

# St Nicholas of Myra School

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Term 2 Week 7 2021



Friday 4 June  
12:10pm Parish  
Mass for Stage 3  
and Kindergarten

Saturday 5 June  
and Sunday 6 June  
Holy Communion  
Masses

Wednesday 9 June  
Stage 3 Boys  
Soccer Gala Day

Friday 11 June  
9:45 am  
Sacred Heart  
Liturgy in Church  
(Stage 1 organising)  
10:30—11 am  
Open Classrooms  
11:00—11:30am  
Picnic Lunch  
(weather permitting)

Saturday 12 June &  
Sunday 13 June  
Holy Communion  
Masses

Monday 14 June  
**Queen's Birthday**  
Public Holiday  
**NO STUDENTS AT  
SCHOOL TODAY**

Tuesday 15 June  
Pyjama Day  
St Vinnies Winter  
Appeal  
Donation of toiletries

Thursday 17 June  
Newsletter Day  
Fun Food Day—  
Chicken Nuggets  
Reports Go Home  
Today

Friday 18 June  
2:15pm End of Term  
Assembly

Dear St Nicholas of Myra Families,

Congratulations to all of the students and their families in making their First Holy Communion over the next two weeks.

The word, "communion" means to be united with; we as Catholics believe that in Holy Communion we are united in a special way with Jesus Christ.

From our Holy Week Liturgy at school you may remember at Jesus' Last Supper; He said and shared amongst His followers, "Take and eat, this is My body." When we receive Holy Communion, we believe in the transubstantiation and that we are sharing in the Body and Blood of Christ.

Holy Communion and the whole celebration is also known as Eucharist, from a Greek word meaning 'thanksgiving.' *Each year when a new group of students receive their First Holy Communion let us use this as a reminder to give prayers of Thanks to God for us also receiving the sacramental gift of the Eucharist.*

*A blessing for the students receiving Holy Communion*

***Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.***

***May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of Your Body and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.***

Congratulations to the following students who will be making their First Holy Communion!

Ashton Galea	Thomas Muller	Angelo Isaac
Ella Herbert	Beau Brown	Nevaeh Coulton
Gabriel Suluape	Nevaeh-Rae Suluape	Hannah Rebernik
Adrian Burdanowski	Stephanie O'Connor	Noah Edwy-Smith
Lola Gibbs	Amelia Fidler	Grace Meyer
Oliver Felton	Byron Faapoi	Holly Rigo

Peace and Joy  
Anita Knezevic  
Principal

# Sporting News

## Nepean Zone Athletics Team

A number of students have earned selection to the 2021 Nepean Zone Athletics Carnival which is scheduled to be held on 12 August 2021. Students will compete in a range of events from the Athletics Carnival.

Any students aged 8 and above may also apply for entry into the Zone Carnival in shot put, discus and high jump. For students to enter, they must send confirmation of results to Mr Simpson and Mrs Beirne by the end of Term 2. Results must be official documents which can be obtained via Results HQ for athletics or the student's athletics club.

As previous sporting dates, all days are subject to NSW Government and CEDP regulations in relation to the COVID19 pandemic.

Congratulations to the following students;

Max Faapoi	Madison Herrero	Lachlan McIntosh	Harmoni Hill
Amos Ingegneri	Sophie Edwy-Smith	Knox Currey	Lilah Surene
Dominic Kassouf	Sofia Campora-Kaal	Ashton Galea	Lolah Lestal-Braid
Rishi Renju	Amisha Nagaretnam	Zachary Herrero	Abby McIntosh
Matthew Fidler	Skyla Hill	Nox Hill	Allanah Walker
Jayden Mendonca	Georgia Taylor	Xavier Isaac	

Students who are successful at the Nepean Zone Carnival will also have the opportunity to represent their zone at the 2021 Diocesan Carnival which will be held on 20 August 2021.

## Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day

On 26 May 2021, the Stage 3 girls participated in the Soccer Gala Day at Jamison Park. The girls had played a total of six games across the day, taking on different roles and positions and tackling each match with enthusiasm and optimism.





## PBS4L Playground Initiative - WOO HOO 2000 TOKENS!!!

In Week 6, all Stages had 30 minutes of reward time for reaching the first target of 2000 tokens for our playground initiative!!

### Early Stage 1:

Kindergarten selected outside rotation stations for their reward time including; ice cream scoops, sticky bats and ball games.



