

SCHOOL DATES FOR TERM TWO 2016

Wednesday 25th May	◆ Jersey Day (\$2.00 donation to help WYD) ◆ Assembly lead by year three 12:45pm
Friday 27th May	Canberra excursion for year six
Tuesday 31st May	School photographs (full Winter uniform, neat and tidy, polished shoes)
Wednesday 1st June	9:15am Primary Mass lead by year five
Thursday 2nd June	Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala
Friday 3rd June	Milo Cricket K-2 (at the school during school hours)
Wednesday 8th June	Assembly lead by year two 12:45pm
Monday 13th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday (no classes)
Wednesday 15th June	Dental assessment for kindergarten, years two, four and six
Thursday 16th June	Featherdale excursion for year three
Wednesday 22nd June	Assembly lead by year four 12:45pm
Thursday 23rd June	Sydney Observatory excursion for year five
Friday 24th June	Student Reports go home
Mon 27th—Thurs 30th June	Parent/Teacher meetings K-6
Thursday 30th June	Stage 2 Boys Soccer Gala
Friday 1st July	2:55pm term two concludes

SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE. THANK YOU TO THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE ALREADY PAID.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 31st May. Please complete the photo envelope and send the correct money **ON TUESDAY 31ST MAY**. Money that has not been receipted cannot be held at school. Thank you.



TUCKSHOP IS OPEN AT 8:30AM MONDAY TO FRIDAY IF PARENTS WOULD LIKE TO ORDER FOOD FOR THEIR CHILDREN



RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL FROM TERM THREE

As you are aware, the school newsletter can be accessed on the St Aidan's website and on the school app. It is able to be read on all your mobile devices, computers and it can also be printed.

From the commencement of term three 2016 all fortnightly newsletters will be sent home electronically via email. Parents are requested to provide a valid email address to receive the newsletter. Please complete the information below and return to school by Friday 3rd June 2016. Thank you to those families who have already responded.

EMAIL ADDRESS TO RECEIVE NEWSLETTERS

Parent/s name: _____

Name of eldest child attending St Aidan's _____ CLASS _____

Email address (please print clearly) _____

Any parent who would like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter, please inform the office by **Friday 3rd June 2016**.



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Newsletter



From the Principal

20th May 2016

Dear Parents,

As you are aware World Youth Day is being held in Krakow Poland in July this year. An important aspect of this pilgrimage is a stopover in the Philippines on Bohol Island which was devastated in the earthquake of 2013. Pilgrims from the Parramatta Diocese will spend four days working with young people in parishes, schools and orphanages. Following this mission experience, the group travels to Krakow, Poland to participate in and celebrate World Youth Day week with millions of young people ready to pray in solidarity with Pope Francis. Some parents have said they would like to make a financial contribution to the work being done on Bohol Island. This is a very generous offer and would be gratefully received by the people who are desperately trying to rebuild their communities. If any parents wish to make donations to the Bohol Island project they are asked to deposit the donations in the following account. It is important that all monies are deposited in this way as follows:

BSB 067-950
A/C 00001097
A/C Name St Aidan's Primary School
REF: WYD- (your family code)
e.g. - WYD-XXX001
Please contact Mrs Wakeling if you have any further questions.

Thank you once again for your support of the Mother's Day Stall. The amount raised was \$1,302.

As you are aware enrolments are being accepted for Kindergarten 2017. Please contact the school office if you require an enrolment form for your child. You might also remind any family or friends who may have children ready to start Kindergarten in 2017. Enrolment interviews were commenced this week.

Mr Regan, Acting Principal from St Agnes spoke to year six students this week. A number of students have yet to apply to St Agnes for Year Seven 2017. Please contact St Agnes as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Next Wednesday 25th May the student leaders are holding 'jersey day'. The purpose of the day is:

- to raise money towards world youth day and at the same time to provide a fun day for the students

Students are asked to bring a \$2.00 donation to offset the costs of sending pilgrims to WYD. Your assistance with this fund-raiser will be gratefully accepted.

There have been a number of excursions already this term. Sincere thanks to the parents (names listed on the next page) who assisted teachers with these outings.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Elizabeth Ricketts
Principal.

