



St Andrew's Primary School Newsletter

Term 1 Issue 5, 7th April 2022





The start of 2022 has seen many highs as well as many challenges.

I wish to begin by thanking our parents for your continued support especially with maintaining our COVID safe procedures. It was our intention to have reduced these processes this year, however with the escalating numbers every day of positive cases both of students, their family members and staff, the only option was to continue. The purpose of reducing parent and visitors on our school site was to minimise the possibility of spreading the virus therefore reducing the disruption to the learning of every child. In saying this, COVID positive cases are still occurring daily so to continue to minimise the spread at school we will continue with the restrictions into Term 2.

On a positive note, we will still endeavour to invite parents to some of our school events following our Covid safety plan. One of our main goals this year was to re-connect our families to school life. Our first re-connector event is scheduled today. Invitations went out to Kindergarten and Year 1 parents to attend an afternoon tea on the church site. The P&F organised a lovely afternoon tea spread for our parents. It was so exciting to see over 90 parents respond to the invitation. We will schedule other re-connector afternoon tea events next term. A big thank you to the P&F for organising this for our school community.

The Flood Appeal

Thank you to the many parents who donated to this outreach appeal. Our school raised over \$1800. The money has been sent to St Vinnies for distribution to families affected by the floods.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

As of next term, parents are able to visit the uniform shop on site. For your information, as the school is now cashless, only Eftpos transactions are able to be used. The uniform shop is open every Wednesday from 8.30am to 9am sharp. Covid safe measures will be in place.

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to the following Easter Raffle winners.

1st Prize - Margaret Ingrey sold by Lucas KB

2nd Prize - David McSweeney sold by Leah 5B

3rd Prize - Ursula Dawson sold by Sophia 2B

4th Prize - Alan Evans sold by Blake 2Y

5th Prize - Priyanki Rawal sold by Ayushi

A big thank you to the P&F for organising the Easter egg baskets.

This event raised \$ 2,165.00

Stations of the Cross Liturgy

Tomorrow the children will experience a very special liturgy reflecting Jesus' journey to the Cross. I wish to thank Mrs Whiticker for coordinating this very important prayer experience.

Lost student uniforms

We have a very large collection of lost uniforms in the front office area. These items do not have names so we are unable to return them to their rightful owners. If your child is missing an item of clothing, please direct them to the office for collection.

Morning drop off- Unsafe practices

Parents, I ask that you please remember that the school gates do not open until 8am each morning. Some children are arriving at school well before this time and are waiting unattended outside the school gates. This is very unsafe and is a practice that should not happen. If you require your child to be supervised before 8am, please get in contact with COSCH to see if they have vacancies.

Wet weather gear

The weather this term has been very unpredictable. We ask that your child has wet weather gear in their bags if possible.

Cross Country Trials

This year Mr Paynter ran our cross country trial on our school site as part of the selection process for the Diocesan Cross Country event scheduled for Tuesday the 3rd of May at Eastern Creek.

We are all very proud of you.

Changes to Staff

As most families know, every school in NSW is faced with significant staff shortages due to a number of factors. Here at St Andrews, we have also been affected by staff shortages and currently we have several positions that we have been trying to fill since the end of last year. The school and its very dedicated staff have always placed the wellbeing and educational needs of the children first and we are very mindful of reducing disruptions to the learning environment.

The following changes will be in effect as of the first day of Term 2.

Mr Alimangohan will be leaving St Andrews due to personal issues. Returning to St Andrews is Mr Reitano. He will be the class teacher of Year 5 Red. Mr Reitano is no stranger to our school as he was a staff member here for several years. It will be great to see him return.

Miss Pineda will also be leaving us after only a very short time due to personal reasons. I am happy to announce that the new Year 2 Blue class teachers will be Mrs Ciantar and Mrs Ross.

Mrs Barlow will be commencing her maternity leave at the end of the term. Miss Jessica Anderson will be stepping into this role for the interim until Miss Heather Anderson commences her employment in the very near future. We wish Mrs Barlow and her husband God's blessing as they await the birth of their first baby.