### Stage 1

Stage 1 students chose to have indoor and outside play time with students outside playing jam jar, splat and soccer. Students inside played with lego or dolls and did free drawing.



### Stage 2

Stage 2 students chose to play outside. They played soccer, basketball shooting, skipping, handball and clapping games.



### Stage 3



### Double points

This fortnight (Weeks 7- 8), the PBS4L playground focus is: **I am respectful when I put my rubbish in the bin and keep the playground clean.** When a teacher sees students demonstrating this, they will receive a double points token. Students continue to receive single tokens for following any of our expectations as well. The Stage with the most tokens at the end of Week 10 will receive reward time towards an activity of their choice.



Congratulations to **Stage 3** who were the winners for the Weeks 4 - 6 round of the playground initiative! Stage 3 students received a total of 328 tokens over the three weeks.

# General News

## **Tell Them From Me (TTFM)**

We would like to invite you to complete the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning* survey. As we value the role of Parents and Carers within our school community, we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve St Nicholas of Myra in the areas such as faith, wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 25 to 30 minutes to complete. You are able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the following link:

<http://tellthemfromme.com/stnicholas2021>

The survey window for our school is open from today til Friday 25 June 2021 (4:30pm AEST). Thank you for your ongoing support and feedback as we continue to work together to support student learning and wellbeing.

## **2022 Kindergarten Enrolments are underway and places are being accepted!**

We accept enrolment applications at any time for any grade.

2022 Kindergarten Enrolment Interviews have commenced and places are being accepted by families. Current St Nicholas of Myra families who have a child commencing school in 2022 are encouraged to complete an enrolment form as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

The process:

1. Enrolment forms can be found online at - <https://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/02-Form-A-Enrolment-Application.pdf> or in the school office.
2. Once you have submitted your paperwork via email, post or have handed it into the office.
3. The School Enrolment Officer will contact you to make an interview time with one or both parents and the enrolling child attends.
4. COVID check ins and practices are in place. Again if you would like to wear a mask during this enrolment interview that would be preferable.

## **Fun Food Day: Pizza Slice Day - Parent Group**

Thank you to the Parent Group for organising to have this Fun Food Day - Pizza Slice Day.

A special thanks goes to Krishni Arokianathan and Sophie Edwy-Smith who prepared, cooked and served up the yummy, hot pizza slices to our eager students at lunch time. The Pizza Slice Day raised \$112.75. Thank you to all those families who participated in this fundraiser.

## **Birthday Celebrations**







A friendly reminder that, due to COVID-19 food handling and hygiene restrictions, it is a requirement that food supplied for your child/ren's birthday needs to be individually wrapped. This may include individually store/supplier wrapped items such as chocolates (fun-size Freddo Frogs, Smarties, etc), and lollipops. Please also be aware we are a nut aware school. Food items that are not individually store/supplier wrapped can not be accepted. Thank you for your understanding and understanding in keeping us all safe.

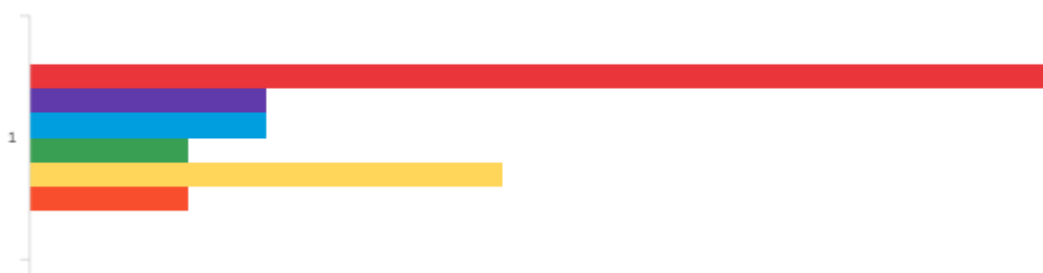


## School Assemblies Survey Results (emailed Friday 14 - 21 May 2021)

Thank you to the Parents and Carers who completed this quick five minute survey regarding changing the day to our whole school assemblies.

The survey asked for your first preference is a rotational afternoon assembly within the term (Monday, Tuesday and Friday) then please click and drag this to the top of your list or place it first. As communicated here are the results from this survey. As you can see we will keep the Friday Assembly (total of 13 - the red visual line below)

1	
 Keep the Friday afternoon assemblies the same.	13
 I do not have a preference.	3
 I prefer Monday afternoon assemblies.	3
 I prefer Tuesday afternoon assemblies.	2
 I would like a rotational afternoon assembly within the term (Monday, Tuesd...	6
 An assembly on a different day each term would be preferred eg.Term 1 on Fr...	2



## Library News



**Visit the PRC  
Student Site!**

<http://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/StudentExperience.html#/>

Congratulations to the following children who have completed their Premier's Reading Challenge. Well done!

