



Newsletter

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TERM 3 WEEK 1 Wednesday 25th July 2018

Dear Parents

Welcome back, I hope that amidst stock feeding and praying for rain, our families have had at least some quality time with their children. Let us hope that the weather forecast brings news of rain soon. We are already shaping up for a very busy Term 3. Please keep an eye on the newsletter and website to ensure that you are up to date with the many events that are penciled into our calendar. Athletics will be at the forefront for the next few weeks. We also have the State Library visit, Real Talk and Science Week looming. Don't blink or you may miss something!

Congratulations

Huge congratulations to Mr Matthew Frizell and Miss Molly Hayes who received notification that they have been awarded Proficient Status by NESA. Meeting these Professional Teaching Standards requires considerable work and dedication to Professional Development. The teaching profession is in fine hands with young people of this quality choosing teaching as a career. Thanks to Miss Martin and Mrs Hayes who have been mentoring our younger teachers.

On Friday Mrs Hayes will be attending Oliver Library Training. Next week Miss Martin and I will be attending professional development in Narrabri titled "Fierce Conversations". This course will be run by the Association of Catholic Schools Principals. It is wonderful to have opportunities like this offered in rural areas.

School Athletics Carnival

Our school athletics carnival will be held next Friday 3rd August. All students from K-6 will attend the carnival which is held in the school grounds. The P&F will be selling hot lunches at the carnival for both students, parents and visitors. Hot lunches will include a hot dog and hot milo for \$5. A separate lunch order form for the athletics carnival is attached in this week's newsletter. Orders must be returned to school by Monday 30th July.

This Friday 27th July at 11.30am, students will be competing in the 200m and 800m running events at the Guyra Sport & Rec Fields. Parents are welcome to attend both the carnival and the running events the week before and we would appreciate it if anyone is able to assist with timekeeping, measuring or record keeping on these days. If you are able to assist please contact the school office prior to the carnival day.

Thank you to Jeremy and Mandy Newberry who have revamped our long jump pit.

Real Talk

Don't forget to put aside the evening of Wednesday 8th August for our Real Talk parent evening. I will try to arrange a movie night for our students so that parents can come along without worrying about babysitting. You might like to check out the following link for a preview of the evening. <https://youtu.be/X1OWYUblsMY>

Transition

Enrolment applications are now being taken for students wishing to enter our Transition class for 2019. We do have limited places available and will need to apply the Bishop's Commission Enrolment Policy. Please ensure that you get applications in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. It may also be wise to notify us of future student enrolments to add to our projections for 2020 and beyond.

Marriage and Family Week

This week in school and parish communities around the Armidale Diocese, we are celebrating Marriage and Family Week. The theme of this year's celebrations is 'The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World' which coincides with the theme of the World Meeting of Families held in Dublin, Ireland in 2018. During this week we are asked to reflect on the importance of the family unit as the primary educators of developing a child's Christian faith and love for God. It is through this sharing and supportive family relationship that children are encouraged to continue to proclaim the Gospel's message to the world.

Students will be participating in lessons about the importance of Christian family in Religion lessons this week and will be exploring the importance and model of the Holy Family and how Mary and Joseph provided Jesus with love, guidance and support in his life.

During this week, families are encouraged to meet together to pray and reflect on what they are grateful for in their family. Parents are asked to encourage and support their children to suggest ways that they can show love or help others to continue Jesus mission to serve those in need.

P&F Meeting

The P&F will be holding a meeting on Wednesday 1st August 2018 at 6pm in the staffroom. We are desperately seeking a new secretary for the P&F. If you are able to help, please come along to the meeting.

Stork Report

Congratulations to Robbie, Jo, Lacey, Lachlan & Lulu who welcomed Lane Brock into their family on Monday 2nd July. Welcome Lane to our St Mary of the Angels family.

Hot Lunches

Hot lunches are an important part of our school week. This is a voluntary service and any parent who could pick up the lunch orders in the morning, or pick up the hot lunches at lunch time would be most appreciated. If you can help, please return the slip within the newsletter to the front office. Without parent support the hot lunches will be cancelled. **We are in desperate need of volunteers for this week.**

Yours Sincerely
Sharon Wittig
Principal

Lord, I need help.
Who can help me but you?
My help comes from you,
the God who made
heaven and earth!
You will always take care of me.
You promise that you
will watch over me,
Day and night, wherever I am
and whatever I am doing.
Thank you!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 27th July 2018 - 11:30am
200m & 800m running events

Tuesday 31st July 2018
State Library visit

Wednesday 1st August 2018 - 6pm
P&F Meeting

Friday 3rd August 2018
Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 8th August 2018
Real Talk Parent Evening

Week 4
Science Week

Friday 24th August 2018
Diocesan Athletics

Saturday 1st - Friday 7th September 2018
Year 5/6 Excursion to Canberra

Friday 28th September 2018
Last day for Term 3



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Guyra (every Saturday)		6pm
1st Sunday of the month	Ben Lomond	9am
2nd Sunday	Guyra	9am
3rd Sunday	Wards Mistake	9am
4th Sunday	Guyra	9am
5th Sunday	Guyra	9am

Far Out! Treasures To The Bush State Library Visit

Next week, we will be hosting a visit from a team of presenters from the State Library in the Far Out! Treasures to the Bush Program. This initiative is a free tour that brings original items from the State Library's collection to regional and remote NSW schools, weaving them into an interactive, curriculum-linked presentation delivered by qualified educators. These objects are original, historical artefacts that very rarely leave the library, and they are used to illustrate aspects of Australian history that link directly to the Stage 2 and Stage 3 History and Geography syllabus. Students in Year 3-6 will see primary sources related to early exploration in Australia. The items that students will view includes a handwritten letter by Matthew Flinders, a small terrestrial globe, Leichhardt's telescope and a portrait of King Bungaree. We are looking forward to hosting this program and hope that students will enjoy observing and learning about real historical artefacts from Australia's past.



P & F News

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	Morning	Afternoon
Friday 27th July		
Friday 3rd August	ATHLETICS CARNIVAL NO HOT LUNCHES	
Friday 10th August		
Friday 17th August		
Friday 24th August		
Friday 31st August		
Friday 7th September		
Friday 14th September		
Friday 21st September		
Friday 28th September		

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GUYRA MENS HEALTH NIGHT

Date: 19th October 2018



**Location: Ben Lomond Hall
(1233 Ben Lomond Road, Ben Lomond)
Time: 6pm to late
RSVP: 5th October 2018**

Current Sponsors:
Guyra MPS, NSW Government-Adam Marshall,
Cronulla Sharks, Parramatta Eels, North
Queensland Cowboys, JM & G George
Investments and The Whitebull.

FREE EVENT!

Partners welcome.

Free return bus travel
from Guyra.

Dinner supplied.

Lucky door prizes,
Auction and raffle.

This night will target
health; matters such as
mental health, depression,
prostate cancer and
general health and
wellbeing.


Guest Speakers and
presentations by: Wendell
Sailor, Justin Karcher,
Rob Anderson, Centacare
and Local Health
Clinicians.

For further enquiries, RSVP, Or to
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Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL HOT LUNCH ORDER

For \$5 students & parents can purchase a lunch package which includes a hot dog and a hot milo.  For catering purposes please fill in the form below and return with the money to the office by Monday 30th July.

Name:

Number of lunches required:

Money enclosed: