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Term 3 Week 7 Tuesday 4th September, 2018





Thursday, September 6th | 9:15 - 10:45am

Venue: Holy Cross Multi Purpose Learning Centre

Everyone is welcome to attend, however, the tasks and activities will be aimed at Years 2-6

RSVP via TryBooking at https://www.trybooking.com/XSGC

PARENT WORKSHOP

HOLY CROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL

CREATE-A-THON 2018



Money raised from the Create-a-Thon will be used to purchase fantastic new literacy resources for our school. We thank you for your continued support towards improving the learning opportunities for our students.

Incentives for sponsorship money sent in by 9am Friday 21st September

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTAL OF CONFIRMATION

This week, many of our Year 6 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. They have been preparing for this over the last few weeks both at the parish and at home. Confirmation strengthens and seals the blessings of Baptism as well as calls on the Holy Spirit to empower and gift the candidate (person being Confirmed). Confirmation marks the final stage of initiation into the Catholic Church that began at Baptism and continued through Holy Communion. The Confirmation celebrations will be at 7:30pm on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th September at the Church.



FEAST DAY

On Wednesday 12th September, our school community will gather to celebrate the Feast of The Triumph of The Cross which we mark as our school feast day. Students from every grade will assist in leading the mass which will begin at 9:15 am in the Multi Purpose Learning Centre. We hope that many parents and grandparents will be able to join us on this most significant celebration.



Sponsorship cards for our Fundraiser Create-a-thon

The sponsorship cards for our major annual fundraiser went home last week. Please make sure that you continue to fill the sponsorship cards! If you did not receive a Sponsorship Card please contact the school office.



Please return the raffle booklets (sold or unsold) to the school by no later than 10th September. The raffle will be drawn on 27th October 2018.

Prizes are as follows:

1st Prize: Mazda2, 5 door Automatic, Registered

2nd Prize: \$2000 Cosmos Gift Card

3rd Prize: New iPhone X
4th Prize: New iPhone X
5th Prize: New iPhone X
6th Prize: Apple iPad mini
7th Prize: Cash Prize of \$500
8th Prize: \$500 Westfield Gift Card

9th Prize: Apple Watch

10th Prize: \$100 Event Cinemas Gift Card

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 5th September

Year 4 will attend the Parish Mass. Mass is at 10am.

Friday 7th September

Year 6 will be leading us in Friday Morning Prayer.

Wednesday 12th September

School Feast Day. Mass is at 9:15am.

Friday 14th September

Feast Day Skill-a-thon No Friday Morning Prayer

Monday 17th September

Student Led Conferences commence this week.

Wednesday 19th September

Year 2 will attend the Parish Mass. Mass is at 10am.

Friday 21st September

Year 1 will be leading us in Friday Morning Prayer.

Sponsorship money to be returned

Wednesday 26th September

Year 3 will attend the Parish Mass. Mass is at 10am.

Friday 28th September

K-2 Infants Sports Carnival Last day of Term 3 No Friday Morning Prayer due to Infants Sports Carnival

Monday 15th October

Staff and students return Term 4

FATHER'S DAY

Thank you to Kindergarten and Year 3 who lead a very special Father's Day liturgy on Friday. It was lovely to see so many fathers, and grandfathers join us in celebrating our Dads. Thank you to Mr Elmasri who spoke on behalf of the all the fathers in our community, sharing with us the joys of being a dad.

We hope that all our dads had a lovely Father's Day.

A Prayer for Our Fathers

May God bless and guide all fathers in their very special role as dads.

May it always be for them a joy and a privilege.

May they treasure their children from birth through to adulthood as unique precious gifts from God.

May they always love and forgive them, as God loves and forgives.

May they be quick to praise and slow to find fault.

And may they be wise in all their decisions.

May God reward them richly for all their fatherly love and care.

Amen.







ALTAR CLOTH

Throughout the year, students from different grades have been creating a collaborative artwork of a symbolic heart on our altar cloth. Thank you to our Year Six students (Sarah, Ava, Lara, Gayatri, Samuel, Sara, Bethany, Elisha M and Dylan S) who have been working on adding the next heart to our altar cloth.