***Ella Herbert  
Courtney Herbert  
Robert Wood  
Ozias Arokianathan  
John Wood  
Lola Gibbs  
Brian Nguyen  
Odessa Gibbs  
Evie Gibbs***

PRC books can be borrowed from the school library or public library.

To identify a PRC book they will have one of these stickers on the front cover.





# Learning

## Life Education

This week, all students from K-6 attended Life Education. Each Stage completed a different learning module. These included:

Early Stage 1: My Body Matters

Stage 1: Ready, Steady, Go

Stage 2: Bcyberwise

Stage 3: Decisions



 *Pyjama Day* 

*St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal*

Come dressed in your pyjamas and donate toiletries to support the Winter Appeal.

Thank you in advance for your support in bringing the donations on the day and placing them in the baskets as you enter the school gates.

 *Tuesday 15 June 2021* 



# Formation

## Sharing Our Faith

Each newsletter I will be asking a question for you to ask your child about their faith. This is an opportunity for Parents and students to engage in dialogue together with the question posed. It would be wonderful to see responses either written down, drawn or creatively depicted each fortnight. These responses can be shared via Stage SeeSaw pages or to the school email.

### Question:

**How do we show our faith to those around us?**

## Diocesan 200 Years of Catholic Education Mass

On Monday 24 May Ms Knezevic, Isabel Msrsc (School Leader) and her grandparents attended the Mass for 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia at St Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta. Before the Mass, the event began with a moving Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony from Darug Elders Aunty Julie Webb and Uncle Lex Dadd. The Mass featured student musicians, and a moving performance of Ave Maria. Bishop Vincent reflected on Diocesan Patroness St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's exhortation, **"never see a need without doing something about it"**.

*CEDP Executive Director Greg Whitby also spoke about the legacy of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, "a woman whose extraordinary faith effectively extended the opportunities of education to ordinary Australian children". He presented Bishop Vincent with the painting about Parramatta's history by Darug Artist Leanne Tobin. Each school received a plaque to honour the occasion as part of the event.*

Isabel Msrsc- It was a great experience and a beautiful Mass. It celebrated the 200 years of Catholic faith so well. I'm so glad I got to see this special ceremony!



We warmly invite you  
to join our school community in  
celebrating the

**Feast of the Sacred Heart**

**Liturgy (in Church) 9:45 am**  
**Open Classrooms 10:30-11:00 am**  
**Picnic Lunch 11:00-11:30 am**  
(Weather Permitting)

**Friday 11 June 2021**

Please arrive early to check in using QR code and complete  
COVID screening form.





# Awards

## Silver Award

Hannah Rose TINTO	K
Tiegan-Maree BRYANT	K
Devika ANOOP	K
Nerissa ROZARIO	K
Scarlett FINDLAY	K
Cyndianna FORRESTER	K
Saathvik CHAITHRA	K
Lyla COFFILL	K
Demuni DESILVA	K
Isaiah TUITU'U	K
Orno PALMA	K
Siddhu PRAKASH	K
Isabella TRAN	1
Juleina LOTONU BROWN	1
Ozias AROKIANATHAN	1
Jae LIM	1
Sofia BURGESS	1
Vivien CHANPOWSEE	1
Parv GULATI	1
Iravan CHOWDHURY	1
Ashton HADCHITI	1
Isabella TEUMA	1
Olivia NKEMKA	1
Natalie ROZARIO	1
Olivia ANDERSON	2
Max DYKE	2
Sophia ZHAO	2
Tvaritha VINOTHKUMAR	2
Ethan TEUMA	2
Jake HANNAFORD	2
Levi FENECH	2
Thomas FALZON	2
Sophie EDWY-SMITH	2
Daniella TAMER	2
Alana DEOLIVEIRA	2
Byron FAAPOI	4
Grace MEYER	4
Joseph HADCHITI	4
Xavier ISAAC	5
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Nox HILL	5
Matthew FIDLER	6



## Gold Award

Juleina LOTONU BROWN	1
Tvaritha VINOTHKUMAR	2
Ethan TEUMA	2
Daniella TAMER	2
Grace MEYER	4
Joseph HADCHITI	4
Matthew FIDLER	6

Congratulations to the students who received awards at the Assembly held on Friday 28 May 2021.



