



# ST GREGORY'S QUEANBEYAN NEWSLETTER

Week Eight, Term Three, 2017  
5 September, 2017



*Share the Spirit....*

## Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

What a wonderful community day our school celebrated last Friday. I am indebted to the wonderful staff who were tireless in their enthusiasm and positivity throughout the day. Some teachers were at school as early as 6am and still had the energy to dance in the afternoon. The students loved seeing their teachers having fun and it was a terrific way to end the day.

The day would not have been as successful if it were not for the incredible support from our parents, grandparents and friends. It was terrific to see the parents and younger siblings in prams join in the walkathon and what a spectacular day for a walk. The workers back at school had the timing perfect with over 900 sausages ready right on time!

I have always felt very blessed to lead this community and last Friday was just another reason why it is a great place to serve.

Hopefully you are hearing from your children about the Learning Pit and Growth Mindset. Inadvertently the way we praise our children can encourage a fixed rather than a growth mindset. James Nottingham gives some tips for praise that leads to a growth mindset.

- If you have to try, you must be learning
- Challenge is good for us
- Dedication is what you need
- Great effort
- You succeeded because you worked hard, got help when you needed it, and kept going to the end
- I've not been able to play the piano – yet! (not I'm hopeless at the piano)

Explain the success of people like Usain Bolt in terms of it being as much to do with their dedication, determination, focus and passion, as it is to do with genetics or being in the right place at the right time.

Praise children for something they have control over (effort, focus, determination and so on) This will empower them to learn and grow. For example – Great running, reading, writing, effort, determination, problem solving! NOT great runner, brilliant reader/writer, clever child, you are a natural problem solver!

Don't tell a child they are a great reader when they are not. Not only might the child reject this as pity praise but other children who hear might begin to question the sincerity of your praise. Instead praise children for effort and progress. Great reading – you're making fantastic progress! NOT You're the best reader ever!

Praise a child in comparison to themselves not others. Your swimming is so much better than last week – because you're concentrating more than last time. NOT You're a much better swimmer than the child in the next lane.

Yours sincerely

**Claire Frazer  
Principal**

## IMPORTANT EVENTS

### Tuesday 5 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

NSW CPS Netball carnival - Penrith

### Wednesday 6 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

Maths Olympiad

Wakakirri Awards Night  
7:15pm Canberra Theatre

### Thursday 7 September

Year 4 Camp - Warrambui

Choir Eisteddfod  
Goulburn

Year 2 Excursion  
AIS and Belconnen Fresh Food Markets

### Friday 8 September

Year 4 Camp - Warrambui

1 White and Year 6 to attend parish Mass  
12pm St Raphael's Church

### Monday 11 - Friday 23 September

Year 3 and 4 Swimming Lessons

### Tuesday 12 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

### Wednesday 13 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

### Friday 15 September

Whole School Assembly (1 Red & 1 White)  
12:30pm St Gregory's Hall

### Monday 18 - Friday 22 September

Year 6 Camp - Narrabeen

### Monday 18 September

MacKillop Athletics

### Tuesday 19 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

School Council Meeting - 6pm Lowe St

### Wednesday 20 September

Second Hand Clothing Pool Open  
9am to 10am Lowe Street MPR

Kinder Excursion - Floriade and Questacon

### Friday 22 September

LAST DAY OF TERM 3



## Focus Value for September - "Be Generous"

### From the Principal.....

**PRAYERS:** Please keep in your prayers our Year 6 students as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is the final sacrament of initiation and so after this they will be full members of the Catholic Church.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To the wonderful students of St Gregory's for their amazing behaviour last Friday. The students showed respect, acted fairly and remained safe. Well done everyone.

**CLASS ALLOCATION:** Please find attached the policy regarding the placement of students in classes. You will note the following point in the policy:

*Parents who wish to discuss particular concerns regarding class placement should make an appointment to meet with the principal. All meetings must be held by Friday of Week 4 in Term 4. (2017 date will be by Friday, 3rd November)*

**NETBALL:** There was an early start this morning for our netballers travelling to Sydney to compete in the NSW Catholic Primary Schools Netball Championships. Many thanks to the parents who are accompanying the girls as coaches, managers and umpires. Special thanks to Bridget Allen and Jess King who are also attending.

