Term 3 Week 5, 16 August 2016

Principal’s Report

Dear Parents & Friends,

We keep Mrs Wickson in our prayers this week. Mrs Wickson has suffered an injury requiring some surgery and is unable to work until further notice, dependent upon medical advice. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming her back.

On Monday we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption with a Mass. Many thanks to Fr Mick Burgess who filled in for Fr Doug, who is away on leave, and allowed us to celebrate this Mass. The Feast of the Assumption celebrates the assumption of Mary into heaven.

Please be aware that on Wednesday, 7th September Year 5/6 will have a Developmental Day between 9.30 - 3.00. Anthony Hood from the Catholic Schools Office will be working with Mrs Quinn and Ms Dekroo to organise and present this day. Separate information about this has been sent home with Year 5/6 students.

Please also be aware that Year 4’s participation in this year’s Eisteddfod has been cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control related to Mrs Wickson’s health issues, as outlined at the beginning of the newsletter.

On Tuesday, 13 September the school is hosting Troppo’s Magic Show and Workshops. We will have St Brendan’s Gannmain come and join us for the day to enjoy what promises to be a refreshing mix of verbal and visual comedy along with friendly good humoured audience interaction and amazing magical experiences.

Today Coolamon Little Athletics Club visited our school to deliver a “Desire to Inspire” presentation to our students and to let them know about the Coolamon Little Athletics club’s upcoming season.

Kindergarten Enrolment 2017 packages are being distributed to families this week. Note that pre-enrolment interviews for pupils of 2017 Kindergarten will be held in Week 6 & 7 of this term. Bookings can be made on SOBS or by calling Rhonda in the office.

Our Gymnastics Program will begin next Friday. All students will need to return their signed permission note in order to participate in this program. The $12 fee per student will be charged to the school fee accounts.

Our Year 3 class will celebrate First Holy Communion on Sunday, 18th September at the 9am Parish Mass, at our St. Michael’s Church. A levy of $25 per student is due to be paid as soon as possible please.

Parents of Year two students please note the date set down for First Reconciliation—20th September, 6.00pm.

As the A3 music practices continue please don’t forget the program will culminate in a performance in Junee on Wed, 21/9/16. Mark this date in your diary as families are invited to attend the performance. All students will be involved in choir and dance items on the day. Please make the time to join the fun!

In Term 4 our Year 5/6 students will head off for our bi-annual excursion to Canberra. The dates for this excursion are Wednesday 9/11/16 to Friday 11/11/16. Thank you to everyone who has returned their notes, please have all notes in by this Friday.

The Diocesan Athletics Carnival will take place tomorrow, Wednesday, 17th August. The following students from St Michael’s have qualified for this carnival: Bryce Franklin, Antonia Purcell, Riley Gallagher, Bailey Hilton, Conor Bradley, Georgia Munro, Chloe Ryan, Georgia Fifield, Ally Bradley and Jack Rudd. We congratulate them on this achievement and wish them all the best as they compete at Diocesan level.

On Friday we will celebrate the Rio Olympics with a mini-Olympics here at school during sport time. Separate information has already been sent home with students about this. Students are encouraged to wear the colours of the countries they have been designated for this day.

This week is Mr King’s last week with us as Mrs Stibbard returns from Long Service Leave next week. We thank Mr King for all his work over the past 5 weeks on K/1/2 and wish him well as he takes up a position at Forest Hill Public School for the remainder of the year. We welcome Mrs Stibbard back from her Long Service Leave next week and hope she enjoyed her break.

“I never came upon any of my discoveries through the process of rational thinking.” - Albert Einstein
P & F Progressive Dinner

A great night of friendship and frivolity was enjoyed by all at the progressive dinner on Friday night, with 40 people attending. The event raised $1036.25, which was a fantastic result and exceeded all expectations. The funds will be used to purchase resources for the school. Come along to the next P&F meeting and have a say where these funds are used.

