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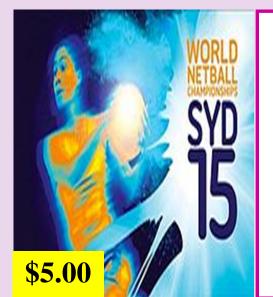
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MEAL DEAL DAY **TUESDAY 11TH AUGUST 2015** **\$5.00PAYMENT BY TUESDAY 4TH AUGUST**

Chicken Burger with Lettuce and Mayonnaise

CAN OF DRINK

- **Creaming Soda**
- Lemonade

Child's name/s

Child's class /es



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St Aidan's Primary School **Rooty Hill Sharing News & Views**

From the Principal

God loves those who help the weak become whole.

> St Mary MacKillop

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Dear Parents.

Last week some of our stage two boys took part in a soccer gala day. The boys exhibited great sportsmanship and gained a very close second for the day. Congratulations to our team whose names are included in the 'hall of fame'. Thank you to Mr Julius for training the squad and to Mrs Upton who assisted at the gala day.

Stage three girls have been trying out for the netball gala day to be held on 25th August. Miss Hall is training the girls for their netball. Thank you Miss Hall.

Thank you to the year six parents who attended the information session on 'cyber safety'. Senior Constable Paul Sneasby, the Youth Liaison officer from Mt Druitt police Station addressed the parents and emphasized the dangers of children accessing the internet without adult supervision. He spoke very strongly about Facebook and advised parents to shutdown children's accounts until they turn thirteen, the recommended age for children to open Facebook accounts. Copies of handouts were sent to all year six parents. Parents who haven't received these might check children's school bags. The information is recommended reading.

The meeting with me, Blacktown Council, Mr Edmond Atalla MP, Mr Mark DeSylva (Catholic Education Parramatta), Mrs Saric and Mrs Abicic (parent representatives) took place last Friday morning. We had further discussion about the traffic/parking issues in Adelaide and Kimberly streets and council have taken the school's concerns into account. Council will follow this up with the Local Traffic Committee and will advise me of their decisions in due course.

I remind all parents once again that at this stage, there is NO STOPPING/NO PARKING outside the school in Adelaide Street.

Parents may drop off and pick up in Kimberly Street (opposite the bus stop). Cars may be stopped for two minutes only as this is a DROP OFF zone between 8:00am-9.30am and 2.30-4:00pm.

It is incredible that so many parents drive dangerously in a school zone. At least fifty drivers ignored the NO STOPPING restriction during the council visit. Some parents were so impatient that they overtook on the double line. Several parents parked at acute angles and others stopped in the middle of the road. This behaviour is an accident waiting to happen.

Drivers who disregard these parking restrictions are putting the safety of St Aidan's children in jeopardy. PLEASE CONSIDER OTHERS AND DRIVE CAREFULLY.

Parents are reminded that school commences at 8:40am and concludes at 2:55pm. Supervision commences at 8:15am. Please ensure that your children do not arrive at school before this time. Similarly parents are requested to be on time to collect children in the afternoons.

Thank you for your continued support particularly with safe driving and parking near the school.

Yours sincerely

Dr Elizabeth Ricketts Principal.

♦ Meal Deal—

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

Bread of Life - Jn 6:1-15

Last Sunday's gospel from John, was a wonderful example about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus fed the 5000 people who sat patiently and listened to him preach. His followers were full - both physically and spiritually.

He again broke bread and shared it with his disciples saying "Take and eat this bread which is my body". They too were full - both physically and spiritually.

Families gather together and share a meal. When they do this they are coming together like the disciples did at the Last Supper. For it is in the sharing that we remember Jesus' ultimate sacrifice. For this reason many people say a prayer before meals.

Mrs Miray Khoury, Religious Education Coordinator.

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP THEIR CHILDREN DEVELOP RESPONSIBILITY?

Three ways to help your child become more responsible:

- when you make a commitment follow through. If possible, deliver even more than you promise.
- create a chart of family chores (jobs), listing everyone's responsibilities, including your own.
- don't rescue your child if he/she has done something wrong. Let your child accept responsibility and face the consequences.

Mrs Christine Leahy Assistant Principal.

LITERACY MATTERS

Ways to help nurture writing

Take your child to different places, then talk about what has been seen, heard, smelled, tasted, touched.

