FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Maria Regina Art Show
We are looking forward to seeing you at the Art Show tonight and over the weekend.

Thank you to our major sponsor URM. An enormous thank you to Cathy Penning and Angela Westerway who have transformed the hall to showcase the students amazing art works.

Thank you to parents Sue, Jules, Vianney, Margarita, Sally, Kea, Zorana and Ruth for their ongoing support and tireless work.

Mission Mass

Yesterday I was very proud of how our Year 6 students represented Maria Regina at the Diocesan Mission Mass at Waitara celebrated by Bishop Peter. During his homily Bishop Peter spoke to the children about Mercy. It particularly resonated with Coco, Milo, Noah and Jack when Bishop said "We are all like 'Seeds', little seeds and if you plant the seed, it grows into BIG wonderful things."

His main message was:

Don't talk about Mercy too much
Don't think about Mercy too much
Just go out and 'Do' Mercy!
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

**Contract Renewal**

Dear Parents,

My contract renewal survey will be sent home to you via the school email. I hope you could assist me by filing it in. I appreciate your support and feedback.

My last contract highlighted the need to complete additional studies at a Masters Level in Religious Education. I have completed two units – one in Theology and the other in Biblical studies.

At our wonderful school I have been leading our staff with unpacking new syllabus documents for Geography and History. Additionally I have assisted with developing inquiry based learning in Science & Technology with CSO consultant Kirsty Thorpe. This has been a valuable experience for all staff at Maria Regina. I have continued to lead and develop our Pastoral Care- Positive Behaviour for Learning program which supports behaviour management at our school. Finally I am also supporting the school with our well-being Kids Matter program.

Thanks again for taking the time to support my leadership at Maria Regina.

**Debating**

The season has started! The following students were selected to represent Maria Regina in this year’s debating. Genevieve (Yr.6), Sarah (Yr.6), Manon (Yr.5), Sophie (Yr.5), Armelle (Yr.5), Poppy (Yr.5) Evan (Yr.5) and Sienna (Yr.5).

Our first debate had an interesting topic: That all car owners should plant a tree... Interesting! We were the affirmative team. We didn't win unfortunately. This is because we didn't refute as well as the winning team. However the adjudicators said our content and manner was really good and we spoke clearly. We will work on refutes next week.

Manon and Sophie

**Road Safety**

Kiss and Drop- Parents using kiss and drop please be mindful that we can't queue on Central Road. This blocks traffic going both ways. Lately it's been congested and drivers are opting to drive on the wrong side of the road to avoid queuing. This is awfully dangerous. Please drive around the block or park under the church to assist with this road safety matter.

**Literacy News**

Congratulations to Sarah (Year 6) for winning the Lunch with the Stars writing competition. We are thrilled with this news! Sarah has won a writing workshop with Author Wendy Fitzgerald for her class!!! Well Done Sarah

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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**BIRTHDAYS**

Mikkel G
Tom P
FROM THE REC

Upcoming events

Week 3
Thursday 27th October  
Year 3 and 4 will be attending the Parish Mass at 9.15am
Year 5/6 Earth will be attending Reconciliation at 10.00am

Saturday 29th October  
Kindergarten and Year 6 will be hosting our next Family Mass at Maria Regina Church at 6.00pm.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Week 4
Thursday 3rd November  
Year 1 and 2 will be attending the Parish Mass at 9.15am.
Year 5/6 Ocean will be attending Reconciliation at 10.00am

Thankyou to everyone who supported this initiative. We raised over $150.00 which was donated to Catholic Mission to help the children of Cambodia. Coco, Milo, Noah and Jack represented Maria Regina today at the Mission Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. Thankyou to everyone who donated socks. These will all be given to charity.

FROM THE LIBRARY

Library News

I am in the process of covering our beautiful new books. If you are able to assist in covering, there are bags/boxes of books and contact in the library which you can take home, cover and return. The sooner they are covered, the sooner the children can borrow them!

We have lots of overdue books at the moment that would love to be returned to their home in the library by the end of the year! Could you please have a good look at home for any library books and return them to school on our child’s library day. Home readers should be returned to classrooms.

For every book returned, students will receive a raffle ticket to go in the draw for a prize at the end of the term. Students who always return their books on time will automatically receive 10 raffle tickets for the draw. Your support with this would be greatly appreciated.

Happy Reading
Alexis Conn
FROM THE CANTEEN

Reminder: For all hot or large lunch orders may we ask that you add an extra bag for any drink orders. Also, if your child is celebrating a Birthday and you would like to celebrate, please remember that the canteen can provide various ice blocks (50c-$1.20 each) or chocolate iced cup cakes @ 50c each. Please provide us with 24hours notice.

Volunteers: An updated roster is attached. Please check and note down your canteen day. If you are unable to make your rostered day, please contact either Kay 0416262458 or Marie 0410566777 anytime.

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Are you interested in learning some fun games to play with your children to improve their confidence and love of Mathematics?

Venue: The School Library
Time: 2 pm Thursday 27th October
Who: Parents with children in K-3

We will be learning and playing some great games which can give your child confidence in grasping number concepts.

If you are attending, there will be an activity pack included so you can give some of the suggested games a try at home.

Please email me at lynne.pike@dbb.catholic.edu.au if you are able to attend.
Looking forward to a great afternoon of learning!

Lynne Pike
TICKETS ON SALE NOW.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER NEON DISCO

LET’S GLOW CRAZY

DRESS: LIGHT UP THE NIGHT DRESS TO GLOW IN NEON OR WHITE

WHERE: THE NIGHT WILL BE BRIGHT IN OUR SCHOOL HALL UNDER THE DISCO LIGHT

FRIDAY 28TH OCT

COST: $15 PER FAMILY, INCLUDES A BBQ THAT’S OUT OF SIGHT

5PM - 7PM

K-6 2016

PLEASE JOIN US TO SHINE BRIGHT. HELP US FUNDRAISE FOR OUR GRADUATION. WE PROMISE A FUN NIGHT. THANK YOU FROM YEAR 6.

BRING YOUR COINS: POPCORN // GLOW STICKS // YUMMY TREATS

THIS IS A SUPERVISED SCHOOL EVENT.
Modern Warriors
Builds confidence - not aggressive - promotes self discipline

Your child will learn vital skills on how to be safe and happy, including dealing with bullies and learning street safety. It's not just self-defence, it's about life skills and social skills too!

BOOK NOW, places are limited.
Preschool - Primary School - High School classes

PUMPED FOR LIFE
For the life you deserve

Getting active and fit is child's play, but why should the kids have all the fun? Come and join us for parent and child training sessions, where you get to workout with your child, get outside, get active, get fit and have fun. It doesn't get much better than this!

All levels of fitness welcome.

*WHEN:* Tuesday and Thursday mornings 7.45am until 8.30am

*WHERE:* The Village Green (Barronpoy Road side of the yellow brick road)

*PRICE:* $25 per session

Starts Tuesday October 25th

Call or text Sharon on 0406280730
Email: pumpedforlife@hotmail.com