School Calendar for Term 2

First day of Term 2- 26th of April- ANZAC Day reflection for students

Easter Liturgy - Friday the 29th of April followed by Easter Disco fundraiser for each grade hosted by the P&F.

Diocesan Cross Country- Tuesday the 3rd of May

Mothers Day Stall- Thursday the 5th May

Mothers Day Liturgy- Friday the 6th of May

Year 4 excursion - Thursday the 12th of May

Year 3 Excursion - Wednesday the 18th May

Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Day Mass - Friday the 24th of June

Academic Reports to Parents- 22nd of June

Parent Teacher Interviews- week starting Monday the 27th of June

St Andrew Awards- Friday the 13th of May, 3rd of June, 1st of July

Easter Liturgy

On Friday the 29th of April, the school will gather for an Easter Reflection in the Hall. I wish to thank Mrs Whiticker for coordinating this very special event.

Disco fundraiser

On the 29th of April, the P and F will be hosting our first disco fundraiser for the year. The theme for this day is Easter. Children are invited to dress in their favourite Easter outfit. The cost of the event will be \$5.00. Further information will be sent out next term.

Term 2

Children return to school on Tuesday the 26th April in full winter uniform. Please do not forget the tie for girls and boys. If the weather is warm parents may choose to send their child in summer uniform. This will be for the first two weeks of Term 2 only.

On Behalf of the Community of St Andrews

we wish each family a Happy Easter

Alleluia HE is Risen!



Lent By Year 4



LENT

Lent is a time when we prepare for Easter. We can fast which is when we give up a favourite food for 40 days, we could pray for 40 days or we could do the best out of all which is almsgiving. This is when we donate money, donate clothes and give our time to someone. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are all really important.

Good Friday is when Jesus rose from the dead and then he ascended to heaven going back to his Father.

The real meaning of Easter and Lent is not chocolate eggs and bunnies it is about Jesus and new life. We all thank God for all of those things he did for us.

The 40 days are all about the 40 days Jesus stayed in the desert and was tempted by the devil telling him if you go with me I will grant you whatever you want. Jesus may have been weak from lack of food but he was not tempted.



Liam B

Lent

Purple is in lent because it's the colour of waiting and we are waiting and preparing for Jesus' death and resurrection

Lent is a time for waiting for Jesus, not the Easter bunny. Lent is a forgiving time. Chocolate eggs are the least important, the most is the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the King of all.



Jesus spent 40 days in the desert praying with no food or water. He also gave up his life for us, that is why we give up something.





Student of the Week

	WEEK 8	WEEK 9		WEEK 8	WEEK 9
KB	Kresimir Bastalic	Luke Ilagan	3G	Elijah Pacios	Natalia Razon
KG	Name Withheld	Oliver Farag	3R	Isaac Issa	Ady Ding
KR	Francis Calaquian	Virginia Akonda	3Y	Ekamveer Singh	Natalia Hanna
KY	Name Withheld	Name Withheld	4B	Ivy Macarthy	Michael Eltom
1B	Alexander Demian	Name Withheld	4G	Christopher Aridah	Sophia Santos
1G	Xavier Vakai	Victor Diras	4R	Lauren Griffiths	Maribella George
1R	Kismat Sandhu	Imogen Turner	5B	Jacqueline Westlake	Blake Walsh
1Y	Naisha Prasad	Veronica Prabakaran	5G	Kim Chimbira	Cooper Anderiez
2B	Gabriele Huezo	Jaxon Fox	5R	Rithvika Anth	Jamia Zapanta
2G	Skylar Harris	Venisia Koko	6B	Ben Tyra	Keo Sinbandhit
2R	Annika Malaviya	Lance Minas	6G	Matilda Watts	Ann Atienza
2Y	Caleb Magayaga	Elizabeth Wang	6R	Ereny Hanna	Lukas Bulacan
3B	Zarius Celeste	Leilani Ma'u			

Term 2 Calendar 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	April 25 PUBLIC HOLIDAY ANZAC DAY	26 ANZAC day reflection for the students	27	28	29 Easter Liturgy P&F Easter Disco
2 Newsletter Week	May 2	3 Diocesan Cross Country	4	5 Mother's Day Stall	6 Mother's Day Liturgy
3	9	10	11	12 Year 4 Excursion	13 St Andrew's Awards
4 Newsletter Week	16	17	18 Year 3 Excursion	19	20
5	23	24	25	26	27
6 Newsletter Week	30	31	June 1	2	3 St Andrew's Awards
7	6	7	8	9	10
8 Newsletter Week	13 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	14	15	16	17
9	20	21	22 Academic Reports to Parents	23	24 Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Day Mass
10 Newsletter Week	27 Parent Teacher Interviews	28 Parent Teacher Interviews	29 Parent Teacher Interviews	30	JULY 1 St Andrew's Awards LAST DAY OF TERM

LIFE THREATENING ALLERGIES

Our School caters for many differences that children present, academic, emotional, social and health issues.

Throughout our school, we have children with **life threatening** allergies. This is a serious matter, one that the school must address. Therefore, we appeal to all parents to assist us in caring for children who have life threatening allergies by considering the type of foods you pack for your own child each day.

Our aim is to minimize the amount of **peanut** and **all nut** products brought into the school and avoid all foods that contain **nuts**. These foods are extremely dangerous to our children with allergies. Common foods that trigger an allergic reaction are listed below and we ask that they **not** be brought to school at **any time**.

- Peanuts – including M & M peanuts
- Cashews, hazelnuts, almonds, walnuts and all tree nuts
- Peanut butter
- Nutella
- Sesame seeds – remember some bread rolls have sesame seeds on them including some McDonald's hamburger buns
- Foods that contain satay e.g. Thai, Malaysian, Indonesian dishes
- Whole egg – boiled egg, curried egg
- Chocolate – blocks, biscuits and lollies - as chocolate has the highest cross contamination rate

In the case of a child bringing a nut product to school, teachers will bring the matter to the attention of parents.

If peanut or nuts are **not** on the ingredient list of a particular packaged food but the food has the statement:

“MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF NUT.....”

this food may be brought to school and consumed only by **non-allergic children**.

Due to safety concerns, we discourage children from sharing food. We would also appreciate parents speaking with children regarding this matter.

We thank you for helping us to provide a safe environment for all of our children.

OFFICE NEWS

Term 3



We are going cashless, if you need to make any payments please do so by eftpos.

If you require any reports printed please log into the QKR App and you can pay via this we will then print the reports and send them home. The cost is \$6 per report.

Fees are now overdue. If you have not put a payment arrangement in place or paid your installment 1 fees, please do ASAP. Installment 2 will be posted in mid May 2022. If you have not received a statement by then please contact Reshma Kerai on 02 8869 6700.



SPORT DAYS

Kindy	Wednesday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Monday
Year 3	Wednesday
Year 4	Tuesday
Year 5	Tuesday
Year 6	Thursday

School Student Travel

Term 1 2022



School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to [apply](#) or [update](#) their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Opal terms of use](#).

All students are required to comply with the [Student code of conduct](#). The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/school-travel
Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback

OFFICIAL



healthy canteens menu



SANDWICHES & WRAPS

GREAT CHOICE

	SANDWICH	WRAP
E VEGEMITE OR JAM VEG	\$ 2.00	
E CHEESE VEG	\$ 2.00	
E HAM	\$ 2.70	
E CHEESE & TOMATO VEG	\$ 3.20	
E HAM & CHEESE	\$ 3.20	
E CHICKEN WITH MAYO	\$ 3.80	
E HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$ 3.80	\$ 5.00
E CHICKEN & CHEESE	\$ 3.80	\$ 5.00
E SALAD VEG	\$ 3.80	\$ 5.30
LETTUCE, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, BEETROOT, CARROT		
E SWEET CHILLI CHICKEN	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.30
E HAM & SALAD	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.80
E CHICKEN, LETTUCE & MAYO	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.80
E CHICKEN, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.80
E CHICKEN & SALAD	\$ 4.30	\$ 5.80
E CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD		\$ 5.80

