



TERM 3, WEEK 9
Wednesday 19 September 2018

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

8:20am
Morning supervision

8:30am-8:45am
Bag Unpacking

8:50am
Morning bell

10:40am—11:10am
Recess

12:50pm-1:30pm
Lunch

3:00pm
Dismissal

3:00pm—3:30pm
Afternoon supervision

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Friday 23 November
(Term 4, Week 6)

Thursday 20 December
(Term 4, Week 10)

Friday 21 December
(Term 4, Week 10)

ES1 2019
Parent Meeting
Date changed to
Wednesday
26 September 2018
see page 2

Term 4 commences
Monday
15 October 2018

Students return to
school wearing
Summer Uniform

Important dates on Page 6

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Term 3 concludes next Friday, 28 September. This term has been a particularly busy and eventful term with many events, celebrations and accomplishments.

These have included:

- * Stage One Zoo excursion
- * NRL Backyard League
- * Stage 3 Incursion—Solids, Liquids & Gases
- * Cumberland Athletics
- * Diocesan Athletics
- * Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)
- * POSMs Meeting led by Australian Federal Police on Child Safety
- * NAPLAN readiness Trials for Year 3 and Year 5
- * Voice of Youth for the Year 6 students of the Diocese.
- * McCarthy College Emu Plains Trade Training Centre Visit - Stage 3
- * All classes attending a Parish Mass
- * St Monica's Day Mass
- * Year 4 - Year 6 Reconciliation
- * Social Justice Appeal 'Buy a Bale' for our farmers in drought areas
- * Boori Monty Pryor for Book Week
- * Book Fair
- * Grandparents Day
- * First Communion
- * Father's Day stall, breakfast and Mass
- * Year 6 fundraising for their end of year activities
- * Theme lunches

As the term draws to a close with the celebration of student learning with the Talent Quest and Project Launches, we give thanks for the incredible dedication, gifts of the Spirit and generosity that have expression each day within our learning community. Our Catholic schools depend on valuing and recognising these gifts with a sense of love, humility and service towards others.

May the holiday break provide everyone with some downtime to rest, reflect and enjoy time with family. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 4 on Monday 15 October 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Louise O'Donnell
Principal

Talent Quest

All parents are
invited to attend
tomorrow

Thursday 20 September

1:15pm—3:00pm

Parish Hall



Project Based Learning Project Launches

All parents are invited to attend
Wednesday 26 September
8:00am—9:00am Learning Space

Stage 3	Material World (Science) Faith Communities (RE)
Stage 2	Celebrating Cultures in our Community (History)
Year 2 & Year 1	Our Living Things Habitats (Science)
ES1	Models of Our Church (RE)

Plenary Council 2020

Your church wants to hear your voice.

As I reported in the last newsletter, everyone has been invited to contribute to the Plenary Council 2020. We the laity, have been invited to contribute our ideas to the question, "What do you think that God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" We are all urged to prayerfully consider the question and everyone is invited to contribute an answer. In response people can write a few lines or a few pages- handwritten or typed. At our next POSMs Meeting on Wednesday 24 October, parents can contribute.

Responses can be emailed to <http://plenaryconcil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say> or posted to :

Plenary Council
PO Box 747
North Sydney NSW 2059

Answers can be anonymous or signed- it is your choice.

ES1 2019 Parent Meeting (date change)

Please be advised that the **ES1 2019 Parent Meeting** has been postponed until **Wednesday 26 September 2018** (not on Wednesday 19 September). Emails have been sent to all families involved. The meeting will commence at **7:00pm and conclude at 8:00pm in the Learning Space**. This is an opportunity for you to be informed about the school's educational philosophy and program and to meet other parents.

Please note that this meeting is for parents only—your child does not attend this meeting.

World Youth Day Raffle Tickets

All World Youth Day Raffle tickets should now have been returned to the office. Reminder letters have been sent home to families who have not returned their tickets. Please contact the office immediately if you have not returned your tickets.

Naplan Results

Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 will receive their child's NAPLAN results this afternoon. Parents of students in Year 5 are advised **TO KEEP THE REPORT IN A SAFE PLACE** as you will need this for your child's Year 7 High School application.

