

St Monica's News

Term 2- Week 8 - 21 June 2018

At St Monica's we are a vibrant Catholic community that works collaboratively to empower its members to be inclusive learners, custodians and citizen

A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL



School Theme

And Jesus said to them,
"Follow me, and I will send you
out to fish for people"
And immediately they left their
nets and followed him. Mark
1:17-18

Dear Parents



We have many super heroes in our community and last week we celebrated all the amazing HeartKids with a fun day that raised \$652. Money raised will go towards supporting thousands of Aussie kids with congenital heart disease in Australia. The children all looked wonderful in their costumes. Congratulations to Miss Stacey Wellings and the Social Justice Team on a fabulous initiative. Special thanks to Kaye Solari and helpers for organising and running the event.

Our beautiful Mackenzie had heart surgery when she was only 9 weeks old.



Massimo had surgery when he was 11 weeks old.



The Super Heroes in Years 5 & 6

Discover the Way

**SAFE,
RESPONSIBLE AND
RESPECTFUL
LEARNERS**

LEARNING FOCUS

Be Responsible

Organisation

You need to be organised to stay on task. Do you have everything you need to learn at your best?



SOCIAL FOCUS

Be Safe

Play safe games

We play safely on the playground. This means we are considerate of others and play by the rules.



Staffing Arrangements

We have a number of staff accessing leave in the coming weeks

- Sonja Vocisano will be accessing long service leave toward the end of this term and early into next term between 27 July and 14 August.
- Bridgette McCann and Helen Houghton will be on leave in Week 10.
- Katarina Markovic will be on leave, to travel overseas to visit relatives, from Week 10 Term 2 to the end of Week 1 Term 3.
- Sarah Anderson is on leave in Week 1 of Term 3.
- Carmel Rheinberger is taking Long Service leave for Term 3. Mrs Clare McPhillips is taking the class for the term.
- Denise Duck is also taking Long Service Leave in Term 3. Jacinda Vaughan will take on an extra day in Learning Support and Helen Houghton will be teaching 1HV from Monday to Thursday in Term 3.
- Shayne Starkey, who is currently on Long Service Leave, has extended her leave for another term.

In Term 3 we welcome back Mrs Yvette Rosenfeld from maternity leave to take over from Hope Auth in 4A. 4A will change to 4R. I would like to thank Hope for her efforts in 4A over the last two terms.

God bless
Carmel Maguire
Principal

VALUE FOCUS – Patience

Patience is quiet hope and trust, expecting things to turn out alright. Patience is being calm and tolerant when difficult things happen. It means showing acceptance when you or others make mistakes. Patience is doing something now so that later it will bear fruit, like planting a seed and waiting for it to grow. Patience is a commitment to the future.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Next Wednesday 27th June is the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and we will celebrate a whole school Mass at 9.30am

Mother of Perpetual Help, today we face so many difficulties. Your picture tells us so much about you. It reminds us to reach out and help those in need. Help us understand that our lives belong to others as much as they belong to us.

Prayer of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Mother of Perpetual Help,
you have been blessed and favoured by God,
you became not only the Mother of the Redeemer,
but Mother of the redeemed as well.

We come to you today as your loving children.

Watch over us and take care of us.

As you held the child Jesus in your loving arms,
so take us into your arms.

Be a Mother ready at every moment to help us.
For God who is almighty has done great things for you,
and God's mercy is from age to age on those who love God.

Intercede for us, dear Mother,
in obtaining pardon for our sins,
love for Jesus, final perseverance,
and the grace always to call upon you,
Mother of Perpetual Help.

Pray for us.

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Parish, North Belconnen**

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2018

Please save the following
dates-

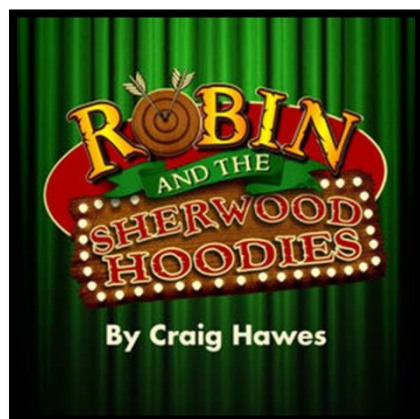


**Sacrament of Confirmation
Wednesday 12 September**



**Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Wednesday 21 November**





Year 5 and 6 Presents!

