

## St Cecilia's Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

#### **Term 4 Week 4 Newsletter**

**Book Character Parade and Fun Day:** Our next book character parade and fun day is on tomorrow and is for Stage 3 – years 5 and 6.

**Play Equipment:** The new play area is about to begin, and we are excited about the children having another play area.

**Canteen:** We are really sorry about the closure of the canteen for the next two weeks. Unfortunately, Cathy Berry has had an accident and is unable to work.

**Child pick up and drop off:** A reminder to all parents that children are not to be dropped off at school after 8.45am without a parent / carer signing them in late at the school office. Also, when picking up your child/ren early, it would be appreciated if you could avoid coming during recess and lunch times as it is very difficult to locate the children. Please pickup outside of these hours if possible: - 10.45 and 11.15am and 1.15 and 2.05pm. Your assistance in these matters is greatly appreciated thank you.

<u>2021 Family Registration Form</u>: You will have received the family registration form. It is important that you complete this form to get the sibling discount. This form has changed format from previous years, so please read it carefully. Please ensure both parents sign this form and return to the school office no later than Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November. If your family has split billing, both parents will need to fill in their own form.

**2021 Classes:** A reminder to let me know by this Friday if you have any concerns about your child for next year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Yvette Owens

**Principal** 

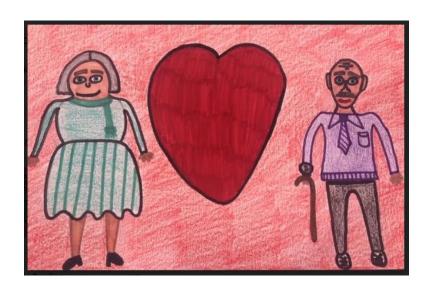
#### From the REC



## **Grandparents Liturgy**

All Grandparents and Parents are invited to join us via live streaming for this Liturgy on Friday, 6th of November, at 8:45am.

A link will be sent to families prior to the day. Children are also invited to dress up as their Grandparents!























#### **2020 FIRST EUCHARIST**

We congratulate the children who will be making their First Eucharist over the next two weeks. Thank you to the Stage 2 teachers, parents and Yvette Owens for preparing these children and to Jo Helm (Parish Coordinator) for organising the celebrations. Please keep these children in your prayers.

#### **Prayer for a Child's First Eucharist**



Lord Jesus,

Bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be an initial step into a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your Body and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred sacrament.

## Wyong Catholic Parish

St Cecilia's Church & St John Fisher Mass Ctr Under the Pastoral Care of the Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)

Vision The wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community Mission Statement we will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel: Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform

#### **NAIDOC WEEK - Week 5**







## Yamandhu marang mudyi (how are you friend, Wiradjuri language)

This year NAIDOC week is being held from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> of November. The theme for NAIDOC week is *Always Was, Always Will Be*. *Always Was, Always Will Be recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years*.

For us, this nation's story began at the dawn of time. NAIDOC 2020 invites all Australians to embrace the true history of this country – a history which dates back thousands of generations. It's about seeing, hearing and learning the First Nations' 65,000+ year history of this country, which is Australian history. We want all Australians to celebrate that we have the oldest continuing cultures on the planet and to recognise that our sovereignty was never ceded.

We will be holding a NAIDOC celebration day on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November. We will commence the day with a NAIDOC Liturgy, and we are asking the children to dress in red, yellow and black as these are the colours of the Aboriginal flag. Where possible, we would like the following years to wear the colours requested so as we can attempt for the whole school to form the flag for a photo.

Kindergarten, Years 3 and 4 wear yellow Years 1 and 2 wear red Years 5 and 6 wear black

We look forward to celebrating with all the children.

Ngaagirridhunyal guwayu (see you later, Wiradjuri language)

Jodie Aboriginal Education Worker

#### 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

#### From the FLO

Parent Engagement in their children's learning is vital and has been particularly this year. The evidence is consistent, positive, and convincing: families have a major influence on their children's achievement. "When schools, families, and community groups work together to support learning, children tend to do better in school, stay in school longer, and like school more." You are your child's first (and lifelong teacher) and partner with teacher/s and school in their education. St Cecilia's has a wonderful school community where we all work together for our children.

