



St Michael's Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER

Term 3, week 2, July 31, 2025

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We would like to acknowledge the Aboriginal people and their ancestors who are the Traditional Owners of this land. May we and all Australian's, Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal, continue to be committed to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



Vision Statement

St Michael's Catholic Primary School is a welcoming community, embracing the Gospel values of faith, hope and love. We provide a Catholic education that nurtures the development of all children to their full potential. Through Christian witness, we offer a safe and supportive learning environment for the families in our school community.

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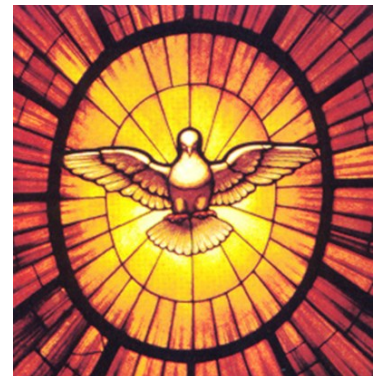
Sunday Mass Times

1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the Month 10:30am
2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month 8:30am

Prayer for First Holy Communion

Heavenly Father,
We thank You for the gift of this sacred day,
as the children of Our Lady's Assumption Parish
prepare to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time and receive the
gifts of the Holy Spirit.

May their hearts be open and filled with joy,
their minds be touched by Your truth,
and their souls be nourished by Your love.
Bless them with a deep and lasting friendship with Jesus,
so that they may walk with Him all the days of their lives.



We also lift up their families to You, Lord—
parents, siblings, and loved ones—
who have guided and supported them on this journey of faith.
May their homes be places of peace, prayer, and grace,
and may they continue to grow together in love and holiness.

Holy Spirit, guide these children and their families
as they take this beautiful step in their faith.
May this day be the beginning of a lifelong devotion
to the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Welcome back. Term 3 is a great term and we are especially looking forward to being able to move into our new administration block by the end of the term. These new facilities are such a blessing to our school. They will include a new reception area, first aid room, storage for our archives, a work room for staff, a staffroom, staff toilets, a finance office, interview room and a principal's office. We will inform parents when they can access the new building. Thank you to everyone for being so patient and adjusting during this exciting phase of our school. You will be the community that will be able to look back and say I remember when

Sacramental Program

Over the next two weeks, our students will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion (Sunday 3 August, 10.30 am Mass) and Confirmation (Saturday 9 August, 6.00 pm Mass). These are such important and significant events in our student's lives.

Congratulations to Harper, Michael, Francis, Danika, Declan and Frejya who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and to Tait, Juliet, Kaley, Evie and Oliver who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Our school community wishes you all the best for your special day and know that our prayers and with you and your families.

NAIDOC week

The first week was a very busy week full of activities, excursions and visitors to our school. We celebrated NAIDOC week and I would like to thank Mrs Jennifer Turner, Mrs Roslyn Dann, Ms Amy Williams and Mrs Tarryn Clay for coordinating the special events that took place during the week.

One of the highlights for me was the Brunswick River walk. Our students walked to the Brunswick River to hear the First Nations Story of the River and how it was formed. They then made Mia Mia's in the bush. Some students were very enthusiastic and came back to school covered in mud. They learnt so much and had a great time.

We are grateful to our First Nations community who came to the school to help us during our assembly. It is these close relationships that we cherish in our school community.



KPP Celebrate NAIDOC Week

What an incredible week we had in KPP celebrating NAIDOC Week! Our class was immersed in rich cultural experiences that helped us learn more about the Noongar people, their stories, and their language. We had lots of visitors and special people help organise and make and make this week so fun.

We began the week by listening to Mr Turner tell us all the local Noongar Dreaming story of the hairy faced Wagyl, learning how this powerful creature shaped the land we live on. Then we went on an amazing River Walk where we discovered the special place where the Hairy Face Snake (Wagyl) is said to have created the river.



Throughout the week, we explored Noongar language through a variety of fun and hands-on activities prepared by Kiarn's family. We learned how to count in Noongar, learnt the names of different animals, and even made our own animal creations out of clay! The classroom was buzzing with excitement as the children proudly used their new words and shared their creations.

