

# Catherine McAuley Catholic Primary School

Orange

McAuley VI

Term 2 -Week 4 - 17th May 2017

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## From the Principal

A big **thank you** to all involved with our Athletics Carnivals. Our teachers, parents, students and especially Mr Maguire and Mrs Tavares.

**Michael Croke**

### EXECUTIVE STAFF

#### Principal

Michael Croke

#### Assistant Principal

Steve Maguire

#### Religious Education Coordinator

Robyn Petty

#### Primary Coordinators

Belinda Forbes

Camille Da Silva Tavares

### Catherine McAuley



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

**Kindergarten 2018:** As part of the enrolment procedure for Kindergarten 2018 the children and their parents will attend an interview and have a look around our school. These interviews commenced this week. It is very exciting to welcome new families and children into the McAuley community. All families are very impressed with our wonderful new learning spaces and the Protected Learning Time. As I take families around our school I cannot help but be proud of the dedicated, professional teachers and the welcoming, friendly students. McAuley is a great place to be with our focus on learning, great learning spaces and sense of community.

**Whole School Assembly:** 2C will present their work at the next Whole School Assembly on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 12:15pm in Kenna Hall.

**Diocesan Spelling Bee:** A child from each grade in Years 3 to Year 6 will represent McAuley at the Diocesan Finals Day in Wellington on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June (Week 6 Term 2). Congratulations to Jeron Sijo, Angel Tom, Alex Morley and Caleb Phillips who will represent McAuley at the Diocesan Finals. We wish these children the best of luck.

**NAPLAN:** The children in Year 3 & Year 5 sat NAPLAN last week. The week went smoothly and was reasonably stress free. Thank you to the Year 3 and Year 5 teachers for ensuring the children were prepared for this test situation and that they were

comfortable. It is important to acknowledge that these assessments on Mathematics, Writing, Reading and Language Conventions test basic skills and knowledge. 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. Results will be sent home later in the year.

**Peer Support:** Children interact with a lot of other children and adults every day. Whilst many of these encounters are positive, some may be regarded as conflict. Despite this, not all conflict involves bullying behaviours. This week the groups looked at examples to help them decide what bullying is and what it isn't. They made an owl to help them remember what bullying is not and how important it is to say sorry.

**Work Experience:** This week we welcome Jack McFawn to our school for work experience. Jack is an ex-student who attends James Sheahan. Jack has been a big help in the classrooms. Jack will be working with The Year 2 – Year 6 Classes.

**Southern Region Athletics Carnival:** The Southern Region Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July in Canowindra. *Notes will be sent home with the children who will represent Catherine McAuley at the carnival in coming weeks.*

Steve Maguire

## FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:

***“Move in and out of classrooms and around the school calmly and quietly.”***






As there is always so much going at school it is important to remind and insist that children move in and out of classrooms and around the school calmly and quietly. This focus comes from Learning. At McAuley we have protected learning time, where there is to be no interruptions and this has had a big impact on learning. However, it is just as important that classes are not interrupted by children moving in and out of classrooms and around the school in a disruptive manner.

## From the Assistant Principal continued

**June Reports:** The teachers are currently assessing the children and will begin to write reports on the children's progress for the first half of the year. All classes from Year 1 – Year 6 use the A-E reporting scale and the Reporterpro format. Kindergarten do not use the A- E reporting scale but do use the Reporterpro format. If you have any questions or queries regarding report formats or the reports please contact me through the school office to discuss them. Reports will be sent home with children on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

Please see the following explanation on the A-E Grading used in Year 1 - Year 6.

The A-E scale used in Year 1 to Year 6 is different to the scale used when you were at school. There is no bell curve and “A” does not mean 100/100. In fact a “C” means a sound understanding of the stage outcome, and to maintain a “C” throughout the year is difficult. At Catherine McAuley we refer to the A-E scale using the following terms and to put the A-E reporting system into perspective, it helps to look at the analogy below for driving a car.