PEASANT PRINCE EXCURSION

Last week years three, four, five and six attended the Riverside theatre at Parramatta. Below are some student recounts from year three:



- ★ I truly enjoyed the story because the main message was to always follow your dreams. I also thoroughly enjoyed the end of the Peasant Prince when they allowed us to ask questions about the play and characters.
-Kiara Sansano 3D
- ★ The actors were very dedicated to learning their lines. The digital background was remarkable.
- Katrina Knezevic 3D
- ★ The play had a sensational view, because the digital background helped me to paint a picture in my mind. The special effects were incredible.
- Andrea Santos 3D
- ★ My favourite part was when the Peasant Prince became the star dancer.
- Zak Tanedo 3D
- ★ We thought that there were more actors, but there were just four actors. This means they were very dedicated.
-Samantha McGrath 3C
- ★ I thoroughly enjoyed the Peasant Prince play because it was funnier than I expected. I also enjoyed the end of the play because they introduced themselves and let us ask questions.
-Breindel Capili 3C
- ★ I enjoyed the special effects in the performance, like the smoke and the digital background.
-Angelica Danial 3C

STAGE THREE LITERACY

Stage Three in their literacy block are focusing on reading comprehension. Effective readers make use of a number of strategies as they read a text. These strategies help the readers' memory and understanding of the text. The strategies that the students are developing include:

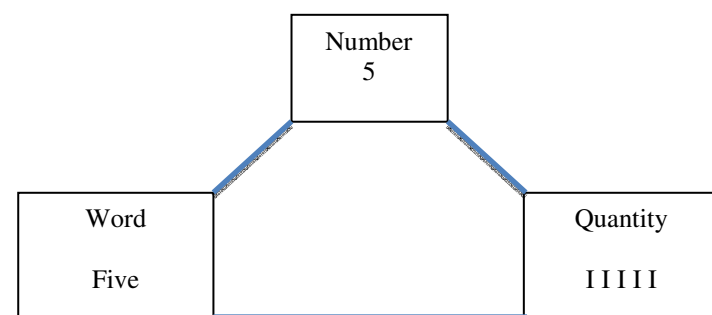
* Predicting * Making connections * Visualising * Inferring * Clarifying * Analysing * Evaluating

Effective readers use these strategies as they read. These strategies help the reader to develop meaning from a text. The aim is to enable students to become independent users of these strategies.

Mr Ian Byrne
Acting Assistant Principal.

NUMERACY NEWS

Children in the early years of learning require many opportunities to explore and make different numbers. The number triad below is used in classrooms to help children understand different numbers and develop number sense.



What can you do at home to support your child?

- Encourage your child to count a collection of objects before writing the number and the word.
- Structure the collection of objects into groups of ten and recall how many 'tens' in their number/collection.
- Ask your child to imagine one more/ten more/one less/ten less in their collection. How many objects would they have now?

In the next newsletter I will explore interpreting numbers in the middle years (Years 3-4).

What mathematics will you **notice**, **discuss** and **explore** with your child this week?

Miss Prudence Hall
Lead Numeracy Teacher.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the following parents who assisted at the year two and year four excursions: Mrs Fegradoe, Mrs Bell, Mr Gorgise, Mr Maglalang, Mrs Brewty, Mrs Warwick-Smith Mrs Gorgise and Mr Torralba.