**ARCHDIOCESAN ATHLETICS:** Congratulations to the students who participated in the Archdiocesan Athletics Carnival last Tuesday. Well done to Madeline Bennett, Rory Forbes, Harry Foster, Laila Gatt, Sophia Gawthrop, Brayden Hickey, Tom McIntosh, Brent Marsden, Rhiannon O'Brien, Niamh Billiards and Rosaja Blazeski who have qualified to represent the Archdiocese at the Mackillop carnival at Sydney Olympic Park on Monday, 18th September.

**ARCHDIOCESAN PUBLIC SPEAKING:** Well done to Taiah Dunn, April Taylor and Katie Bissett who represented Northern Region in the Archdiocesan Public Speaking competition last Friday. Thank you to the parents and grandparents for accompanying their children.

**WAKAKIRRI AWARDS NIGHT:** Tomorrow night our Year 5 students will be performing at the Canberra Theatre. This group have worked hard to bring together a polished performance. We wish them the very best for tomorrow night. Again my thanks to their wonderfully generous teachers, Brad Brown, Jamie Marmont and Veronica Hall.

**GOULBURN EISTEDDFOD:** The St Gregory's Choir will be competing in the Eisteddfod this Thursday. The choir have worked very hard demonstrating great determination and perseverance. I look forward to seeing them perform.

**YEAR 4 CAMP:** This Thursday our Year 4 students head to Warrambui near Murrumbateman for their overnight camp. This first school camp experience is always anticipated with great excitement. My thanks to the Year 4 teachers, Ben Mockler, Chris Washington, James Prpic and Val Sheahan and their families, for their generosity in attending the camp. I will be calling in for a visit at dinner on my way home from Goulburn.

**SALT AND LIGHT:** Mrs Erin Taylor will be away from school from Wednesday to Friday this week. Erin will be participating in a retreat conducted by Catholic Education staff. The retreat will be held at St Clement's Monastery Galong.



## WAKAKIRRI TICKETS

Wakakirri tickets were sent home with the Year 5 students yesterday. Please keep these tickets in a safe place. They are required for your entry to the Canberra Theatre on Wednesday, 6th September. The performance begins at 7:15pm.

## CLOTHING POOL

The Clothing Pool welcomes your donations of uniforms that no longer fit or no are longer required. Donations may be left at either campus.

## LOST PROPERTY

**LOST** - Jesse Eldridge (KWhite) has lost his sport jumper. Went missing at Lowe St. It is the old style hoody sports jumper. It has his name on it.

There are a lot of items in Lost Property at both campuses without names. Please ensure all items of uniforms are clearly labelled. Thank you.

## SPORT NEWS

### CPS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

A reminder for all students participating in the CPS Basketball in Goulburn that they need to pay their \$50 registration fee. As stated in last term's permission note, the registration fee can be paid through the front office, via the Qkr! app, credit card or cash. All payments are required to be paid by Friday the 8th of September.

- Matthew Maloney, PE Teacher & Sport Coordinator

## FLORIADE GNOMES



If you would like your Gnome to be displayed in the St Gregory's School section in Gnome Knoll at Floriade please return your painted Gnome to school by Wednesday, 13th September. Please write your child's name on the base and, if possible, please place back in the box they were sent home in.

## LIBRARY NEWS

MacQuoid winners for our Book Week Competitions:

### Colouring competition:

Maddison Hughes - 3Gold  
Jackson Hall - 4White  
Laila Gatt - 5Blue  
Elizabeth Welch - 6Blue

### Daily Trivia:

Madeleine Heller - 6Blue

### Classroom Door Competition:

5Blue

Thank you to all the classes that entered the classroom door competition. They are to be congratulated on their great contribution to the celebration of Book Week.

Thanks again to teachers and students for dressing up for the Parade and promoting this year's theme: **Escape to Everywhere**.

- Melissa Greentree (Teacher/Librarian - MacQuoid St)

## CANTEEN

Helpers at Lowe Street this week are:

Thursday 7 September  
Friday 8 September

Daphne Gagliardi  
Tanya Sandner

Volunteers always welcome at MacQuoid. If you are available please phone Rosemarie 6297 2221.

## WALKATHON



Please remember to continue to send in your sponsorship money to school so we can start planning the upgrade of our playgrounds. Money may be paid by the Qkr! app or sent to school in a marked envelope with the sponsorship card. All money collected must be returned to school by Friday, 22nd September.

## YRS 3 & 4 LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

The Years 3 and 4 Learn to Swim Program will commence next Monday 11th September and continue every day until the last day of term, Friday 22nd September.

