

NEWSLETTER



25th September 2018 Term 3 Week 10

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St Canice's Catholic Primary School
Katoomba 2014

Growth through love and learning

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**As of Term 4 ,
Newsletters will be
distributed even
weeks on a Tuesday**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the last week of Term 3. The week finishes this Friday 28th September. School resumes for students on Tuesday 16th October. I wish everyone a safe and happy Term 3 break.

A school is a place for learning. That is so true for everyone, both children and adults. When we go to church, it also is a time for learning. The readings and the associated homily helps us to learn more about our world and what we need to do. Yesterday's Gospel was from Mark 9: 30-37. This is one of the occasions when Jesus not only acknowledges children but highlights their supreme importance in our lives. What I learnt yesterday was that in ancient times children were precious to their parents, but they had no social or civic status whatsoever. Until a child becomes an adult, they were nobodies. Jesus challenged his apostles to be counter-cultural. **"He took a small child, set him in front of them (the apostles), put arms around him and said to them, "Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me".** Jesus is saying to us all that everyone is important. Everyone needs to be treated equally. Everyone is special in the eyes of our Lord.

Our students here at St Canice's are special and unique. They all contribute to make this school a great place to be. A small and caring Catholic community where we all look to grow in our love and learning.

Over the past few days, there have been a number of occasions where that special light of being a St Canice's student has come shining through. Congratulations to Roam Hunter who was our representative at the recent Voice of Youth Western Regional Final. I take from that day not only Roam's wonderfully presented speech, but the honest, positive and heartfelt feedback I heard from the Stage 3 students from our school. It was a very proud day for St Canice's.

Mr Mark Geerligs
Principal



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

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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.

Swamp Fest Success

The stage 2 sang, performed, read, danced and spoke about the work they have been doing all term. It was great to see how the students really showed the passion of being a member of the Upper Blue Mountains community and the responsibilities that go with that honour.

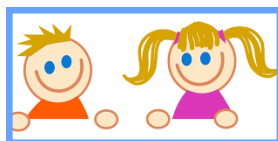
A big thanks to our Stage 2 teachers for all the extra time they have put into this unit of work.



Changes Beginning Term 4

To minimise disruption to student learning, we ask that if you require items to be delivered to your child, such as morning tea or lunch, please leave them in the Office and we will ensure students receive them during the next break. If student's are late to School after signing in we ask that you say your goodbyes in the foyer in an effort to ensure minimal disruption to classrooms.

Also a reminder, in the interest of child protection that under no circumstances are adults permitted in children's toilets, if a bathroom is needed, there is an adult toilet located to the right of the Office.



Totem Song

Last Friday our choir walked to the 3 Sisters and sang our Totem Song.

A number of tourists were very moved by the words and the singing of this song and came up to congratulate the school on what it is doing.

Thank you to Michael Hargraves for all the videoing work and to the parents who helped on the day.



Last Day Mufti & Disco Extravaganza!

"It's cool to come to the last day of school!"

All student's are welcome to wear mufti to School

this Friday 28th September

The day will start with bubbles, so make sure you get to school before the bell goes so you can enjoy the festivities! Get ready to release your artistic cool at School where we will be decorating a "cool" pair of sunglasses!

Student's can "cool" down at lunch with free ice blocks!

After lunch there will be a disco in the Hall.

Have a safe and fun holiday and we look forward to seeing you all here, every day, ready and on time next term for some great learning.

Miss Elizabeth
Attendance, Family Liaison Officer.



Gymnastics

In Term 4 the Gymnastics program will be running at St Canice's. On a Tuesday each class will attend a lesson in the hall to learn lots of new skills and have a lot of fun!

All children should wear sports uniform on a Tuesday, including the first day back.

Ms Kellie Clarke
Sports Co-ordinator



The School Dentist

The School Dentist will be visiting St Canice's Primary School during the week commencing Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October.

The dental team will provide onsite dental services to students. Full details of the service provided has been distributed to your child.

If you do not want to miss this opportunity Please return permission forms by

Tomorrow Wednesday 26th of September.



Mrs Friend's Friendly Preschool Reading Group

Preschooler's 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



School Calendar

September

Week 10

Tuesday	25th	Student Banking Preschool Reading Group Library	9am
Wednesday	26th	Stage 3 Totem clean up	
Thursday	27th	Ukulele / Choir Italian	
Friday	28th	Mufti Day Gold Assembly S3W Mass Disco My School Lunch Box No Ensemble	8.50am 12noon

October

Week 1

Monday	15th	Staff Development Day	
Tuesday	16th	Student's Return to School Gymnastic Day Student Banking Preschool Reading Group	9am
Wednesday	17th	Kinder 2019 Orientation Morning	8:45am
Thursday	18th	Ukulele / Choir Italian Socktober Mission Day	
Friday	19th	Assembly Mass My School Lunch Box Ensemble	8:50am 12pm 3pm

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



Term 3 concludes

Friday 28th of September

Term 4

Tuesday 16th October

Term 4 will conclude for students
Wednesday 19th of December

**Term 4 Gymnastic Day will be
Every Tuesday**



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What's On in Our Community



SCHOOL HOLIDAY SINGING WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS

Youth Choir Workshops

With internationally recognised composer and conductor, Paul Jarman

Paul Jarman is returning to the Blue Mountains this year to present another fabulous series of workshops for children (ages 9 - 16). Paul is widely recognised throughout the world as a leading composer, conductor and educator and his entertaining workshops with Blue Mountains Youth Choir have been immensely popular.

