



# St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

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**October 23 2017  
Term 4 Week 4**

## 2018 Book Lists Have Been Sent Home

Dear Parents and Carers

On Friday 27 October, we celebrate World Teacher's Day and raise awareness of the wonderful vocation of teaching and celebrate our dedicated teachers at St Mark's. Please join us for a special World Teacher's Day assembly on that day and also for a shared morning tea with all staff in the staffroom from 10:45am. We would love to see you there – please feel free to bring a plate if you wish!

Also on this Friday, we ask all students to wear something red – in honour and awareness of "Day for Daniel" which raises awareness about child safety. <http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/>

We are about to welcome our newest students for Prep 2018 beginning next week. New families will join us on Tuesday 31 October from 9am and existing families (siblings) will join us on Tuesday 7 November. The format for both days is:

- 9am: Parents and children meet at the Prep classrooms
- 9:15am: Children spend 1 hour with their teachers in the Prep classrooms.
- 9:15am: Parents go to Mercy Hall for a short meeting with myself and other staff members, followed by morning tea, uniform shop news, and information regarding the P and F. The uniform shop will be open in the hall for parents to purchase uniforms, bags and hats.

If you are an existing family and have not submitted your application for Prep 2018, please do so via the school office as soon as possible.

On Monday 6 November (Year 6) and Tuesday 7 November (Years Prep-5), we commence our Term 4 swimming block. It is a part of our HPE (Health and Physical Education) Curriculum – if your child is unable to participate, you are requested to meet with me before swimming commences.

The rain has been very welcome for all – although it has delayed our building slightly. We anticipate that the building is completed late December or early January in readiness for the new school year. The project has been an instant 'hit' especially with our younger members of the school who have been delightfully writing, drawing and talking about builders, excavators and diggers. We are in the midst of developing a comprehensive new early childhood play space to go in between the buildings for Prep– Year 2 – the plans will be published soon in the front office for your perusal and feedback.

### Dates for this term:

- Friday 27 October: World Teacher's Day and Day for Daniel
- Tuesday 31 October: Prep Orientation for new families
- Monday 6 November: Swimming commences for Year 6
- Tuesday 7 November: Prep Orientation for existing families
- Friday 24 November: Christmas Concert
- Wednesday 29 November: Year 6 Graduation
- Friday 1 December: Last day of term

Enjoy the week ahead.

Allison Malouf  
Principal



*The family remains the basic unit of society and the first school in which children learn the human, spiritual and moral values which enable them to be a beacon of goodness, integrity and justice in our communities.*

*Pope Francis*

### 2017 TERM DATES:

- Term 1: 24 Jan - 31 Mar
- Term 2: 18 Apr - 23 Jun
- Term 3: 10 Jul - 15 Sep
- Term 4: 3 Oct - 1 Dec

### Upcoming Events



Wednesday 25 October: Tiny Tots Reading

Wednesday 25 October: Year 5 Excursion to Ambrose Treacy College

Friday 27 October: Day For Daniel Wear Red

Friday 27 October: World Teachers Day

Tuesday 31 October: Prep Orientation Day (New Families)

Tuesday 31 October: NRL Girls Gala Day

Wednesday 1 November: Tiny Tots Reading

Friday 3 November: Swimming Lessons Commence

Tuesday 7 November: Prep Orientation Day (Existing Families)

# Religious Life of the School News



## BLIND EYE

Thanks to everyone who wore free dress on Friday and came along to the disco! Together we raised \$400.55 for Blind Eye Ministries.

Last term many of us supported a group of our Vietnamese parents by buying lots of yummy food from the **VIETNAMESE TUCK SHOP**. And we were able to raise \$2060 to support the House of Love orphanage in Vietnam. The Sisters who run the orphanage are very grateful and sent us this email: *“On behalf of sisters and orphans at the orphanage Lagi-Binh Thuan, Vietnam, I would like to offer you our sincere gratitude and love. For many years, the volunteer group including: Năng, Duyên, Tuyền, Thảo ... have sacrificed themselves to make and buy each grilled rolls in school, earn each penny to support the House of Love orphanage at Lagi, Vietnam. We remember your love and care in our hearts forever. At present, we are taking care of 118 children.”* **THANK YOU!**

## Wear Red for Daniel Day

Friday 27 October

This Friday, 27 October is Day for Daniel. As part of our continuing commitment to highlight the importance of child protection strategies all students are invited to wear something red on Friday. The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention. It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right.



## Buddy Class Masses

most Thursdays at 9:30am in the Church

26 October 2B & 3W  
9 November Prep G & 6W



## Prayer Assemblies

Each Friday at 8:40am in Mercy Hall

27 October	3B World Teacher's Day
3 November	2G
10 November	6G—Remembrance Day
17 November	Farwell to teachers leaving
24 November	Farewell Yr6 / Spirit of St Mark's

## Important Religious Life of the School Dates:

Friday 27 October:

Wear Red for Daniel Day

Monday 20 November	St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
Friday 24 November	Christmas Concert
Wed 29 November	Yr. 6 Graduation
Friday 1 December	End of Year Thanksgiving Mass
Friday 1 December	12noon: School Holidays start!!