Wednesday 4 July (Week 10)

Whole School Performance – Midday 12:00pm, Main show at 6:00pm in School Hall, Tickets \$10 Adult, \$5 Primary School Age Student. No cost for children preschool age or younger (but please book a seat for them).

Ticket Sales available via TryBooking

<https://www.trybooking.com/394274>

Cyber Safety

What is a Digital Shadow?

Every time that you post something online, access sites or apps, receive phone calls or reply to emails and texts, you are creating a digital shadow. It doesn't matter if you access the internet through a laptop, phone or other personal device. When we do these things, our data is collected. In some cases, it is without our permission – like when our browsing habits and IP addresses are collected when we visit websites. Other times we choose to give our information or data to a third party – like when we book a hotel or flights, or share photos on Facebook or Instagram. All these actions leave digital traces, called shadows.



The problem with having a digital shadow is that anyone can potentially have access to our data. For example, did you know that when you share a photo on Instagram it is no longer owned by you? Instagram can use your photo for marketing purposes if they choose to.

Why should we care about our digital shadow? Our digital shadow tells a story about us and depending who is looking at it, it might not be telling the story you want it to. Our children will need to be very savvy in keeping track of their digital shadow as employers do look to social media and the internet to check what potential employees are up to. So what our children are posting and accessing online does matter now! For more information about digital shadows go to: <https://myshadow.org/animation>

Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

Reports will be issued mid-Week 10 with Parent /Teacher interviews to be held early next term.

Please note –The grades are awarded based on the particular knowledge and skills that have been demonstrated and/or achieved over the last two terms. The grades relate directly to the expectations of the particular Achievement Standards from the Australian Curriculum that has been covered during the semester. Currently we are required to use two formats; one for Kindergarten and the other for Years 1 – 6. The following outlines the rating scale that will appear on your child's report

Kindergarten Achievement Scale

Competent	Displays thorough knowledge, understanding and application of the content, processes and skills in this area.
Developing	Is beginning to display knowledge, understanding and application of the content, processes and skills in this area
Experiencing Difficulty	Is yet to display knowledge, understanding and application of the content, processes and skills in this area

Year 1 – Year 6 Achievement Scale

A	The student has extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition , the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations .
B	The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills . In addition , the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills in most situations .
C	The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills .
D	The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a limited level of competence in the processes and skills.
E	The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in few areas of the content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

Community Council

Community Council had their Meeting on 7 June. We are pleased to report that work on the courtyard should be completed over the July holidays! Council also discussed possible projects for the school grounds and how we can make the space more engaging for our students. The council is planning a 'tool time' working bee in term 4 where we are hoping to gather some of our parents to help construct some seating and other landscaping. If you want further details or are interested in helping out please email us.

Please email the council with any issues/ideas: Council.StMonicas@cq.catholic.edu.au . The email will be checked regularly by Evelyn David-Hoole, Community Council Secretary.

GENERAL INFORMATION

SMOOSH Vacation Care

Vacation care bookings are now open for the July school holidays. Spaces are filling up very fast. Please contact SMOOSH if you wish to secure a booking.

Mary Millar Library Fund

An invitation for families to contribute to our special library fund was sent home and put up on our App this week. Any donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. **Funds raised this year will go towards display boards and additional furniture for the library.** Should you wish to contribute please do so by 30 June so that you can claim on your 2016/2017 tax return. Thank you to those families who have already made a donation, your generosity is highly valued.

Families Taking Leave for 10 Days or More

Where children are accompanying family members for an extended holiday, for 10 or more school days, parents are now required to complete an **Application for Extended Leave –Travel** form. This is available on our school app or it can be collected from the office. Thank you for your assistance.

Illegal Parking at and around Schools

Everyone has a responsibility to adhere to traffic regulations, especially in school zones where unsafe driving and parking can put children at risk. The ACT Government is actively monitoring school zones to ensure legal and safe parking around schools. Examples of illegal parking are: **double parking (\$153 fine), parking in a no parking zone (\$114 fine), parking on a footpath or nature strip (\$114 fine), stopping over a children's crossing (\$383 fine).**



Chess Competition

Best of luck to the following children who are competing in the Chess competition next Wednesday at Weetangera. Thank you to Evelyn David-Hoole for coordinating this event. Year 6 (Hannah, Nicholas , Patrick, Thomas) Year 4 (Mary, Charlize, Angelino) Year 3 (Rohan, Michael) and Year 2 (Sarah, Annalene).

