

# st patrick's primary school parramatter patter

15th October 2015 Term 4 No.2



## CONGRATULATIONS MORAN PHOTOGRAPHIC PRIZE WINNERS

Dear Parents

On Tuesday the 24th March this year, a group of Year 5 students had the opportunity to be involved in a photographic workshop run by the Moran Arts Foundation. These 30 students spent the day with award winning photographer Louise Whelan. Ms Whelan, taught the students about the art of photography, particularly learning about the stories behind photographs and the impact and uses of this 'visual art'. They then learned some basics which included the importance of considering subject, background, composition, framing and light and were inspired by the many beautiful examples of photographs Ms Whelan shared with them. The morning was followed by two practical sessions which involved the students planning and taking their own photos using cameras and printing docks made available by; Ms Whelan, workshop organisers from the Moran Arts Foundation and the workshop sponsors. The children then chose some of their favourite shots which were printed for them to take home to share with family and friends. All the children also submitted six photos into the primary section of the Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize 2015 K – 6 section.

It is with enormous excitement and pride that I can announce to you that two of our students, Audrey Baysari and Nicole Romanos were chosen as finalists, each for one of their photos. Interestingly Audrey's photo depicted Nicole in midair – a great shot, and Nicole's photo was a black and white depiction of our school, taken from a second story balcony – a real 'moment in time' as described by one of our teachers. The Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize is a national competition and the girls were selected amongst 25 finalists from around Australia.

On reflecting on this experience I believe that opportunities like this can often shape what we do in our lives, what hobbies we take up and what goals we can aspire to. I know that all the boys and girls who took part in the workshop commented on what a wonderful experience they had learning about an art that they would not normally have learned. I often keep in touch with the family of a past student who found out from a similar experience when he was in Year 6, that he possessed a love and talent in photography. This young man has pursued this art into high school with significant success. Not only has it given him much joy but he has continued to learn about himself as a person through this creative endeavor. Wouldn't it be great if every one of our children find something in their lives that they can feel passionate about; one that gives them a feeling of enormous satisfaction, growth and wonderment. We can assist children to discover their passions by providing them with a variety of opportunities and to share with them what is special to us. The school will continue to apply for the opportunity to host the photographic workshop and hopefully we will be selected again. Please note however that the free competition is open to all students yearly and we will ensure that information will be advertised when the time comes.

All finalists won a digital camera, a certificate of recognition and the honour of having their photo displayed at an exhibition at Juniper Hall, 250 Oxford St Paddington NSW 2021 from October 29 to February 14, excluding public holidays. Congratulations to Audrey and Nicole! Anyone interested in looking at the winning photos in all categories can access them at <http://www.moranprizes.com.au/student-gallery>

God bless you and your family

Bernadette Fabri



## Honour Award

The Honour Award is awarded to the child who demonstrates outstanding behaviour shown in the Student Charter

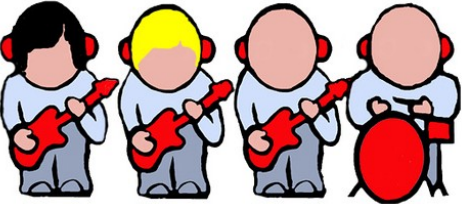
KA	Danielle Tannous
KM	Maggie Gilchrist
1C	Shanelle Wambeek
1S	Finn Giron
2M	Diana Granados Gavito
2Y	Aidan Kalathil

## st patrick's award



The St Patrick's award is given to the child who lives their life through Faith in Action

KA	Weyata Lamin
KM	Lucia El Hani
1C	Olivia Takchi
1S	Shanelle Braganza
2M	Michelle Joseph
2Y	Isabella Moses



### EXTRA CURRICULA NEWS!

#### Year 3 to 6 2016

Last week information was sent out regarding an opportunity for your child to receive instrument and band tuition provided by the Music and Performance Academy at OLMC. This program will commence in 2016 and will involve after school lessons. A cost will be incurred for those families interested in taking up tuition. If you are interested and would like to put forward an expression of interest please complete the form attached to the note sent home and return to either St Patricks school office or scan and email to [music@olmc.nsw.edu.au](mailto:music@olmc.nsw.edu.au)

### New Student Leadership Structure

Parents of Year 5 students are invited to a special meeting in the library to hear about the new student leadership structure to be trialled in 2016. This meeting will take place on Thursday 22nd October at 2.30pm.


