



# Holy Family Primary Emerton

Emert Parade, Emerton  
PO BOX 261  
MT DRUITT 2770  
Phone: 9628 9232  
Fax: 9628 9589

**Term 2 Week 2**

Greetings Parents!

Welcome to term 2. Thank you to the staff for all of the preparation for this term. It was wonderful watching the children reconnect with friends and staff.

As you probably heard we had a surprise visitor at Holy Family last Tuesday. Our school has received a life size fiberglass cow as part of Dairy Corporation promotion for healthy living. You can get a sneak preview of what the project is about by visiting the Picasso Cows website. At the moment the children are planning how to paint our cow and taking part in a competition to name the cow. The local press came out yesterday morning to check our progress.

This term we welcome two new staff members. Mrs. Smith as you know has taken an Acting Assistant Principal position at Sacred Heart Mt. Druitt. Mrs. Christine Leahy is taking Year two and Christine will be our Acting Religious Education Coordinator.

Miss. Michelle Dennis also joins us this term as one of our Sport and Creative Arts teachers. Welcome to both Christine and Michelle.

Our Breakfast Club started up again last Friday morning with the generous support of some of our mums and a dad. Thank you everyone for your time and for obtaining donations of breakfast cereal. Thanks also Mrs. Kelly for facilitating this.

This week is a busy week for us with our annual curriculum audit. This process is to ensure that our curriculum is compliant with the Board of Studies requirements. This will take place on Tuesday.

Also on Tuesday Mrs. Preston, Mrs. Fallon and Mrs. Keating will take a number of our students to the Diocesan Cross Country Carnival at Eastern Creek. Congratulations to all of the children who are participating in this event.

Year 4 will be going on an excursion this Thursday. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing about their exciting learning.

Congratulations to our Year 3 students who held a Travel Expo last Friday. The children have been researching tourist destinations from around Australia and last Friday they showed us what they had learnt and did their best to persuade us to visit some very exciting places. Congratulations year 3.

How are you going with our home reading program? I caught up with many children who shared what they had read during the holidays. Daily reading is just as important for a learner as laps are for a swimmer. Please let us know if we can help in any way with the home reading program.

All the best for the week ahead.

Best wishes,

John Spradbrow  
Principal

**3 May 2016**

## Inside this issue:

<i>Dear Parents</i>	1
<i>The Learning Corner</i>	2
<i>Sports Update</i>	2
<i>Fun Run</i>	2
<i>Mothers Day Stall</i>	2
<i>Application for Leave</i>	2
<i>Car Park</i>	2
<i>Mother's Day Liturgy</i>	3
<i>School Attendance Awards</i>	3
<i>NAPLAN</i>	3
<i>Breakfast Club</i>	3
<i>Winter Uniform</i>	3
<i>St Andrew's Year 7 Enrolment 2017</i>	4
<i>Kindergarten Enrolments 2017</i>	4
<i>Parish Fair</i>	4
<i>Dates for Your Diary</i>	4



## The Learning Corner

### Everyday Mathematics

#### Daily Decisions

We all use Mathematics daily in what we do.

Involve your child in using numbers to solve problems and make those everyday decisions with you. For example:

- "Do we have enough plates and utensils for all the guests coming for the birthday party?"
- "We are doubling this recipe. How much of all the ingredients will we need?"
- "We are fertilizing the lawn. The fertilizer bag covers three square meters. How many will we need?"
- "This store is selling the game you want for 20% off of \$27.00. That store is selling the same game for \$19.99. Where should we shop?"



Mrs Angela Alonzo  
Stage 3 Coordinator

### Sports Update

#### Did you know?

- In NSW, only about a quarter of children aged between 5 and 15 years do at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity each day.
- Boys in Years 6, 8 and 10 are more active than girls, however physical activity declines with age.

#### Why get active?

- Regular physical activity is an important part of getting healthy and staying healthy.
- Encouraging kids and teens to be active from a young age sets good habits early on and helps them develop the skills they need to stay active throughout their lives.

#### Regular physical activity helps kids and teens:

- build strong bones and muscles
- improve balance and develop skills
- maintain and develop flexibility
- achieve and maintain a healthy weight
- improve cardiovascular fitness
- reduce stress and feel more relaxed
- improve posture
- boost confidence and self-esteem
- have fun with their friends and make new ones

Children who don't get enough physical activity are at a greater risk of becoming overweight or obese. This makes it harder for them to be active and keep up in sport or play. Being overweight can also make kids more prone to conditions such as asthma, flat feet and joint sprains. In the long term, it can contribute to conditions such as high blood pressure and cholesterol, heart disease, Type 2 Diabetes and liver disease. Research tells us that the warning signs for these conditions can be present in overweight teenagers as young as 15 years of age.

Source: <http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au>



### Sport Dates for the Diary

Diocesan Cross Country: 3<sup>rd</sup> May

NRL Panther Trophy: 24<sup>th</sup> May

Stage 3 Girls Soccer: 26<sup>th</sup> May

Stage 3 Boys Soccer: 2<sup>nd</sup> June

School Athletics Carnival: 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Girls Tackle Day: 14<sup>th</sup> June

Mrs. Leonie Preston  
Sports Co-ordinator



## Fundraising

### Fun Run

Thanks to all our students who have collected money for their fun run effort. So far we have received \$1985.00. If you still have money to hand in please do so as soon as possible. Many thanks for your efforts.



### Mother's Day Stall

Thanks to all the parents who have wrapped some beautiful presents for the Mums this week.

Our Mother's Day stall will be held this

**WEDNESDAY MAY 4.**

Presents are \$5 each. There should be extra presents for children who would like to treat their grandmothers.



### Application for Leave

If your child is going to be away from school for 1-9 days you must notify us in writing by letter or email.

If your child is going to be away for a longer period you must fill in an application to seek approval from the principal. This application form is available from the school office. A certificate will be given to you if approved. **This will be recorded as leave on the class roll not exemption.**

### Car Park

This is a reminder to all parents that no cars should come into the school car park before or after school. We have this rule for the safety of your children. There is plenty of street parking plus the car park at the church.



Please be advised that the school car park is for staff only. The school carpark is closed for any traffic during morning drop-off and afternoon dismissal.

We have had incidents of parents following staff into the carpark when the gate has opened. This gate will not be reopened until 4pm when staff are leaving the site. Please be mindful as you could be delayed.



### Mother's Day Liturgy

We will celebrate and thank God for our Mothers and Grandmothers with a special Liturgy in the church at **10am on Friday May 6th**. Please come and join us for this special occasion.

Morning Tea will be provided after the liturgy in the school hall.



### School Attendance Term 1 2016

Congratulations to the following children who had 100% attendance at school during first term of 2016.

Certificates will be awarded at the next assembly.

#### Kindergarten

Jason Hart

Max Laupola-Burnett

Georgia Lepoulalii



#### Year 1

Abbigayle Downes

Jake Weston

Zara Igbojiaku

#### Year 2

Kamso Igbojiaku

Matilda Nicholls

Georgina T'Malii



#### Year 3

Keith Alunday

Joseph Antakley

Dominic Apulu

Samuel Lepoulalii



#### Year 4

Taniela Ghazarian

Chloe Hart

Noah McNally

Hannah Nicholls

Allison Zuniga Terrey



#### Year 5

Anna Antakley

Nadia Cunningham

Somto Igbojiaku

Ema Manas

#### Year 6

Jamie Cheng

Annalyse Draper

Alana Hanna

Summer Tomruk

Emelia Lepoulalii

Georgie Mallia

Chantelle T'Malii



### NAPLAN

Attention parents and guardians of students in Years 3 and 5. In week 3 of Term 2 from **May 10 to May 12 inclusive** Years 3 & 5 students will be sitting for the National tests in Literacy and Numeracy called NAPLAN.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast is offered every

**MONDAY & FRIDAY**

**from 8.25am until**

**8.45am,** in the school hall.

Cereal and/or toast will be available at 50cents per serving.



### WINTER UNIFORM

Full winter uniform will begin

**Monday May 9th**





ST ANDREWS  
COLLEGE


## 2017 Year 7 Enrolment

St Andrews College is about creating dynamic learning environments that challenge and nurture students to be people of compassion, companion, confidence, competence, creativity, conscience and with the conviction of faith to transform the world.

Parents of Year 6 students, who wish to enrol their child for Year 7 at St Andrews College must submit an application form before Friday the 6th of May, otherwise their child may miss out on a place.

Parents can download an Enrolment Application from the College website, or phone 9626 4000 for a Prospectus.

**Applications close at 3pm on Friday 6 May 2016**



## Kindergarten Enrolments 2017

Enrolments close at the end of May. Please send in your enrolment forms, if you have a child eligible for enrolment. There are a number of enquires this year so don't miss out! If you have already picked up an enrolment package but have not returned it to the school office, please do so as soon as possible to avoid missing out on a position for your child.

If you have any questions please contact the school office on 9628 9232.

## St Clare's Catholic High School ENROLMENTS

St Clare's Catholic High School, enrolments for Year 7 2017 are now due. Should you require further information, please contact Julie Alessi on 9830 2400.

## PARISH FAIR

**HOLY FAMILY  
FAIR 2016**  
254 LUXFORD RD EMERTON NSW 2770  
SATURDAY 4TH JUNE  
10AM TO 3PM  
Entertainment  
Games  
Stalls  
Rides  
Food  
For more info contact the Parish Office on: (02) 9628-727

## Dates for your Diary

May	03	Diocesan Cross Country
	04	Mothers Day Stall
	05	Year 4 Wentworth Falls Excursion
	06	Mothers Day Liturgy 10am in the church
	08	Mother's Day
	10	NAPLAN Year 3 & 5—Language Convention
	11	NAPLAN Year 3 & 5—Reading
	12	NAPLAN Year 3 & 4—Numeracy
	13	NAPLAN Catch-up