IMPORTANT

Sacramental Co-ordinator

Our thanks to **Shanika Joseph** who is the new Sacramental Co-ordinator at St Monica's and for her assistance with preparing the First Communicants.

Welcome

We welcome the **Makko family (Amy, Stage 3)** into the community of St Monica's. We wish them many happy and rewarding experiences during their time here.

School Uniform

Students are to continue wearing their **Winter Uniform until the end of Term 3**. Students are to return to school in their Summer Uniform on Monday 15 October (Term 4). A full list of uniform requirements can be found on page 3 of this newsletter.

School Photos—Wednesday 24 October (Week 2)

School photos will be held on Wednesday 24 October 2018. All students are to come to school dressed in their **full summer uniform**. An instruction note and order envelope will be sent home next Monday 24 September for each child.

Ice Blocks

Ice blocks are being sold at lunchtimes—50c each.



School Attendance

Our School Attendance Rate for **Term 3 Week 8 was 90.2%.**

We all know that consistent attendance is vital for student success in their learning.

Congratulations to those classes meeting the diocesan 90% target for attendance.



Week 7— 90.4%	
ES1	90.3%
Year 1	96.1%
Year 2	96.3%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	87.5%
Year 5	91.3%
Year 6	82.6%

Week 8—90.2%	
ES1	90.3%
Year 1	96.1%
Year 2	92.6%
Year 3	93.3%
Year 4	87.5%
Year 5	88.2%
Year 6	83.9%



Congratulations

To Manraj Kahlon (Stage 3) who attended the MacKillop Cricket Trials in Wagga Wagga and was selected for the team.

Well done Manraj!



School Uniform Requirements

GIRLS	BOYS
<p>Summer Polo Short-sleeved shirt Culottes Navy socks Black school shoes</p>	<p>Summer Polo Short-sleeved shirt Navy blue shorts Navy socks Black school shoes</p>
<p>Sport Short-Sleeved Shirt Sports Shorts Tracksuit Pants/School Jacket White socks Joggers (predominantly white)</p>	<p>Sport Short-Sleeved Shirt Sports Shorts Tracksuit pants/School Jacket White socks Joggers (predominantly white)</p>
The School Jacket with crest may be worn at any time throughout the year The School Hat with crest is a compulsory school item to be worn every day	

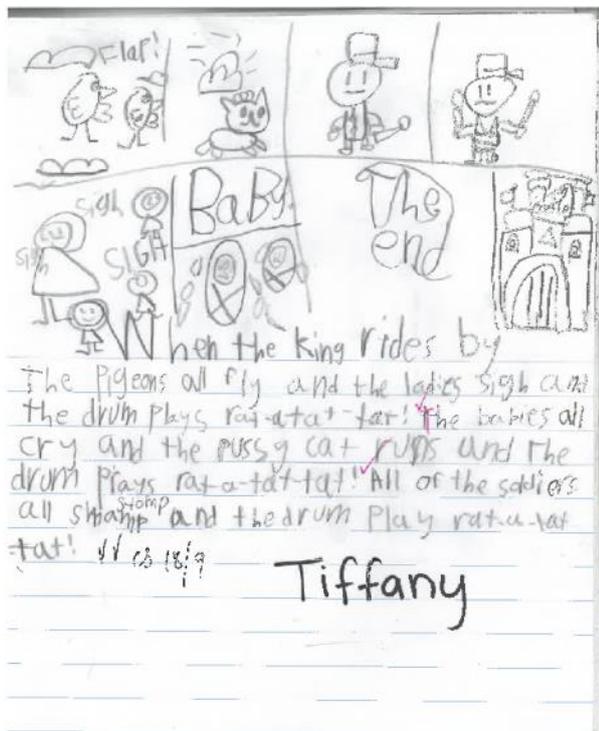
Please ensure that **every article of your child's uniform is labelled** to avoid lost property.

School uniform items are available from **Oz Fashions**, 115-127 Parramatta Road, Granville 9897 3121
 On site parking available.

Term 4 commences on Monday 15 October 2018.

Students are to return to school wearing their Summer Uniform.