In the October School Holidays:

Thurs 11 Oct	9.30am to 4.00pm
Fri 12 Oct	9.30am to 4.00pm
Sat 13 Oct	9.30am followed by Concert at 12.30pm

Venue: Mid-Mountains Community Centre
Cost: \$120, Sibling Discounts Apply

BOOK NOW For School Holidays

For Full details see: **BLUE MOUNTAINS YOUTH CHOIR**

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33 Acacia Street
Katoomba



KIDS 7ASIDE SUMMER SOCCER

Wentworth Falls FC is running its annual summer 7aside competition.

Anyone can enter a Team.

It's lots of fun.

No need for coaches.

Just come along and play.

Age Groups are 8/9, 10/11, 12/13 & 14/15.

Running from 5 Oct 2018 to 9 Mar 2019.

It's on Friday afternoons.

Kick off times being 4pm, 4:30pm & 5pm at

PITT PARK Wentworth Falls.

Cost per player is \$60 and can be paid when you register.

Get your team in asap, as it will fill fast.

We look forward to seeing you all this summer.

For move information please contact Michael Garwood on 0451127318 or smichaeldoowrag@hotmail.com






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Nurturing Environment		Natural Playgrounds
	Whole Food Menu	
Online Parent Portal		Friendly Staff

Cherry Blossom is located on Grose Street behind Leura Mall.
We are open 52 weeks of the year from 7:30am to 6:00pm.

Early bird deals are available if you Enrol now for 2018. Call or e-mail us to book your tour now.

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Early Education Centres

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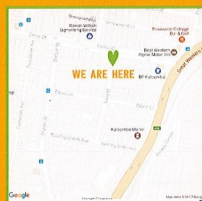
- Two large natural outdoor environments for your child to learn and grow
- Large Carpark ensuring convenient drop offs and collections
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- Extra-curricular activities: Yoga, Language, Music & Sports Programs
- Nappies, wipes & toilet training assistance provided
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**EXTENDED HOURS 7AM-6:30
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!
Parents can chat with others while kids play.

\$5 per child per week
Any enquiries? Call Robyn ph. 0438401088

MEDIA RELEASE



BLUE MOUNTAINS CULTURAL CENTRE PRESENTS

Freedom Wilson

Mycorrhizal: Futurae - Ferox - Inferius

On exhibition at Blue Mountains City Art Gallery from 25 Aug - 7 October

&

Threatened Species Day

FREE ENTRY

Bushcare Conversations Event

Saturday 8 September 10AM - 2PM



In conjunction with local Blue Mountains artist Freedom Wilson's exhibition *Mycorrhizal: Futurae - Ferox - Inferius*, which investigates the conservation efforts undertaken to save the critically endangered Buttercup Doubletail Orchid (*Diuris aequalis*) Blue Mountains Cultural Centre is hosting *Bushcare Conversations*, on Threatened Species Day, 8 September 10am - 2pm, featuring a free community environment market, Eco Cinema and panel discussions. Entry to the Blue Mountains City Art Gallery & World Heritage Exhibition will be free.

Bishop Office

Plenary 2020 Information and Training

Learn about the Australian Catholic Bishops Plenary Council's impact on you. Receive support to share the Plenary invitation with parish, friends and family.

- 20 September, 7pm-9.30pm, Parramatta Cathedral Hall
- 29 September, 10am-12.30pm, St Thomas Aquinas Springwood School Hall (168 Hawkesbury Rd)
- 29 September, 2pm-4.30pm, Emu Plains School Hall (17 Troy Street)

RSVP: marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org / 8838 3460 with date, time and parish/agency.

Adult Confirmation for 2018

Adult Confirmation for 2018 will be held on Friday 12 October, 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Any adult over 16 years of age wanting to be confirmed please see your Parish Office for information. Alternatively you can contact The Office for Worship on 02 8838 3456 or ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org

Lawn and Garden Services: Help CatholicCare to Help Disabled Workers

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains (CatholicCare) is the diocesan social services organisation. Our Mamre Garden Services employed disabled people in a lawn and garden service lawns for both residential and commercial clients. The team of workers is supervised by our Garden Crew Supervisor. Each job is quoted separately and you will not be disappointed with the quality of the work. If you're interested in having your lawns and/or gardens serviced by CatholicCare or would like more information, please contact 02 8843 2500 or visit our website www.ccss.org.au

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service

Volunteers wanted – Finance Officer and Property Manager. The Diocese of Broome, Western Australia requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of six months. We are currently seeking volunteers for several parishes including Broome, Balgo, Kalumburu and Bidadanga. For further details on how to be a part of this unique experience, and an application form, please contact Anneliese Rohr via 08 9192 1060 and volunteers@broomedioocese.org or visit

Web: www.broomedioocese.org.

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26 – 31 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtogracesaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit www.griegtogracesaus.org

OZ Rosary and The Global Rosary: 7 October

Australia will 'Light the Match' to the Global rosary! The World Rosary take place on Sunday 7 Of October, when a global rosary will be said. To register your location on the world map. Go to <http://holyleagueofnations.com>, or for info phone 0467 535 595. All updates will be posted at <https://www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53/>