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Dear Parents,

Great holiday

We hope you all have a wonderful holiday. I pray that God blesses you all and keeps you safe while you enjoy quality time together. School returns on Monday 14th October.

Sport Mufti Day

Demi K is currently in the Northern Territory representing our school along with all NSW Catholic Schools in Athletics. To support her family we are holding a sport team mufti day on Friday. The children can wear mufti in their favourite sports clothes and give a gold coin donation. Thank you for your support of Demi.

Term 4 Uniform

All children should be in their full summer uniform when they return to school next term.

Rain Jackets return

If you have not yet returned your rain jacket to be repaired please do so by tomorrow. Those to be returned were the first group that were sent home. The second group along with the few that have been arriving over the past week have already been repaired and returned.

First Communion

Congratulations to the children who made their first communion over the weekend. There are some beautiful photos in the Religious Education part of the newsletter for you to enjoy.

Term 4 Staff Development Day

I wanted to remind you about our Staff Development Day on Friday 25th October. It is the Friday of the second week next term. The staff will be off site so there is no supervision at school.

Headstart Program

Our Kinder Headstart program begins on Wednesday 23rd October for four weeks. All children will attend on the Wednesdays and parents are invited to join us in the hall.

Term 4 dates

There are a number of important dates to put on your calendars for Term 4. They include the following:

Friday 22nd November – 5:30pm: **School Disco**

Monday, 2nd December - 6:30pm: **Andrew Chin and Student Christmas Concert**

Monday, 9th December: **End of Year Mass @ 10:00 followed by the Awards Presentation** (there will be a morning tea break between these two events)


Wednesday, 11th December - 5pm: **Year 6 Graduation Mass**

Tuesday 17th December: **2020 Step Up Morning**

Compass Absences

The Compass app will show all of your child's absences that are unexplained. It is important for legal reasons that these absences be explained by parents. To assist with this Compass automatically generates a reminder at the beginning of each week for any outstanding days. A text message is also sent to you via Compass on the day your child is absent. It is very easy to then go into Compass via the app and mark the reason for the absence.

If you are using Compass on your phone use the following procedure to see all your child's unexplained absences:

- Open **Compass**
- Click on the three lines  on top left hand side of screen.
- Click **Open in Browser**
- On the right hand side of your screen you will see the below message, please click on **Click here for more information** and enter reasons for each individual absence.
- Press **Save** on the bottom right-hand side of screen.



My News



Attendance: Attendance Note Required

~~XXXXX~~ was recorded as 'not present' or 'late' without explanation.

[Click here for more information](#)

There are 144 unexplained absences at the moment on our system. It is really important to note that if you do not give an explanation as to why your child was not at school, the total number of these days will be recorded on the end of year student report as unexplained absences.

Please take just a few minutes to check if your child has any unexplained absences.

2020 school start dates

Many of you will begin planning trips over the school holidays. To help you with this we have included the start dates for 2020. It will be here before we know it!

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| Tuesday, 28 January | Staff Return MAIs and Best Start begin |
| Wednesday, 29 January | Assessment Day MAIs and Best Start |
| Thursday, 30 January | Years 1 – 6 return |
| Friday, 31 January | Kinder begins |

Congratulations Miss Scott

Congratulations to Mikaela Scott and her fiancé Luke for their wedding on Saturday. We know she will be a beautiful bride and we wish her all of God's blessings on her marriage. Miss Scott and her husband will travel to the USA for their honeymoon. Mr Townsend will be taking the class for the first week of next term while Miss Scott is away.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Yvette Owens

PRINCIPAL

From the REC

Learning Scripture in the Year 3 Blue Class room

The Lost Sheep Luke 15:1-7

As a class we looked at The Lost Sheep in Luke's Gospel as part of our Reconciliation unit. We began the unit by using the thinking routine 'zoom in' where students were given a part of an image of a field and some sheep. They were asked to discuss with their talking partners what they saw, predicted and noticed in the images. As the image was further revealed students added to their predictions and wonderings. Once the whole image was revealed students wrote a see, think, wonder on what their final thoughts were.