### The Pope Francis 'To Do' List

Create neighbourhood networks and improvement programs. Create welcoming spaces that help people connect and trust each other. Do something nice for your community (148-150, 152, 219, 232).

### Bookclub Issue 7 2015

#### Closing Date 21/10/2015

#### Do not send cash to school




- Log into [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or download our new iPhone or iPad app from the App store.
- Contact the office if you need help ordering online
- All orders need to be completed by 21st Oct, 2015




### Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthdays in the following week:

Simon Khalil, Ruben Orozco, Xavier Dagostino, Alani Grohs, Baxter Gittany, George Draybi, Claudia Yaghi, Annie Gittany,



### Congratulations to the Aguilera family on the birth of their baby girl Zoe, a sister for Benjamin (2Y) and Thomas (KM)

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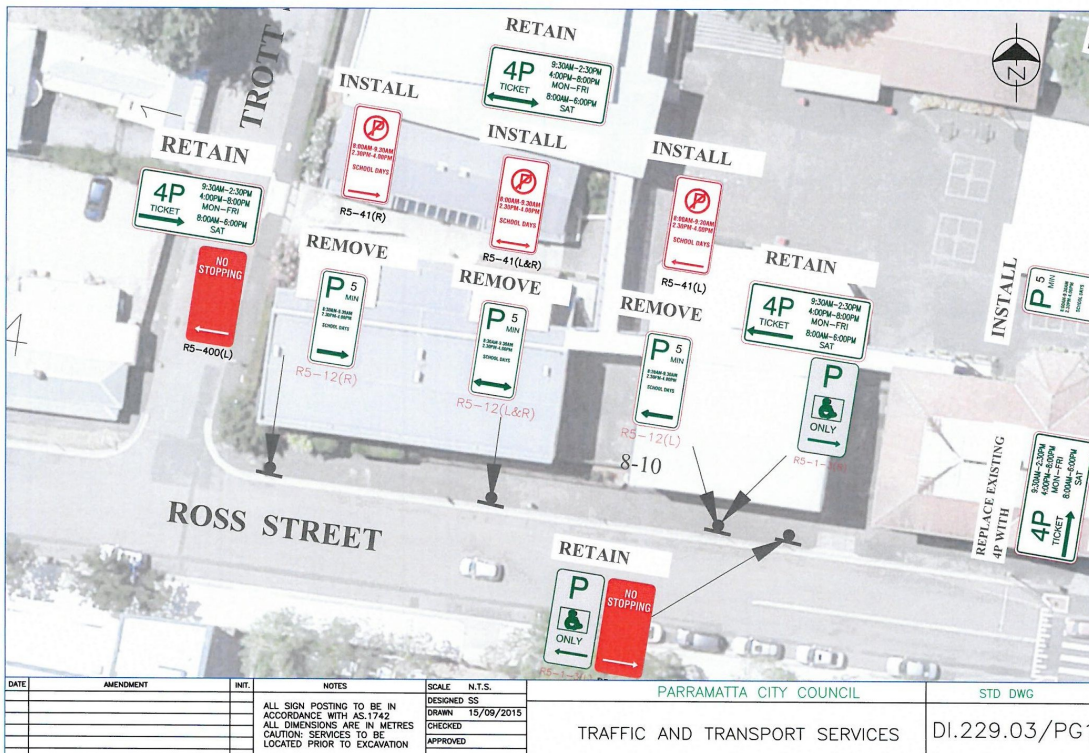
### Congratulations to the Khoury family on the birth of their baby girl, a sister for Scarlett (2M) and Maria (KM)



