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Dear Parents and Friends

Wednesday 28 April 2015

Judging by the number of leaves dropping around our grounds at school, we are well in to Autumn. It's always worth acknowledging the efforts of our school parents. At all times throughout the year all of our parents support us in a variety of ways.

We recently had a PTFA meeting and the number of parents present exceeded the numbers we've had at meetings in far larger schools I have worked in previously.

Coming into winter sports our parents once more come forward with coaching and organising practices. The assistance we get with transportation is vital and enables our children to attend different events out of school without having to foot the expense of buses.

We are in the process of goal setting for the term and have reminded our senior children in particular of the importance of taking sole responsibility for completing their homework out of school. We tend to keep our homework as brief with an emphasis on revision and believe this revision at home can really help overall understanding of learning. We encourage parents to please question children on what types of homework they have during the week.

Haere Ra

Richard Duffy



*At the going down of the sun, and in the morning
We will remember them.*

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 4 May	BOT Meeting, 7 pm in the Staffroom
Friday 8 May	Room 3 Assembly, 2:30 pm in Room 1
Saturday 9 May	Mothers Day Mass, 6 pm in the church
Thursday 14 May	PTFA meeting, after school
Friday 29 May	Room 2 Assembly, 2:30 pm in Room 1
Monday 1 June	Queens Birthday, no school.



Altar



Monday 1 June

Altar Servers

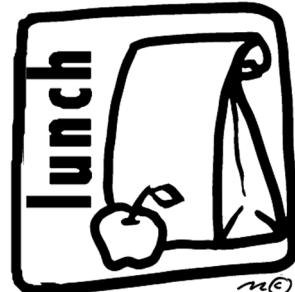
2 May	Jean-Luc and Angelique Peyroux
9 May	School Mass
16 May	Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin

Playground Progress

A big thank you to Jacquie for her time and effort in completing applications requesting funding for our playground development. These have now been submitted and we are waiting to hear back from these organisations regarding funding. We must thank our PTFA who have raised funds to support this project as well.

Winter Term Lunches

Children are able to bring lunches at school over terms 2 & 3 to be heated up but could parents please ensure that these lunches are wrapped in tin foil and named.



Kindling for Sale/Buying Firewood



We have 5 bags of bone dry kindling for sale priced at \$15 per bag. Proceeds are going towards this years senior ski camp. If you are interested please see Richard.

If you are intending to buy firewood it is worth considering buying it from Gary Young at Glengarry Firewood. Gary donated 4 cubic metres of firewood to the school as part of the ski camp raffle which was a hugely generous act.

Room 3 Trip to Kavanagh Production

This Friday Room 3 have been invited to attend the Kavanagh College performance of Oliver in their school auditorium. They have asked for a gold coin donation from each child for their attendance. Mrs Kerr-Bell who is coordinating the production felt that some of the content in the show was not suitable for our younger children as there are one or two scenes that are quite unsettling.

Hockey Draw - Wednesday 29th April

Storm (Year 3&4) 3.40pm at the McMillian Turf.

Strikers (Year 5&6) 4.30pm at Queens High School Turf.

Please be there at least 15min before your game starts.





Special Character



RE Lessons



Our focus for the next few weeks is the **Holy Spirit Strand**.

Year 0-2 are learning about how the Holy Spirit is God and how it effects our lives.

Year 3-4 are learning about the Fruits of the Spirit and how we are using them in our daily lives.

Year 5-6 are learning about symbols of the Holy Spirit and how the Holy Spirit makes us holy.

Family Mass - Mother's Day Mass

Friday 9th May at 6pm.

This is our School & Parish Mass for Term 2.

It is a lovely mass where we celebrate our mothers and grandmothers.

It is expected that all children attend. If your child has a special part in the mass, please be there by 5.45pm.

Children to please wear school uniform and sit up the front. There will be a cup of tea in the hall afterwards if you are able to join us.



Thank you for your support, we are looking forward to seeing you there.



Sausage sizzle/Hot Chocolate Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

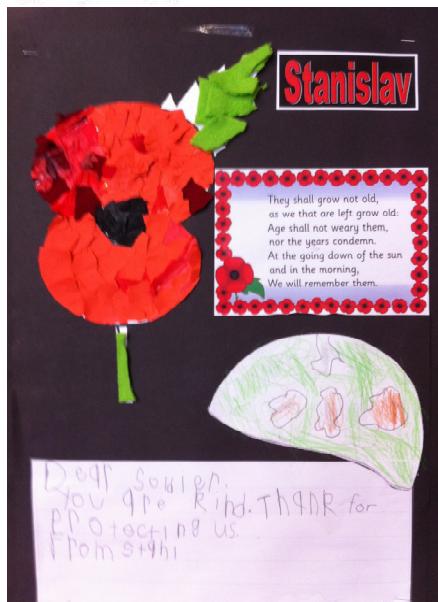


Name _____

Number of Sausage/s \$1.50 each _____ Hot Chocolate 50 cents _____



Room 2 News



Dear Soldiers,
You are brave. Thank you for protecting us.
From Gabriel

Dear Soldiers,
You went to war, you went with courage. Thank you for fighting for our country so we could have a good life.
From Lily

Dear Soldiers,
You are brave. Thank you for keeping us safe.
From Matthew

Dear Soldiers,
You are so brave and helpful. You really care for us. Thank you for protecting our country. I know we have Anzac Day for you.
From Emilie



In Room 3 last Friday some of us went to a miniball tournament at the Edgar Centre until lunchtime. A lot of the time we had 5 of our girl players on the court playing against teams with 4 or 5 aggressive boys on the court so we did really well. Yesterday after morning tea we had our first elective session for term 2 with some of us doing dance with Lisa from Rasa dance and others doing guitar with Moira and Andrew who is Lavanga's big brother. In writing last week we were doing Anzac Day where we had to do a fact sheet on Anzac Day from what we had researched. At the moment we are starting podcasting and the first things we need to do are write a script with our group and decide upon the characters and props we might need.

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