played in Orange last Tuesday.

The girls won the 4 games in their division to place themselves in the finals. They played a tight game against Dubbo to then go on to play Bathurst in the Grand Final.

Spectators were treated to an outstanding game of netball. The girls played exceptionally well and came away winners by 2 goals. They now go on to represent the Central West in Sydney on the 19th of September.

I congratulate the girls on their great sportsmanship displayed at all times. Thankyou to our umpires Millicen and Kate who did a wonderful job. Also, to our parents for supporting the girls and to Mr Hudson for cheering the girls on during the finals.

LeeAnn Hazelton



Year 3 – Year 6 Winter Sport: Our highly anticipated Winter Sport Program for Year 3 – Year 6 is well under way. Year 3 & Year 4 participate on Thursdays and Year 5 & Year 6 participate on Friday. The children take part in a variety of sports including squash, fitness, ten pin bowling and dance. All activities take place indoors to ensure our children are active despite the often wet and cold weather during winter in Orange. A huge thank you to Mrs Bettizoli for organising this for the children, it is a massive job.

Diocesan Athletics Carnival: We wish the 19 children representing Southern Region at the Polding Athletics Carnival this Friday 18th August the best of luck. Isabelle Waters, Freya Bryant, Rachel Masling, Holley Dunn, Hope Gibson, Lara Bingham, Michelle Hayes, Taj Jordan, Tomma Tancred, George Tancred, Cruz Jordan, Jack Dean, Ollie Livingstone, Max Hunter, Jordan Wykes, Mia Fabar-Robey, Charlize Spurr, Zahli Bennett and Alexandra Milne. This is a wonderful achievement and we are proud of all these Athletes.

Catherine McAuley organise and convene this Carnival in Dubbo because we do not have a suitable venue in Orange. Thank you to Mrs Da silva Tavares, Mrs Covelli and Mrs Basha for all the work they do with the Meet Manager program. Thank you to Mrs Croke and Mrs Colquhoun who have offered to be officials on the day. This convener is happy the carnival is in Dubbo this year as snow is forecast for Orange on Friday and we may have had the same postponing dramas we had with the McAuley Athletics Carnival earlier in the year!

Netball: Our Year 6 Netball team will be busy in the coming weeks travelling to Sydney on Tuesday 5th September to compete in the Catholic Schools Netball Competition. They travel to Sydney once again on Tuesday 19th September to compete in the Finals of the School Cup Netball Competition. Thank you to Mrs Connor, Mrs Hazelton and Mr Hudson who have been coaching and or assisting with the organisation and preparation of the team. Thank you to the parents who will travel with the girls to feed and support them.

Steve Maguire



Happy Birthday

Eliana Belmonte
Harrison Shaw
Chloe Johns
Kai Plante
Sheawyn Whitta
Isla Curtis
Hayley Hunter
Judd Zinga

Model of Christ-Centred Learning Awards

For Week 4 students were awarded for their work reflecting the Orange dimension of the model; **Engaging, Adaptive Environments that energise and empower the learner.**

Congratulations to the following students who received awards from their teachers in Week 4: Lacie Zumbo, James Rodwell, Lacey McGarity, Abhi Biju, Madelin Duffey, Jaiden Rogers, Abbie-Rose Theobald, Shaun Sebastian Biju, Isabella Boyd, Selina Tang, Zak Wright, Madeleine Clarke, Imogen Shaw, Jordan Wykes, Adelaide Graham, Anika Ballard, Patrick Crump and Luke Van der Westhuis.

Trish Aumuller

MCCL Facilitator

Guess what's coming soon?



Orange CYMS Junior Cricket Club

Registration details for the 2017-18 Cricket Season

www.cymsjcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

Orange CYMS Junior Cricket registration for the 2017-18 season is now open.

CYMS will again be fielding teams in all age groups from T20 Blast to the U16s. The Thunder Girls Cricket League is expanding this season with a NEW competition designed for Primary School aged players.

There are several ways to register this season:

- On-line through the CYMS website (cymsjcc.nsw.cricket.com.au) and follow the links.

- At the Information / Sign-on days

* Tuesday 22nd August Kenna Hall, Hill St Orange from 3:30pm to 5pm and

* Thursday 24th August St Mary's School Hall, Byng St Orange from 3:30pm to 5pm.

- Contact the club secretary at cymsjcc@gmail.com



Cost: T20 Blast (U7-U10) – U16 \$120 per player

Family discounts: 2 children \$180, 3 children \$240.

Please contact the club secretary if you are signing on more than one player.

**Please note that Proof of Age will be required for players that are NEW to our club.
An original or certified copy of a birth certificate (or current passport) will be required.**

Please visit the website for more details www.cymsjcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

Kindergarten Verse Speaking - Orange Eisteddfod

So very proud of our Kindergarten students who performed in Verse Speaking in the Orange Eisteddfod today. The students recited two poems, "Dad and The Doctor's Surgery" by Annette Kosseris and, "The Eisteddfod" by Marguerita Haynes. A super effort from all of them, receiving 96 points out of 100 to bring home FIRST PLACE and a trophy! Congratulations and well done Kindergarten!

Mrs Sutton



Tuckshop Roster—Commencing Monday 21st August to Friday 25th August 2017

Day	9.30am—11.30am	11.30am—2.00pm
Monday	-	-
Tuesday	P Bartimote	C Schafer
Wednesday	-	-
Thursday	-	C Cartwright
Friday	F Dunn, A Moody	J Griffith, R Fraser, T Webb, M Macdouall, K D'Ombrian
		*12:45 - 1:45pm: S Mendal



Tuckshop Ph: 6362 0942

Library News

Less than a week to go before students come to school dressed as any book character on **Tuesday August 22nd** to celebrate Book Week 2017. It will be a great day once again seeing all the wonderful book characters come alive. **Please wear closed in shoes.**



Parents are also invited to come along at 1:20pm on the same day to share lunch with your children in the playgroundweather permitting. **PLEASE BRING A PICNIC RUG OR CHAIR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO.**

Catherine Bishenden

Eisteddfod

Congratulations to all classes who went in the Eisteddfod. In the speech and drama Kindergarten and Year 5 represented our school wonderfully. The behaviour of the children and participation in their verse speaking were excellent.

Kindergarten won a first prize and Year 5 brought home 2nd and 3rd placing. Well done !

Mrs Croke

Clothing Pool

Our Clothing Pool will be open next Tuesday 22nd August from 2:10pm until 3:10pm. We have many second hand items in very good condition on sale at very cheap prices. Our Clothing Pool operates from the rear of the Sacred Heart Building.

McAuley Canteen presents...
MAD HATTERS TEA PARTY
Help us celebrate BOOKWEEK!!
Cupcakes, Cookies and other
delightful sweets and treats...
Items from 50c
Parents and friends welcome!
Come along and purchase a treat
for Book Week!
Tuesday 22nd August



upcoming EVENTS

Friday 18th August

Dio Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 22nd August

Book Week Dress Up As Book Character

Mad Hatters Tea Party (goods available at canteen)

Wednesday 23rd August

Year 1 Liturgy - 12:45pm

Thursday 24th August

Year 3 & Year 4 Winter Sport

Friday 25th August

Year 5 & Year 6 Winter Sport

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Interesting Fact of the Week

69% of people in the rear of an
aeroplane survive crashes,
compared to 49% at the front.

Mass Times

St Mary's Church - Saturday 5:00pm
- Sunday 9:30am
St Joseph's Church - Sunday 8:00am
- Sunday 5:00pm

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