Early Stage One

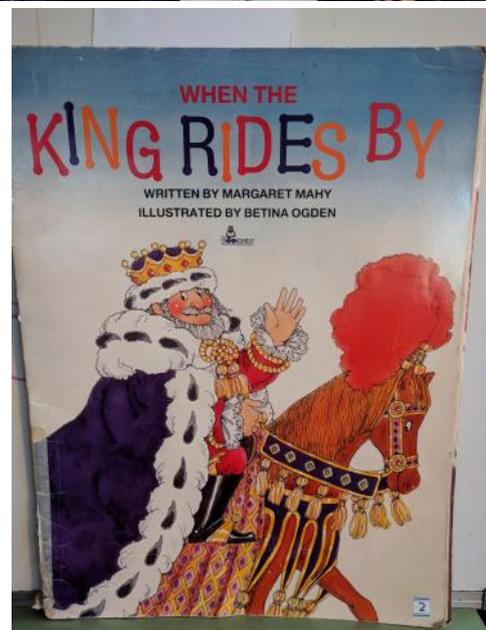


When the King Rides
 by
 we eat apple pie,
 When the King
 Rides by. ✓ The
 cockatoos all fly,
 When the King
 rides by. ✓ The babies
 cry, When the King
 rides by. My friends
 are shy, When the
 King Rides by. The
 men wear ties. ✓
 11/03/18/9

Abigail

The Ladies sigh and the
 Pigeons fly and the
 dogs are shy and the
 babies eat pie and the
 people throw their hats
 up high and the pigeon
 catches hats up high and
 the babies share with
 the boys wearing ties
 when King Liam rides by.
 Liam

11/03/18/9



MERIT AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Merit Awards.

ES1:	Amelia Corera, Mia Fernandes, Micaela Hernandez, Alessia La Macchia
Year 1:	Olivia Cardomatis, Martin Salib, Yuna Shin, Cody Wylie
Year 2:	Lucia Biasin, Georgia Fernandes, Nina Talty, Theresa Wong
Stage 2:	Chloe Abiodun, Roger Corcoran, Parmida Foroutan, Siria Mondinelli, Riana Arredondo, Shubbh Chugh, Thao (Theresa) Huynh, Kenzh Munda Cruz, Dominic Scurtu,
Stage 3:	Joshua North, Jessica Stoker, Amy Makko, Sophia Elias, Kayla Grzelak, Summer Ierfino, Yashni Chowdhary, Henry Corcoran, Ashley Roberts

POSMS Meeting

Wednesday 24 October 2018
Term 4, Week 2
7:00pm Learning Space
All invited to attend.

School Photographs



Term 4 (Week 2)
Wednesday 24 October
Students to wear full summer uniform

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to the following students and staff who will celebrate birthdays in October.

Amy Makko	Lana Salic	Mia Fernandes	Jayden Albayeh	Emma Halamkova
Elyssa Ekert	Lola Sloane	Dominick Macorig	Simon Forsyth	Jordan Basha
Nina Talty	Riana Arredondo	Tiara Arredondo	Ruby Graham	Menuk Gunawardena
Manuela Salib	Yuna Shin	Elijah Essey	<i>Staff Mrs Patrick and Mrs Gardoni</i>	

For your chance to win a \$25 Gift Certificate to Athlete's Foot write your child's name & class on a piece of paper and hand in to the office tomorrow morning. Raffle will be drawn at tomorrow morning's (Thursday 20/9) assembly at 8:50am.

Parent signature required on the sheet to win the prize!

School Banking Tuesdays (morning)

Students are reminded to bring their bank deposit books to school on Tuesdays.

Banking is done on Tuesday morning.



REMINDERS

- Please send a plastic spoon/fork with your child if they require one to eat their recess or lunch.
- Ensure all clothing is labelled to avoid lost property.
- World Youth Day Raffles tickets to be returned immediately.

Term 3 Important Dates

Please make a note of important upcoming dates and events for this term.

Week 9

Thursday 20 Sept Tennis Lessons / Aria Music Lesson (Guitar)
Talent Quest 1:15pm—3:00pm

Week 10

Monday 24 September Pow Wow 9am-10am

Tuesday 25 September Tennis Lessons

Wednesday 26 Sept 8:00am-9:00am PBL Product Launches (all stages)
Aria Music Lessons (Keyboard)

**** 7pm-8pm 2019 ES1 Parent Meeting - Learning Space
(Parents only—children do not attend this meeting)***

Thursday 27 September Tennis Lessons / Aria Music Lessons (Guitar)

Friday 28 September Term 3 ends at 3:00pm

TERM 4

Week 1

Monday 15 October School resumes for Term 4
Students return to school wearing Summer uniform
Pow Wow 9am-10am

Tuesday 16 October Tennis Lessons

Wednesday 17 October Aria Music Lessons (Keyboard)

Thursday 18 October Tennis Lessons / Aria Music Lessons (Guitar)

Week 2

Monday 22 October Pow Wow 9am-10am

Tuesday 23 October Tennis Lessons

Wednesday 24 October School Photographs (Summer Uniform)
Aria Music Lessons (Keyboard)
7pm POSMS Meeting—Learning Space

Thursday 25 October Tennis Lessons / Aria Music Lessons (Guitar)

Children's Musical

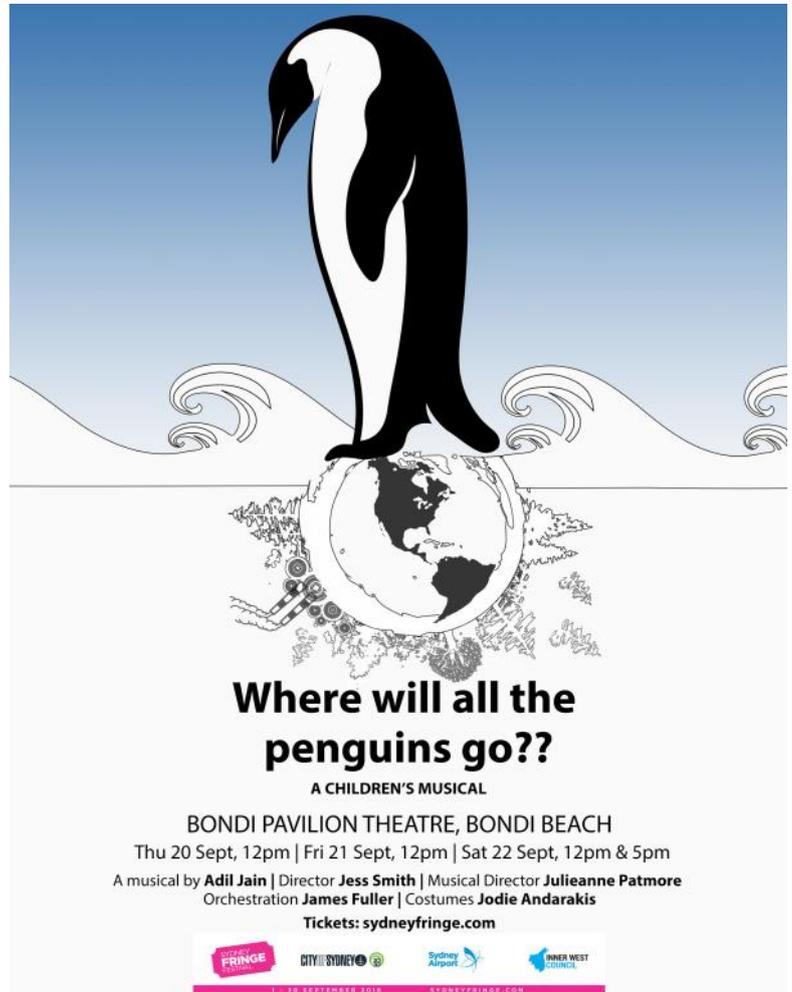
'Where will all the penguins go?'

Bondi Pavilion Theatre
Bondi Beach

Ms Julieanne Patmore
Aria Music Teacher, is the
musical director of this
production.

Pease see the
advertisement for all the
details.

Tickets: sydneyfringe.com



Taekwondo

Students from St Monica's attended a demonstration class with Lion Taekwondo on Tuesday.



