



IONA PRESENTATION

PRIMARY SCHOOL MOSMAN PARK

NEWSLETTER

3 NOVEMBER 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Students

There's nothing quite like a 'smart saying' to refresh the mind and perhaps re-energise the ambition that is within each of us. You may find that one of the following sayings 'speaks' to you.

We learn more from our failures than we do from our success

If you do what you have always done, you will always be what you have been

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is presented. You won't get across a chasm in two small jumps

These sayings can be interpreted in different ways by individuals. Some of us may interpret them as suggesting that people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look at the circumstances they want, and if they don't find them, they make them. Others, may get the feeling that the world is leaving them behind; that they should be doing more than the 'ordinary' things in life - that they should be getting a slice of the glitz and the glitter that the TV and glossy magazines suggest is the way everyone else is living.

On Wednesday, we celebrated the Feast of All Saints - a day we remember all the 'ordinary' people who answered Christ's call to go out into the world to be peacemakers, or care for the poor, or love those who are disadvantaged.

If we look at these sayings from the perspective of the Gospels, if we want to move in a manner that is harmonious, yet progressive, we should look to Christ for our example. The 'ordinary', simple things in life such as honesty, faithfulness, consideration, compassion, forgiveness, reliability, tolerance and love are most important in life.

As Christians, we believe that these 'ordinary' gospel values are the essence of who we are and we strive to live these values through our relationships with others. The road from childhood to adulthood is rather long, somewhat winding, occasionally bumpy and,

now and then, even risky. But by persevering with the 'ordinary' day to day things in life, good things will come.

Yesterday was All Souls Day. On this day, we think of our family and friends who have died and pray that they are with God, enjoying the presence of God in Heaven.

We pray especially this week for all in our community who have lost loved ones this year. May they rest in peace.

Good luck to all our Year 6 students who are off to camp next week. We look forward to hearing about their exploits when they return.

Remembrance Day

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918, an armistice was signed that called an end to World War I. After World War II, this day of remembrance became known as Remembrance Day, to honour the people who died in all wars.

Parents, carers, extended family and friends are invited to join the students on Monday 13th November at 11.00am for our special Remembrance Day Prayer Service, which will be held in Treacey Hall. The service will be led by the Year 5 students.

Family Mass

Our last Family Mass for the year is on tomorrow night (Saturday 4 November). This is a wonderful opportunity to bring our school together in celebration of our faith. The Year 1's and 2's will be leading this Mass. Mass commences at 5.30pm at Corpus Christi in Mosman Park. Everyone is most welcome.

Junior Concert

The Junior Concert is fast approaching. This will be held in Treacey Hall on Thursday 9 November starting at 5.30pm. The concert is the culmination of all the hard work Mrs Chase and Mrs Scott have put into the Performing Arts program at Iona. The concert is a great opportunity for the community to see the extraordinary talents of our students and a celebration of our school year. Thank you to Mrs Chase and Mrs Scott for all the work thus far. It



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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.



PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

On Wednesday, we celebrated the Feast of All Saints. Saints hold a special position within the life of the Church. In Christian belief, a Saint is someone who has a deep commitment to Christ, and through them, the power of God has been experienced by others in some way. Such divine power may have been experienced through miracles, inspirational example or some extraordinary work. The following reflection helps us to remember and celebrate these holy men and women and their faith. We are also reminded of how we need to be in our lives.

*Most loving God
We thank you for the example of the saints who, in their living of the Gospel, were a witness to the human dignity of each person.*

They always faced life's challenges with faith and courage. May we follow their example and give ourselves to those in need.

Stay with us and encourage us to be witnesses to your on-going presence in the world by the way we live.

Amen

COMING UP...

4 November

5.30 Family Mass - Corpus Christi

8 November - 10 November

Year 6 Camp - Forest Edge

9 November

Junior Musical and Year 3 Concert

12 November

First Lego League - Curtin University

13 November

11.00 Remembrance Day Ceremony

Chase and Mrs Scott for all the work thus far. It will be an amazing concert.

Families Leaving

Families who are leaving Iona Presentation Primary School at the end of 2017 are requested to write to the Principal as soon as possible. This allows the school to plan for next year's classes and new enrolments.

Student Leadership 2018

The Year 5 girls have started preparing for student leadership roles in 2018. In a few weeks time, the girls will be nominating for a number of leadership roles at the Junior Campus. These include:

- Head Girl
- Cultural Captain
- Library Captain
- Sports Captain
- Liturgical Captain
- Digital Captain
- Mission Captain

All of these roles will be elected by the students and teachers. Last week, Senator Chris Evans and the Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl from the College visited the Year 5's to discuss leadership. Thank you to Mrs Debut for making the arrangements for these



Netball and Minkey

At last week's assembly, we acknowledged the Saturday sports program. The majority of our students are involved in the Saturday sports program and we would like to thank the many parents who volunteer in many different capacities in both Minkey and Netball. We had one premierships team. Congratulations to the Year 6 A netball team who won the championship. Fantastic effort by all.



Future Problem Solvers

Congratulations to Greta L, Ava, Eleanor, Ria (Year 6) and Holly (Year 5) for representing their State in the National FPS finals in Sydney. Holly placed first in her Magic Section where she was teamed with 2 members from another school. All the girls were a credit to our school and wonderful ambassadors for our State. Well done, girls.



No Hat No Play

A reminder to parents that we have a *No Hat, No Play* policy at the school. If a child does not have an Iona school hat, they are required to sit undercover near the sports shed. Please ensure that hats are labelled with the student's name so hats can be identified if lost.

Library News

To enjoy the beautiful Spring weather, we have been conducting some lunchtime Library sessions on the oval.



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