



Monica's Matters

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Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Working Bee

Thank you to all the wonderful families that were able to assist at the Working Bee on Saturday. Much was achieved in the four hours: playground, seats & tables cleaned, pruning of all the bushes and hedges, weeding in all the gardens, cobwebs taken down, kitchen cleaned, windows, skirting boards and bag cupboards cleaned and all the infants mathematics equipment washed.



Brad North, Mel & Kobe Puyat, Daryl Emphield, Arthur Haddad, Rjan, Riwaz & Sanoy Bhattachan, Sherwin Elias, Joy & Kenzh Munda Cruz, Charles Lukasik, Sean Carslake, Paul Hossack, Richard, Aiden & Liam Forsyth, Gulshan, Aidan & Natasha Muttoo, Cathryn & Richard Crowle, Min Chen & Manda Lu, Nick Talty, Tiff, Matilda, Charlize & Braxton Cooper, Genevieve & Madeline Smith, Philip, Kimberley, Ruby & Angus Graham, Gerard, Kathy & Jordan Basha, Kathy, Sebastian, Garv, Kael, Neave & Liam Sciacca, Maria, Amelia & Abigail Corera, Mark Bavell, Luke, Karen, William & Elyse Paterson, Naveen, Hazem & Philopateer Toma.

Farewell

To our Year 6 Class of 2018 - congratulations on your achievement. The St Monica's Community wish you all the best as you move to your new high school. If this is your last child to leave St Monica's or if you are moving to another location in 2019, we would like to thank you for your support and for the guidance that you have provided your child/children. We look forward to hearing from all our ex-students and families in the future and we hope that each of them will have gained a firm foundation for their education from St Monica's. We hope that many of you will come back to visit us and keep us up to date with your progress.

Farewell to the following families who are leaving St Monica's this year:

Abiodun, Acosta, Agrawal, Basha, Biasin, Bird, Bouassi, Bucur, Costea, Crowle, Dib, Grzelak, Halamkova, Herder-Beke, Hernandez, Hossack, Ishak, Kahlon, Khadi, Kneipp, Logo, Macorig, Noonan, Robin, Sadek (Veronica), Sharma, Shin and Smith (Isabella)

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at yesterday's Awards Ceremony.

Award	ES1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
CHRISTIAN LIVING	Alessia La Macchia	Ruby Elias	Eva Tran	Aimee Loof	Menuk Gunawardena	Alexander Azar	Ezekiel Logo
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	Amelia Corera	Zachary Dy	Ava Cong	Dominic Scurtu	Peter Talampas	Zachariah Kassis	Jonah Assaf
CONSISTENT EFFORT	Jaein Moon	Pare Nader	Barry (Bai Rui) Zhang	Sara Younes	Ruby Knight	Anthony Carslake	Jessica Stoker
MOST IMPROVED	Mia Fernandez	Cadence Metierre	Mia Henderson	Charlize Cooper Lola Sloane	Ruby Graham	Sophia Elias	Zac Michael
SCHOOL SPIRIT	Elijah Essey	Lydia Sun	Manuela Salib	Siria Mondinelli	Sanoy Bhattachan	Samira Hekeik	Raymond Khadi

Year 6 Mercy Award - Joshua North / Laeticia Hossack

City of Parramatta Active Citizenship Award - Trinity Bird



Reading Encouragement Awards

Aiden Forsyth (ES1)	Monica Salic (Year 3)
Ziyang Lin (Year 1)	Evan Michael (Year 4)
Olivia Hekeik (Year 2)	Jericho Crame (Year 5)

Servant Leadership (Buddy Reading—Stage 2)

Charlotte Sprincis, Lola Sloane, Simon Forsyth, Ashleigh North, Siria Mondinelli,
Sanoy Bhattachan, Aimee Loof, Samuel Nassif

Recognition in Sport Awards

Manraj Kahlon and Ezekiel Logo

Full Attendance Whole Year (as at Monday 17 December)

Congratulations to the following students who attended school every day this year!

Annabelle Boasiako, Amelia Corera, Madeleine David, Zachary Dy, Joel Heesen, Wyatt Heese, Thao (Theresa) Huynh, Summer Ierfino, Gene Kneipp, Manda Lu, Manson Lu, Chloe Luo, Amy Makko, Kenzh Munda Cruz, William Paterson, Aidan Pospischil, Charbel Sadek, Charles Sentas, Mia Siemsen, Madeline Smith, Elizabeth Toman.

Full Attendance Term 4 (as at Monday 17 December)

Congratulations to the following students who attended school every day during Term 4!

Chloe Abiodun, Sage Abiodun, Sienna Acosta, Jayden Albayeh, Jordan Basha, Pranvee Basu, Trinity Bird, Annabelle Boasiako, Olivia Cardomatis, Andrew Clark, Ryan Clark, Henry Corcoran, Amelia Corera, Ana Maria Costea, Madeleine David, Mathew Dretvic, Zachary Dy, Ruby Elias, Helen Elias, Mia Fernandes, Aiden Forsyth, Liam Forsyth, Simon Forsyth, Joel Heesen, Wyatt Heesen, Micaela Hernandez, Laetitia Hossack, Thao Theresa Huynh, Summer Ierfino, Jessica Ishak, Allegra Jammo, Jacob Kandalaft, Zachariah Kassis, Gene Kneipp, Manson Lu, Manda Lu, Chloe Luo, Michael Maffina, Jesse Maffina, Amy Makko, Siria Mondinelli, Giselle Mondinelli, Kenzh Xavier Munda Cruz, Markus Nabua, Nika Naeme, Ashleigh North, William Paterson, Aidan Pospischil, L'Lyse Puyat, John Sadek, Charbel Sadek, Emma Sadek, Monica Salic, Rafaella Santos, Reema Tiara Santos, Charles Sentas, Mia Siemsen, Atticus Sloane, Lola Sloane, Poppy Sloane, Madeline Smith, William Stewart, Olivia Szymanski, Deihl Peter Talampas, Elizabeth Toman, Sarah Vasanth, Amelia Wong, Theresa Wong, Sara Younes, Isabella Younes, Victoria Youssef

The Staff of St Monica's would like to wish you and your loved ones a joyous and peace-filled Christmas. May it be a time when the love which the Christ child brought into our world inspire us to give generously to others and to celebrate the most important things in life..... love, family, friends, hope, peace and joy. Please cherish the time you have with your family and join in the Parish celebrations over the Christmas Season.

Yours sincerely,

Louise O'Donnell
Principal



Congratulations Year Six



Important Dates for 2019

Tuesday 29 January	Staff Development Day Mathematical Assessment Interviews (2019 Students in Years 1-6)
Wednesday 30 January	Staff Development Day Mathematical Assessment Interviews (2019 Students in Years 1-6)
Thursday 31 January	School returns for Years 1– Year 6
Friday 1 February	Swimming Carnival Wentworthville Swim Centre
Monday 4 February	Kindergarten (ES1) commence school. Please join us for Morning Tea just after 9:00am so that we can welcome all the new families.
Wednesday 6 February	9:15am Welcome Mass Year 6 Leaders presented with their badges
Friday 15 February	Welcome Barbeque 6:00pm—7:30pm
Tues14, Wed 15 and Thurs 16 May	Naplan for Year 3 and Year 5 students
Tuesday 28 May	Biggest Morning Tea



A big thank you to **Mrs Mason** for coordinating and setting up for the awards Presentation.

The St Monica's staff appreciate all the hard work and preparation in the lead up to the day.

New Literacy Coordinator

Congratulations to **Miss Rosewell** who will be our Literacy Coordinator. She will bring her expertise to the position and her love of literature. Thank you to Miss Rosewell for her strong leadership as the Religious Education Coordinator.

Congratulations to **Mrs Wedesweiler** who will be the Acting Religious Education Coordinator during 2019.

Congratulations

Bragging Rights ex-students

Congratulations to the following ex-students on their achievements:

- **Jack Talty** (Dux Year 8 Oakhill)
- **Stephen Talampas** (Academic Distinction—St Patricks Dundas)

Well done to all of our ex-students!!

Christmas Gifts

THANK YOU

On behalf of St Monica's Staff we would like to say a big thank you to all the students and families who have so kindly passed on their Christmas wishes and generous gifts to us.

Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

2018

St Monica's Parish

CHRISTMAS EVE

Monday 24th December 6:00 pm (English)

Carols from 5:30pm

Monday 24th December 9:00 pm (中文)

MIDNIGHT MASS—12:00am (English)

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tuesday 25th December 9:00am (English)

Tuesday 25th December 11:30am (中文)

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Tuesday 1st January 2019 9:15am (English)

