



UPDATE

No. 3 Date: 10/08/2018 Week 3 Term 3

Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students, who received Merit Awards at the School Assemblies listed below. Well done on your efforts everyone – keep up the good work!



Week 2

Tobey Bail	Lani Gleeson	Patricia Lia	Eli Schroeder
Miles Barker	Benjamin Gomez	Preston Mamo	Oliver Smyth
Eden Batcock	Emilia Gosling	Finn McCaffery	Amelia Steadman
Kian Brown	Julian Gouw	Genevieve Miruzzi	Spencer Thomas
Marlowe Carey	Sasha Grahovac	Keyuri Naidoo	Lia Trounce
Charlotte Creamer	Payton Henson	Kiara Nugent	Sophia Veira
Lincoln Croft	Lara Heyman	Grace O'Brien	Mia Wade-Ferrell
Ashton Danks	Liam Hicks	Skyler Pick	Abigale Wilson
Emma Davies	Jessica Kennedy	Cherinda Rawlings	Jesse Wronski
Madeleine Devitt	Hugo Koutsonikolis	Elly Richards	Andrew Young
Maddie Dyer	Thomas Larkin	River Rodemark	Angus Young
Katelyn Ellis	Emily Leehy		

Week 3

Ryan Andrews	Kyle Delfsma	Oscar Kirton	Mia Rodemark
Zachary Batcock	Joseph Fitzpatrick	Abigail Krishna	Noah Simmons
Henry Bender	Ruby Forsyth	Annalise Lia	Oscar Smith
Michael Broadhead	Jade Gordon	Benjamin Mathew	Gabriel Tuckey
Jacob Burnett	Emma Harrison	Kate McIlveen	Caitlin Vears
Savannah Buss	James Hicks	Lincoln McLoughlin	Jackson Williams
Isabella Cantrell	James Hinchliff	Chelsea Micallef	Chelsea Willingham
Lilly Chalice	Alexis Hodge	Amelia Peake	Connor Willis
Liam Costigan	Ronan Hurley	Samuel Power	Hamish Wills
Aden Cullinane	Charlotte Kennedy	Cameron Purcell	Tom Withers
Finn Cullinane	Edward Kerrison	Luke Redmond	Lola Wyld
Benjamin Dawson	Sophie Kerrison	Abigail Richards	

School Fees

School Fee Invoices for Term 3 have now been issued and are due by 29 August 2018. If you have not received your invoice, please contact Cheree Brown to obtain a copy. If you are having difficulties paying the school fees, please do not hesitate to contact me to organise a payment arrangement or to discuss the options that are available to you. **Cheree Brown, School Finance Secretary**

Vietnam Veterans' and Associated Forces Memorial Day – Sunday 12 August

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day Parade and Service commemorates the Battle of Long Tan, the most significant engagement by Australian Forces during the Vietnam War, on 18 August 1966. Each year on the closest Sunday, Vietnam Veterans gather at the War Memorial in Springwood for a commemorative service and wreath laying ceremony. **This Sunday, 12 August, the march will commence at 11.30am** from the Springwood Post Office, along Macquarie Road to the War Memorial in Buckland Park, where the service will be held.

As in previous years students from our school will be marching and laying a wreath in remembrance. **Students wishing to participate need to meet Mr Rosato in front of the St Vincent de Paul Shop on Macquarie Road between 11.00am & 11.15am.** Students will need to wear their full winter school uniform (including school hat) and may wear medals in honour of family members who have served.

Grandparents Day 2018 - Friday 24 August (from 12.00pm)

On Friday 24 August STA will celebrate the gift of grandparents. The event will begin with a special **liturgy at 12.00pm on the bus bay** (weather permitting) **followed by a performance by our school choir and band.** As this year's event will be held during Book Week, our presentation will also include a **special pantomime, "Treasure Island @ STA", as well as presentation of Book Week Awards.** After the performance we will have **open classrooms** followed by a **BYO picnic lunch** in the grounds. Free tea/coffee will be available. Year 6 students will also be selling cupcakes during lunchtime to raise funds for St Vincent de Paul. Please remember to bring your chairs and picnic rugs. All welcome!

