

NEWSLETTER



3rd April 2018 Term 1 Week 10

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Growth through love and learning

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back from the Easter weekend break. It was different this year with Easter standing alone without the school holidays incorporated. It meant that our focus was more about the reason for Easter. The fact that we remember and make a connection with our faith.

On Sunday we celebrated Jesus rising from the dead. It was a special time for me as I recall my Pilgrimage in November 2015. With a group of fellow principals, we journeyed through the Holy land, retracing the footsteps of Jesus.



We walked the road that the people of Jerusalem welcomed Jesus on Palm Sunday.

We prayed the Garden of Gethsemane, we walked the journey Jesus took carrying the cross and we even celebrated Mass next to the tomb where Jesus was buried.



Easter is a when we remember, forgive, move on and strive to be a better person. Easter is a time the world needs.

With the spirit of Easter may we all remember to be caring, loving, forgiving and compassionate with each other.



Mr Mark Geerligs
Principal



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish
Father Carlos Walker & Father Sean Bradley

Presbytery Contact Ph: 02 4782 2804

Fax: 02 4782 6090

Website: marymackilloppupperbluemountains.org.au

Mass Times

Friday: Katoomba 12 noon Mass

Saturday: Katoomba 9.30 am Mass **Saturday Vigil:** Leura 5pm Mass

Sunday: Wentworth Falls 8am Katoomba 10am Leura 5pm

Rosary: Monday Katoomba 8.30 am, Tuesday Leura 4.45pm,
Wednesday Wentworth Falls 9.30 am, Friday Katoomba 11.30 am.
Saturday Katoomba 9 am.

Enrolling Now for 2019

Katoomba Live and Local

Katoomba Live and Local is a Blue Mountains City council-led, community collaborated, multi-venue music festival on Saturday 7th April 2018, from 2pm to 8pm.

Students from the St Canice's Choir and String Ensemble will be performing at 2:45pm downstairs in the Civic Courtyard out the front of Platform Gallery Shop.

Students participating are required to meet Ms Frazer and Mr Rooke at 2pm to ensure instruments are tuned.

Students are to wear full school uniform.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance Family Liason Officer

Miss Elizabeth has been appointed the 2018 Attendance Family Liason officer (AFLO).

Miss Elizabeth's role will involve working in conjunction with the Principal, Teachers and School Counsellor to maintain contact and provide support and understanding to families in our School community.

ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day is during the school holidays. Details will be sent home next week with regard to our involvement.



SAS Volunteers

St Canice's has the honour of creating the 2018 artistic installation on the ceiling of the Scenic World Cafe.

We are looking for volunteers to help create our Sculptural Piece.

This will involve cutting, stapling and attaching our leaves to the netting.

If you are available Wednesday's throughout Term 1, please meet us in the Library at 8:40am.

We would appreciate as many volunteers as possible, so if there is another day that you could volunteer your time, please contact the Office.



A Message from Miss Elizabeth

Missing School = Missing Out

Early Primary Children learn new sounds and words every day. These are important building blocks upon which all future learning is built. Help your children achieve their best by getting them to school on time every day.

Miss Elizabeth.

Notice Period for Leaving Students

In line with the Catholic Education Office Policy, a Term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment, that is, the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived. Special circumstances that would warrant 6 weeks notice include moving due to employment transfer or sale of house.

Mrs Friend's Friendly Preschool Reading Group.