Kindergarten	Experiencing Difficulty	Working Towards	Achieved	Working Beyond	
Years 1-6	E	D	C	B	A
Formal Terms	Limited achievement	Basic achievement	Sound achievement	High achievement	Outstanding achievement
LOW Descriptions	Experienced difficulty	Did OK	Celebrate this work	Beyond expectations	Amazing achievement
Looking at this like a driving licence.	<p>A person on their <u>L plates</u> must always be accompanied by an experienced driver.</p> 	<p>A person on their <u>P plates</u> drives independently but is still learning and developing their skills.</p> 	<p>A person who has their full <u>driver's licence</u> is independent to drive on their own without restrictions.</p> 	<p>An <u>advanced driver</u> can navigate through many obstacles and has extra skills.</p> 	<p>A <u>Formula One driver</u> strives for excellence - conquering one challenge and then moving on to the next and even bigger challenge.</p> 

**Parent Teacher Interviews:** This year the Parent Teacher Interviews will take place in Weeks 9 and Week 10 this term once reports have been sent home. You will be invited to attend a meeting for your child, this invitation will include the details of dates and venues for your child's grade.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> August and Mathematics Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August. A note has been sent home asking for nominations and payment for children wishing to sit these external tests. The cost will be \$10.00 per test. If you didn't receive the note and wish your child to sit these tests please contact the school office to request another note to be sent home.

**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





## From the Religious Education Coordinator

**Sixth Sunday of Easter:** The year is flying by, already we are at the end of the Easter Season. This weekend we celebrate our final weekend of Easter before Christ's Ascension into Heaven. In St John's Gospel this week, Jesus asks us to keep his commandments. He realizes this is quite a task, therefore He promises to send someone to help us, the Holy Spirit. Perhaps this week we could ask the Spirit to be with us, guiding us and helping us to truly 'love one another'.

**Confirmation:** With the children in Year 3 preparing for their first Communion, we now look towards our Year 6 students who will make their Confirmation early next term on the weekend of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> August. As the way in which enrolment for all Sacraments has changed this year in our Parish, it is very important for parents of students who will be making their Confirmation to take note of the Parent Meeting date, and attend this meeting. It is at this meeting that you will receive your enrolment forms. There will be two enrolment meetings to assist parents to attend (**you are only expected to attend one of these meetings**). These will be on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June @ 9.30am in St Mary's Church and again on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm in St Mary's Church. A separate note regarding this information was sent home with Year 6 students yesterday. Please make sure you read this information and take note of the times, dates and procedures. Should you have any questions, these can be emailed to our Sacramental Coordinator, Mrs Shannon Cain on [sacraments.orange@cdob.org.au](mailto:sacraments.orange@cdob.org.au)

**Mothers' Day Liturgy:** Thank you to all who were able to come along last Friday for our Mothers' Day Liturgy. Although I wasn't able to be there, from all reports many mothers and other family and friends were able to be present for this special Liturgy. A very special "thank you" to Mrs Cracknell and Mr Maguire for running the Liturgy. The students are always so proud to have you there, and especially to have your photos in the powerpoint. Thank you to all who sent in photos for the powerpoint as well.

**Fr Rob Galea:** Last Wednesday the Year 6 students joined students from James Sheahan, St Mary's and several other local Catholic primary schools to experience a music Retreat with Fr Rob Galea. Fr Rob is an excellent musician who although attached to a Parish in the Bendigo Diocese, spends much of his time on the road evangelizing young people. It was a wonderful day and all students had an amazing time singing, dancing and listening to Fr Rob's life story. You may hear some of his music being sung around the house as we hope to introduce several of his songs to our school!

Have a great week!

God Bless,

**Robyn Petty**

## Prayer

***"If you love me, you will obey my commandments. I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever."***

John 14:15-16

### Religion Calendar for Term Two:

**Week 5:** Sat/Sun 27/28<sup>th</sup> May: *First Communion*

**Week 6:** Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May: *Whole School First Communion Thanksgiving Mass: 12:15pm*

**Week 7:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Mercy Mass – Farewell of the Mercy Order: 11:00am

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Confirmation Parent Meeting: 7pm St Mary's Church

**Week 8:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June: Year 5 Grade Mass: 12:45pm

**Week 9:** Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June: Kinder Grade Liturgy 12:45pm

**Week 10:** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June: Year 3 Grade Mass 12:45pm

## Prioritised Essential Learning Targets for Mathematics Term 2

### From the Primary Coordinator:

As a Professional Learning Community, Catherine McAuley has commenced the process of prioritising our curriculum and collaborating with each other to ensure that each child is given the opportunity to access the curriculum at a level which is both rewarding and challenging.