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School Visitor Electronic Sign-in Now Operating

Our school office electronic sign-in system for parents and visitors is now operating. When **using the system for the first time** it may take you up to 10 minutes to **register your details** and **a photo of you will be taken by the machine**. Information and photo will be printed onto a sticker for you to wear while on premises. All parents and visitors will still need to sign-out when leaving. **Please remember to allow extra time for this process when visiting the school for any reason.**

DIARY DATES

2018 TERM 3 Week 4	Monday 13 August	12.30pm Assembly – KB presenting 3.40pm Leadership Meeting
	14	9.30am & 2.30pm Kindergarten 2019 Open Day Tours 3.40pm Staff Meeting
	15	8.30am Staff Briefing 9.20am Parish Mass – Year 6 attending 11.05am Principal's Morning Tea – selected students
	16	8.30am Staff Prayer 9.00am – 1.00pm School Band 9.30am & 2.30pm Kindergarten 2019 Open Day Tours
	17	8.30am – 3.05pm School Band Year 6 Bridge Excursion
Week 5	Monday 20 August	9.00am – 3.00pm Captivate Dress Rehearsal at Homebush – selected students 12.30pm Assembly – 3L presenting Mullen Mini Olympics Launch 3.40pm Leadership Meeting
	21	Captivate Showcase at Quaycentre Homebush – selected students 3.40pm Staff Meeting
	22	8.30am Staff Briefing 9.20am Parish Mass – Year 5 attending Captivate Showcase at Quaycentre Homebush – selected students
	23	8.30am Staff Prayer 9.00am – 1.00pm School Band
	24	8.30am – 3.05pm School Band 12.00pm Grandparents Day & Treasure Island Pantomime for Book Week 2018

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Doing it For Our Farmers Donation Drive: Local St Thomas Aquinas parishioners and community members have come together to collect items to support our farmers in need due to severe drought. New and unopened items such as (but not limited to) **non-perishable food, household items and personal care products** and **pet food** can be **dropped off to: 4 Parkwood Grove, Emu Heights**. Examples of donations include: canned food, bottled food, sauces, soups & noodles, breakfast foods, snacks, confectionery, pasta, rice & grains, coffee & tea, drinks, pet food of all kinds, shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste & toothbrushes, dental floss, soap, sunscreen, nail clippers, tweezers, tissues, cleaning products, razors, shaving cream, deodorant, body wash, lotion, hairbrushes, hairspray/gel, hair dye, sanitary items, dry shampoo, nappies, wipes, formula, baby wash, baby shampoo, baby lotion, bibs, socks and handkerchiefs. Visit the Facebook page "Doing it For Our Farmers" for more details about the drive. Please remember our farmers doing it tough and give generously. Thank you for your support.

Seminar – Understanding Family Law: CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is holding a two session Seminar on "Understanding Family Law". These sessions are presented by an Accredited Family Law Specialist and will be held on **Saturday 25 August 2018**. **Session 1:** 10.00am – 12.00pm – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Divorce/Separation and Children's needs. **Session 2:** 1pm -3pm – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Property Settlements. **Venue:** St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. Entry and onsite parking via Boom gate on Victoria Rd. **Cost:** \$10.00 per session. **Registration Essential: Contact - Rita - PH: 8843 2575** or email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

Springwood & District Preschool Kindergarten Inc. Open Day: On **Saturday 1 September from 10.00am to 1.00pm**. Come along and meet our friendly staff and see our extensive range of resources and high quality facilities and educational programs. We cater for the individual child and have highly competitive fees. *Rated "Exceeding" by the National Quality Framework ACECQA.* **Phone:** 4751 3360, **email:** admin@springwoodpreschool.org.au or **website:** www.springwoodpreschool.org.au. **Enrol now for 2019!**

1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching (Parenting Course): Learn how to understand and manage your child's difficult behaviour. Suitable for parents with 2-12 year olds. Held at Kingwood Park Public School, Caloola Avenue, Kingswood, every Tuesday from 21 August – 4 September, 9.30am – 11.30am. Childcare available. To register phone Gateway Family Services on 1300 316 746 (free call). For more information visit the website at www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au or www.facebook.com/GatewayFS

Exercise at Ellison: Want to feel less stressed, more energetic and more in control? Then why not join our fitness classes facilitated by a professional trainer. Exercise has been shown to improve self-esteem, relieve symptoms of anxiety and depression and increase an overall sense of well-being. All welcome! Held on Mondays & Wednesdays from 9.30am at Ellison Public School Hall, Hawkesbury Road, Springwood. **Cost:** \$5 concession, \$10 non-concession. No need to book, just turn up and bring a bottle of water. For further information phone the **Springwood Neighbourhood Centre** on 4751 3033 or visit the website at www.sncc.org.au or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/springwoodneighbourhoodcentre

Sent Home Recently

- Note to Year 5 re St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Mass (*mauve*)
- Note to Year 6 re Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass (*pink*)
- Vietnam Veterans Day Note (*dark green*)
- Fathers' Day Stall Note (*lime green*)
- Nepean Zone Athletics Permission Note – selected students
- Term 3 Parent Calendar (*mauve*)
- Grandparents Day Note (*cream*)
- KB Assembly Invitation to Parents (*lilac*)