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Term 2 Week 7**

All Late Students Must Be Signed in By a Parent at the Office

Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to the might Mercy team on their cross-country victory last Friday! It was a close competition and I congratulate all students for their perseverance, sportsmanship and sense of fun on the day. Thanks to Mr. Biddulph, Mrs. Gall and Mr. Mosa for their preparation in the last few weeks.

Parent workshop: Tomorrow, we are holding a parent workshop (either 2pm-3pm or 5pm-6pm) on the Zones of Regulation in the staffroom (please see attached flyer). We are hoping that many parents will attend this workshop, which is going to be run by our Guidance Counsellor, Kimberley Cunial. Translation in Vietnamese will be available at the 2pm session.

The Zones is a systematic, cognitive behavioral approach used to teach self-regulation by categorizing all the different ways we feel and states of alertness we experience into four concrete colored zones. The Zones framework provides strategies to teach students to become more aware of and independent in controlling their emotions and impulses, manage their sensory needs, and improve their ability to problem solve conflicts.

Disco: We are looking forward to our annual disco on Friday 8 June for all students from Prep- Year 6—this year we have contracted a DJ to run the disco. Please note that parents must pick up their children from inside Mercy Hall and that the disco is only for current St Mark's students (no older brothers or former students).

Details are as follows:

Time: 5:30pm – 7pm

Venue: Mercy Hall (entrance and exit only through the side door)

Cost: Gold coin entry

Snacks and drinks available for purchase on the night. If any parents are able to assist with the selling of the snacks and drinks, please contact the office.

Online communication: We are in the process of moving some of our communication to on-line platform. Initially, we need to check that the email address you have supplied to the school is current. We will use one email address per family. Please fill in the form attached and return to the school office. Alternatively, please email Shona on pinala@bne.catholic.edu.au to register your current email address. To date, we have had 20% of parents return or email.

State of Origin: As per St Mark's tradition, students are allowed 'free dress' for next Wednesday 6 June to celebrate the first State of Origin football match - may the best team win! Please bring a gold coin donation on the day, which will be given to St Vincent De Paul appeal.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Allison Malouf
Principal



**Congratulations
Mercy**



2018 TERM DATES:

Term 1: 23 Jan - 29 Mar

Term 2: 17 Apr - 29 Jun

Term 3: 16 Jul - 21 Sep

Term 4: 8 Oct - 7 Dec

Prep 2019 Enrolments

Interviews for Prep 2019 will begin in the next few weeks. Please contact the office to arrange an appointment if you do not have an appointment.

Please note all siblings of current students must complete an enrolment application.

Dates for Your Diary

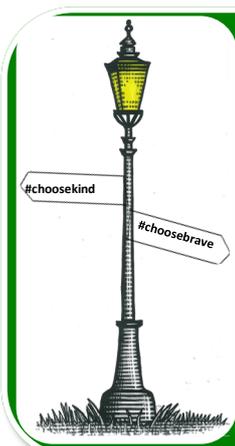
Important dates in the next few weeks for this term:

Wednesday 30 May: Parent workshop (Zones of Emotional Regulation 2pm; repeated at 5pm)

Wednesday 6 June: Free dress day for STATE OF ORIGIN football. (Gold coin donation)

Friday 8 June: School Disco Mercy Hall—Gold Coin entry.

Religious Life of the School News



In 2018
#Choose

Adventure

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week, 27 May to 3 June, is a time where we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their cultures. It is also a time to reflect on the events in the ongoing process of reconciliation. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in reconciliation history- the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively. The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2018 is 'Don't Keep History a Secret: Learn. Share. Grow', inviting everyone this Reconciliation Week to learn more about the Australian story. Rec-



conciliation must live in the hearts, minds and action of all Australians for our nation to be strengthened by peaceful relationships with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Reconciliation begins here at St Mark's, as we all strive to make reconciliation part of our story and our future. 1B will lead us in prayer at assembly this Friday along with their Year 6 buddies as we commemorate National Reconciliation Week. All parents are very welcome to join us in Mercy Hall at 9am for this special occasion.

Year 6 Justice Crew

ST MARK'S CREW
Justice

St Mark's would like to introduce the Justice Crew for 2018 made up of Year 6 students. They are Jayden Chu, Rosie Nguyen, Joanne Nguyen, Chloe Curtis, Jasmine Lee, Agnes Sio, Kevin Lam and Benjamin Le. Throughout the year, these students will promote awareness in our school community of those who are suffering from poverty, homelessness, hardship and the most vulnerable in society, as well as raise most needed funds to support St Vincent de Paul, Blind Eye Ministries and Catholic Mission. Their mission is to aspire to live the Gospel message

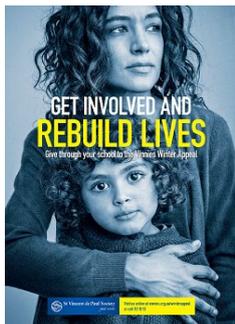
by serving the poor with love, respect and justice and to work to shape a more just and compassionate society both within our school community and beyond.

The first appeal is the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Students from all classes for the remainder of Term 2, are asked to bring in non-perishable food items to support St Vincent de Paul with much needed items to give to families in need. Some suggestions are: tin potatoes, carrots, peas, canned meats, creamed corn, tuna, baked beans; spaghetti, savoury and sweet biscuits; condensed milk; Weetbix and other cereals; tea, coffee and jelly. Blankets are also greatly appreciated as winter

settles in. Each Friday, the Justice Crew will collect food items from classrooms to package. A tally will be taken each week, with the class bringing in the most food items receiving a class pizza party during the last week of term.