The Symbolism for the blue Heart

Blue represents our Fathers in that it symbolises loyalty, strength, wisdom, confidence and trust. It is often associated with depth and stability. It is a calming colour that indicates safety and comfort. To us, blue reminds us of the sky and the sea. It is cool, calm, bright and refreshing.

When we think of the sky we think of our dads, the superheroes that fix things, that comfort us when we have a bad dream and helps us accomplish our real dreams. Dads help us reach for the sky. Dads help us fly! When we think of the sea we think of fun in the sun and holidays together, we think of dads that help us to swim and dads that teach us to surf. We think of memories of special times shared together.

The hearts are symbolic of the love that we receive from our Fathers and the love that we have in return. Each felted heart is different to show the different ways that our love for each other can be expressed. We are each a unique and special member of our family and each dad has a unique love to give and a unique story to tell.

The gold glitter symbolises the sparkle that our fathers bring to our lives. It represents the magical times we share when we play together. We love the fun times. We love how you spoil us and give us treats.

We thank our Fathers and other male role models that guide us. Thank you for teaching us. Thank you for loving us. Thank you for all the fun times we share.

Written by Sarah, Ava, Lara, Gayatri, Samuel, Sara, Bethany, Elisha M and Dylan



What's happening in Year 6

This term, Year 6 have been learning about connections and differences between Australia and Asia. We have been investigating the diversity in the geographical characteristics within the Asian region. Through Project Based Learning, Year 6 chose a country within Asia to become experts on and present their findings through a brochure at the Travel Expo.

Year 6 explored the cultural dress, music, food, religion, unique heritage places, sights to visit, cultural celebrations and traditions of their country and used this to entice travellers to visit that particular country for their next holiday.

Taj Pruyn- "I liked learning new information about different countries. We were able to understand some of the languages and cultures. I liked the chance to teach other people about the countries at the Travel Expo on Friday."

Sarah D'Cruz- "I liked that we interacted with the visitors and parents that came to our Travel Expo and that we informed them about our country. What I found interesting was that the teachers treated it like it was a real travel expo and that on Friday afternoon we got to experience what it would be like to go to the real thing."













Stage 3 Incursion

Last Thursday our Year 5 and 6 students were fortunate enough to listen to a guest speaker from Warner Youth Education, who spoke on behalf of Blacktown City Council's Graffiti Education program. The program challenges the thinking of students during a time in their life when they are experimenting, forming attitudes and beliefs and being influenced. Our students were thoroughly engaged in the presentation and walked away with many positive behaviours having been reinforced. They also spoke of a much better understanding of the influences young people face in their lives and how to deal with them.





Year 5 History Museum

On Friday 24th August Year 5 showcased their learning to parents as part of their 'History Museum'. Each team of students were responsible for becoming 'experts' in a particular event or person that was significant to the growth and development of Australia in the mid 1800's. Each team presented a range of different sources of information, including artefacts, interactive exhibits, videos, historical photos and more. Each team was then involved in rich discussions with our teachers and parents to highlight the significance of their chosen topic to Australia's history.







Year 4 Excursion to the Australian Museum

Year 4 had an amazing time at the Museum learning about the Aboriginal peoples ways of life. We saw many things and when we went back to school our heads were filled with lots of information. We went to the Museum to learn about Aboriginal culture and how they lived before European settlement. We needed to visit the Museum for our history project which is to make a documentary about the First Fleet and the impact this had to the Aboriginal people.

Year 4 had a great time at the Museum and these are some of the exhibits they enjoyed.

The mini class: In the Museum everyone went to a mini class where we found out:

- 1. That there were about 250-500 different Aboriginal tribes in Australia
- 2. We also saw an emu caller that made the sound of a female emu which was used by the Aboriginal people to entice the male emu's to leave the nest in search of the female emu. This gave the Aboriginal people time to take a few eggs from the nest.
- 3. We also got special paint on our faces/hands made from crushed up rocks. The Aboriginals put this paint all over their body and they use a different paint for their painting on the walls.

