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Welcome to Term 1 Week 4

18th February, 2019

Catholic Value - Compassion: This Term our Value is Compassion. "Each individual should have a sensitivity to, and concern for, the well-being of other people."

Parent Information Sessions: Many thanks to the Mums & Dads who attended the Parent Information Session last Tuesday evening. We almost had 100%, with only two families not represented.

During the Information Sessions you heard a lot about our hope to improve the student's reading fluency & enjoyment of reading. In order for us to bring this to fruition we are calling on your help. We would love every child to be given the opportunity to read to an adult each day at school. This is in addition to you reading to your child at home. This is our focus for homework this term. If you are able to give 20 minutes from 8.30 - 8.50 one morning a week it would be very much appreciated. Some people signed up last Tuesday night. We have a number of vacancies on Wednesday & Thursday, but any day would be appreciated. Please give it some serious thought and complete the form included with the Newsletter. You can nominate on the form going home.

School Fees: These went home with the School Fee Agreement last Monday. The Agreement was due back last Friday. If you have not returned it please do so tomorrow. If you are experiencing financial hardship at this moment please contact me to discuss other possibilities. I am more than happy to assist, but I can't unless you let me know there is a problem. Please speak up if you need assistance.

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

IMPORTANT DATES

12th March: Mum's Night Out – Thai Restaurant Gulgong @ 6.30pm

8-10th May Christian Living Camp (Yr 6)

28th & 29th August School Play

6th Dec End of Year Mass, Graduation & Family Night 6pm.

Please mark on your calendar

P & F News: P & F AGM: Thank you to the outgoing executive for your support during 2018 and congratulations to the elected executive.

President: Will Gaden

Secretary: Sarah Armstrong

Treasurer: Sam Wentworth Brown

Vice Presidents: Mick Inder &

David Brennan

Thank you for accepting the position and we look forward to a great year.

Bush Poetry: It is that time of year again. The P & F accepted the invitation to cater for the welcome BBQ on Thursday evening. Going home with the Newsletter is a form asking for volunteers to help on the evening. There are many ways you can help and many hands make light work. You may consider setting up tables, helping cook the BBQ, serving. Or making slices. Please meet at the Hall by 5pm. Please complete the form going home with the Newsletter indicating your willingness to help.

Catholic Schools' Week: Sunday 3rd- 10th March: You are invited to join us for Breakfast & Open Classrooms on Tuesday 5th March commencing at 8.15 followed by Open Classrooms in action. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass with the Parish Community on Wednesday 6th March at 9.15a.m. Everyone is welcome. Please bring a friend. Please complete the form going home with the Newsletter indicating the number attending.

Student Goals: The students' individual Goals for Term 1 have gone home. Please discuss them with your child, fill in the parent part and **return to school no later than tomorrow**. It is very important that you spend some time with your child discussing how they may reach their goal, how you may be able to assist them to do that and then please returned to school.

Northern Region Swimming Carnival: Madeleine Gaden, Noah James, Harry Armstrong, Jack Wentworth Brown, Harry Beer, Cooper Horton, Matilda Obst, Annabelle Brenan, Oliver Gaden, Dezie Spargo & Elle Wentworth Brown who will represent St Michael's at Mudgee on Wednesday. If you have any questions please see Robyn or Peta at the pool or contact them at school. All the best to our swimmers & officials.

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

20th Feb

Northern Region
Swimming
Carnival @
Mudgee

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



Swimming: All children will go to the pool after lunch on Tuesday. Please ensure that they have swimmers, towel, sunscreen & rashie. Pool entry is being covered by a grant.

Have a good week.

A Margaret Flood.

Sr Margaret



Birthdays

Congratulations & Birthday Wishes to:

Mathew Rout

NO CANTEEN MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2019

COMMUNITY NEWS

Important Information Please Read

Coalition Government's Drought Community Support

Initiative: I reiterate Mr Coulton's words as expressed on page 8 of the 130th January edition of Dunedoo Diary, "I strongly urge eligible farmers, farm workers & contractors to access these vouchers and cash which are practical means of lessening the financial burden many households are experiencing right now due to the drought.

The packages on offer are up to \$2000 in cash and \$1000 in vouchers per household, delivered through St Vincent de Paul here in Dunedoo. It is available to a farmer, a farm worker or farm supplier/contractor.

For more information please contact Chris Sullivan who is willing to assist you with the application.

The money is there so please don't say there are others worse off than us. Yes that may be true but if you are eligible please consider contacting Chris.

Sacrament Dates

1st May Parent & Child Metting @ 6.30pm

5th May 1st Eucharist Enrolment 10am Mass

23rd June 1st Eucharist celebration 10am Mass

28th July Confirmation Enrolment 10am Mass

8th September Confirmation 10am Mass

11th August First Reconciliation Enrolment 10am Mass

19th September First Reconciliation @ 6pm.

Please mark on your calendar



Years K/1/2:

Marley Horton George Frampton Tom Armstrong Angus Deutscher

Years 3/4:

Harry Armstrong

Years 5/6:

Toby Deutscher Cooper Horton

COMMUNITY NEWS (Cont)



DUNEDOO JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

& NETBALL

MEETING 18th February 2019, 6.30pm @ The Sports Club

Agenda:

Positions Vacant

- President
- BBQ Cooordinator
- Junior Vice President

Peachy Shield

General Meeting to discuss upcoming season

Everyone is welcome!





The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box

The average school child will eat more than 2,500 lunches during their 13 years at school.



Cancer Council's

website <u>healthylunchbox.com.au</u> is a onestop-shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Parents will find information on the five food groups, what constitutes a healthy lunch box, sandwich alternatives, sandwich filling ideas, snack ideas, swaps for unhealthy snack foods, recipes and tips. The website features an interactive healthy lunch box builder where parents can get their kids involved in planning the lunch box and choosing foods they will eat and enjoy.

healthylunchbox.com.au

PARISH NEWS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

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

Altar Servers:

Dunedoo: Sunday 10am

Sunday 24th February – Alter Servers Required

If there is any child from Years 3 -6 who would like to be an Altar Server please let us know

Catholic Schools' Week 4-8 March

Tuesday 5th March. Breakfast 8.15 & Open Classrooms

Wednesday 6th March Ash Wed Mass 9.15