## Merit Award

Tiegan-Maree BRYANT	K
Devika ANOOP	K
Roman LEITRITZ	K
Celine CHANPOWSEE	K
Jae LIM	1
Dominic GOUSKOS	1
Bridget Cara DELA PAZ	1
Rome HILL	1
Loreley LESTAL-BRAID	2
Annabella CHRISTIE	2
Olivia ARMITSTEAD	2
Daniella TAMER	2
Knox CURREY	3
Samara COULTON	3
Avaleigh FAUCETT	3
Simone HARVEY	3
Byron FAAPOI	4
Ella HERBERT	4
Nevaeh COULTON	4
Rishi RENJU	4
Ashton GALEA	5
Jayden TEUMA	5
Maryam YAMAYAN	5
Jacob WHITE	5
Brendan LESLIE	6
Odessa GIBBS	6
Lolah LESTAL-BRAID	6
Jayden MENDONCA	6





*Truth Through Learning*







# H.E.R.O. Awards (Term 2 Weeks 1—5)

Congratulations to the following students who have had 100% attendance and have achieved the H.E.R.O. Award (Here Everyday, Ready Ontime), for Term 2 Weeks 1 - 5.

If your child has missed out this time, there is another award presented for full attendance for Weeks 6 - 10, with no full days or partial days absent.

Amanreet KAUR	Kindergarten
Audrey BURGESS	Kindergarten
Ciaran HEAVIN	Kindergarten
Natania DESILVA	Kindergarten
Devika ANOOP	Kindergarten
Felix DYKE	Kindergarten
Lucas GAYAGAY	Kindergarten
Nerissa ROZARIO	Kindergarten
Olivia SPAIN	Kindergarten
Pranit JOSHI	Kindergarten
Siddhu PRAKASH	Kindergarten
Cassandra RIBEIRO	Year 1
Emily WANG	Year 1
Irene HARRIS	Year 1
Natalie ROZARIO	Year 1
Olivia NKEMKA	Year 1
Parv GULATI	Year 1
Sofia BURGESS	Year 1
Anna DISSANAYAKE	Year 2
Harrison DONALDSON	Year 2
Olivia ARMITSTEAD	Year 2
Sophia ZHAO	Year 2
Thomas FALZON	Year 2
Tvaritha VINOTHKUMAR	Year 2
Avaleigh FAUCETT	Year 3
Cindy GUO	Year 3
Lachlan MCINTOSH	Year 3
Nicholas FALZON	Year 3
Hannah REBERNIK	Year 4
Rishi RENJU	Year 4
Abby MCINTOSH	Year 5
Christian FALZON	Year 5
Jacob WHITE	Year 5
Jeremy KENNEDY	Year 6



## Correspondence

- ☺ Athletics Carnival Award Assembly and delayed Week 5 Newsletter
- ☺ Help Needed - Soccer Referee
- ☺ Reminder—Assembly
- ☺ Tell Them From Me—Parent Survey
- ☺ Pyjama Day—Winter Appeal St Vincent de Paul
- ☺ Living Life to the Full: our Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education
- ☺ 2021 Semester One (Half Yearly) Reports and Grade Scales

## St Nicholas of Myra Parish

326 High St Penrith  
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### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm  
Sunday 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am & 6:00pm

### Weekday Masses:

Monday 9.30am  
Tuesday 6:45am, 9.30am  
Wednesday 6:45am, 9:30am  
Thursday 9:30am  
Friday 6:45am, 12:10pm



## The Gadget Girlz Roadshow



### Are you in Years 5, 6 or 7?

The Gadget Girlz Roadshow has been developed by girls for girls. It is a whole day, practical and immersive experience – robotics, STEM challenges, drone flight simulators and more. 6 workshops in one day.

Places are limited. Be quick!

Location: [Penrith Christian School](#)

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June or Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June

8:30 am to 4:00 pm

\$44.00 includes all materials, morning tea and lunch!



### Register:

#### Saturday

<https://onegiantleapfoundation.com.au/the-gadget-girlz-roadshow-12th-june-2021/>

#### Sunday

<https://onegiantleapfoundation.com.au/the-gadget-girlz-roadshow-13th-june-2021/>

Questions? Call Jackie on 041 232 6509