



CONDOLENCES

Please pray for Gordon Fisk, who passed away recently. Gordon's wife, Julie taught for many years at Maria Regina. We pray also for Gordon's family especially David and Susan Fisk and their children Oliver, Isabella and Charlotte. We also pray for Harrison T's (Year 1) and Xander's (Year 6, 2017) grandmother who passed away recently.

May our Lord bless and comfort them during this sad time.



JAPANESE STUDENTS

It has been a wonderful experience for our school community to welcome the Japanese students from Seiro Junior High School, Niigata Japan. They have participated in English lessons each morning and have joined the Maria Regina children in their classrooms after lunch each day. They have also joined us in the many activities we have had at Maria Regina this week. Thank you to the families who have welcomed the students into their homes and given them so many Australian experiences.











SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Over the last couple of months we have been very lucky to receive donations of new sports equipment. Huge thanks to Johnson Bros Mitre 10 for the donations of a variety of balls for different sports, Woolworths Earn and Learn, Coles Sports for Schools and Rebel Sport. Every time you shop at Rebel Sport Warriewood mention Maria Regina and they will continue to donate to our school. Thank you to everyone for supporting these businesses as the children are receiving the benefits.



FROM THE OFFICE

- School Fees Please ensure that all school fee payments are made as per your agreed schedules at the beginning of the year. Overdue reminders will be sent out to families early next week. If you are having problems paying your fees please contact the office on 9918 2608.
- We seem to continually have a lot of "Lost Property" which is unnamed or has past students names on it. Could you please clearly label your child's belongings.

RE NEWS

We would like to congratulate Patrick Drake and Cameron Walters who were recently baptised.



We also congratulate Imogen and Oliver Mellor on being welcomed into the Catholic faith last Saturday night at our Family Mass.

We pray for these and all our children as they continue on their spiritual journey.

FATHER'S DAY PHOTOGRAPH'S

Our Father's Day Mass will be held on Friday 31st August at 9.15am. It is a tradition at Maria Regina to have a slide show of photographs of the children with their dads/grandfathers during the Mass. If you would like a photograph included in the presentation please email to Mrs. Pike at <u>lynne.pike@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> by Tuesday 28th August.

THE FEAST OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS

Wednesday, August the 8th was the Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross, also known as St. Mary MacKillop. She was the first Australian to be beatified by the Roman Catholic Church and the first Australian to be recognised as one of its saints on October 17, 2010.

At an early age, Mary MacKillop became involved in the education of children from poor families and the care of orphans, young women in need of protection and destitute women of all ages. At the age of 24, she became the first Sister of St. Joseph.

Mary's legacy to the world is not only what the Sisters of St. Joseph are doing today. It is also the example of her own goodness, of her love for all people, especially the most marginalised and her deep faith and trust in the Providence of God.



Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 15 August Feast of the Assumption whole school mass 9.15am
- Wednesday 22 August Feast of the Queenship of Mary The special feast day of our school – whole school mass 9.15am

BOOK CLUB

The last date for Book Club orders is Monday August 13.

BAND

Could all band students please remember to bring their instruments in on Tuesdays and store them neatly in reception against the glass windows.

CANTEEN NEWS

From **Friday 17th Aug** we will be offering tuna mini sushi boxes as well Edamame boxes. They will be the same price as the sushi \$3.50 each and available to order on line as of next week.

BALES FROM THE BEACH

What a great day we had on Tuesday bush dancing to raise much needed funds for our drought stricken farmers. Mrs Conn and Mrs Pike can sure lead a good old fashioned heel and toe polka!

The numbers are in and we are proud to announce that our school community raised \$2,160 for the Avalon Beach RSL "Bales from the Beach" initiative.

It's amazing what a community can do when they rally together! Thank you everyone for supporting such a great cause.





The students are really enjoying our new Kidzone.

This is an area where the students can come and chill out and play a quiet game of Chess, Jenga, Trouble, Barrel of Monkeys, or do some building **or** colouring in. If anyone has a picnic blanket they don't want, please send it in Mrs. Grieve in the office.











Term 3, Week 3 2018

BALES FROM THE BEACH PHOTOS