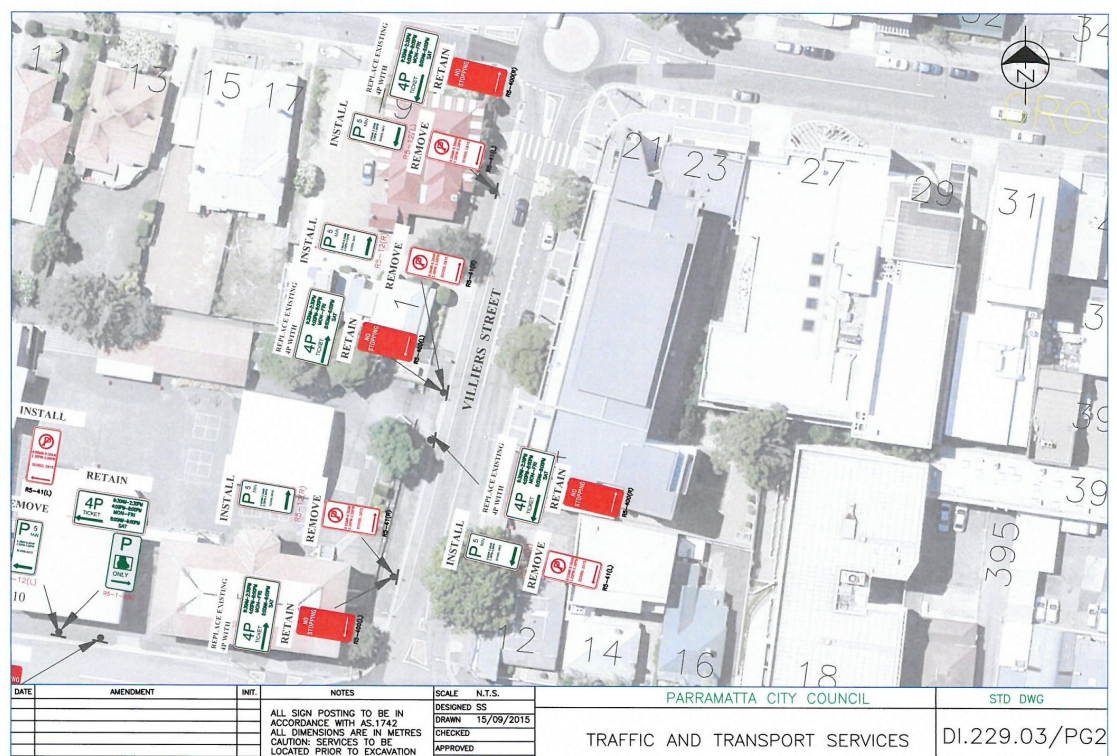
# NEW PICK UP PROCEDURES STARTING SOON

Please read the following changes to the afternoon drive thru—

1. The existing 'P5 Minutes 8:30am-9:30am 2:30pm-4.00pm School Days' restriction located on the north side of Ross Street between Trott Street and Villiers Street, Parramatta (outside St. Patrick's Primary School) be replaced with a 'No Parking 8.00am-9:30am & 2:30pm-4:00pm School Days' restriction as shown in attached sketch 1.
2. The existing 'No Parking 8:30am-9:30am 2:30pm-3:30pm School Days' restriction located on the west side of Villiers Street between Ross Street and Gross Street, Parramatta (outside St. Patrick's Primary School) be replaced with a 'P5 Minutes 8.00am-9:30am & 2:30pm-4:00pm School Days' restriction as shown in attached sketch 2.



**Arrangements have been made to install the signs in approximately 4 weeks**





*sub tuum praesidium*

Our **VISION** is to be a child centred faith community within an innovative, interactive learning environment.

Our **MISSION** is to –

Live out the Gospel Values in a visibly Catholic tradition

Nurture students for Christian Leadership

Create a range of learning experiences which allow children to progress at their own level

Assist our students to develop into independent thinkers with a deep sense of responsibility and justice

Lead each individual towards reaching his/her potential

Generate a sense of community and compassion in which all experience belonging.

**Opportunity for all**

**MASS TIMETABLE FOR  
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL  
PARRAMATTA**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday 8.00am, 6.00pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 8.00am,  
9.30am (Family)  
11.00am (Solemn)  
6.00pm

**Weekday Masses**

Monday to Friday 6.45am, 12.30pm  
Public Holidays 8.00am

**Pastoral Team**

Fr Peter Williams elected Diocesan Administrator  
Very Rev Fr Robert Bossini  
Rev Fr John Paul Escarlan  
Rev Fr Steven Hyun  
Rev Deacon Willy Limjap  
Margaret Gale ( Sacramental Coord)

*Straight from the Parent Handbook...*

**IMMUNIZATION**

Good health is vital to school progress. Immunization is a safeguard to health and we suggest you consult your doctor to ensure full immunization of your child.

Parents of children enrolling in all grades from Kindergarten to Year Six are required to supply an Immunization Certificate at the beginning of the year of enrolment.

Children who are not immunized will be required to stay at home for their own protection during any outbreak of an infectious disease.