Preschoolers and parents are welcome to join Mrs Friend's Friendly Preschool Reading Group in the lower part of the library every Tuesday morning for a fun story reading session from 8:40-9:00

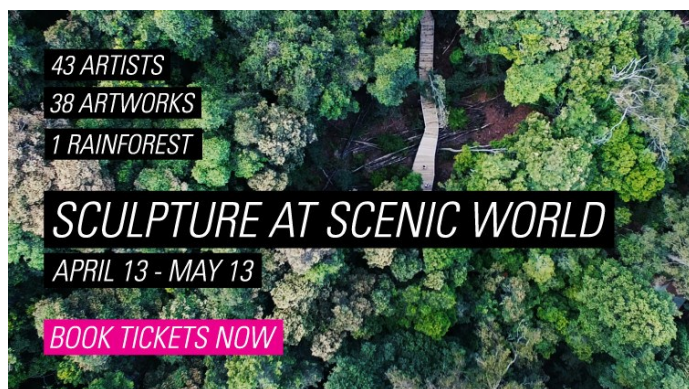


Birthday Wishes for April

Congratulations to staff and students who will celebrate birthdays during April.



Leo Trad, Christopher Mizzi, Tim Clines, Arren Shaw, Izabella Harrison-Chambers, Isabella Crye, Taylor Harris-Jones, Meenatchi Selvarasa, Julian Brischetto



Sculpture at Scenic World

Sculpture at Scenic World officially opens Friday 13th April. Each year exhibiting artists continue to surprise and inspire with their vision, transforming the rainforest into a stunning outdoor gallery for everyone to enjoy.

St Canice's has the honour of creating the 2018 artistic installation on the ceiling of the Scenic World Cafe.

Tickets available at www.scenicworld.com.au

Access to Newsletter and Calendar

To find up to date information and gain access to the St Canice's Calendar and Newsletter, please subscribe via our school website at <http://www.stcaniceskatoomba.catholic.edu.au> Select "Current Community" and then click Newsletter this will enable you to enter your email address for your subscription to the Newsletter, latest news, Calendar etc.

Information can also be found through the skoolbag app and our facebook page.

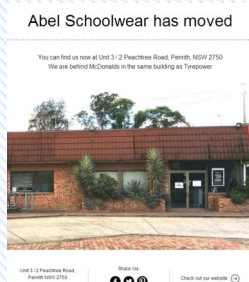
Online Uniform Ordering Information

Abel Schoolwear are the Uniform providers for St Canice's Primary. Uniforms may be purchased at any time throughout the year by visiting their secure webstore as set out below

1. Go to www.abelschoolwearshop.com
2. Select "Shop" from the menu page
3. Select St Canice's Primary School
4. Start shopping.

Goods will be delivered directly to your home. Abel Schoolwear is now located at Unit 3 / 2 Peachtree Road, Penrith.

Phone 4731 2388
Fax 02 4731 2263
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NSW 2750



Fundraising Raffle

If you would like to help raise funds for World Youth Day 2019?

Raffle booklets of 10 tickets are available from the Office at a cost of \$20

Individual tickets are also available for \$2 each and can be purchased at the Office.

The raffle will be drawn on 27th October 2018

FUNDRAISING RAFFLE FOR WYD 2019

TICKETS \$2 ea

DRAWN at LIFTED LIVE on 27th October 2018

1st Prize: Mazda2, 5 Door Automatic, Registered
Supplied by Penrith Mazda (02) 4732 2777

2nd Prize: COSMOS, \$2000 Gift Card
Donated by Cosmos - can be used on any Cosmos coach tour for travel in 2019. This value prize cannot be used towards any WYD 2019 pilgrimage. The value cannot be transferred to cash

3rd Prize: New iPhone X
4th Prize: New iPhone X
5th Prize: New iPhone X
Donated by Secure Agility

6th Prize: Apple iPad Mini
Donated by Campton College Australia

7th Prize: Cash Prize of \$500
Donated by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

8th Prize: \$500 Westfield Gift Card
Donated by Automated Control Solutions

9th Prize: Apple Watch
Donated by Catholic Church Insurance

10th Prize: \$100 Event Cinemas Gift Card
Donated by The Catholic Foundation

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For tickets and further information please contact
Michael Mendieta: MMendieta@parra.catholic.org.au

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Canice The Humpback Whale

Canice has been sighted again by whale watchers in Mexico in February. The area where Canice was seen is known as Banderas Bay, which is an important reproductive habitat for humpback whales. Remember we need to keep our waterways clean and pure for these magnificent creatures to survive.