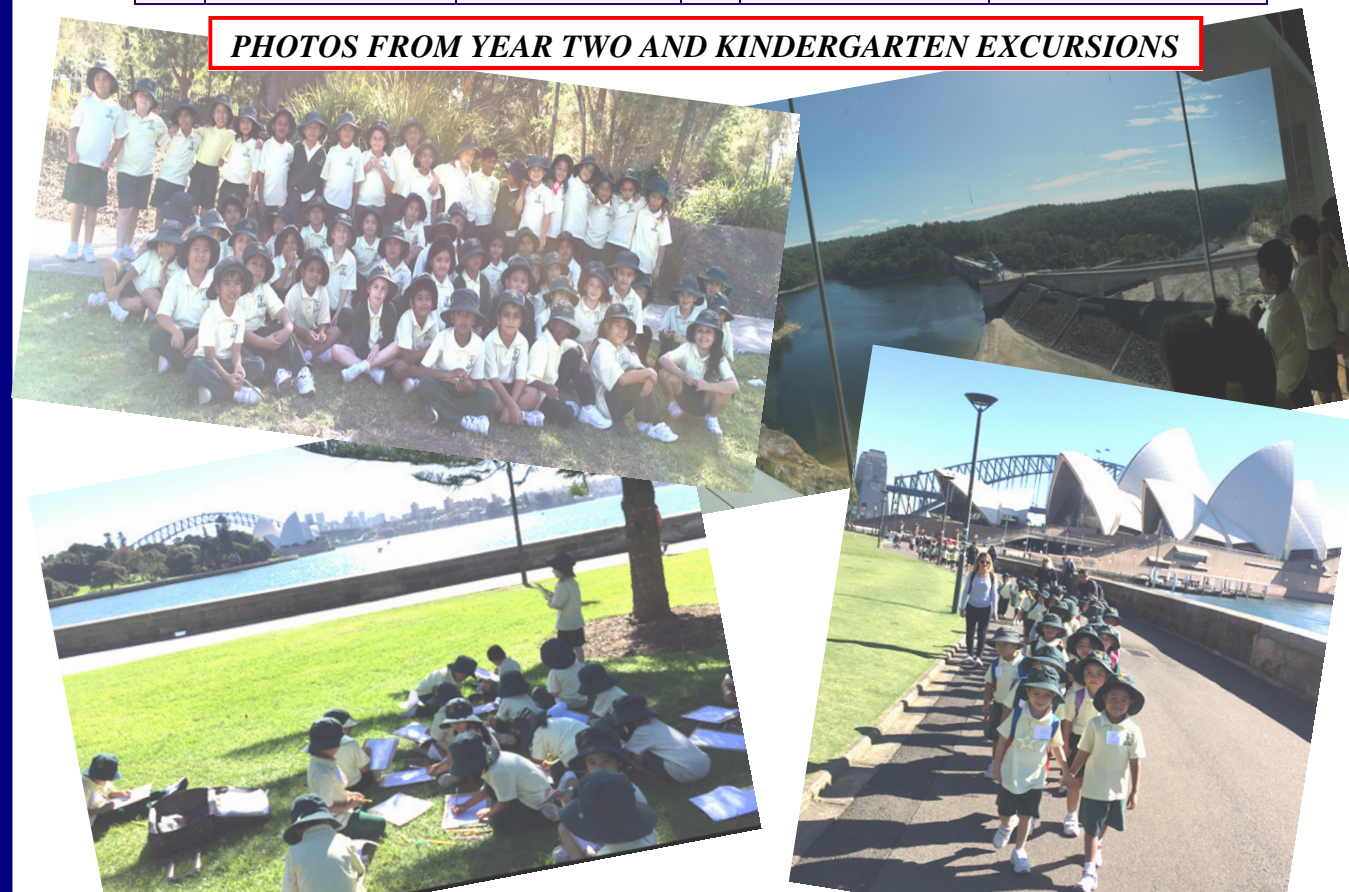
Hall of Fame



Congratulations to the following who have been listed in the *Hall of Fame* this fortnight.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS					
KH	Deon Muscat	Lilian Velasco	KQ	Ahlynka Button	Chayo Downtong
1M	Moung Anei	Angel Vicedas	1S	Jake LeRoy	Priyanka Sharma
2D	James Gatmaitan	Allegra Trimboli	2U	Shyla Cruise	Markaritte Derjani
3C	Samantha McGrath	Denise Remo	3D	Kiara Sansano	Jayden Tayag
4B	Alyssa Cacho	Dut Dak	4P	Wayne Conopio	Enrico Villanueva
5B	Amarra Bumactao	Aken Khon	5P	Raimely Bojo	Halouf Gafour
6C	Elyza Lagare	Mary Pandes	6K	Arjae Quibuyen	Hannah-Rae Corcoran

PHOTOS FROM YEAR TWO AND KINDERGARTEN EXCURSIONS



PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE 2016

As you are aware, this year students at St Aidan's are again taking part in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Students who have participated previously in the challenge, login with the same username & password used last year. If this has been forgotten students need to speak to their teachers.

Any new student who has not received their username & password is also to ask their teacher.

Website for the Premier's reading challenge is: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc>

Currently we have twenty-one students who have completed the challenge for 2016. Congratulations to:

Year one: Danika Robinson.

Year two: Koby Aquino; Jake Bernaldo; Shyla Cruise; Markaritte Derjani; Clarence Diaz; Chloe Favor; Jackson Frias; Ryan Galman; James Gatmaitan; Alexander Gonzales; Rebecca Joseph; Mielle Paulate; Helen Piliae; Andrea Plaatjes; Zara Radas; Liam Robinson; Shelbilise Teuma-Manaog; Allegra Trimboli; Cassandra Vunipola.

Year five: Beatrix Favor.

The school's library has many of the books on the premier's reading challenge list. These have been placed in a special section. Let's get reading!!

If you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Ms Grace Carlo-Stella
Teacher/Librarian.