**2015**

**TERM FOUR – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Week Two**

Friday 16th October Infants Assembly—Yr 1 2.15pm

**Week Three**

Monday 19th October Parent Event Committee meeting 2.00pm Hall

Tuesday 20th October Footsteps Dance continues

Thursday 22nd October Year 5 Parents—New Leadership Structure  
2.30pm in the Library

Friday 23rd October Primary Assembly—Yr 3 **2.00pm**  
and OLMC musical presentation

**Week Four**

Tuesday 27th October Footsteps Dance continues

Friday 30th October World Teacher's Day  
Infants Assembly—Yr 2 2.15pm

**Week Five**

Tuesday 3rd November Footsteps Dance continues

Friday 6th November Primary Assembly—Yr 4 2.15pm  
Year 1 excursion to "Wetlands"

**Week Six**

Tuesday 10th November Footsteps Dance continues

Friday 13th November Assembly—Choir 2.15pm

**Week Seven**

Tuesday 17th November Footsteps Dance continues

Friday 20th November Primary Assembly—Yr 5 2.15pm

# 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Currently only the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL, CRICKET, SOFTBALL & TENNIS are open and registrations close on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October as these trials will be held in November 2015. All other sport registrations will open on 2<sup>nd</sup> November for 2016 trials.

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.**

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

\*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch(B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website [www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au). This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. Parents may complete this form to attend a selection trial. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by the child's school**. In order for the child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of the school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated.

**All fields and especially "Representative Experience" MUST be completed.**

**I will email schools after the closing date of the 30th November and it is the responsibility of schools to notify students if they are successful or not in meeting the criteria. This will be done at least one week prior to the trial date if the student is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.**

***Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.***

Kind Regards,

Margaret

Margaret Thornton Teaching Educator Primary Sport  
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta

## **POST SEPARATION RECOVERY PROGRAM**

CCSS Solo Parent Services is offering its seven week Post Separation Recovery Program. This has proven to be an excellent Program that guides and supports those whose marriage or long-term partnership has ended. **Commencing:** 21<sup>st</sup> October for 7 Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm – 9.45pm. **Venue:** Diocesan Assembly Centre, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown.

**Cost:** \$80.00 **Registration Essential:** Eileen or Rita on 99330205 or [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)



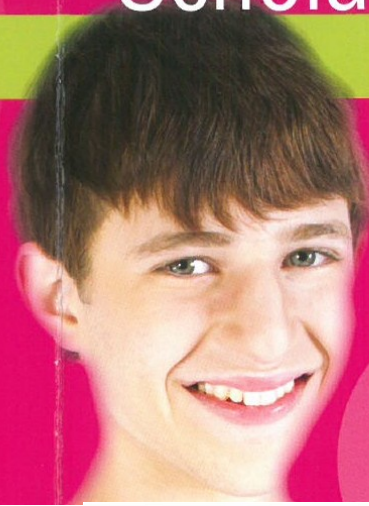
# Bishop Manning Scholarship Fund



Bishop Manning  
Scholarship Fund

ABN 39 539 600 136

The Bishop Manning Scholarship Fund is managed by a committee of parish, welfare, legal and Catholic Education representatives. Administrative support is provided by the Diocese of Parramatta Catholic Education Office.



Financial scholarships  
for families enrolling in a  
Catholic school in the  
Diocese of Parramatta

THE BISHOP MANNING SCHOLARSHIP FUND PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT FAMILIES WHOSE FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO ENROL THEIR CHILDREN IN A CATHOLIC SYSTEMIC SCHOOL.

## What is the Bishop Manning Scholarship Fund?

Established in 2007, the Bishop Manning Scholarship Fund provides greater access to a quality Catholic education for families experiencing serious financial hardship. We welcome and encourage families to apply for a scholarship to help cover the costs of a Catholic education.

## What costs will a scholarship cover?

A scholarship will cover:

- the local school-based resource fees and school excursion costs
- for the first year of entry to the school, a subsidy towards school uniform costs
- Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta will cover the cost of diocesan tuition fees and the building levy for the scholarship student.