St Canice's New Phone Number

St Canice's Primary School has a new digital phone number

The number **4780 6800**, is now replacing 4782 1260. A redirection will be in place for 6 months to allow time for our community to update and familiarise.



School Calendar

March

Week 10

Tuesday	3rd	Easter Sunday Prayer Room Student Banking Kinder Sport Writers Club S2 & S3	1:20pm
Wednesday	4th	Volunteer Creating SAS Installation in Library Stage 3 Sport	8:40am
Thursday	5th	Music Italian	
Friday	6th	Gold Award Assembly led by Kindergarten Mass S3M Stage 2 Sport My School Lunch Box Ensemble	8:50am 12noon 3pm
Saturday	7th	Katoomba Live and Local	2pm—8pm

Monday	9th	Stage 1 Sport My School Lunch Box	
Tuesday	10th	Kinder Sport Student Banking Writers Club S2 & S3	1:20pm
Wednesday	11th	Volunteer Creating SAS Installation Stage 3 Sport	8:40am
Thursday	12th	Music Italian	
Friday	13th	Assembly School Leaders Mass Stage Two Stage 2 Sport My School Lunch Box No Ensemble	

Our School Bell Times

8.40am School Begins

10.40 Recess

1.10 Lunch

2.50 End of Day

My School Lunch Box

The My School Lunch Box supplies healthy and fresh lunches delivered to our school on Mondays and Fridays. Simply browse the menu on the website and select the food and drinks required. Enter the school, child, class and day. Payment can be made via credit card or PayPal.
myschoollunchbox.com.au

KOOSH

Katoomba Out of School Hours operates at
10 Station Street Katoomba .
Phone 4782 2533 or
0478 166 352



Last day of Term 1 is Friday 13th April

There will be **NO ENSEMBLE** on this day



Term 2

Monday 30th April will be a pupil free day.

Tuesday 1st May All STUDENTS

Subscribe to the Parent Calendar and Newsletter

What's On in Our Community



Come and party with the stars of ABC KIDS **Lah-Lah's Big Live Band** as they celebrate their 10th birthday at Blue Mountains Theatre .

All tickets \$26.50

Children under 12 months are free

Monday 16 April, 10am

Tickets can be purchased in person at the Box Office, phone 4723 5050 or online <http://bluemountainstheatreandhub.com.au>



SCHOOL HOLIDAY FLIX FOR \$7!

Fun, heart-warming and positive Kids Flix to keep everyone happy these holidays.



Tuesday April 17 11am	Thursday April 19 11am	Tuesday April 24 11am	Thursday April 26 11am

Fresh popcorn available too! Bookings 4723 5050 or bluemountainstheatre.com
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Katoomba Live and Local

Festival Map

List of Venues

- 1 Baroque Room
- 2 Auntie Jacks
- 3 Big Beet
- 4 Platform Gallery
- 5 Civic Courtyard
- 6 Downstairs Civic Courtyard
- 7 Junction 142
- 8 Radio BM BBQ
- 9 Rex-Livingston Gallery
- 10 GalleryOne88
- 11 The Hatters Cafe
- 12 Elephant Boon
- 13 The Food Co-op

Katoomba Live and Local is a Council-led community collaboration and the first of its kind for the Blue Mountains, featuring 50 local musicians plus large community choirs and ensembles.

The festival is a celebration of inclusion and a wide section of the community is represented in our line-up. It reflects equal gender, various cultures and is also intergenerational. The event will showcase highly accomplished musicians alongside emerging talent. The program includes 12 venues, centred around Katoomba City Centre Arcade. We've also teamed up with unconventional live music venues, including cafes and galleries.

"We realise we would need at least 5 festivals at this scale, to capture the full extent of our brilliant local musical! We hope you can enjoy some treats from the venues who are supporting our free festival and splash some coin across the day."

