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Welcome to Term 4 Week 2 21st October, 2019

Our Catholic Value for this Term is Patience.

Patience with others is

LOVE.

Patience with self is

HOPE.

Patience with God is

FAITH. ~ Adel Bestavros

Social Justice Sunday: MAKING IT REAL -

Genuine Human Encounter In Our Digital World.

"The digital world is a public square, a meeting place where we can either encourage or demean one another, engage in meaningful discussion or unfair attacks ... Access to digital networks entails a responsibility for our neighbour whom we do not see but who is nonetheless real and has a dignity which must be respected....

The encounter between communication and mercy will be fruitful to the degree that it generates a closeness which cares, comforts, heals, accompanies and celebrates." Pope Francis TEN STEPS TOWARDS GENUINE HUMAN ENCOUNTER

IN OUR DIGITAL WORLD

- 1. Make your online presence one of dignity and respect.
- We must always remember that each person we communicate with on social media is a real person - made in the image and likeness of God
- Be careful not to access or post anything that is demeaning, inappropriate or exploitative. Do not be dismissive, judgemental or aggressive in your conversation.

Further steps will be added next week.

We respect and embrace the Wiradjuri people of this region as the traditional custodians and cultural knowledge holders of this land.

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 4

1st Nov
NAIDOC Excursion

6th December End of Year Mass & Family Night 6pm

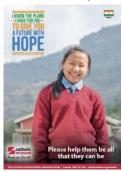
10th & 11th

December

Sydney Excursion

Please mark on your calendar

Mission Week Activity:



Next we will be holding our annual Catholic Mission money trail. This year the SRC have decided to place our coins around the letters MISSION. The money raised will go to supporting the Eden Gardens Children's Home in Nagaland, north-eastern India. The goal of Father Rajesh Lobo, who runs the home, is to give the children opportunities to fulfil their Dreams.

The home currently provides 250 children from disadvantaged backgrounds with basic needs, such as food and water, education and a safe home as well as faith formation through activities like daily Mass, praying the rosary and catechism. However, with the challenges such as lack of water, the home urgently needs to update their infrastructure to continue providing practical and spiritual support to the children.

During this time of drought I am also very conscious that there is very little spare money around. I just ask that you encourage your children to be part of this activity to the best of their ability. Every little bit helps.

On Leave: Mrs Brennan will be on leave from tomorrow, 22nd October until 31st October. During her absence Mrs Frampton & Mrs Sweeney will be taking great care of Kinder, Year 1 & 2.

Mrs Dent will also be on leave this Wednesday and Mrs Sweeney will be taking her place.

Retiring after 23 years of Service: Gail Court has decided to retire as our Cleaner after 23 years of faithful service keeping us looking spic & span. We thank Gail for all she has contributed over the years and wish her well. We will have an opportunity at our End of Year celebration to formally thank her.

School Uniform: Thank you to each of you for your support with your child's uniform. There has been a marked improvement. There are just a couple of children with the incorrect socks & shoes. If there is a problem please let me know, so I understand that there is a reason.

Speak Out & Book Fair: This will be held tomorrow, Tuesday 22nd October. Thank you to the parents for your ongoing support of your children while they have written & practised their speech. I look forward to hearing them. Everyone is welcome at 11.10am.

Mums' Night Out: We had a very enjoyable time last Thursday evening with a delicious meal, that we didn't have to prepare and clean up after it. Next year we will revisit the idea, if we want to continue with them or not. I know it isn't always possible and I know there were other things on last Thursday evening as well, but while I consider them beneficial, if that isn't the feelling of the group then I am happy for it not to be part of our term calendar. Please give it some thought.

Inspired by the example set by St Mary MacKillop and Julian Tenison Woods, St Michael's Catholic School aims to foster a love of learning, allowing all children to reach their full potential through a supportive partnership of school, parents and parish.

This Week

22nd October
Speak Out 11.10
Followed by Book Fair

Next Week Week 3

28th Oct - 1st Nov Mission Week Money Trail.

29_{th} Oct Wizard of Oz-Coolah

> 31_{st} October St Matt's Netball

1_{st} November NAIDOC Excursion

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



Wizard of Oz: We have been invited to Sacred Heart Coolah Musical - The Wizard of Oz next Tuesday 29th October. The children will travel to Coolah by bus leaving St Michael's at 10.45 and returning in time for buses. Please complete the Permission Note and return to school by this Friday 25th October.

NAIDOC Excursion: Going home with the Newsletter is a note re our NAIDOC Excursion as well as a Permission Note, which will be held on Friday $1_{\rm st}$ November. Please complete the Note and return to school by this Friday $25_{\rm th}$ October.

Polding Athletics:



Congratulations to Mads, who ran against girls much older and bigger, but came in 11th in the 800m junior girls at Homebush. Remember you are still eligible to run in that same race next year. Well done and we are very proud of your determination and skills.

Thanks to the whole family for being there to cheer her on.

Macquarie Sports Clinic: What a great day we had on Friday! The Macquarie Sports 20 year Anniversary Sports Clinic in Mudgee was terrific. Australian reps for cricket, rugby union, rugby league and netball were on hand to coach the students. All students were given a hat, a netball or football or cricket bat as well as excellent coaching. A BBQ lunch was provided. Students came from all over Western NSW for this event.

Many thanks to Macquarie Sports who also paid for our travel to and from Mudgee. A day where we learnt many new skills and had a lot of fun!



Mates Day: A slice container, a hammer and a pencil left on Mates Day. If you recognise them please let us know and we will return them to you.

Many thanks.



Have a great week & I look forward to seeing some of you tomorrow. A margaret flood.

Catholic Value Winner – Term 3 Bailey Horton



Congratulations to
Bailey, who was voted
by Staff & students, as
being the most
forgiving person in our
school. Well done
Bailey. I am sure Mum
& Dad are very proud
of you!!





Museum Open Day What are you doing on Saturday the 9th November??

Going to the Landcare Markets in the

morning in O.L Milling Park and the arvo, Tunes on the Turf at the Sports Club. Well.....Dunedoo Historical Society and Museum will also *celebrating 20 years* in the Multipurpose Centre.

So come and have a look at what's in the only Museum in the Shire. Cost is a gold coin donation and Tea and Coffee will be available. The Library will have a history display and you will see Stage 1 of the Heritage Project- 'History on the Porch – Share Our Stories Wall' which has received good support from the Community. Talk to passionate history buffs. Bring the kids, bring the parents bring the grandparents and uncles and aunties and see the hidden treasures lurking within the Dunedoo Museum rooms.



PARISH NEWS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Coolah: Saturday 6pm Mendooran: 2nd & 4th 8am Elong Elong: 1st, 3rd, 5th

8am

Ballimore: 2nd & 4th 8am **Dunedoo**: Sunday 10am

Altar Servers:

Sunday 27th October – N James & D Spargo *Collection* Sunday 27 October – M Gaden



Dunedoo Amateur Swimming Club

Training starts this week on Tuesday after school at 3.30pm.

For existing members your registration renewal was emailed to you last week

If this is the first time you are joining our club please go to the Swimming NSW website home page and scroll down a little. On the left you will see the link 'Join A Club'. Click on this and follow the prompts. If you have any questions please let us know.

Active Kid Vouchers are accepted!





Commences 22nd Oct Contact Kylie 0427637266

DID YOU KNOW?

Permission
Notes for
Wizard of Oz
& NAIDOC

Excursion

need to be returned by this Friday 25th October.

Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS