



TERM 3, WEEK 9
Wednesday 18 September 2019

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

Term 4

Friday 22 November
Thursday 19 December
Friday 20 December

School Resumes
For Term 4
Monday 14 October

Students to return in
Summer Uniform

**St Monica's
Trivia Night**

*Saturday 21
September
6.30 pm*

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Thank you to all the parents that were able to attend the Project Based Learning Launch yesterday morning.

At their core, the projects presented were focused on teaching students important knowledge and skills, derived from outcomes and key concepts at the heart of a particular learning area, with English outcomes always at the centre of the project.



As I moved around the learning space yesterday and listened to a number of presentations I heard students express how they had to help and work cohesively to problem solve. Every student had to contribute to the project and they had to try and work out how to motivate their peers or be motivated by their peers to reach a common goal.

It was very evident that the students had been building competencies in critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, communication and creativity.

Collaboration has definitely changed the nature of how students learn at our school. The students actively seek each other out and share their expertise. In doing this, the students are sharing in the construction and ownership of knowledge in the learning space.



The opportunity for the students to receive parent feedback at the launch assists them in considering changes that will lead to a high quality product, and it also enables them to reflect upon what and how they are learning.



Yours sincerely,

Louise O'Donnell
Principal



Jump Rope for Heart Skip Off

Yesterday, 17th September marked the official end to our skipping this term. Besides fundraising over \$6 700 which is absolutely amazing, the children's skipping skills, co-operation and physical fitness has improved. Everyday this term there have been children skipping before school, at recess, lunch and at home. Our skip off started with a demonstration from our Stage 3 students and then we rotated through a variety of activities. We finished with another demonstration from Stage 3, however the finale with our grade champions competing against one another was the highlight of the day.



Well done to one and all for making the Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser such a successful one.

Our top 3 fundraisers, raising over \$500 each are Yashni, Calista & Allegra. A special commendation to Yashni who raised over \$1000 on her own!

Congratulations to our Stage Skipping Champions: Theo, Aidan, Sara, Alexis, Martin, Amelia, Sophia & Angela.

Huge Congratulations to Theo -
"2019 School Skipping Champion"



Pow Wow

Pow Wow is an informal playgroup for St Monica's parents with non-school aged children. Parents with children starting Kindergarten in 2020 are also welcome. Gold coin donation.

We have puzzles, games, books, craft, role-play toys etc for the kids to enjoy as well as the outside playground facilities. It is a good opportunity for the children to get to know each other and become familiar with the school and it's surroundings as well as an opportunity for parents to have a 'cuppa and a chat'!

When: Thursdays 9:00am - 10:00am

Where: St Monica's Community Room (COSHC)

THANKYOU

To all the parents who helped with our Sausage Sizzle on Friday 13 September those who helped with the cooking, setting up and making sure the children received their order. Thankyou! The children loved seeing you here!

Thank you to:

Amira & Warda Makko, Nick Talty, Naomi kayera, Sonia Sentas, Jennifer Kim, Ashleigh Nolan, Yu mi Lee, Jin Joo Lee, Jensmori Heathcote.

TRIVIA NIGHT-MAJOR FUNDRAISER

Every \$1 raised will go towards your child's learning here at St Monica's!

This Saturday 21st 6.30pm.

Get your friends together or come on your own! Lots of prizes.

Parra game will be shown on the big screen during the night!

\$20 per person & bring your gold coins.

Tiff Cooper on behalf of the Parent Involvement Committee



School Attendance

Our School Attendance Rate for **Term 3 Week 8** was **90.3%**.

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.

Below is the current breakdown of attendance for each grade.



Week 7—88.5%	
ES1	82.4%
Year 1	93.3%
Year 2	95.7%
Year 3	87.5%
Year 4	92.0%
Year 5	83.3%
Year 6	88.6%

Week 8—90.3%	
ES1	89.1%
Year 1	93.3%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	91.3%
Year 4	92.0%
Year 5	75.0%
Year 6	91.4%

Term 3 School Fees

Please note that school fees were due and payable on
Wednesday 28 August 2019.

Families who do not have an arrangement with the school and are yet to finalise their fees, are requested to contact Mrs Rebello in the school office immediately.

Families who are experiencing financial difficulties are requested to contact the school immediately so that a confidential appointment can be arranged with Miss O'Donnell or Mrs Rebello.