SALAD BOWLS

GREAT CHOICE

E GARDEN SALAD VEG	\$ 4.80 GF
LETTUCE, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, BEETROOT, CARROT	
E CAESAR SALAD	\$ 4.80
E SWEET CHILLI CHICKEN SALAD	\$ 5.30
E HAM & GARDEN SALAD	\$ 5.30 GF
E CHICKEN & GARDEN SALAD	\$ 5.30 GF
E CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	\$ 5.30

CHOOSE ANY OF THESE DRESSINGS :
CAESAR, ITALIAN, MAYO, FRENCH

FRESH FRUIT

GREAT CHOICE

E FRUIT WATERMELON, APPLE, BANANA, SEASONAL FRUITS	\$ 1.20
E FROZEN ORANGES SNACK PACK	\$ 2.20
E WATERMELON CHUNKS	\$ 4.70
E FRUIT SALAD SEASONAL FRUITS	\$ 5.20

SNACK DEAL \$ 2.70



Choose One

Popper - Water - Plain Milk

Popcorn or Fruit Piece
Add 50c Oak Milk

DRINKS

GREAT CHOICE

E POPPER 100% JUICE APPLE, ORANGE, ABC	\$ 2.00
E WATER 600ML	\$ 2.00
E PLAIN MILK 300ML	\$ 2.00
E OAK MILK 300ML CHOCOLATE, STRAWBERRY	\$ 2.60
E GLEE 250ML 100% JUICE	\$ 2.80
RASPBERRY, GRAPE, WATERMELON SOUR	
E UP N GO 250ML CHOCOLATE, VANILLA	\$ 3.20
E ICE TEA 500ML PEACH, RASPBERRY	\$ 3.80
E ALOE VERA 500ML GRAPE	\$ 3.80
E HOT CHOCOLATE	\$ 2.00

FOOD CODING

VEG VEGETARIAN GF GLUTEN FREE
E EVERYDAY RATED O OCCASIONAL RATED
ALL ITEMS ARE HALAL (EXCEPT PORK BASED PRODUCTS)
WRITE "GLUTEN FREE" ON YOUR LUNCH BAG
ALL OF OUR GLUTEN FREE ITEMS HAVE
"GF" NEXT TO THE PRICE

ICE COLD TREATS

99% JUICE

GREAT CHOICE

E FROZEN JUICE CUP ASSORTED FLAVOURS	\$ 1.50 GF
E FRUITY ICES ASSORTED FLAVOURS	\$ 0.60 GF
E SOUR SNAP APARTS ASSORTED FLAVOURS	\$ 1.00 GF

ICE BLOCKS ARE NOT PUT IN YOUR LUNCH ORDER BAG
ASK YOUR CHILD TO GO AND COLLECT IT FROM
THE CANTEN DURING THEIR LUNCH BREAK

YOGHURT

E VAALIA YOGHURT VANILLA	\$ 3.50
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SNACKS

E PANCAKE	\$ 1.00
E POPCORN GF	\$ 1.00
O CHIPS 27G HONEY SOY	\$ 2.00
O PIRANHA RICE SNAPS VEGE CRACKERS	\$ 2.30 GF
O JELLY BOWL	\$ 1.60 GF
O BANANA BREAD	\$ 2.60
O MUFFIN CHOCOLATE	\$ 3.70



Register For Online Ordering
[Flexischools.com.au](https://flexischools.com.au)



SUSHI ROLLS

GLUTEN FREE

GREAT CHOICE

E CHICKEN TERIYAKI	\$ 4.00 GF
E TUNA	\$ 4.00 GF
E VEGETARIAN VEG	\$ 4.00 GF
WRITE "SOY SAUCE" ON YOUR LUNCH BAG IF YOU WOULD LIKE ONE FOR FREE	

EXTRAS

SAUCE PORTION - BBQ OR TOMATO SAUCE	\$ 0.40
TOMATO, BEETROOT, CUCUMBER, CARROT, ONION	\$ 0.50
CHEESE SLICE, SHREDDED CHEESE	\$ 0.50
CHICKEN, HAM, EGG	\$ 1.00

HOT BITES

O CHICKEN NUGGETS 100% BREAST	EACH	\$ 0.85
	4 PACK	\$ 3.20
	6 PACK	\$ 4.50
E CHICKEN WINGS HOT & SPICY	EACH	\$ 1.50
E MINI SPRING ROLL OVEN BAKED VEG		\$ 1.00
E CORN COB VEG		\$ 1.30
O HASH BROWN VEG		\$ 1.40 GF
E GARLIC BREAD VEG		\$ 2.50
E CHEESE & BACON ROLL WARM		\$ 2.90
E HOT DOG WITH TOMATO SAUCE (CHICKEN)		\$ 3.50
O GLUTEN FREE CHICKEN NUGGETS	EACH	\$ 0.90 GF
	4 PACK	\$ 3.40 GF
	6 PACK	\$ 4.60 GF

TOASTED WRAPS

E CHEESE TOASTED WRAP VEG	\$ 2.20
E HAM & CHEESE TOASTED WRAP	\$ 3.30
E CHICKEN, CHEESE & BBQ BBQ SAUCE	\$ 5.20
E SWEET CHILLI CHICKEN CHEESE, SAUCE	\$ 5.20

PASTAS & RICE

GREAT CHOICE

E BUTTER CHICKEN WITH RICE	\$ 4.30 GF
E BOLOGNESE PASTA BEEF SAUCE	\$ 4.30
E CREAMY CHICKEN PASTA	\$ 4.30
E FRIED RICE VEG	\$ 4.80
E MACARONI & CHEESE VEG	\$ 4.80
E LASAGNE BEEF	\$ 4.80

GLUTEN FREE WRITE "GLUTEN FREE" ON BAG

E MACARONI & CHEESE GLUTEN FREE VEG	\$ 5.30 GF
E LASAGNE VEGE GLUTEN FREE VEG	\$ 5.30 GF
E LASAGNE BEEF GLUTEN FREE	\$ 5.30 GF

PIES & PASTRIES

O PARTY PIE LOW FAT	x 3 \$ 4.20	\$ 1.50
O SAUSAGE ROLL LOW FAT		\$ 3.60
O MEAT PIE LOW FAT		\$ 4.60
O POTATO PIE LOW FAT		\$ 4.80
E BEEF PIE GLUTEN FREE		\$ 5.20 GF

MEXICAN NACHOS

GLUTEN FREE

O BEEF NACHOS HOME MADE ADD CHEESE 50c	\$ 4.90 GF
O VEGE NACHOS TOMATO SALSA ADD CHEESE 50c VEG	\$ 4.90 GF

CUP OF NOODLES

O CHICKEN	\$ 3.20
O BEEF	\$ 3.20
E ORIENTAL VEG	\$ 3.20
O TOM YUM HOT & SPICY	\$ 3.20

NOODLE CUPS ARE NOT PUT IN LUNCH ORDER BAGS
YOUR CHILD MUST GO AND COLLECT IT FROM
THE CANTEN DURING THEIR EATING PERIOD

MEAL DEALS

GREAT CHOICE

MONDAY \$6.5
PASTA OR RICE CHOOSE ANY ONE
GLUTEN FREE LASAGNE OR MAC & CHEESE \$6.50

TUESDAY \$6.5
HOME MADE PIZZA CHOOSE ANY ONE

WEDNESDAY \$6.5
BURGERS CHOOSE ANY ONE

+ POPPER OR WATER (ADD 50c FOR OAK MILK) + POPCORN

WRITE "MEAL DEAL" ON YOUR LUNCH BAG
+ THE FOOD & DRINK YOU WANT

BURGERS

GREAT CHOICE

E CHEESEBURGER BEEF, CHEESE, TOMATO SAUCE	\$ 5.00
E AUSSIE BEEF LETTUCE, TOMATO, BEETROOT, BBQ	\$ 5.00
E CHICKEN BREAST FILLET, LETTUCE, MAYO	\$ 5.00
E CHICKEN & CHEESE BREAST FILLET, BBQ SAUCE	\$ 5.00
E HOT & SPICY CHICKEN BURGER LETTUCE, MAYO	\$ 5.00

SAUCES : BBQ, TOMATO, PERI PERI, MAYO, SWEET CHILLI

HOME MADE PIZZAS

E CHEESE VEG	\$ 3.90
E HAM & CHEESE	\$ 4.70
E PEPPERONI & CHEESE	\$ 4.70

Sacramental Program Dates for 2022...