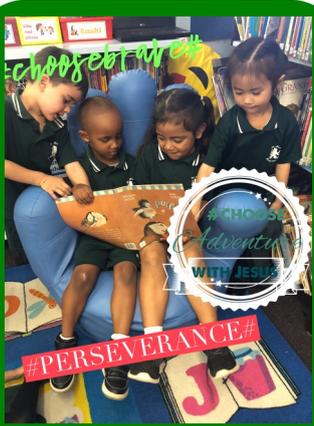
"Never see a need without doing something about it"

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



Date Claimers

- National Reconciliation Week Assembly – Friday 1 June 9:00am
- State of Origin Free Dress—Gold Coin Donation for St Vincent de Paul Wednesday 6 June
- Assembly 5B—World Environment Day Friday 8 June 9am
- School Disco—Friday June 8 5.30-7.00pm
- St Mark's Athletics Carnival- Friday 22 June.



Virtue of the Week: Justice

Practicing justice is being fair in everything you do. It is seeing with your own eyes and not judging something or someone by what other people tell you. Justice means that people receive what they deserve. Everyone gets their fair share. It is just for people to receive a consequence or punishment when they do something wrong, so they will remember to do things differently next time. It is also just for people to be rewarded and recognised when they are doing something right or making an improvement.

You are practising Perseverance when you.....

- Think for yourself.
- Look for the truth by investigating things for yourself.
- Own up to your mistakes and accept the consequences.
- Stand up for peoples rights including your own.

Mrs. Maree Wright: Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education



COACH'S CORNER

School Cross Country

Last Friday saw the running of the very first St Mark's whole school cross-country in excellent conditions. Everyone participated in a spirit that we have come accustomed to at St Mark's in events such as this. I send my thanks to all of the staff and students who worked hard in preparing for this event and their effort on the day.

Thanks also to Councillor Charles Strunk, who has kindly donated the St Mark's cross-country trophy.

The winning house on the day was Red with 1016 points, followed by Blue 990 points and Gold on 946 points. Congratulation to Jacob, Gloria and the members of the Red team.

See below for Year level champions in both boys and girls.

Prep Boys

Toby Tekle (PG)

Yr. 1 Boys

Liam Abasolo (1W)

Yr.2 Boys

Ramsis Taputoa(2B)

Yr.3 Boys

Tali Ulutaufonua (3G)

Yr. 4 Boys

Isaac Richter (4W)

Yr.5 Boys

Kealan Chadburn (5B)

Yr. 6 Boys

Jacob Richter (6W)

Prep Girls

Georgie Tierney (PG)

Yr.1 Girls

Raphaella Chuate Pouagap (1B)

Yr.2 Girls

Sophie Chuate Keua (2W)

Yr. 3 Girls

Jada Creamer (3B)

Yr.4 Girls

Aria Chadburn (4W)

Yr.5 Girls

Kenzie Jakavicius (5G)

Yr. 6 Girls

Chloe Curtis (6B)

We now shift our focus to athletics with our school carnival on Friday June 22.

Congratulations!

Mercy House Wins St Mark's Cross Country



NRL Girls Karyn Murphy Cup

Today girls from Year 5 and 6 will compete in an elimination carnival with other teams from the Inala District. We play 3 games: Inala SS, Murri School and RESS with the winning 2 teams playing off at the end of the day. Look forward to communicating results in next week's newsletter.

State of Origin 1 - Wednesday June 6

Mrs. Wright and myself are always looking for people of the St Mark's community to show their true colours and jump onboard with the NSW Blues for Origin 1.



Mr. Biddulph Sports Coordinator

Year 6

In 6W we are learning to understanding the perspectives of others

Should Mr. Biddulph upgrade his iPhone 4?

<p>I think Mr Biddulph shouldn't upgrade because people are less likely to steal an iPhone 4 than an iPhone 7 or 8 however newer models have better quality. -Jacob</p>	<p>I think that Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because he can watch NRL on a bigger screen however they may not fit in his pockets. -Phong</p>	<p>Yes, he should upgrade his phone because buying a new phone has more storage, although he is used to is old one. -John</p>
<p>I think Mr Biddulph should not upgrade his phone because he could lose all his storage and the first photos of his daughters, but he can get better upgrades on new phones. -Martin</p>	<p>No-He shouldn't buy a new iPhone because the new iPhones get slower every year however you can't download newer apps. -Yen</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because it looks better however they can cost a lot of money. -Loni</p>
<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because it will have more storage and be faster, but it may not fit in his pocket. -Russel</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should not upgrade his phone because if he does he loses all his photos and contacts however new iPhones can download newer apps. -Ethan</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because it will have more storage but it may not fit in his pocket. -Esther</p>
<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because it has more storage but he may lose some photos. -Biniam</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should change his phone because the new phones support new apps, however the new phones cost a lot so he should wait for prices to drop. -Kevin</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because some models are water proof but you could lose all your contacts. -Mesghina</p>
<p>I think Mr Biddulph should keep his iPhone 4 because when he bought it, it cost a lot of money but when other iPhones come out it cost double the amount. -Adrian</p>	<p>I think Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone because his old phone is most likely to crash and break however he will lose all his contacts and memories. -Katlyn</p>	<p>Mr Biddulph should upgrade his phone, for easier connection to the internet and also easier to watch movies and play games, but it seems wasteful to stop using something that still works. -Felicia</p>

**St Mark's Parent and Guardian Email Address Survey -
IMPORTANT PLEASE COMPLETE AND SEND BACK TO YOUR
CHILD'S CLASSROOM**

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Child's name _____

Class _____

Your email address _____

Do you have internet access either on your phone or a computer? YES / NO

If YES, please indicate which (circle) Smart Phone / Computer