## Who can apply?

Parents/carers who are experiencing serious financial difficulty and have a student who meets the enrolment criteria and is commencing enrolment in a Catholic systemic school in the Diocese of Parramatta.\*

## How to apply?

Scholarship applications are made through the Catholic school at which you wish to enrol your child. Your local Catholic school can be found on the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta website [www.parra.catholic.edu.au/find-a-school](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/find-a-school)

To apply you will need to complete:

- a school enrolment form
- a scholarship application form
- a statement of financial position form

These are available from your local Catholic school or scholarship forms can be found on the fund's website. Applications are assessed on a means tested basis. [www.scholarshipparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.scholarshipparra.catholic.edu.au)

A scholarship is awarded for use at a particular school and is not transferrable between schools.

## When to apply?

The best time to apply is when enrolling your child at the school. Applications for scholarships may be made through your local Catholic school at any time of the school year up to 18 October of that year for commencement of enrolment in the following year. Applications are considered on a quarterly basis by the scholarship fund.

## For more information

T 9407 7095 E [scholarship@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:scholarship@parra.catholic.edu.au)  
[www.scholarshipparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.scholarshipparra.catholic.edu.au)

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*\*Scholarships are granted equitably based on greatest need and are subject to periodic review. The number of scholarships available is limited by public donations.*



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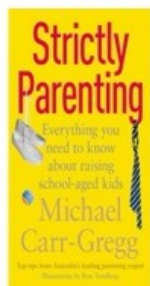
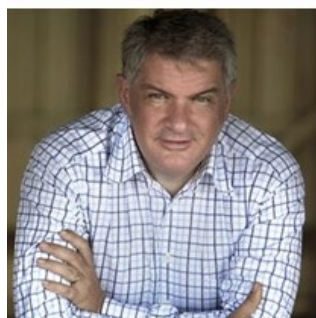
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Be at the heart of your child's learning.

# Special Parent Presentation

Hosted by  
Parents Representative Council,  
Parramatta Diocese (PRC)



Saturday 17 October 2015,  
2pm to 5pm

St Andrew the Apostle Parish Centre,  
40 Breakfast Road, Marayong  
RSVP Thursday 15 October 2015 to  
[prcparraevents@hotmail.com](mailto:prcparraevents@hotmail.com)



This is a FREE presentation for the benefit of  
catholic school parents, friends and educators



## OLMC Parramatta Mercy Scholarships

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2017 are invited to apply. Visit the College website [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) for more information.



# Eat It To Beat It



Nutrition Snippet

# The simplest way

...to create a healthier brekkie.

Choose these simple, tasty swaps for your family's brekkie: they're fruit and vegie rich and will give you the energy to get through the day!



Swap this Breakfast	For these Healthier Options
White toast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Choose wholemeal</li> <li>- Add tomato or avocado</li> <li>- Spread ricotta, top with sliced fruit for a sweet treat</li> </ul>
Flavoured milk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Make a fruit smoothie: blend frozen raspberries + honey + reduced fat milk + yoghurt</li> </ul>
Rice bubbles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Porridge or wheat biscuits topped with banana + a small amount of honey</li> </ul>

For more information visit [www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au) or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Western Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.



# St Patrick's Sacramental Program 2015 – 2016

Mr Baird was fortunate to be able to attend the Sacraments Parent Information Evening last night (Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct). This was not only very informative but was also very professionally run by the Parish Sacrament Team.

Our Sacramental program is run with St Oliver's program.

In 2015 the parish will focus on :

The **Sacrament of Penance**. This will be in **Term 4** for children aged 7 or 8 (or thereabouts)

In 2016 the parish will focus on :

The Sacrament of **Eucharist in Term 2** (when these children will be 8 or 9)

The Sacrament of **Confirmation in Term 3** for children who are 10 years or older.

**St Patrick's parent and children need to attend one of the Masses on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Oct or Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct** to enrol their child in the Sacrament process.

Prior to this Mass parents are required to go to the Parish website where, once hitting the Sacraments tab, they will find an **enrolment form**. This **should be completed as soon as possible**.

A copy of your child's / children's **baptismal certificate** will need to be provided if you child was baptised in a parish other than St Patrick's.

## Dates for 2015

Enquiry Session	7:30pm Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2015	Parents
Introductory Session	7:30pm Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2015	Parents
Sacrament of Penance 1	7:30pm Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2015	Parents
Sacrament of Penance 2	4:30pm Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2015	Parents and Children
Sacrament of Penance 3	4:30pm Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2015 Followed by Mass at 6:00pm	Parents and Children
Sacrament of Penance 7:00pm Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2015		

## Dates for 2016