OzTag Gala Day Term 3

Expression of Interest forms were handed out today to interested children from Years 3 to 6. Responses must be back by Wednesday to guarantee our representation. Places are limited. Thanks to Melinda Brown for coordinating this opportunity for the children.

SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 School Fees Due: Friday 15 June

A number of families are in arrears in excess of two terms. Please contact the Finance Officer or Principal to discuss urgently.

Please disregard this notice if your family have a Direct Debit Arrangement in place.

Preferred Payment Method



masterpass

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Next School Prayer – Monday 2 July – led by 5WD - 9.10am in School Hall

Value Awards for Weeks 8 and 9 will be presented.

Next Assembly – Friday 22 June – 1pm in School Hall

Class Awards for Week 8 and Star and Pride Badges will be presented.



Happy Birthday to the following students...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
Year 1	Brando B
Year 2	Annalise S
Year 4	Rose O

	Value Award <i>Patience</i>	Class Award Humanities or Science
KGO	Lachlan D	Chloe W
KR	Taylor H	Natalia S
1B	Olivia B	Cooper A
1E	Laura R	Lily H
1HV	Emma O	Patrick K
2D	Mason N	Sophie C
2MR	Mitchell B	Drew G
3L	Sam G	Madison R
3M	Jacob M	Paige H
3/4C	Makenna M	Keir F
4A	Isabella C	Isabella M
4SB	Max W	Brian H
5W	TBA	TBA
5WD	Madeline N	William C
5/6M	Coco B	Lachlan M
6E	Katie F	Fiona M
6F	Blake O	Jorja J
St Monica's Stars – Billy S (1B) – 1 st star, Christian W (6E) – 2 nd star		
Pride Badges –		

SPORT NEWS

Belconnen Hockey

Olivia S (5W) has made it to Belconnen Under 12 Hockey Team. Congratulations Olivia!

Calisthenics ACT

Congratulations to Arabelle S (4A), Annabelle F (3L), Bella P (3L) and

Isabella M (4A) who recently competed at the Canberra Theatre for Calisthenics ACT. They will be representing Canberra in July at Nationals where they will be competing against all states in Australia.



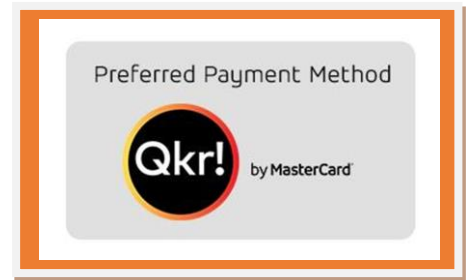
Chess Tournament News

Congratulations to Hannah D-H (6F) and Sarah D-H (2D) who won the trophies for Best ACT Year 6 girl and Best ACT Year 2 girl respectively at the ACT Junior Chess League Primary School Allegro tournament last weekend. This tournament is an individual event for children attending primary schools played over 7 rounds with players having 15 minutes per game to make all of their moves.

CANTEEN CORNER

Roster for Term 2, Week 9

	Early 9:15 - 11:45am	Late 11:30 - 2:30pm
MONDAY 25/6/18	Vacancy	Vacancy
TUESDAY 26/6/18	Evelyn David-Hoole	Evelyn David-Hoole
WEDNESDAY 27/6/18	Vacancy	Vacancy
THURSDAY 28/6/18	Michelle Gaffey	Michelle Gaffey
FRIDAY 29/6/18	Tracy D'Ambrosio Samantha Cox	Tanya Bridges Tracy D'Ambrosio



Sam Manning – Canteen Manager
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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Questacon Smart Skills Initiative

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

DO YOU LIKE MAKING AND BUILDING THINGS?

www.questacon.edu.au

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Questacon MAKER PROJECT

Sign up to a Questacon Maker Project workshop during these school holidays at The Ian Potter Foundation Technology Learning Centre in Deakin.

Choose from a variety of workshops where you can invent, design, create and have fun!

Workshops will be offered on the 17, 18 and 19 July.

Suitable for 10 to 15 year olds only.

For more information visit our website or contact 1800 889 995

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Gungahlin Leisure Centre

Gungahlin Leisure Centre is running swimming lesson intensives over the 2 weeks of the school holidays. Please telephone 62411132 for more information.