A special highlight was when Kiarn's Nanna visited to read us a beautiful story in Noongar called 'Nyingarn Koorda Djinanginy'.

It was about an echidna searching for a friend, and the children loved hearing the story in a different language while connecting with the characters.

We also joined the whole school for a smoking ceremony, which was a powerful and respectful way to come together and reflect. The children were especially thrilled to hear Shayne play the didgeridoo—and giggled at his fun twist with the “didgeri-don’t!”

NAIDOC Week in KPP was full of learning, laughter, and connection. We are so proud of our students for embracing every moment with open hearts and curious minds.

Photo Day reminder

Just a gentle reminder to all our families that photo day will be held on Wednesday 27 August and the children will be required to be in full school uniform including the tie and jumper.

We have a number of students who have been missing parts of their uniform when they come to school. It is important that our children take pride in our school and wear their uniform properly.

If your child is missing parts of their uniform, please make sure that you order online before this date, so that your children are looking their best, not just on photo day, but every day.

Book Week Celebrations

Week 3, commencing Monday 4 August is Book Week. We have many activities that will be happening in and around the school. Here are some highlights:

- Book Fair opens in the library on Monday through to Thursday afternoon. Come in before and after school to purchase books
- Book and Bikkie night for all families of students in Kindy to Year 2 on Wednesday night from 6.00 pm (get your pyjamas ready)
- Book Week Dress Up day is Thursday with the book week parade at the end of the assembly.

Ready, Set, Read!

Peter Sell Sports Day is tomorrow Friday 1 August for all students in Year 3 – 6. Please make sure that your child has a packed lunch, snacks and water for the day and arrives promptly at school as we need to catch the bus to Donnybrook. It looks like the weather will be perfect for a sports carnival.

Buckets for Jesus Bags

Please make sure that you have returned your Buckets for Jesus Bags. Even if you have not filled the bag, please make sure that you have returned it to school so that we can fill it with all the donations that we have had. Thank you for your support of this important work. The due date for the bags has been extended to the end of Week 3 Friday 8 August.

Feast of St Mary Mackillop

We will be attending mass on Friday 15 August for the Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, the patron saint of Australia. We are blessed to have our parish mass hosted by our Year One and Two students. All families are invited to attend this mass with our school. Mass will commence at 9.00 am at Our Lady's Assumption Parish in Brunswick Junction. We hope to see you all there.

Survey for Three Week holiday during the July school holidays

All parents were invited to complete a survey at the end of last term, to indicate your preferences for a three week holiday in the middle of the year. Please go to the link https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=ly-FxTM2KU-zhIHaU-NelyaFJcaJFYtAnvY_isMh2glUQ04zTzQ0M0pDSVVIVFJZT1pJVJDNFTFYwOCQIQCN0PWcu to complete the survey if you have not already done so. Your feedback is important to our school community.

Student Councillors for Semester Two

This morning we announced the student councillors for Semester Two. We thank all the students who put their name forward for nomination.

Year 1	Jack and Ewen
Year 2	Ewynn
Year 3	Lexi
Year 4	Declan
Year 5	Bodhi
Year 6	Alexis

Congratulations to our new student councillors!



Visit by Bishop George and Father Tony

The Year Six class was blessed to have Bishop George and Father Tony visit their classroom in preparation for their Sacrament of Confirmation.



School Bus Service

It is vital that the school is kept up to date on your child's patronage of the school bus service.

We require notification of days your child will be on the bus to set up the rosters.

Please notify reception of **any** changes to their travel arrangements to avoid your child missing the bus. Thank you

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will now operate on a Thursday. Orders will be filled on Thursday and can be collected from reception on Friday morning. I will be available to assist you in person on a Thursday afternoon, however, this is by appointment only. Appointments can be made via the Facebook group with Michelle or through our reception.

Orders can be made using the myschoolconnect app and will be left in reception on a Friday morning. Please don't forget to include the size required in the comment box.

If you have old uniforms that you would like to donate, please hand them in to the office, thank you.

Canteen

Orders can be placed through the MySchoolConnect app or website.
Please direct all enquiries to reception.