MERIT AWARDS

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



- Early Stage One: Naina Anandh, Isabella Andrade, Caleb Philip Caga-Anan, Jonathan Cong, Alexandra Corin, Keiralee Cosmai-Galvin, Ayanah Dsouza, Gabrielle David, Aryana Erskine
- Year One: Joshua Chandra, Elijah Essey, Liam Forsyth, Chloe Luo, Lana Salic, Victoria Youssef
- Year Two: Christopher Sadek, Pare Nader
- Stage 2: Annabelle Boasiako, Sara Younes, Bai Rui Zhang, Ava Cong, Olivia Nguyen
- Stage 3: Sakina Kunambi, Yi Lin, John Sadek, Sophia Elias, Manson Lu, Emma Sadek,

Bee Award Presentation

Our next award presentation will "Bee" Wednesday 25 September at 8.50am





LIBRARY TIMES: **Monday-Thursday: 8.30am - 8.50am**
(open to all classes)

Extra borrowing times:

Monday: YEAR 2 Recess

Tuesday: YEAR 1 Lunch

Wednesday: STAGE 2 & YEAR 5 Recess

Thursday: ES1 & YEAR 6 Lunch (storytime)

eLibrary

Please visit the ebook library as well - There are so many titles available to 'borrow' online

Login to Classm8 using the student login details and click on the 'eLibrary' link.

All login instructions are located on the ebook homepage.



The link for our eLibrary is: https://ceop.ent.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en_GB/1894/?

Direct links to the ebooks are provided below .

However the student ebook platforms are easily accessible for students via classm8.parra.catholic.edu.au - eLibrary - student login - Library - Student ebooks - ACEN Over-drive or CEDP Wheelers or see [Student Guide to Audio and eBooks](#)

Help Resources for Students and Staff



Visit our [Library Support Site](#) for

- [Guides and Videos](#)
- [Links to all CEDP school library sites](#)
- [archives of previous slides](#)
- and much more!

Check out this short video on the [new SORA app by Overdrive](#).



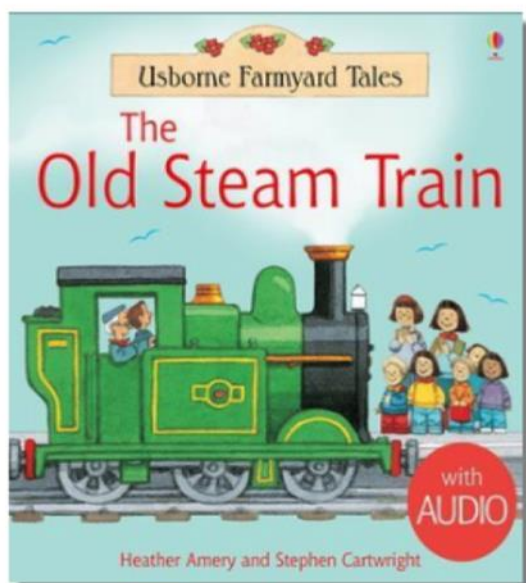
Our newest student ebook of the week can be found here:

<http://bit.ly/2miT990>

Student eBook Of The Week



Primary Schools
Sep 16 2019



<http://bit.ly/2miT990>

There's lots of cleaning up to do at the old train station today, but what's that puffing along the track? Young children will love finding out what happens in this charming read-along, specially written for new readers.

Read-along collection

Years K - 2

ACEN OverDrive
Audio & eBooks

- **Watercolour:** Draw & paint a picture.

- **Draw:** African animals. Meercat, giraffe & an elephant.

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children \$1000 Kingdom dollars to spend.

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Tennis Lessons are held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings



Tuesday 8:30am–9:00am
Thursday 8:00am–8:30am

Please ensure your child is on time for their lesson.

Tennis lessons \$40 per student, per term.

Please make payments directly to Mr Davidson.

If your child is enrolled in lessons, but will no longer be attending, kindly inform Mr Davidson so that he can amend the timetable.

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

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 tuition at school **\$24:50** (incl GST) per lesson.

Private Tuition at school **\$39 (incl GST)** and

Private Home Tuition **\$42 (incl GST)**

Individual tuition is also available.

Keyboard Classes!

Day: **Wednesday**

Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm

Location: The Community Room

Guitar Classes!

Day: **Thursday**

Time: 12:20pm—12:50pm

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!!

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>

Child Protection Requirements

*All Parent Volunteers / Helpers are required to complete the following CEDP 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.

Term 3 Important Dates

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

Week 9

Tuesday 17 September	9.00am-10:30am PBL Launch 11:10am-12:50 Jump Rope for Heart—Jump Off Day
Friday 20 September	Choir Arcare Visit
Saturday 21 September	Trivia Night

Week 10

Wednesday 25 September	7pm ES1 2020 Parent Meeting
Thursday 26 September	9:00am-10:00am Pow Wow
Friday 27 September	Term 3 ends at 3:00pm

Term 4

Week 1

Monday 14 October	School resumes for Term 4 Students return wearing Summer Uniform
Wednesday 16 October	League Tag Gala Day –Stage 2 & 3