Join me for A Well Being Walk on Friday 20th November at Pioneer Dairy at 9am. Put on your hat, sunscreen and walking shoes. Littlies most welcome. Being a grandparent myself I am disappointed due to the restrictions that we cannot celebrate this year together but know the liturgy will be beautiful and meaningful.

#### GRANDPARENTS

Grandparents bestow upon their grandchildren

The strength and wisdom that time

And experience have given them.

Grandchildren bless their Grandparents With a youthful vitality and innocence That help them stay young at heart forever.

Together they create a chain of love Linking the past with the future.

The chain may lengthen,

But it will never part....

- Author Unknown

Read the following informative article by Michael Grose. I look forward to offering parent workshops next year that may assist with child behaviour, anxiety and resilience. <a href="https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/you-have-choices/">https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/you-have-choices/</a>

Have a lovely week.

Mrs Bernadette Daniel Family Liaison Officer

# **Awards and Acknowledgements**



## Congratulations to the following students for their achievements

## Academic Achievement

Kinder Gold	Emilia W	Kinder Blue	Ruby N.L
1 Gold	Emelia J	1/2 Blue	Noah M
1/2 Gold	Nikeeta R	3/4 Blue	Grace B
3/4 Gold	Logan H	3/4 White	Sophy N
5 Blue	Tenille B	5 Gold	Harry A
6 Blue	Aiden R	6 Gold	Hayley A
Music/Dance	Amalia M	Japanese	Lucie D

#### Personal Best

Kinder Gold	Lara S	Kinder Blue	Brooklyn B
1 Gold	Natalia S	1/2 Blue	Johnny M
1/2 Gold	Hunter K	3/4 Blue	Beau M
3/4 Gold	Madeleine H	3/4 White	Nicholas S
5 Blue	Will S	5 Gold	Lachlan H
6 Blue	Nate M	6 Gold	Edward K
Music/Dance	Angel-Rose J	Japanese	Emily P
Library	Summer M	Library	Andrew w

## PBL Award

Kinder Gold	Eva W	Kinder Blue	Max S
1 Gold	Grace B	1/2 Blue	Khushleen U
1/2 Gold	Avayah Y	3/4 Blue	Tahlia M
3/4 Gold	Savannah O	3/4 White	Toby R
5 Blue	Lakiah J-W	5 Gold	Stevie B
6 Blue	Celina T	6 Gold	Kascia L
Music/Dance	Khushi U	Japanese	Ivy Y

## Principal's Light of Learning Award



#### Kinder Blue: Spencer T

For being a kind friend and good listener. Spencer follows all classroom directions and is a pleasure to teach. Well done Spencer.

#### Kinder Gold: Charlotte T

For her positive attitude and application to learning and the kindness she displays with her daily interactions.

## 1 Gold: Nicholas G

For demonstrating a ready to learn attitude by being a respectful, responsible and cooperative member of 1 Gold. A great start to Term 4!

#### 1/2 Blue: Mpemba I

Sets a good example for our class by using her beautiful heart to listen and help others.

## 1/2 Gold: Oliver L

For being a respectful class member who lives out gospel values in his interaction with peers and teachers.

#### 3/4 Blue: Megan A

For being a caring, enthusiastic and positive class member.

## 3/4 Gold: India T

For showing persistence in all tasks.

## 3/4 White: Keely W

For always showing kindness and respect towards her peers. You are a true disciple of Jesus.

## 5 **Blue:** Phoeníx J

For being a great friend, for trying hard, and for having a growth mindset when he is challenged in the classroom.

## 5 Gold: Ethan W

For always following instructions, being on task and trying his best in all that he does.

## 6 Blue: Saphyre J

For being a kind, caring and compassionate member of our school community. Your positive attitude and growth mindset set are a great example for others

## 6 Gold: Nixon L

For being a fabulous student who consistently shows kindness, consideration and respect towards others.