Mag Benson of Music Hunter
Event Organiser, Curator and Co-Publisher

katoombaliveandlocal.com.au

Katoomba LIVE AND LOCAL

Festival Program lift-out
Saturday 7 April 2-8pm

A FREE Multi-Venue Micro Festival in the Katoomba CBD

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3RD Scarecrow Competition!

Part of the Leura Harvest Festival

Sunday 6th May 2018

Get creative and make a

SUPER COOL SCARECROW

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Free Entry—Great Prizes

Entries to be exhibited at Birches of Leura Nursery (Leura Car park)

For entry details see Festival Website:
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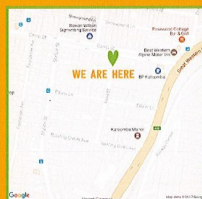
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CARE PROVIDED FOR 0-6 YRS**

KIDZPLAY


Fridays 9.30-11.30am
St Hilda's Church Hall, Katoomba

For children 0-5 years & their parents/carers babies, toddlers & preschoolers are all welcome

Come and have fun! We have a jumping castle, slippery dip, exciting Bible story time and craft. Morning tea is provided for kids & adults.

Regular cooking mornings where the young children themselves do the cooking!
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\$5 per child per week
Any enquiries? Call Robyn ph. 0438401088



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An after school club for children in school years K-6
Fridays after school 3:30 - 5:30pm
St Hilda's Church Hall Katoomba

\$5 donation each week helps cover costs of food and craft
Any enquiries? Contact Robyn 0438 401 088

School Zones

A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 1 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.

School zones operate on all gazetted schools days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

Bishop Office

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Lecture Series

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) has engaged Dr Laurie Woods to present on the Gospel of Mark. Venue: IFM, Marion St, Blacktown. Time: 10 am - 2pm. Dates: Friday April 13. All are welcome. BYO lunch. RSVPs to Maree 02 9890 4731

Positions Vacant

- Risk Officer - Chancery Office, Parramatta

- Interviewer - Tribunal Office, Parramatta

More details at: www.parracatholic.org/employment

- Credo Youth Group Coordinator - St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

For further information, please visit www.stpatscathedral.com.au

Divine Mercy at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kellyville: 8 April

Procession with the Blessed Sacrament at 1pm, Confessions from 1pm until 3pm; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Divine Mercy Novena; Divine Mercy Chaplet; Benediction; Mass at 3pm. For more information contact Steve Boland on 0405 206 695 or 02 9629 2595. Address: 8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville.

Discussion on Asylum Seekers and Refugees: 16 April

The Social Justice Commission of Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair invites you to a Table Talk: WALKING WITH REFUGEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING PROTECTION. Monday 16 April from 7.30pm-9pm at Holy Spirit Church (5 Todd Row, St Clair). RSVP to Jacinta before Tuesday 10 April via admin@holyspiritstclair.com.au or 02 9670 8222.

NSW Pastoral Conference: 1 May

NSW Pastoral Conference: Forming Missionary Disciples - Join with pastoral council members, parish clergy, staff and volunteers across NSW to explore strategies for forming missionary disciples. How do we renew our baptismal call and enable our gifts in parish and school life? Tuesday 1 May, Lidcombe, cost \$65. Find out more: www.tinyurl.com/disciples2018 or contact Tanya Quinn: 02 8838 3441 or tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org

The Permanent Diaconate: 6 May

The discernment program for those who are interested in finding out more about this Vocation will be held at St John 23rd Parish, 160 Perfection Avenue, Stanhope Gardens 2768. Come and learn more about vocations to the Diaconate and have a chat with our team members. We are looking for men aged between 35 to 55 and residing in the Diocese of Parramatta. Our discernment program consists of five sessions, with each session dealing with different aspects of the Diaconate. The meetings will commence at 3.00pm until 6.00pm followed by the Parish Mass and Fellowship. The 2018 dates on Sundays: 8 July, 9 September, 4 November. For further information visit www.parracatholic.org/permanent-diaconate or please contact any of the following deacons: Deacon James – 0425 213 832, Deacon Tan – 0407 270 782, Deacon George – 0408 440 769

