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Dear Parents and Care-Givers,

During the Year of Mercy, which will end on 20 November 2016, Pope Francis called for a more merciful and inclusive Church in "which we are all called to give consolation to each man and each woman of our time". In response, the relics of our diocesan patron, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, and St Teresa of Kolkata accompanied by a Mercy Cross have been on a three-month pilgrimage through the Diocese of Parramatta. Our community was blessed to be able to receive the Relics and Cross and celebrate with a liturgy.

On Sunday, our diocesan Way of Mercy pilgrimage concluded with a ceremony at St Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta. Miss Rapesoska and I took part in the ceremony, which commenced with the arrival of the Cross, Relics and Way of Mercy procession. It concluded with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Vincent Long and the closing the Cathedral's Holy Door. Holy Doors in the basilicas of Rome and in dioceses across the world closed the same day.

It was a beautiful and spiritual ceremony and one I am very grateful to have been part of. The school received a gift of a canvas of Rembrandt's "The return of the Prodigal Son." We will be using this image throughout the school, as a way of reflecting about the Year of Mercy and how we can live the message of the parable of the Prodigal Son.

God bless,

Kathryn Salkeld, Assistant Principal



96% Attendance for week ending 11/11/16

This Sunday brings us to the end of ordinary time for this year. On Sunday we celebrate Christ the King also known as The Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. It is a time to acknowledge Jesus Christ as the authority of King and Lord of all

Some facts about this feast day:

Liturgical Colour:	White
Time of Year:	Final Sunday of Ordinary Time (Sunday before Advent)
Celebrates/Symbolizes:	Jesus as King, Messiah, and Lord
Alternate Names:	Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King
Scriptural References:	Psalm 23; Matthew 25:31-46; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

The following Sunday we commence the season of Advent. Our Advent Liturgy will be on Friday morning 25th of November at 9am.

The colour for Advent is Purple. Children may wear purple mufti clothes for this day. If wearing mufti children, are asked to **donate a gold coin** to go towards the St Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal. The St Vincent de Paul Society help many of our families in need especially at Christmas.

Helen Boyer Principal

PLEASE REMEMBER:

School begins at 9:00am, with a teacher on duty to supervise your children *from 8:30am.* Please do not drop your children at school before 8:30am and leave them unsupervised.

ROAD SAFETY:

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.

STOP ! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK ! for traffic to your right, left and right again.

LISTEN ! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

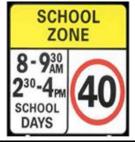
THINK ! whether it is safe to cross.

Please always use the pedestrian crossing when crossing the road.

Driving and parking safely near schools:

- School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrians and vehicles outside the school.
- Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on school days.
- Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate. Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children's safety in mind. Never double park as it puts children at risk.
- Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child they will learn from you.
- Slow down near the school crossing. At a supervised crossing, observe the directions of the school crossing supervisor.
- Always park and turn legally around the school. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Avoid parking across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.
- Avoid parking in or near the school bus bay.

Please see <u>http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/</u> for more information.



<u>Calendar Dates</u>

Fri 18th November - Stage 2 Assembly - <u>9am</u>

Sat 19th November - Working Bee 9-11am

24th & 25th November - Year 6 Canberra Excursion

Fri 25th November - Advent Liturgy

- Children wear Purple Mufti for

St Vincent de Paul donation

Friday 2nd December - Stage 3 Assembly



SOCIAL SKILL – WEEK 6

Students of the Week Week ending 11/11/16

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Kindergarten	-	Mohamed Bah
Year 1	-	Noel Emmanuel
Year 2	-	Joseph El Khoueiry
Year 3	-	Timmy Nguyen
Year 4	-	Ahmed Dukley
Year 5	-	Elizabeth El-Khoury
Year 6	-	Caitlyn Nakfour







School Photography Guidelines for Parents and Carers

Information for Parents and Carers

We recognise that parents and carers enjoy photographing and recording the progress of their child at school and on school activities. We recognise that many of you like to share these personal memories online and on social media.

We ask for your cooperation and care concerning the use and distribution of photographs of other children at our school. Some families have very real legal and safety issues which could put a child at risk if an image is made public online. More generally, it is respectful of the privacy of other members of the school community to ask permission before posting an image online. Even if your social media settings are private, it is easy for images to become public, particularly if they are tagged or shared by others.

Best practice guidelines

The following best practice guidelines have been adopted by our school to keep our students and school community safe, and to ensure respectful practices concerning the use of social media. When taking photographs or recordings at school or at school events and your images include other identifiable persons please follow these guidelines:

- Crop out other students or seek the permission of the student or (for students under 16) his or her parent/carer before posting online.
- Do not tag or name the person without permission.
- If a parent or carer requests that you do not circulate an image of their child to others, please comply with the request.
- Please seek the permission of our staff to photograph or record their activities at school. Photography of staff presenting or receiving awards is permitted.

The school will periodically review these best practice guidelines.

Mandatory policies:

The school may from time to time determine that photography or recording at school events or on school grounds is restricted. Where restriction is notified, failure to comply may result in your exclusion from school premises or activities. There may also be consequences as set out in the enrolment agreement.

Under no circumstances may you photograph or record in private areas such as change-rooms, or in school offices or staffrooms, or at meetings, without express permission.

Queries and further resources

The following resources provide further information about safety online, privacy and avenues for complaints about privacy online. If you wish to discuss an issue further with the school, please contact Helen Boyer.

FURTHER RESOURCES

Holy Trinity Website – Policies and Procedures: http://www.htgranville.catholic.edu.au/policies-procedures

Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner http://esafety.gov.au

Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, FAQs about social media https://www.oaic.gov.au/individuals/faqs-for-individuals/social-media-ict-identity-security/social-media