Below is an excerpt from Term 1's newsletter outlining the purpose of our grade essential learning targets along with the prioritised essential learning targets for Term 2 in Mathematics.

*Many of you would have heard commentators speak about our school curriculum in terms of being a "mile wide and an inch deep"...well that is precisely how you could describe the new syllabus documents with which we are required to teach from.*

*In many ways this is a positive trait of our documents as it gives great scope for students who are excelling and require greater depth in their learning. For many students though the breadth of the content is too wide and so some students never really master any of the skills or knowledge taught in the classroom.*

*For this reason, we have identified the essential learning targets for each grade. In grade collaborative teams (Professional Learning Teams) our school has prioritised the content from our Mathematics syllabus. In doing this we will ensure that all students in the grade are given the best possible opportunity to achieve the identified essential knowledge and skills required for them to advance to the next grade.*

*Through common formative assessments across the grade our teachers are able to identify the students who have reached proficiency in the target areas and who are ready to conquer the Mathematics syllabus in its entirety. Teachers are also able to identify those students who require more explicit instruction and in some cases a program of intervention.*

*Below are the identified prioritised essential learning targets for each grade for **Term 2**. The prioritised essential learning targets will be the focus for teachers to ensure that at the very least these fundamental skills and knowledge are learnt.*

*Please use this as a guide to reinforce the learning that is taking place in our classrooms.*

**Camille Da Silva Tavares**

Term 2 Mathematics Targets	
Kindergarten	Identify the number before & after for numbers to 20.
Year 1	Count and represent numbers using place value e.g. tens and ones.  Identify and sort Australian coins. Be able to make a small amount of money using coins e.g. make 45c.
Year 2	Read & write 3 digit numbers.
Year 3	Represent in digits and words four digit numbers, including the use of zero for place value.
Year 4	Recall multiplication facts up to $10 \times 10$ .
Year 5	Use mental & written strategies to multiply 2 & 3 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers.
Year 6	Use brackets and the order of operations to write number sentences.

# A Model of Christ Centred Learning (MCCL)



The following students have received awards from their teachers this week for demonstrating Engaging, Adaptive Environments that energise and empower the learner:

Xanthe Gardner, Brooke Vaughan, Lola Short, April Gardiner, Albie Robinson, Fergus Johnson, Ava Elmes, Dane Domin, Heath Vaughan, Henry Baker, Alex Morley, Brooke D'Ombrian, Cooper Lawry, Evie Nunn, Maya Budd, Charlie Bevan and Riley Clarke.

**Engaging, Adaptive Environments that energise and empower the learner** (the orange section of the Model)

An engaging and adaptive environment is:

- Creative in its approach to school organisation
- Explorative
- Safe, secure and supportive
- Flexible and connects locally and globally

Flexible and intentionally developed adaptive learning environments encourage innovation and creativity. These environments are stimulating and appropriately resourced with contemporary tools for learning. Contemporary learning environments transcend the physical learning space because they are connected to the world beyond the classroom.

**LEARNERS ARE EMPOWERED WHEN THEY ARE INTRINSICALLY MOTIVATED**

**Trish Aumuller**  
MCCL Facilitator



## Year 6 Visit to IGA Supermarket

Last Thursday, the Year 6 students and teachers went on a mini-excursion to Ashcroft's IGA Supermarket in the Summer Centre. As part of their Science unit this term, the students were taken on a tour around the store to learn more about the systems used to operate an effective supermarket. The tour was very informative and the students were allowed to go into the many processing areas such as the butchery, the bakery, and store rooms and even the cool room (which sits at a temperature of - 30 degrees celsius!) As expected, the students of Catherine McAuley were well behaved and respectful of staff and customers....resulting in a free freshly-baked chocolate chip cookie!!! Thank you to Ashcroft's IGA for continuing to support our local community.