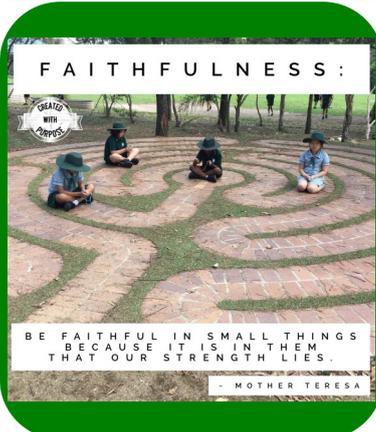
## Virtue of the Week: Faithfulness

### What is Faithfulness?

Faithfulness is being true to someone or something. It is holding to what you believe is important no matter what happens. Faithfulness is belief that stands up to the test of time. It is starting out on a path and staying on it no matter how many times you stop or get distracted. If you are faithful to your beliefs, such as belief in God, honesty, or friendship, people will see those things reflected in your actions. When you are faithful, you make your ideals real.

### You are practising Faithfulness when you ...

- Learn what you believe.
- Question your own beliefs and gets answers to your questions.
- Make sure your words and actions match.
- Are loyal to your friends, family and God.
- Appreciate differences.



Mrs Nikki Lysaght: Assistant Principal Religious Education



## COACH'S CORNER

### Girls NRL League Gala Day— Change of Date

Due to weather conditions, the NRL Girls Gala Day will now be on Tuesday 31 October. All other arrangements will stay the same. A reminder that all girls must have a mouth guard to participate in this day. They can be purchased at your local chemist for around \$8.

### Touch Teams – Pullenvale State School

This Saturday St Mark's Touch Team will play a warm up competition at Pullenvale State School in preparation for the All Schools Touch Competition the following weekend at Cleveland.



Mr. Biddulph Sports Coordinator

# School News

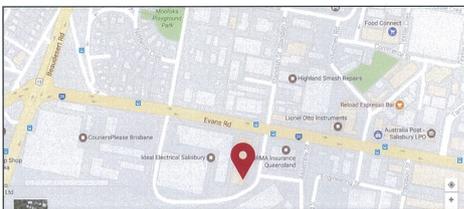
CAMPION  
EDUCATION

We have moved!



Campion Education have moved to a new site, offering parents more space and plenty of on-site parking.

Our email and telephone contact details remain the same and you can now find us at:  
**Unit 5, 121 Evans Road, Salisbury, QLD, 4107.**



Evans Road is on several bus routes. Closest stops are Stop 40 for Bus #124 (cnr Evans Rd & Standish St) or Stop 38 for Bus #115 (cnr Beaudesert & Evans Rd).

**Our store is open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday**

Contact our **Retail Store** on 07 3146 3999 or email on [qldsupport@campion.com.au](mailto:qldsupport@campion.com.au)

To contact our **School Customer Services**, please call 07 3146 3903 or email [schoolsqld@campion.com.au](mailto:schoolsqld@campion.com.au)

## STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY TRAVEL REBATE



Semester 2, 2017



- Does your child have a **verified disability** that requires **transport assistance** to and from school?
- Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's **travel capability rating** as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and

apply at [www.schooltransport.com.au](http://www.schooltransport.com.au) by **31 October 2017**.

Late applications will not be accepted.

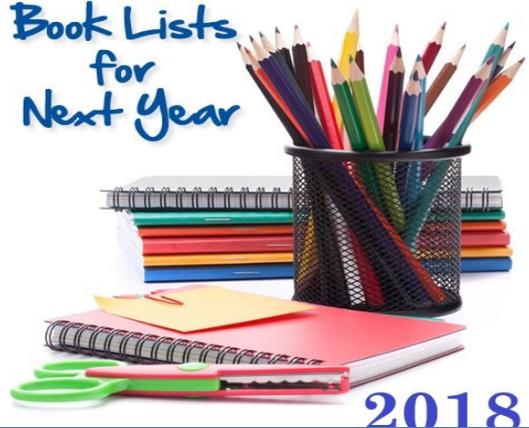


### Found Ladies Ring

A ladies ring has been handed into the office. If you are missing your ring please see Mrs. Baldwin at the office.



Book Lists  
for  
Next Year



2018

## 2018 BOOKLISTS

Dear Parents,

Please be aware that your child's 2018 school booklist went home today. All booklist orders are due back on **Friday 24 November**.

***Please note that Campion has moved!***

If you are unable to purchase your orders online please note the new address of Campion store outlined in the advert to the left.



### St Mark's 2018 Senior Shirts

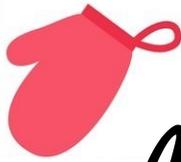
Senior shirt order forms went home with Year 5 Students last week. All order forms are required to be completed, paid and submitted to the school office by Friday 24 November. If you have any concerns regarding the shirts please speak to Mrs. Malouf or Mrs. Sinitzky. If you require another order form please contact the school office.

### Reminder St Mark's is a Sun Safe School

Please ensure your children bring their school hats to school. St Mark's has a strict "No Hat, No Play" policy.



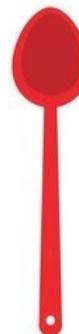
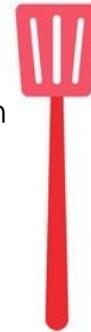
# Focus on Reading and Writing



## Marvellous Mixtures!



In Science, Year 2 have been learning all about chemistry. We are finding out about mixtures and how all different kinds of materials react with each other when they are mixed together. We know about reversible and irreversible changes. Last week we used chemistry to make some delicious mixtures! Then we baked our mixtures and made a yummy irreversible change into cookies!



Cut here and return to the school office

### Families NOT returning to St Mark's in 2018

Childs Name:

Class:

Childs Name:

Class:

Childs Name:

Class:

Reason and Name of New School: