



Mt St John's Primary

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Weekly News

Wednesday 11th September 2019

Term 3 Week 8

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Dear Parents,

Our thoughts and prayers are with all those affected by fires around Dorrigo. We have had many families impacted by these fires. We have also heard many stories of family members from within our community working tirelessly to assist with managing the fires. We send our thanks to the brave firefighters who are protecting our community. We pray that they stay safe and we pray for much needed rain. We also acknowledge and thank those who are volunteering to feed, clothe and support people in the evacuation centres.

As you would know, today we have cancelled our Street Stall. Our baked goods have gone directly to the volunteers. Our thanks go to those who were able to bake for this good cause. We were once again impressed by the huge amount of baked goods donated by families. We have also been overwhelmed by some very generous donations of money. Today we received \$177 in donations, which we will send to Vinnies for them to pass on directly to those in need. If you are in need of assistance, contact Chris Morrison from Vinnies on 0472 718862.

This week, the staff at the school have been talking regularly to the students and parents who have been impacted by the fires. I ask that you keep us informed of your situation so that we are well placed to support the children at school.

Next week, our Parent Assembly representatives have organised a shared cooking experience for families. **'Dining with Dina'** will take place on Friday 20th September at 6pm. There is no cost

associated with this evening. Today we will send home a note to allow families to book. We are currently booked to use the Showground Pavilion, however if it is still an evacuation centre, we will make alternative arrangements. Please come and join us to learn how to cook Italian food and to catch up with other families from within our school.

Regards,

Nathan Trezise,

Principal

COMING EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER	
Wed 11 th	P&F Cooking Drive for firefighters & evacuees
Thurs 12 th	Preschool students visiting MSJ, 9:30-11am
Fri 13 th	<i>Year 5 Prayer Assembly, 2:45pm</i>
Tues 17 th	<i>Breakfast club from 8:30am</i>
Fri 20 th	<i>Year 3/4 Prayer Assembly, 2:45pm</i> Dining with Dina parent education cooking session, 6pm
Tues 24 th	<i>Breakfast club from 8:30am</i> <i>CAPA Assembly, 2:30pm</i> P&F Meeting, 5:15pm
Fri 27 th	Pupil-free Staff Development Day

Have you talked to your children about the great things they're doing at school? Go on, ask them!

OUR CORE VALUES

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

INTEGRITY

SERVICE

COMPASSION

COOPERATION

ENTHUSIASM

WEEKLY AWARDS

Awards at last Friday's assembly went to: Eden Gibson for her outstanding effort in writing this week and for her beautiful handwriting.

Hamish Molina for providing helpful and interesting comments during our class discussions during Religion.

Ivy Mila for finishing a very interesting and detailed procedure on "How to Wash a Llama". Great work, Ivy!

Harry Colley for being encouraging to others through your kind words.

Tully Gibson for creating an engaging and descriptive interview script from the point of view of The Big Bad Wolf.

Brydi Fittock for a detailed timeline representing the history of the Catholic Church in Australia.

Jed Capps for his honesty at canteen during lunch.

Charlotte Wright for a consistent effort in English writing and planning complex poetry.

CANTEEN: Thank you to this week's canteen volunteers, who are Tianaha Willson-Baker & Kelsey Meehan, and our muffin-baker, Julie Miller. The Term 3 canteen roster is below.

Please send your lunch wallets in to school and we will keep them here.

Term 3 2019 Canteen Roster			Muffin baking (One dozen LARGE muffins)
Wk 8	13 th Sept	Tianaha Willson-Baker & Kelsey Meehan	Julie Miller
Wk 9	20 th Sept	Anna Guest & Alicia Miller	Alex Fraser
Wk 10	27 th Sept	PUPIL-FREE DAY – no canteen	

If you are unable to do your rostered day, please organise to swap with another volunteer.

In case of emergency, please call Alicia Miller on 0488 280683.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

NOW OPEN: If your child will be starting Kindergarten next year, please contact the school on 6657 2552 for an Application for Enrolment form and to book your enrolment interview. Later this term, once enrolment interviews are completed, we will send out information about our Kindergarten Orientation.

SCHOOL FEES: Term 3 fees are now due, unless you are paying by regular direct deposit amounts.

Several payment methods are available; cash, cheque, regular direct deposit payments or lump sum direct deposit.

Term 3 school fees:

1 student - \$265.50

2 students - \$464.50

3 or more students - \$\$597.25

When using Internet banking, please use your child's surname as a reference.

For internet banking payments, the school's bank account details are:

Bank name: Banancoast Community Credit Union

BSB no. 533-000 Account no. 76986

(if paying from a BCU account, please specify our S10 account)

DINING WITH DINA: The P&F Association has been given a grant by the Parent Assembly to fund a parenting education event. We will be hosting a "Dining with Dina" cooking session at 6pm on Friday 20th September at the Dorrigo Showground luncheon pavilion. Dina will be running a hands-on cooking school for parents and friends (we will be preparing healthy and delicious Italian-style pasta).

BUS TRAVEL: To apply for free school bus travel, go to www.transportsw.info/school-students and complete the online application.

PARISH MASSES: Sunday Mass – 10:00am. All are welcome.

ABSENCE SMS: If a student is absent from school and we haven't already been informed of the reason, an automated text message will be sent to a parent or guardian. When you reply to this text it automatically saves to the roll. Or you can notify the school by any of the methods below:

1. By phone
2. By email to dorp@lism.catholic.edu.au
3. By written note.

We must, by law, have a reason provided for all absences. Please don't ignore the SMS if one is sent to you - respond to the SMS as soon as possible.

KIDS' THEATRE: Kids' Theatre is held on Thursdays at 3:45pm at the Dorrigo Gazette Theatre. All ages welcome - we are doing Aladdin. Phone Dina for more info on 66572243.

GLUE: "God Loves Us Eternally" (formerly GFS) is on each Wednesday during term time at 3-5pm at the Anglican Hall. Afternoon tea,

games, fun worship and craft. All primary kids welcome, as are newcomers. For more info, ring Gwenneth on 6657 2135.



Take the time.
19 Sept 2019

We invite children of all ages to come and celebrate Reading Hour at one of our Bellingen Shire Libraries. Bring along what you're currently reading or find something new in the library. There are so many wonderful books waiting to be discovered. You can also make your own bookmark to take home after the event!

Bellingen, Dorrigo and Urunga
Thursday 19 September

Australian Reading Hour
READINGHOUR.ORG.AU

Bellingen Shire COUNCIL
clarenc regional LIBRARY



BECOME A NIPPER!!

Urunga Junior Surf Club is about to kick off the 2019/2020 Nippers season.

Nippers is a junior program that introduces children aged 5 to 13 to surf lifesaving.

Nippers is a great way for children to make friends, be active and enjoy the beach in a safe environment.

Sunday 22nd September: Registration and Pool Proficiency (U8-U14 only) - Sawtell Pool, 10am-12noon
Second pool proficiency TBA if needed

Sunday 13th October: First day of Nippers
Registration (all ages), Open Day
Urunga Surf Club, Hungry Head
9am-11am

New Nippers will need to bring a Birth Certificate along to registration days.

If you have any queries regarding Urunga Nippers, please contact our Registrar,
Lou on 0437 170 738
or visit our website: www.urungasisc.com.au

We are registered for the NSW Government
\$100 Active Kids Program
Use your second voucher to reduce costs!



Parents & Carers, stay tuned for your invitation to our 'Information Day'!

Dorrigo Youth Space Experience Day

Cooking - Morning tea - Deep Speak - Jenga - Cloak of Hopes & Dreams

**930AM-1130AM
WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER
DORRIGO YOUTH CENTRE
HICKORY STREET**

proudly brought to you by Dorrigo Youth Centre and Bellingen Neighbourhood Centre Inc.



We are honoured to be on the ancestral lands of the Gumbaynggirr people. We acknowledge the First Australians as the traditional custodians of the continent, whose cultures are among the oldest living cultures in human history. We pay respect to the Elders of the community and extend our recognition to their descendants who are present.