The Weapons Room:

In the weapons room there were different types of weapons like boomerangs, spears, shields and more. We looked at those things because we are learning about the Aboriginal culture. The weapons room also had lots of materials for Aboriginal people to use. In our history project we have to write about one weapon that they used and its purpose.

Dinosaur Exhibition:

The Dinosaur exhibition had different kinds of dinosaur eggs. It went in sizes the biggest to the smallest. We also saw some different types of bones of dinosaurs like the Tyrannosaurus. A bird is also classified as a dinosaur.

Rocks and Minerals:

After we finished we had time to see the Rocks and Minerals. We loved that area because we saw all our literacy group names which are:

Peridot, Onyx, Golden Topaz, Moonstone, Opal, Aquamarine and Zircon. We also saw Gold and more. We saw that Rocks and Minerals are used for medicine jewelry and more. We learnt that different rocks have different uses.

We all had a wonderful time at the Museum. We would like to thank Mr Moffatt, Mrs Moriarty and Mrs Harb for accompanying us!

By Grace, Isabel, Sophia and Anya









Year 1 Science & Technology Project Material World

On Thursday the 30th of August, we began our new Science and Technology unit 'Materials.' What better way to launch the project than with a party! We brought in food along with the recipe. The criteria being that we needed to use at least 3 or more ingredients/materials. We brought in iced biscuits, cakes, muffins, cupcakes, fruit salad and lots more.



Project Question:

How can we use our knowledge of materials to understand what we can do with them?















We shared how we made it, what materials we used and how we combined the materials in our recipe.

After we shared our recipes we ate our food! YUM











We will be examining ways everyday materials can be changed and combined for a purpose.

We will learn about the properties of materials and how this determines its use.

What do you know about materials? What are you curious about?

DIOCESAN ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Thursday 23rd August, Tanisha Kumar, Isabel Chapman, Sian Manio, Mya Scott, Christopher Abdelseed, Tony Justin, Jay Nelson, Oliver Phillips, Sophia Ettehad, Elisha Kumar, Christina Kiceec and Ava Pelaez proudly represented Blacktown Zone at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival.CONGRATULATIONS to all the children who competed throughout the day. The students demonstrated terrific sportsmanship and skill throughout the day.

Congratulations to Oliver Phillips, Tanisha Kumar, Ava Pelaez and Christina Kiceec who have qualified to represent the Parramatta Diocese at the NSWCPS MacKillop Track & Field Championships. It will be held held on Monday 24th September 2018 at Sydney Olympic Park, Athletics Centre, Homebush.

We wish them all the best on the day!



School Holidays Uniform Shop Operating Hours

The last day for the Uniform Shop is Wednesday 26th September 2.30 - 4.00pm. The Shop is re-open on Saturday 13th October 11.00am - 12.30pm. Normal trading hours for the uniform shop in Term 4 will be Wednesdays 2.30 - 4.00pm. **Saturdays will be by appointment only.**

Are you moving at the end of 2018

To assist with 2019 enrolments we would be grateful if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving Holy Cross at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6.

If your child is changing schools for 2019, please let us know. You are reminded that CEO policy is that families need to give the school one full terms notice in writing in these circumstances.

School Fees

Thank you to all the families who are in the process of finalising their 2018 School Fees.

If you are not on a formal arrangement plan, the due date for the 2018 School Fees for final payment was Wednesday 29th August 2018.

If you have not finalised your school fees account, could please arrange for the account be finalised by Friday 7th September 2018. If you would like to discuss your account, please contact the school office on 8664 7100.

Leon Sayan, Cameron Quiamas, Mischa Dissanayaka, Tahlia Nadwie Smith, Joseph Harb, Sophia Moriarty, Ellie Moriarty, Ava Christou, Alex Carter, Noah Howlin, Ellie Mortimer, Grace Dao, Elijah Lintag, Gabriella Nasr & Alana Withanage

Book Covering Thank You

Thank you to our parent helpers for covering our new reading resources.

Mr & Mrs Carceller, Mr & Mrs Chapman & Mrs Hunt.

Father's Day Stall Thank You

Thank you to the following parents for your help in assisting with the Father's Day Stall:

Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Layoun, Mrs Elmasri, Mrs Christou, Ms Mavin, Mrs Kumar, Mrs Ettehad, Mrs Suker & Mrs d'Cruz



Go to the <u>Events page</u> on the school website to see our upcoming events.

Click on Subscribe or iCal to add school events to your calendar.



1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING PARENT COURSE

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old

A three-session program for parents and carers at St Paul the Apostle Primary School 44 Buckley's Road, Winston Hills on Wednesdays 5th, 12th, 19th September 2018 at 9.30-11.30am.

Learn:

- √ To engage your children's cooperation by positively noticing and encouraging them
- √ To set clear expectations and help them develop frustration tolerance
- √To help children's brains to develop filters for behaving well
- √To resolve family conflict quietly
- √Some simple strategies to practise being a calm parent

Registration Fee?

\$10 to purchase the workbook.

Register for this course by completing the form below.

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PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

/ We would like to attend the 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Cours	e.
Number of adults attending:	
Name/s	
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Monday 1st October

Tuesday 2nd October SPRING CARNIVAL

Wednesday 3rd October INFLATABLE WORLD

Thursday 4th October BRAIN TRAIN AND RUN-

Friday 5th October GAMES 2 U

Closed Public Holiday



SPRING CARNIVAL

Jump into Spring and join us in on our spring carnival day. We will be doing fun group activities and carnival games from relay races to fun sports and art competitions.



Come an explore a fun day out at inflatable world Blacktown. There will be lots of jumping. climbing and exciting sliding. Let get wild!

Additional Authority Form Required.



Let's test your inquisitive and creativity. Activities will include: a group trivia, knockout chess competition, colour run and plenty more to come.



Games 2 U will be coming to us equipped to set up a virtual world of arcade games, laser tag and fun bubble soccer. Lunch will be provided.

Bring: lunch, morning tea, refillable water bottle, hat.

Cost: \$50 IN-CENTRE DAY

Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle, sunscreen, hat and enclosed shoes.

Cost: \$70 EXCURSION DAY

Bring: picnic rug, morning tea, hat, refillable water bottle.

Cost: \$50 IN-CENTRE DAY

Bring: Paint apron/shirt, morning tea, refillable water bottle and hat

Cost: \$55 INCURSION DAY



Spring Vacation Care 2018 Program WEEK 2 — Holy Cross

Monday 8th October SILENT DISCO



Girls and Boys lets groove to the beat and stomp our feet! We will be hosting a silent disco equipped with headphones, a blazing smoke machine and funky laser lights.

Bring: Morning tea, lunch, sunscreen, hat, refillable water battle, enclosed shoes. Cost: \$55 INCURSION DAY

Tuesday 9th October SUPER SCIENCE DAY



Unlock your inner WizKid and discover the joys that science can bring! From decorating your own science goggles to fun experiments of fluffy slime and kinetic sand.

Lunch is provided.

Bring: moming tea, refillable water bottle, hat, enclosed

Cost \$50 IN-CENTRE DAY

Wednesday 10th October BARNWELL FOOT GOLF



Are you the next Ronaldo? Or maybe the next Adam Scott? Come and join us at FOOT-GOLF in Barnell park! Combining both soccer and golf into one fun and skilful game. Additional Authority Form Re-

Bring: Moming tea, lunch, refilable water bottle, hat.

Cost: \$70 EXCURSION DAY

Thursday 11th October DYNAMIC DISCOVERY DAY



Discover the lost treasures of the earth! From ancient dinosaur fossils to sunken pirate ships, we will investigate how these worldly phenomenon's came to be!

Bring: Morning tea, lunch, hat, refillable water bottle.