The following lesson students were asked to locate The Lost Sheep Luke 15:1-7 in the Bible. Students read the passage independently and silently, they listened to the passage read by the teacher and chose a word or phrase that stood out to them. As a class we discussed the message of the story and the importance of forgiveness in our lives.

Students broke the passage down looking at the literal sense (who, what, when, where and why) and prepared for the retelling of the story using their own words.

Using the stop motion app students retold the story of The Lost Sheep. During the video they explain their understanding of what the story is about and the message Jesus wanted shared.

Click on the link below to view a Lost Sheep video made by Zoie, Aditi and India.

The Lost Sheep Video

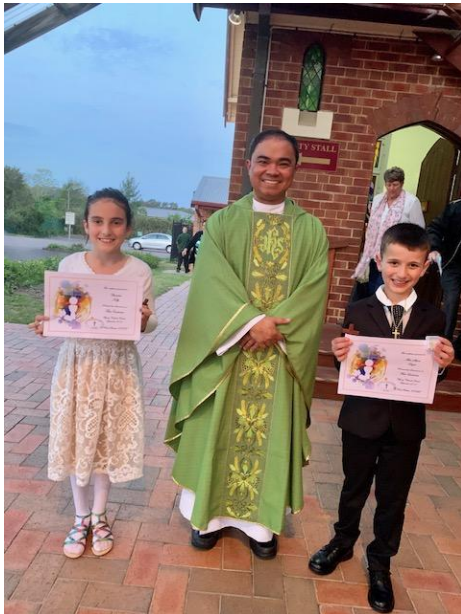
Later during the term, Year 3 students had the opportunity to share their Lost Sheep videos with the Kindergarten students.



Sacrament of the Eucharist Celebration



Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist over the past two weekends. The masses were beautiful celebrations lead by Father Raul and Father Alex. Thank you to the parents and teachers who supported them during this special time.



Upcoming Celebrations

Term 4 Dates

- Tuesday, the 5th of November, *Stage 1 Mass, St Cecilia's Church, Wyong at 9:15am*
- Monday, the 2nd of December, *Andrew Chin and Student Christmas Concert at 6:30pm*
- Monday, the 9th of December, *End of Year Mass at 10am*
- Wednesday, the 11th of December, *Year 6 Graduation Mass at 5pm*

Parish Mass Times for St Cecilia's Parish

St Cecilia's Wyong

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 7.30am and 9.30am

St John Fisher, Tumbi Umbi

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 8.30am & 5pm

God Bless

Mrs Jamie Dowling

Religious Education Coordinator

School News

Linen Roster

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| Week 9 | Kyly Slattery |
| Week 10 | Carolina Saenz |

Term 4

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| Week 1 | Renee Rigney |
| Week 2 | Carolyn Arnold |
| Week 3 | Rebecca Ham |
| Week 4 | Allison Rosee |
| Week 5 | Kyly Slattery |
| Week 6 | Julia Webster |
| Week 7 | Amy Martin |
| Week 8 | Kristy Clouten |
| Week 9 | Kyly Slattery |
| Week 10 | Carolina Saenz |

Canteen News

Dear Parents,

- Term 4 New Summer Menu is coming
- New Recess Items
- New Lunch Items
- Some price increases only small 😊
- Canteen for Term 4 will commence on Wednesday 16th October

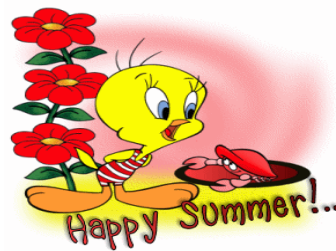
Product News

Gluten free chicken nuggets are still unavailable. As soon as they are available I will put them on the Qkr! Menu.