News from the Diocese

Plenary 2020 Information and Training

Learn about the Australian Catholic Bishops Plenary Council's impact on you. Receive support to share the Plenary invitation with parish, friends and family.

- 20 September, 7pm-9.30pm, Parramatta Cathedral Hall
- RSVP: marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org / 8838 3460 with date, time and parish/agency.

Adult Confirmation for 2018

Adult Confirmation for 2018 will be held on Friday 12 October, 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Any adult over 16 years of age wanting to be confirmed please see your Parish Office for information.

Alternatively you can contact The Office for Worship on 02 8838 3456 or ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org

Lawn and Garden Services: Help CatholicCare to Help Disabled Workers

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains (CatholicCare) is the diocesan social services organisation. Our Mamre Garden Services employed disabled people in a lawn and garden service lawns for both residential and commercial clients. The team of workers is supervised by our Garden Crew Supervisor. Each job is quoted separately and you will not be disappointed with the quality of the work.

If you're interested in having your lawns and/or gardens serviced by CatholicCare or would like more information, please contact 02 8843 2500 or visit our website www.ccss.org.au

GET ACTIVE each day

Physical activity is an important part of being healthy. Find as many ways as you can to be active everyday.

HOW MUCH ACTIVITY SHOULD KIDS DO EACH DAY?

Toddlers 1-3 years Preschoolers 3-5 years

3 hours **ACTIVE PLAY**
ACROSS THE DAY

- Standing up
- Moving around
- Active toys

School age 5-12 years

1-3 hours **PHYSICAL ACTIVITY**
ACROSS THE DAY

Try activities that make breathing quicker and your heart beat faster:

- Fast walking
- Riding a bike or scooter
- Organised sport

NSW GOVERNMENT **MAKE HEALTHY NORMAL**

This resource has been developed by Western Sydney Local Health District, published October 2017

Tennis Lessons are held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings

1st Group 8:00am–8:30am

2nd Group 8:30am–9:00am



Please ensure your child is on time for their lesson.

Tennis lessons \$40 per student, per term. Payments directly to Mr Davidson.

If your child is interested in tennis lessons, please see Mr Davidson on the playground on Tuesday/Thursday mornings. Thankyou.

ARIA MUSIC

Quality investment in your child's future

Would your child like to learn Guitar or Keyboard?

Please email: ariamusicsschool@gmail.com Phone: 0402 780 130

Qualified, friendly teachers encourage serious musical skills in a fun learning environment. Group classes at school \$23:10 (incl GST) per lesson. Individual tuition is also available.

Keyboard Classes!

Days: **Wednesday**
Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm
Location: The Community Room

Music Lessons have the Power!

Develops musical talent
Develops self discipline
Encourages self esteem
Enhances co-ordination & concentration
Is lots of fun!!

Guitar Classes!

Day: **Thursday**
Time: 12:20pm—12:50pm
Location: The Community Room

www.ariamusic.com.au

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents are required to purchase all school clothing items through **Oz Fashions.**

Oz Fashions is located at:
115-127 Parramatta Road, Granville
Phone: 9897 3121

Opening Hours:
Monday-Friday 9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Parking is available on site.

<http://www.ozfashions.com.au>

Notice of Intention to Remove a Student from St Monica's School

The Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta Office has developed a Policy relating to the notice required from parents to terminate their children's enrolment in the schools of the Parramatta Diocese. In part this states :

"A term's notice (10 weeks) in writing must be given to the principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be paid. The notice can be given any time during the term for the next term."

This means that unless the school receives a term's notice no pro rata adjustment will be given for part term tuition.

Child Protection Requirements

All Parent Volunteers / Helpers are required to complete the following Child Protection requirements **prior** to assisting in the classroom or on excursions
(*'Building Child Safe Communities—Undertaking for Volunteers'*)

These can be accessed by visiting the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta homepage <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au> then scroll down to '**Volunteers and Contractors – click here**'

- **Volunteer Form**
- **Online Training Module (every two years)**

(Links are also available on the homepage of our school website www.stmonicasparra.catholic.edu.au)
Please contact the school if you require any assistance.

We thank all volunteers for their continued support.