Cost: \$50 IN-CENTRE DAY

Friday 12th October CHARACTER DAY



Come dressed as your favourite fictional character and help bring them to life! Activities will include a construct-abook competition, modelling catwalks, face painting and much more! Lunch provid-

Bring: Morning tea, hat, refillable water bottle. Gost: \$50 IN-CENTRE DAY

Children must wear sun-safe clothing with sleeves & collar, enclosed sports shoes & socks & a sun-safe hat (legionnaire or bucket hat with wide brim) for all outdoor play and excursions. COSHC will supply breakfast and afternoon tea each day. COSHC is an allergy aware space—please do not bring nuts or eggs. Children will not be able to purchase food while off site.



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – HOLY CROSS GLENWOOD

This form is an Expression of Interest for Catholic Out of School Hours Care (COSHC) at Holy Cross, Glenwood. Completion of this Expression of Interest will place your children onto a Waiting List for positions at COSHC. Positions for 2019 and beyond will be offered following the Priority of Access guidelines and will be processed in order that the Expressions of Interest forms are received.

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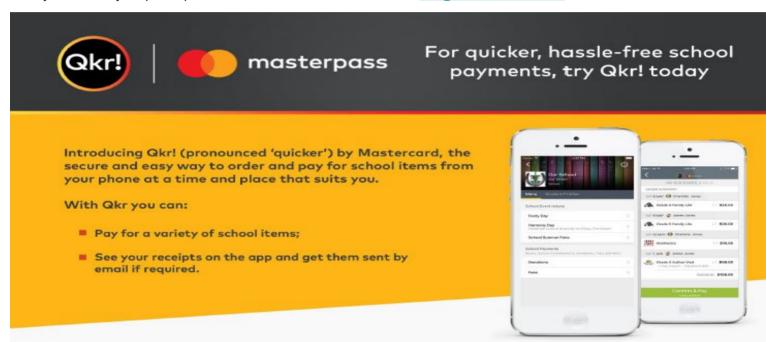
Uniform Shop QKR App

Holy Coss Uniform Shop is now also online via the QKR app. Please follow all instructions on the flyer below to download the QKR app and set up your account.

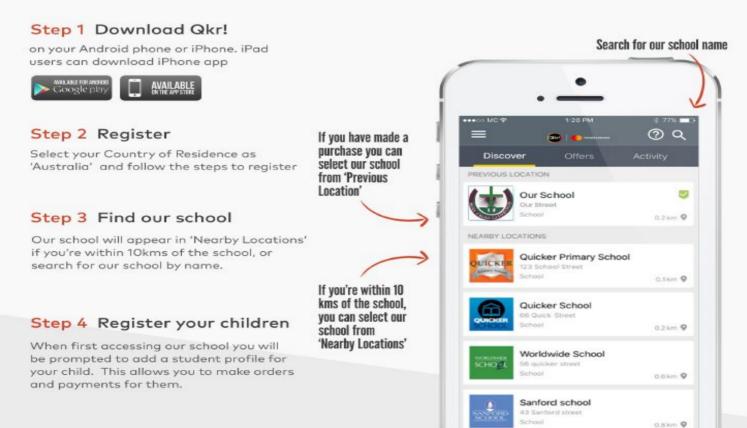
Delivery to the school will be every Wednesday afternoon during the school term free of charge and orders must be placed by 12.00pm Wednesday for delivery that afternoon.

Please choose carefully as we do not refund if you simply change your mind or make a wrong selection, however, we gladly exchange. Returned merchandise MUST be in its original condition with all tags still attached and accompanied by proof of purchase otherwise the exchange will not be honoured. Any item that has been worn will not be able to be exchanged. Please email all swaps to elle@ozfashions.com.au

If you have any enquiries please contact Elle on 0421 216 414 or elle@ozfashions.com.au



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

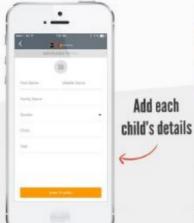




Add your children's details in Student Profiles









Manage each child's details in Student Profiles

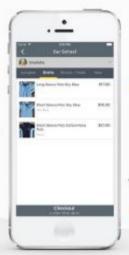
Purchase school items

Select a menu from our school









Select your items

Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and pay

Making payments



Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted by the school.

Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.