The night would not have been possible without generous donations from
- Brett and Debbie Allen for donating the transport and driver for the night
- Danny Milne from Coolamon Hotel and Meredith Bradley for donating the raffle prize
- Kristie Furner from Heavenly Baked for donating the bread rolls
- Karen Tuckwell and Libby & Hugh Cruikshank for donating the venues
- Meredith Bradley, Al Foley, Deb Allen, Linda Moncrieff, Sarah McCaig, Libby Cruikshank, Deb Holden, Andrew Delaney, Nadine Rudd, Nina DeKroo, Belinda Myers, Vanessa Franklin, Lauren Wilms, Helen Proctor, Karen Tuckwell and Bernadette Bodel for providing food for the night.

The P&F is an important body of the school, and it was great to see so many people at the dinner supporting the P&F. The next event coming up on the P&F calendar is the car rally. It would be wonderful to see even more people attending this family fun event.
**P & F News.**

**Next Meeting** — The next meeting of the P & F will be held on Tues, 13 September at 7pm.

**Car Rally** — this will be the next social gathering so stay tuned for further details.

**Upcoming Dates**

- 17 August — Diocesan Athletics Albury
- 19 August — a3 singing workshop
- 23 August — Book Week-visit Coolamon Library
- 26 August — Gymnastics @ school
- 2 Sept — Author Visit & a3 singing workshop
- 2 Sept — Gymnastics @ school
- 9 Sept — Seniors Catering by P & F
- 9 Sept — Gymnastics @ school
- 13 Sept — Troppo’s Magic Show
- 15 Sept — First Communion Preparation day
- 16 Sept — a3 singing workshop & Gymnastics
- 18 Sept — First Holy Communion 9am
- 20 Sept — First Reconciliation 6.00pm
- 21 Sept — a3 Music performance @ Junee
- 23 Sept — Gymnastics @ school
- 13 Oct — School Photo Day
- 28 Oct — Kinder 2017 Orientation half day
- 1—4 Nov — Scholastic Book Fair
- 9 Nov — Kinder 2017 Orientation half day
- 9—11 Nov — Canberra Excursion Year 5/6
- 18 Nov — Kinder 2017 Orientation half day

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**Class Awards**

**Term 3** — **Week 4**

- K/1/2
  - Maddison Furner, Sana Nawal
  - Flynn Graham
- **Year 3**
  - Bryce Dryden and Ourania Fletcher-Sherman
- **Year 4**
  - Tanner Lewis and Velvet Wilms
- **Year 5/6**
  - Connor McKinley, Charlotte Graham and Tristan Halden

**Principal**

- Georgia Fifield

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**

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**Happy Birthday**

- Travis McCaig — Today!
- Charlie McCaig — Today!
- Georgia Munro — 18 August

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**Best-selling author**

**Jacqueline Harvey**

is coming to St Michael’s Coolamon!

**Friday 2nd September**

thanks to Gateway Bookshop

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Travis and Charlie share their birthday and their cakes with their classmates in K/1/2!!
Coolamon Shire Library — Our next Storytime will be held this Friday, 19th August theme “Zoo” @ 10.30am – everyone is most welcome.

Book Week celebrations will be held at the library next week. The theme for this year is - Australia! - Story Country. Several schools will be visiting the library during this time. It is a great way to celebrate Australian Children’s Literature.

The library would like to offer any Year 12 HSC students to the library as a place to study, research and prepare for their upcoming exams. It’s a quiet and welcoming environment for our students.

Yours in Christ,

Brendan Flanagan

Coolamon Shire Library

Wagga Wagga Exhibition
When: 14-24 August
Where: Calala St, Wagga Wagga
Opened by Premier

Jordy Bos
Into the Fold

Carpe Diem
A Centre Stage Scripts Production
Starring
JOHN WOOD
and CHRIS PIDD

Save the Date

Ganmain Hall
24th October 2016
6.00pm for BBQ with Curtains Up at 7.30pm

For further information please contact: Kevin Ray - new_email@domain.com

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On Monday we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption by attending Mass with the Parish. Let us pray "Mary's Peace Prayer" this week...

Mary,
Mother of God my mother,
Queen of Peace,
ask your Son Jesus to give me the gift of peace.
Pray for me for peace;
peace in my heart,
peace of mind and of soul,
peace in my family,
peace with all whom I meet,
the peace of Jesus.

Amen.