



IONA PRESENTATION

PRIMARY SCHOOL MOSMAN PARK

NEWSLETTER

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OUR MISSION

*Iona Presentation Primary School,
as a loving community, seeks to
educate each child within a
framework of Catholic values in an
atmosphere of trust, openness and
truth*



NANO NAGLE

*The lantern she carried through the
darkness in the streets and lanes of Cork
became a symbol for the poor of God's
love, touching and transforming the
harshness of their lives and offering hope.
Today that lantern has become the symbol
of the mission of the Presentation Sisters
around the world.*

Principal Report

Welcome back everyone to a new term. I hope all students had a wonderful break, and if parents were fortunate enough to have holidays, that they, too, enjoyed their time off. It is hard to believe that there is a little over 8 weeks until Christmas! Term Four is always hectic in schools. Staff and students no sooner 'gear up' for the term before having to 'gear down'. Teaching programs, reports, end of year concerts, graduation and Christmas are all part of the excitement of the final term. I sincerely encourage all students to continue to apply themselves and work hard with their studies this term as it is critical to their transition to their new classes in 2018.

This week, I was privileged to accompany seven Year 6 girls to Brisbane to compete in the OptiMinds competition. I would like to say that the girls were exceptional ambassadors for our school. Not only did they excel in the competition, they endeared themselves to every person they came in contact with, through their enthusiasm, kindness, politeness and general demeanour, which was recognised with a Spirit of Optiminds award. I believe that the respect and admiration of everyone in the competition through the Spirit of Optiminds was the most meaningful award to receive. Gidget, Grace, Alice, Maeve, Renee, Scarlett M and Phoebe you were amazing! Thank you to Mrs Moullin who prepared the girls through the extension program and Ms Neesham for accompanying the girls in the capacity of Team Manager. A great team effort!

Our Future Problem Solving girls are competing in Sydney this weekend. On behalf of the school, we wish them all the best. I have no doubt that the girls will excel – they have already made us proud. Good luck Greta L, Ria, Holly, Ava and Eleanor.

Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC)

Parents would have received an email last week notifying them of the Keeping Safe Curriculum that is commencing in Term 4. This curriculum teaches children and young people to recognise abuse, tell a trusted adult, understand what is appropriate and inappropriate touching, and ways of keeping themselves safe. It sits alongside Mandatory Reporting of abuse and our school's Code of Conduct.

Themes

The curriculum is based on two main themes which are presented through topics and activities.

- Theme 1: We all have the right to be safe
- Theme 2: We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust

The two themes are explored through four focus areas, which are examined in growing complexity in accordance with the age of the learners.

1. The right to be safe
2. Relationships
3. Recognising and reporting abuse
4. Protective strategies

Teachers will be explaining the areas they are covering in Term 4 through their class newsletters which all parents should have received last week. Parents are most welcome to see the class teachers or myself if they have any other questions about the programme.



PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

**Hail Mary, full of
grace, the Lord is
with thee; blessed
are thou among
women, and
blessed is the fruit
of thy womb,
Jesus. Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the
hour of our death.
Amen.**

COMING UP...

TERM DATES 2017:

20th-22nd October

Australian FPS Finals

23rd October

Year 5/6 Athletics

25th October

Yr 4 Athletics

Junior Musical Dress Rehearsal

26th October

Yr 5 Perth Observatory Bickley

3.30pm P & F Meeting

27th October

Sports Assembly

World Teacher's Day

1st November

All Saints Day

2nd November

All Souls Day

Year 3 Mass

3rd November

Year 4 Assembly

4th November

5.30pm Family Mass @ Corpus

Christie Years 1 & 2

More information can be accessed on the
DECD website: <http://tiny.cc/DECD-KSCPC>

World Teachers Day – Friday October 27

Next Friday, schools across Australia celebrate World Teacher's Day. This day celebrates the work of teachers, acknowledging the important contribution they make to the community. World Teacher's Day was inaugurated on 5 October 1994 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to commemorate the 1966 joint signing of the UNESCO/ILO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers. In adopting this recommendation, governments unanimously recognised the importance of competent, qualified and motivated teachers in society. The day allows, students, parents and community members to show their appreciation for teachers and the positive impact they make on society. We wish all our teachers at Iona, a very Happy World Teacher's Day next Friday.

LEGO Tinkering & Robotics - Maker Monday, Term 4

This term, we are combining the after-school makerspace program with the after-school session for our FIRST LEGO League programmers, which will see us move from the library into the robotics lab (the old Year 2A classroom) until Week 6.

Current Year 4 and 5 students with an interest in joining our 2018 LEGO Robotics program are highly encouraged to join us this term. We are aiming to provide students with an opportunity to tinker with LEGO and Mindstorms robotics.

Venue: Robotics Lab (old Year 2 classroom)

Dates:

- Week 3 - October 23
- October 30
- November 6
- November 13
- November 20
- November 27

Please note: There will be no Maker
Monday sessions on December 4th

Booklists 2018

As part of our re-amalgamation with the College, we will be adopting a new format for booklists in 2018. OfficeMax will now provide an on-line service for parents with stationery ordered online and delivered by mail. The booklists are being compiled by the classroom teachers over the next fortnight and a link will be provided to parents by week 5. This will give parents the opportunity to order stationery at their convenience. Orders can be made at any time up until the start of school in 2018.

Jennifer Anderson
Principal

Faction Carnival

The sun shone beautifully for our fantastic faction carnival on Friday 20th October. Congratulations to all sports captains who demonstrated their leadership skills in assisting Mr Overhue and Mrs Le Tessier with the coordination of the carnival. Special thanks to Mr Overhue and Mrs Le Tessier for your efforts and attention to detail so that our carnival can operate so smoothly for all to enjoy. Many thanks to all parent helpers and staff who assisted as well. It is wonderful to witness such great Iona Community spirit as well as the joy and sportsmanship of our students at this special event. The final results were:

First Place: Treacey (Red)

Second Place: Moynihan (Blue)

Third Place: O'Dowling (Green)

Fourth Place: O'Hallaran (Gold)

Marisa Perica
Assistant Principal



It's a first for the Whirlwinds at Iona!

by Catherine Stubbs

The newly formed Whirlwinds' first performance was during the final term 3 Iona Primary School assembly.

This dynamic group of year 4, 5 and 6 students entertained the audience with *The Magnificent Seven* and *Blizzard Blues* pieces. The performance was an important opportunity for the students to demonstrate their musical prowess especially as the group had only rehearsed together for one term. It is exciting to note that this band incorporates flute, clarinet, saxophones, French horns, trumpets, percussion and piano instruments all adding different sounds.

Under the guidance of their highly skilled conductor, Mrs Julia Toussaint-Jackson, the Whirlwinds are looking forward to continuing to expand their musical repertoire. The band's next performance is at **Carols on the Green on Thursday 30 November at the College.**





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VacSwim 2017-18

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the summer school holidays and give them the opportunity to learn vital swimming and water safety skills.

Program 1

Every weekday from Wednesday 3 January to Friday 12 January 2018

45 minute lessons

Enrolments close Sunday 19 November 2017

Program 2

Every weekday from Monday 15 January to Thursday 25 January 2018

40 minute lessons

Enrolments close Sunday 26 November 2017

Short program

Every day from Monday 8 January to Friday 12 January 2018

35 minute lessons

Enrolments close Sunday 19 November 2017

Country early start

Every day from Saturday 16 December to Friday 22 December 2017

45 minute lessons

Enrolments close Sunday 12 November 2017

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