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

The Sacrament of First Penance Program will take place in Term 1 for children in Years 3 & above who have been baptised.

**Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office
from Monday 7th February 2022**

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sundays 13th February and 20th February 2022 between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 7.00pm in the Church

Classes:

Sundays 6th March, 13th March and 20th March 2022

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]



Sacrament of First Penance will be celebrated on :

Saturday 26th March and/or Saturday 2nd April 2022

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This Program will commence in Term 2 for children in Years 3 and above who have received the Sacrament of Penance.

**Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office starting
Tuesday 26th April 2022**

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sunday 1st May and Sunday 8th May between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 10th May 2022 at 7.00pm in the Church



Classes: Sunday 22nd May & Sunday 29th May 2022

Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am

Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

Sunday 12th June and Sunday 19th June 2022

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This Program will commence in Term 3 for children in Years 5 & above who have made their First Holy Communion.

**Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office
from Monday 18th July 2022**

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office
on Sunday 24th July and Sunday 31st July between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 2nd August at 7.00 pm in the Church

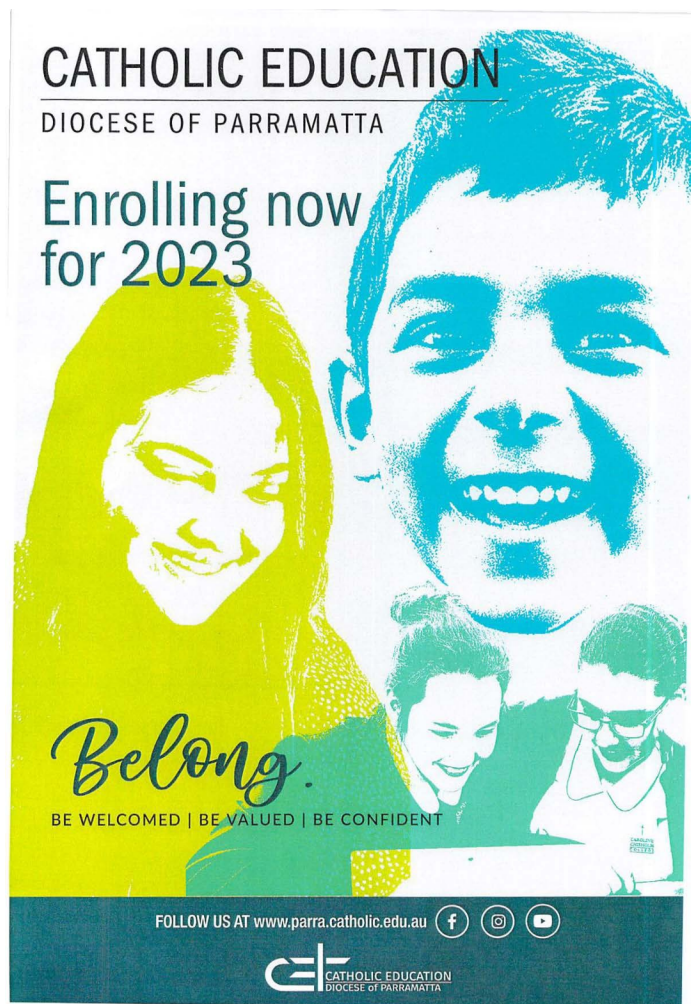
Classes: Sunday 14th August & Sunday 21st August 2022

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony: TBC

30th August and / or 31st August 2022 at 7 pm





YEAR 7, 2024

ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday, 29 March 2022

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you and your family to attend our Year 7, 2024 Enrolment Information Evening. Hear from our College Principal, Ms Lucie Farrugia and other key members of the College Leadership Team and discover why a Mercy Education is treasured for life.

Time: 6:00pm (Registration from 5:30pm)

Enquiries: Enrolments Office **T** (02) 8838 1222 **E** enrolments@olmc.nsw.edu.au

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