Plenary Council 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. All people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" Find out more at: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

PROCLAIM 2018: National Conference on Parish Renewal and Evangelisation 12 – 14 July 2018

The Archdiocese of Brisbane, in collaboration with the ACBC's National Centre for Evangelisation, will host PROCLAIM 2018. This national conference will engage parishes and faith communities in a conversation focusing on five key areas: Leadership, Culture Change, Young People, Belonging and Evangelisation.

During the conference participants can attend keynote presentations, expert panel sessions and discussions facilitated by leaders with 'on the ground' experience. Ideally, this will help those participants to contribute to the formulation of some practical strategies to assist your parish or faith community's own goals in the areas of renewal and evangelisation. Keynote speakers include Cardinal John Dew (Archdiocese of Wellington, New Zealand), Ron Huntley (Divine Renovation – Canada), Ms Lana Turvey-Collins (Plenary Council 2020 Facilitator), Mons Enrique Fiquaredo SJ (Cambodia) and host of PROCLAIM 2018 Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Archdiocese of Brisbane). To find out more visit www.proclaimconference.com.au and register at our early bird rate.

JS Bach's St Matthew Passion: 8 April

Operantics presents JS Bach's ST MATTHEW PASSION. 8 April at 2:30pm. St Stephen's Uniting Church (197 Macquarie St, Sydney) More information & tickets: www.operantics.com.au/st-matthew-passion.html (Cash sales available at the door, book in advance to avoid disappointment!)

Healing After Abortion Retreat: 13 - 15 April

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Sydney offers regular healing retreats for those who have experienced an abortion. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. Information and a brochure can found at: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au or call us on our confidential voicemail number 0400 092 555 or email info@rachelsvineyard.org.au.

Easter Reflections and Prayer: 14 April

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for a day of Easter Reflections and Prayer on Saturday, 14 April at 2:30pm. Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula by 1st June, e-mail: vocationscsfn@gmail.com mob: 0449 656 406

Australian Catholic Historical Society Lecture: 15 April

Mr Stephen Crittenden, Ms Maha Melhem, Ms Anna Tydd, - The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Admission is free and open to all. Visit the ACHS web-site www.australiancatholichistoricalsociety.com.au for more information.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: 27-29 April

A marriage enrichment experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! Date: 27–29 April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

Marist Sisters College Woolwich Annual Reunion: 6 May

Annual Reunion Day for Marist Sisters College Woolwich will be held 6 May at the College, 66 Woolwich Road Woolwich, with Mass at 11am in the School Chapel, followed by luncheon in the School Hall. It will be the 50th anniversary for those who left school in 1968 either in Year 10 or Year 12. For more information please contact MSCW Ex-Students Association, PO Box 96 Hunters Hill NSW 2110, email: MSCWexstudents@gmail.com, or FaceBook: MSCW Ex-Students' Association. OR call Julie Biber McLeay 0414 689 462 or Louise Shapter Hy-mas 0403 779 155. RSVP by 15 April.

Healing after Abortion: 12 May

Rachel's Vineyard, Sydney is hosting a workshop with Jessica Lockhart, author of The Woman at the Tomb, Abortion and Redemption, and Rachel's Vineyard Retreat ministry to hear about spiritual and emotional healing after an abortion. All welcome - priests, pastoral carers, parish teams, professional health practitioners and those suffering post abortion stress in their own life. Saturday May 12, 10am - 3.30pm at Good Samaritan Centre, 2 Avenue Rd. Glebe. Free. Limited numbers, RSVP essential for catering - info@rachelsvineyard.org.au or 0400 092 555. Details: rachelsvineyard.org.au

For more events please go to: <http://parracatholic.org/events/>