Lesson times will be as follows:

10:00am - 10:30am	4 White
10:30am - 11:00am	4 Red
11:00am - 11:30am	3 Gold
11:30am - 12:00pm	4 Gold
12:30pm - 1:00pm	3 White
1:00pm - 1:30pm	3 Red
1:30pm - 2:00pm	3 Blue

All students will walk to and from the pool leaving school approx. 30 minutes before their scheduled lesson time.





## NOTICEBOARD

HOME IN QUEANBEYAN PRESENTS  
OUR 2017 MOVIE FUNDRAISER

FRANCE'S  
BOX OFFICE  
SMASH HIT

Winner  
LUMIERE AWARDS

Winner  
CÉSAR AWARDS

# THE BÉLIER FAMILY

FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017 (6PM - 10.30PM)  
THE Q THEATRE, 253 CRAWFORD STREET, QUEANBEYAN

MOVIE TICKETS: \$75 INC. DRINKS, HOT SNACKS + MOVIE ENTRY  
TICKETS: WWW.THEQ.NET.AU OR THE Q BOX OFFICE (02) 6285 6290

ALSO ON SALE! RAFFLE TICKETS: 4 CORPORATE BOX TICKETS  
TO BRUNO MARS 2018 SYDNEY CONCERT + ACCOMMODATION;  
HELICOPTER RIDE; RESTAURANT VOUCHER; HAMPER  
ONLY 750 TICKETS AVAILABLE (\$20 EACH)  
ORDER FROM: MANAGER@HOMEINQUEANBEYAN.ORG  
OR (02) 6284 2409

www.homeinqueanbeyan.org



QDJCC Registrations are now open for  
the 2017/18 Cricket season.  
Ages from 5 to 8 for Milo INTO Cricket.  
Ages from 8 to 10 for Milo T20 Blast.  
Ages from 10 to 16 for QDJCC Juniors.  
Simply log onto  
[www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au) to register.  
Email: [juniors@queanbeyanccricket.com](mailto:juniors@queanbeyanccricket.com)

## NORTHERN MISSION

St Gregory's Parish



Queanbeyan  
Michelago  
Bungendore  
Braidwood

### PARISH OFFICE DETAILS:

9am - 3:30pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
(Closed Monday & Wednesday)  
Address: 47 Lowe St, Queanbeyan  
Postal: PO Box 175 Queanbeyan 2620  
Phone: 6299 4611  
Email: [queanbeyan@cg.org.au](mailto:queanbeyan@cg.org.au)  
Email: [troy.bobbin@cg.org.au](mailto:troy.bobbin@cg.org.au)  
Email: [queanbeyan.sacramental@cg.org.au](mailto:queanbeyan.sacramental@cg.org.au)  
Email: [queanbeyan.finance@cg.org.au](mailto:queanbeyan.finance@cg.org.au)  
Web: [www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com](http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com)  
Facebook: St Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan

## WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN



Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back for 2017. It's simple to participate. Until Tuesday 19th September 2017, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent.

Once completed, simply place the Stickers or the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at school or at your local Woolworths.

### Weekday & Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:30pm St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
Sunday 9:00am & 5:30pm (Youth/Family Mass) St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
Saturday 6pm St Bede's, Braidwood  
1st Sunday 11am Ss Peter & Paul, Hoskingstown  
2nd Saturday 6pm St Patrick's, Michelago  
3rd Sunday 9am St Joseph's, Gundaroo  
5th Sunday 12noon St Brigid's, Krawarree  
Sunday 8:30am St Mary's, Bungendore  
Monday NO MASS  
Tuesday 5:30pm St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
Wednesday 7:00am St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
Wednesday 9:00am St Mary's, Bungendore  
Thursday 7:00am St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
Friday 12noon St Raphael's, Queanbeyan  
1st Wednesday 10:00am George Forbes House  
2nd Wednesday 11:00am Warrigal (Kawaree)  
4th Wednesday 11:00am Queanbeyan Nursing Home  
Friday 11:00am-11:55am Exposition & Adoration St Raphael's, Qbn  
Saturday 4:30-5pm (or by appointment) Reconciliation St Raphael's, Qbn  
Sundays during 9am mass Children's Liturgy (ages 3-9yrs)  
1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday 10:30am Baptisms St Raphael's Church, Qbn  
2nd & 4th weekends (Sat) 5:30pm/(Sun) 9am Baptism Presentations  
Marriages By Appointment  
Mondays 10:00am-12noon Craft Group, Parish Meeting Room  
1st Wednesdays 12:30pm Cancer Support Group Ph: 6297 1912  
Wednesdays 1:30pm-3pm Prayer Group, Parish Meeting Room