

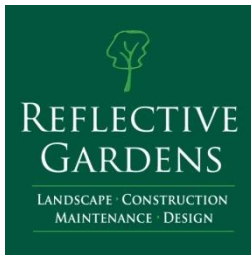


MATTERS

RESILIENT CHILD WORKSHOPS

At Maria Regina we believe that Parental Engagement through parents and the school working in partnership has an impact on your child's learning and wellbeing. We consider parents as partners in educating children and hold shared expectations with you for your child's learning outcomes. The **Resilient Child Workshops** will provide support for your role in facilitating strategies and ideas at home. At the workshops you will be provided with ideas and resources for activities that can support your child's wellbeing. There will be an evening session on **Monday May 28** and a repeat morning session on **Thursday June 28**. Please see flyer at end of Matters

SCHOOL GARDENS



Thank you to Matt Beckett, his Reflective Garden Team and our parent and student helpers for mulching and preparing the gardens for the planting with Northern Beaches Council during Term 2.

PROJECT NATIVE GARDEN

On Monday, Sonja from the Northern Beaches Council, provided plants and her expertise to assist the year 5/6 in phase 1 of our garden upgrade project. Year 4 will be involved in phase 2 of this project on Monday May 14.

SAFETY AND DROP OFF AT PICK UP

When you drop off or pick up your children please follow the road rules and take note of the parking signs. Across from the school is a 5 minute drop off parking zone during the hours of 8:00 - 9:30am and 2:30 - 4:00pm. The 5 minutes allows enough time to park and escort your child safely across the road. Children up to 10 should be supervised around traffic and should hold an adult's hand when crossing the road. Children going to Kiss and Drop are supervised by teachers walking from the school. If you are collecting your child from the front of the hall please come inside the gates so that the children going to Kiss and Drop have a clear, safe walking passage.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Marisa and Ben Young on the birth of their baby girl "Kaia Neve". Sahri and Aylah are very excited to welcome their new baby sister.

WELCOME

We warmly welcome Wade Murray in Year 1 and his parents Myles and Shannon to the Maria Regina school community.

CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to the students who have been selected to represent Maria Regina at the Northern Beaches Cross Country on Wednesday 9 May 2018 at Warringah Rugby Park (Rat Park). All competitors must be at the venue by 8:45am as it is compulsory to walk the course at 9am. Please collect your singlet from the school office on Tuesday at lunchtime.

OPEN MORNING

We will be having an Open Morning on Wednesday 23 May from 9:00 – 10:30. Guided tours will be available for prospective families but all classrooms will be open and we warmly invite current families. Please pass this invitation onto grandparents, special friends or to anyone who might be interested in visiting the classrooms. If you know any new families that are unable to attend the **Open Morning** please direct them to contact the school to organise a guided tour at another time.

2019 ENROLMENT FOR SIBLINGS

We are currently processing enrolments for 2019. If you have a child who turns 5 before 31 July, 2018 please contact Shane in the school office to get an enrolment form. Enrolment forms for 2019 need to be in by Thursday 31 May. Enrolment Interviews will take place from Tuesday 12 June until Friday 15 June. Please contact Shane in the office to book your interview time.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by Students in year 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement.

NAPLAN 2018 paper test timetable

	Tuesday 15 May 2018	Wednesday 16 May 2018	Thursday 17 May 2018
Year 3	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>45 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>45 minutes</i>
Year 5	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>50 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>50 minutes</i>

TERM 2 P&F GENERAL MEETING

The Term 2 P & F General Meeting will be held in the school library at 7:30pm next Wednesday 9 May.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS AND HIGH TEA

Mothers, Grandmothers, Carers & Special Friends,
please join us for the

Mother's Day Mass and Morning High Tea

Friday, 11th May 2018

Mass with adults and children, all welcome,
at Maria Regina Church Avalon, 9:15am
Morning Tea for adults straight after mass in the school hall
Classrooms will be open for visitors from 11:10am onwards

Purchase your tickets for this beautiful
occasion through the School Qkr! app
Tickets are \$10/person

Ticket sales will close 9am, Thursday, 10th May

 MARIA REGINA

Don't forget to jump on Qkr! and purchase your tickets for the Morning High Tea. The cost is \$10 per person (adults only). Gifts are also \$10 per gift. Please ensure that you purchase a separate gift for each child and not place them all under one child. No cash payments will be accepted for this and all orders for morning tea and gifts will be closed off on Thursday 10 May at 9am for catering and ordering purposes.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our Year 4 teacher Sarah Smith who recently graduated and received the highest mark of her cohort in literacy.

WALK OF THE YEAR OF YOUTH



The Walk of the Year of Youth is scheduled for Saturday 12 May starting at 5.45am.

To register for this go to www.trybooking.com/VMYO

Tickets are \$5

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Adults: \$15 walk and breakfast

RE NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY MASS

Everyone is invited to attend our Mother's Day Mass on Friday 11 May at 9.15am. As is tradition at our Mother's Day Mass, we would like to present a slide show of photos of our beautiful mums. If you would like a photo included please email it to Alexis Conn at alexis.conn@dbb.catholic.edu.au by Tuesday 8 May so that the photo can be included in the presentation.



As part of our Outreach initiative and our commitment to our connection to Soibada, we will be celebrating Timor Leste Independence Day at Maria Regina on Friday May 18th. During our morning assembly at 8.45am we will get a brief update of the work volunteers have been doing to improve schools and living conditions in Soibada. There will be a stall selling handicrafts that will be open before and after assembly for parents and children to purchase. Children will be encouraged to dress in Timor colours (red, black and yellow) for a small donation that will be collected to assist volunteers in Timor. If you are able to assist in the running of the stall please contact Mrs Conn on alexis.conn@dbb.catholic.edu.au

JUNIOR SERVER TRAINING

Thank you to those students who have returned their permission note for Altar Server training next term. Altar Sever training is open to all children in years 4-6 who have made their First Communion. Father Bronek and Mrs Conn will be facilitating the training sessions this term - it's not too late getting your notes in!

PARENT RETREAT

Parent Retreat: "A Spa day for the soul!"

Parents, grandparents and carers of our students are invited to a Retreat this month, offered by the Catholic Schools Office. An opportunity to slow down, catch our breath, and enjoy some stillness, storytelling and gentle reflection. Come for an evening and/or a day. Held in the lovely grounds of Canisius Spirituality Centre, 102 Mona Vale Rd, Pymble. Fri 18 May 6.30-8.30; Sat 19 May 9am-4pm. Cost: Just \$30, payable on the Saturday.

Bookings: sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Enquiries welcome: 0413 17 1110 jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

RE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Mother's Day Mass and High Tea- Friday 11 May 9.15am at Maria Regina Church.
- Walk of Youth – Saturday 12 May. Please meet at the north end of the Palm Beach carpark at 5.45am. Walk followed by breakfast
Bookings at www.trybooking.com/VMYO
- Parent retreat - Fri 18 May 6.30-8.30; Sat 19 May 9am-4pm. See attached flyer for more details
- Year 1 & 2 Family Mass - Saturday 19 May 6pm at Maria Regina Church
- Eucharist reflection day - Saturday 26 May 1.30-4.30pm at Mater Maria
- Rehearsal for Sacrament of Eucharist - Thursday 31 May 5pm & 6pm at Maria Regina Church

SAVE THE DATE

YOUR MISSION:

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Major School Fundraising Event 2018

**An evening of Glitz & Glamour celebrating
the world's most famous Secret Agent**

PLEASE BE READY FOR ACTION ON:

SATURDAY, 16 JUNE 2018

María Regina School, Central Road, Avalon

Full briefing to follow...

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