Kate Wright



## Chess Club



Chess Club has had a few small gatherings this term however, this week will be pumping on all cylinders. We are looking forward to starting some competitive games this week and looking to start putting our teams together for the end of the term. We have had a lot of interest in the middle primary grades which is very exciting for the future of chess club!!

Chess Club runs on **Wednesdays** at **lunchtime** in the **Library**. I encourage Chess enthusiasts to practise as much at home as possible to make sure we are competition ready by the end of this term!

## Help Wanted:

If there is anyone who is particularly passionate about chess or is able to spare some time to come and help tutor/mentor/teach chess in the Wednesday lunchtime spot from 1:20pm - 2:10pm, I would love to hear from you. Please obtain a Working with Children Volunteer form from the school office. If you are interested or anyone you know of is interested in igniting and inspiring the chess flame in our students please contact me or the front office for more information.

Thanks,

Miss Colquhoun





## MOTHER'S DAY PLANT STALL & CUPPA

Thank you and congratulations to the children in the Gardening Club who organised the plant stall and thank you to the parents, grandparents and teachers who donated plants to sell at our stall. Over \$500 was made which will go towards our vege patch and maintenance of the hen house.

**Helen Croke**





## Happy Birthday



Julie Loecker  
Jackson Rodwell  
Brydon Sherwood  
Sophie Hogben  
Hope Gibson  
Cooper Judge  
Grace Edwards  
Lacey Wasil

*Your help  
is needed!*

### WASTE TO ART COMPETITION

We are seeking donations of coloured plastic bags for our Waste to Art Competition. If you have any unwanted coloured plastic bags at home, please send in to 5C by the end of this week.

*Thank you!*

**National  
Reconciliation  
Week 2017**  
27 May to 3 June

**Let's  
take  
the  
next  
steps**

Each year, National Reconciliation Week (NRW) celebrates achievements in our journey towards reconciliation, with hundreds of events held nationwide.

Held annually from 27 May to 3 June, NRW is bookended by important milestones: the 1967 referendum and the Mabo decision, respectively.

In 2017, these milestones mark significant anniversaries: 50 years since the 1967 referendum, and 25 years since the Mabo Decision.

The week reminds us that big changes take persistence and courage, so let's celebrate together and take the next steps.

To find out more and register your event, visit [reconciliation.org.au/nrw](http://reconciliation.org.au/nrw)



Recognition

Apology 2008

Mabo 1992

Referendum 1967

CATHERINE McAULEY  
KINDERGARTEN 2018

ENROLMENTS OPEN NOW AND  
CLOSE ON FRIDAY 26TH MAY 2017

*Enrolment packs available  
at the school office.*

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



### A Message from Our Tuckshop Ladies

Our School Tuckshop is going to be renovated during the July school holidays. Due to the renovations we may not be able to stock all items on our tuckshop list and from this week we will have to let some items run out until after the renovations have been completed. When ordering for your child, please choose the item you would *like* to order plus select an item from the list below as your child's second choice in case we have run out of their first choice. Please just mark the second choice on the bag. Thank you for your understanding.

Mrs Benton / Mrs Sullivan / Mrs Ziola

### Tuckshop - 2nd Choice Options

Pies	Drinks
Small Pies	Poppers
Hot Dogs	Glee
Dino Snacks	Moove
Gluten Free Nuggets	Water
All Sandwiches	Up & Go
Wraps	Milkshakes
Noodles	
Hot Cheese Rolls	
Salad Tubs	
Fruit Salad	
Soup	

### Tuckshop Roster—Commencing Monday 22nd May to Friday 26th May 2017

Day	9.30am—11.30am	11.30am—2.00pm
Monday	-	S Cain
Tuesday	-	L Ralston
Wednesday	-	-
Thursday	-	H Rutherford
Friday	L Ryan / R Mulhall	A Cantrill / V Page
		*12:45 - 1:45pm B Scuito

Tuckshop Ph: 6362 0942



# upcoming EVENTS

Thursday 18th May

Year 2 Art Gallery Visit

Friday 19th May

2C Assembly 12:15pm

Year 5 Goldfields Excursion

Wednesday 24th May

Rugby 7's Regional Final

## Interesting Fact of the Week

There is enough gold in the Earth's core to coat its entire surface to a depth of 1.5 feet.

## 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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