The basis of good writing is good talking. Younger children acquire a stronger control of language when loving adults -- particularly parents -- share experiences and rich talk about those experiences.

Don't forget the Premier's Reading Challenge which closes 24th August.

Mrs Christine Leahy Assistant Principal.

BABY NEWS

Congratulations to Malare Marone KB and her family on the birth of a baby boy, Eadan.



NUMERACY NEWS

When students explore particular numbers, it is important for them to understand that each number represents a quantity. For example if we read the number 20, it may represent 20 counters, 20 dollars or 20 teddy bears.

At St Aidan's students are given many opportunities to explore different numbers. They make them with a variety of materials, use digit cards to show the number and find the number on a number line.

A key learning for students is the understanding of how many hundreds, tens and ones etc. are in any number. In the number 73 students would be expected to know that there are 7 groups of tens (7 tens) and 3 more (3 ones) This is a concept that is explored as early as Kindergarten.

In the next newsletter I will continue to explore place value and the importance of a number line.

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

Miss Prudence Hall Lead Numeracy Teacher.

STAGE TWO BOYS SOCCER GALA DAY



UPDATED INFORMATION ON PARKING Council's website has been updated with Fact Sheets showing the increased penalties for parking, speeding and other traffic offences. You will find them at this link: http://www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/ People and Community/Community and Road Safety/Road Safety - Safer Travel/Fact Sheets

These are available to you free of charge. Please download the Fact Sheets you need.

WOOLWORTHS 'EARN & LEARN'

Please keep collecting the 'Earn & Learn' stickers when you shop at Woolworths. Thank you.

Hall of Fame

Together we are one

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS							
KB	Ryan Ereira	Shanya Shrestha	KH	Maribelle Moawad	Lucas Tollefsen		
1C	Liam Robinson	Lauren Tolentino	1M	Koby Aquino	Markaritte Derjani		
2D	Caterina Mifsud	Reuel Velasco	2U	Olivia Bottom	Jayden Tayag		
3B	Isabella Gatmaitan	David Badato	3Q	Nicholas Limpiado	Marcus Torralba		
4D	Edwin Liberty	Lilly Schuster	4K	Odeesh Mansour	Byron Skarski		
5P	Matthew Daniel	Ruth Joseph	5W	Jaira-Lynn De Vera	Kyle Polidano		
6B	Michael Ayoub	Ruth Nool	6C	Laszlo Mendoza	Jeremiah Warwick-Smith		

STAGE TWO BOYS SOCCER GALA DAY TEAM 2015						
Amire Gorgise	Mason Polidano	Krishiv Singh	Sione Vunipola			
Tong Wol	Christian Ramos	Jemaine Darjani	Shaun Bernaldo			
Aken Khon	Viliami Vunipola	Michael Piliae				

DATES FOR TERM THREE 2015				
Wednesday 5th August	12:45pm year three Assembly			
Tuesday 11th August	 ♦ Blacktown Zone Athletics ♦ Meal Deal—World Netball Championships 			
Wednesday 12th August	9:15am year two leading Infants Mass			
Friday 14th August	Spellathon test K-6			
Mon 17-Fri 21st August	Science Week			
Wednesday 19th August	The 26-Storey Treehouse theatre excursion for years four, five and six			
Thursday 20th August	 Year six Voice of Youth cluster final 1:30pm Book Character Parade Book Fair 3:00-4:00pm 			
Friday 21st August	Infants Tabloid Sports K-2 9:00am			
Monday 24th August	Book Fair 9:00-10:00am and 2:30-3:30pm			
Tuesday 25th August	 ♦ Stage three Girls Netball gala day ♦ Meal Deal—Moon Rocks 			
Wednesday 26th August	9:15am year five leading Primary Mass			
Mon 31st Aug-Fri 4th Sept	National Literacy and Numeracy Week			
Wednesday 2nd September	 ♦ 9:15am Father's Day/St Aidan's Mass year four leading (whole school) ♦ Father's morning tea 			
Friday 4th September	♦ Father's Day stall♦ Spellathon money due			
Tuesday 8th September	Meal Deal—Turning Japanese			
Wednesday 9th September	12:45pm year one Assembly			
Tuesday 15th September	Numeracy challenge. Parents invited 11:30am-1:15pm			
Wednesday 16th September	12:45pm kindergarten Assembly			
Friday 18th September	2:55pm term three concludes			