CANTEEN IS OPEN WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY THIS WEEK

Thank you for your continued support,

Catherine Berry
Canteen Manager



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VIP EVENT - THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER
ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS

LOWES
20%*
OFF
SCHOOLWEAR
AND
EVERYTHING ELSE

LOWES zero LOWES REWARDS CLUB

INSTORE & ONLINE THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER.

* Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear boy's. Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. Floor stock only.
Styles and colours may vary from store to store.
No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount.
Offer ends midnight (AEST) 10/10/19. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.

OFFICE OF SPORT



Spring School Holiday Activities

Get the kids active for the school holidays with one of our exciting activities on the Central Coast!

| Activity / Location | Dates | Time | Cost |
|--|--|-----------------|-------|
| Archery (indoor) – Gosford | 30 September or 8 October | 12pm – 2pm | \$20 |
| Gymnastics (indoor – 2-day) - Tuggerah | 1-2 October or 8-9 October | 12pm – 2pm | \$30 |
| Parkour (indoor) - Tuggerah | 1 October or 8 October | 2pm – 4pm | \$20 |
| Sailing – (3-day) – Gosford | 2, 3 & 4 October or 9, 10 & 11 October | 9:30am – 3:30pm | \$195 |
| Surfing – (3-day) – Avoca Beach | 2, 3 & 4 October or 9, 10 & 11 October | 3pm – 4:30pm | \$95 |
| Surfing – (3-day) – Umina Beach | 2, 3 & 4 October or 9, 10 & 11 October | 10am – 11:30am | \$95 |
| Tennis (3-day) – Gosford | 1, 2 & 3 October or 8, 9 & 10 October | 9am – 3pm | \$140 |

Book online or call the numbers below:

🏠 Central Coast Regional Office
C/- Ourimbah Campus,
Brush Road, Ourimbah 2258

🌐 sport.nsw.gov.au/events &
then search by Central
Coast Region

☎ 02 4348 6700 or 13 13 02





Daughters and Dads Active and Empowered program is an award-winning evidence-based initiative, proven to enhance the physical and social-emotional well-being of girls, developed by the University of Newcastle, Australia. If you're a dad with primary school-aged* daughter(s) this is for you. Your daughter will walk away feeling empowered with improved fundamental movement skills and you'll get one-on-one time doing dad-tested activities.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The program involves a mix of both theory-based education sessions and fun practical activities.

EDUCATION SESSIONS

Dads learn the unique and powerful influence they have on their daughter and parenting strategies to encourage gender equity. Daughters walk away feeling empowered against the culture of gender prejudice existing in many aspects of their lives, particularly regarding physical activity.

The daughters' education sessions focus on developing key social and emotional skills including:

- Self-control
- Persistence
- Critical thinking
- Resilience
- Self-reliance

PRACTICAL SESSIONS

The practical sessions focus on rough and tumble play, fitness and sport skills.

The program focusses on foundations skills necessary for a range of sporting activities including:

- Kicking
- Catching
- Bouncing
- Striking and throwing

DAUGHTERS AND DADS WEEKENDER PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Two-night weekend stay at Milson Island Sport and Recreation Centre (includes outdoor recreation activities, all food and accommodation)
- Experience the Daughters and Dads Active and Empowered program as well as traditional camping and adventure activities
- Practical sessions focus on rough and tumble play, sport, and fundamental movement skills
- Theory sessions focus on building confidence, self-esteem, and resilience in girls
- Daughters and Dads receive a program t-shirt and drink bottle

| WHEN | PROGRAM TYPE | WHERE | COST |
|------------------|------------------|--|--|
| 22 - 24 November | Weekender | Milson Island Sport and Recreation Centre Hawkesbury River via Brooklyn NSW 2083 | Adult: \$208 Child: \$153 *Return ferry cost: \$76 |

*Participants should be at primary school or a minimum of five years old

For more information or book your place

13 13 02

sport.nsw.gov.au/daughtersdads

