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Welcome to 2019

Welcome to our new Kinders – Gus, Marley, George & Elodie who have settled in very well. They were a little tired heading home on Friday. Also a big welcome back to all our old friends. It was great to see all their smiling faces and watch their eagerness as they start another busy year. Hopefully everyone had a very enjoyable break and was able to recoup their energy.

A very warm welcome to new & return Staff.

Kinder / Year 1 & 2	Mrs Peta Brennan	
Years 3 & 4	Mrs Monica Foran	
Years 5 & 6	Mrs Claire Frampton	(Mon & Tues)
	Mrs Robyn Beer	(Wed - Fri)
Support Teacher:	Mrs Rebecca Stubbs	(Tues & Wed)
Teacher Assistants:	Mrs Jane Berry	
	Mrs Elizabeth Reeves	
Support Staff:	Sr Margaret Flood	
RFF & PLC Coordinator:	Mrs Sally Dent	(Wed)
Clerical Assistants:	Meeghan Russell	(Mon - Thurs)
	Sam Wentworth Brown	(Fri)
Cleaners:	Mrs Gail Court	
	Mrs Allison Knichinicki	
Groundsperson:	Mrs Jane Berry	

Opening School Mass: We celebrate our Opening School Mass & Induction of our Captains at 9.15am this Friday 8th February. Everyone is invited to join us as we ask for God's blessing on our New School Year. The Mass will be followed by Morning Tea & our Swimming Carnival, which we hope can be underway by 10.30am. **If possible something to share for morning tea would be appreciated.**

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

Routine: Our daily routine is as follows. This year we will continue with our uninterrupted Literacy & Numeracy blocks. We are hoping to minimise outside interruptions, so our core business gets prime time.

8.30am: Morning duty begins

8:50: Daily PE (Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri)
Assembly (Wed)

followed by nose blowing & fruit break. **(Please ensure your child has a piece of fruit each day, for the younger children please cut it up to minimize waste).**

9.10 Religious Education

9.40 Maths (Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri)
Library (Wed)

10.40 Mindfulness

10.50 Recess (20 minutes break)

11.10 Spelling Mastery & Reading activities
Maths (Wed)

12.10 Literacy (Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri)
Creative Arts (Wed)

1.10 Lunch

1.50 Afternoon session includes Reading, Music, Dance & Drama, PDHPE, History/Geography, Science & Technology on different days.

3.10 School finishes.

Some important things to remember:

- That your children are not at school before 8.30am
- That shoulder length hair is tied back
- Please ensure that your child/ren have good, nutritious and sufficient food in their lunch boxes each day, along with fruit for fruit break. They also require a drink bottle with water, in this hot weather a second is a good idea.
- Our Canteen will operate on Monday. An updated price list went home last week.
- Newsletter will go out Mondays. It will be emailed to all parents unless you indicate that you would like a paper copy.

St Michael's prides itself on having an open school policy. If at any time you need anything please feel free to phone or call in I will be in the Office each day from 12.10, so please remember that my door is always open.

If you need to contact staff I ask that you do it through the Office as to not disturb them during class time.

Can I please ask that you consider Staff's family time when contacting them at home. I ask that this only be done in an emergency.

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

4th February: School Counsellor – Grant Cleland

5th Feb: Sarah McDonagh

6th NRL Roads to Region

7th Feb: Safer Internet Day

Virtual classroom 3-6

8th Feb Opening School Mass @ 9.15 followed by Morning tea & Swimming Carnival

9th Feb Dunedoo Show

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*"A seed of hope
planted deep in
good earth,
watched by the
Lord, warmed
by the 'Son'.
Darkness grows
into light."
Mary MacKillop*

During the Holidays: Our love, prayers & sympathy are extended to the Gaden family on the passing of Will's Mother – Jean; grandmother to Ollie & Mads. She will be missed at various school activities, as she & Frank were great supporters of St Michael's events.

Congratulations to Gabby & Jason on the birth of their son Lochie, brother to Kobey in Year 1. Lochie was born just before Christmas. We wish them all the best.

Grade Meetings & P & F AGM: More information about what is happening in each classroom will be addressed at the **Grade Meetings on Tuesday 12th February.**

K/1/2 @ 6.30pm

3-6 @ 7pm followed by the P & F AGM @ 7.30

There will be refreshments & an opportunity to catch up with each other. Please make every effort to attend so you know what is happening in your child's classroom.

If it is impossible to attend please talk to your child's teacher for an update.

Please make every effort to stay for the P & F AGM. It doesn't mean you will get a job.

NRL Roads to Region: This Wednesday from 12 - 1pm we will welcome NRL players & officials to St Michael's. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Wednesday afternoon they will be conducting a Clinic at Robertson Oval from 4.30-5.30pm.

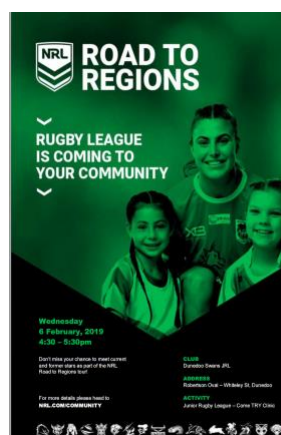
Swimming: All children will go to the pool after lunch on Tuesday. Please ensure that they have swimmers, towel, sunscreen, rashie & \$3 for pool entry if they do not have a season ticket. If they have a ticket please let us know their number.

A huge thank & congratulations to each family on the return of all those notes last week. On Friday we were only missing 2 IT Contracts. Well done

I look forward to seeing you at the Opening School Mass & Swimming Carnival on Friday.

Have a good week.

A Margaret Flood.



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.

Birthdays

Congratulations & Birthday Wishes to:

**Xanthia
Turnbull
&
Cooper
Horton**



COMMUNITY NEWS

Coalition Government's Drought Community Support

Initiative: I reiterate Mr Coulton's words as expressed on page 8 of the latest edition of Dunedoo Diary, "I strongly urge eligible farmers 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.

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE 104th Dunedoo Show Saturday 9th February 2019

BBQ & BAR AVAILABLE



HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, PETS, DOGS, CHOOKS,
ARTS & CRAFTS, STALLS, SIDE SHOW ALLEY,
YARD DOG TRIALS, 6 BAR SHOWJUMPING,
IRONMAN / WOMAN EVENT,
PODDY CALF / LOCAL STEER RIDE,
SPEED SHEAR, FIREWORKS & MUCH MORE



ADMISSION TO THE SHOWGROUND:

Adults \$12.00, Children \$5.00

& Aged Pensioners \$6.00



ENQUIRIES TO:

President: Malcolm Rouse 0429 157 622

Secretary: Lucinda Miller 0427 720 204



Commences 12th February
Infants 3.30pm-4pm
Primary 4pm-4.40pm
Contact Kylie 0427637266

TAFE NSW are offering the following courses at the Dunedoo Campus:

Certificate IV in Wool Classing Information Session

HLTAID001 - Statement of Attainment in Provide Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation - \$70.00 per person (GST free);

HLTAID003 - Statement of Attainment in Provide First Aid - \$170.00 per person (GST free); or

HLTAID004 Statement of Attainment in Provide Emergency First Aid in Education and Care Settings - \$170.00 per person (GST free).

Please contact the TAFE on 02 6370 3300



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 16th February-

I Baker and F Hogden

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

DID YOU KNOW?

**Grade
Meetings
next
Tuesday 12th
February.**

**K-2 @ 6.30 in
their
classroom.
3-6 @ 7pm in
5/6 room.
These will be
followed by
the P & F
AGM.**

**Everyone
invited to
nibbles &
drinks.**