



St Maria Goretti School

Inglewood

Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1

10th October, 2019



OUR SCHOOL STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS:

- Mrs Paula O'Rourke
- Mrs Naomi Smith

IMPORTANT DATES

October

- Mon 14th—Fri 18th—Peter Mulcahy visiting
- Wed 16th—PPF Meeting
- Mon 21st—Pupil Free Day CTJ Day
- Fri 25th —DD Aquathon
- Mon 28th—Fri 1st—Principals Forum

November

- Mon 11th—Wed 13th—School Camp
- Thurs 28th—Awards night
- Fri 29th—Year 6 Graduation

December

- Wed 4th —Last day of Term 4



Mary Mackillop's reflective saying for this week is:

God loves us all. 2.9.1906

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4! I trust that everyone enjoyed having their children over the holidays to do family activities. It is great to see everyone back keen to be at school and ready to learn. We look forward to a very productive term.

Thank you to Casey and Olivia to stepping up into the acting leadership roles during my long service leave last term. It has been great to return this week with everything running so smoothly! I look forward to the final term for 2019 with the highlight being our end of year activities.

This term is jam packed with lots of events and learning! Please keep a check on the calendar and newsletters for all the information that you will need. We will also send out text messages or notes for you throughout the term.

Over the holidays, it was Social Justice Sunday. This year's focus was "Making it Real: Genuine Human Encounter in our Digital World". 'The Australian Catholic Bishops' have developed a statement entitled this which affirms the positive possibilities for encounter and solidarity offered by new digital media while warning of those elements that are harmful to the dignity of individuals and the common good. Pope Francis is calling us to "boldly become citizens of the digital world". Here are ten steps we can take towards making our online presence one that fosters genuine human encounter:

1. Make your online presence one of dignity and respect.
2. Be present to others in the real and virtual worlds.
3. Take care of yourself and others.
4. Every community should promote digital literacy.
5. We cannot leave our sisters and brothers behind.
6. The local community is a place to make the virtual real.
7. We must protect the personal data of citizens.
8. Join the call for transparency and accountability.
9. Truth and trustworthiness must be guaranteed.
10. We are called to be citizens of the digital world.'

To find our more information please use the following website

www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/ten-step-leaflets/

Casey is attending an 'Inspire Mathematics – leading into 2020' meeting today in readiness for our focus on maths next year. We look forward to Casey sharing her learning with us.

Swimming starts on Monday – 14th October. Thanks to the National Sporting Schools Grant we are able to provide students with learn to swim teachers and free entry into the pool for this term. There will be some carry over into next year as well. Please find in this newsletter the requirements for swimming each week.

Next week, Peter Mulcahy, an indigenous artist, will be here to create and paint story poles for our school. We look forward to seeing what he creates for us. Special thanks to Toowoomba Catholic Schools Office for providing the funding for this to happen in our community.

Look forward to catching up with everyone at the PPF meeting next week.

Yours in God's love

Paula

Students of the Week



Tuckshop Volunteers:

11th October: Worker:
Home Cooking:

Sara Price
Mandy Mead
Sonja Cover

**18th October—NO TUCKSHOP DUE
TO NO WORKER AVAILABLE**

25th October: Worker:
Home Cooking:

Michelle Walker
Sonya Ferguson
Corinne Anderson

Birthdays:



This morning on assembly, Greg Vincent from Workplace Health and Safety Queensland announced that Lincoln was one of 12 winners across Queensland in the Farm Safety Calendar competition.

Lincoln was presented with a prize of \$250. The school also received \$500 as part of the prize package.

All students who entered the competition received a certificate and a copy of the 2020 calendar featuring Lincoln's winning entry.

Swimming begins next Monday 14th October!

The students will be receiving coaching through Naomi as per last year.

Students need to bring:

- ♦ towel
- ♦ swim shirt
- ♦ togs
- ♦ goggles (optional)
- ♦ swimming cap (optional) or long hair must be tied up
- ♦ flippers (optional and only if students already own these)

in a bag and all labelled with student's name.

Please remember to also label the sports uniform,



Elijah and Oliver received their Mathletics certificates from last term.

Term 4 in the Library

More great reading opportunities await our students across the term with weekly browse and borrow sessions and beautiful new books being added to our collection each month.

Our Prep-Year 2 students will be enjoying as many stories as time allows and our Year 3 - 6 students will be choosing a book to review. This review will be added to our database for future students to read. All students are expected to engage in reading for pleasure, to use the power of reading for joy and relaxation.

Significant Dates:

Week 6 (beginning 11/11) - Last week for borrowing library items

Please plan for your students to have public library books to read for the long weeks of Summer holidays.

Week 7 (beginning 18/11) - All student loans due

Anne Anderson

Teacher Librarian



October is Mission Month.

This year the focus is on the country of Ghana. Later this month we will be having a focus on this in our school. More information to follow.



Ghana is located along the Gulf of Guinea in the sub-region of West Africa and is bordered by the Ivory Coast in the west, Burkina Faso in the north, and Togo in the east. Ghana has a population of over 28 million,¹ with more than half of the country aged under 25 years.² The official language of Ghana is English, and its capital city is Accra, in the south.

Ghana is currently ranked 140 out of 189 countries and territories on the United Nations Human Development Index, which puts it in the medium human development category.³ In recent years, the Government has invested heavily in human development and from 1992 to 2013 the country experienced a reduction in poverty rates from 52% to 24%.⁴

However, during this time, inequality between the rich and poor increased and economic growth mainly benefited the wealthy.⁵ Although poverty has declined in Ghana, it remains pervasive in the north, with some of the highest poverty rates in the country.⁶ All of the projects in this booklet are located in northern Ghana, which is made up of the Upper West, Upper East, North East, Northern and Savannah regions. In February 2019, the internal boundaries of northern Ghana were redefined, and the North East and Savannah regions were created.⁷

The north of Ghana experiences significant dry periods due to its proximity to the Sahara Desert.⁸ The harsh climate contributes to adverse economic conditions in the region, where the main economic activity is agriculture.⁹ In comparison, southern Ghana experiences a higher level of economic development, and there is a corresponding trend of migration from the north to the south of Ghana where people seek better economic outcomes and access to services.¹⁰ This in turn contributes to underdevelopment in the north, reinforcing the cycle of poverty.¹¹



Traditional huts in Ghana's Northern Region

The 10 Commandments of year 4/5/6

- ① ~~Do~~ Follow the values of God.
- ② Don't put yourself above others.
- ③ Say and do good things for others
- ④ Always work hard, But take time to enjoy life.
- ⑤ Always **respect** your carers.
- ⑥ Do not cause harm to other living things. Respect the Earth.
- ⑦ Do not disrespect your loved ones.
- ⑧ Avoid taking what does not belong to you.
- ⑨ always be honest
- ⑩ Take what you need not what you want.

Inglewood Childcare & Kindergarten "PIGS WILL FLY THIS OCTOBER"

Saturday 12th October 2019

FREE
ENTRY

**Inglewood Sports Complex
(Chilcott Street)**

BAR &
FOOD

Gates open 1.30pm, First race starts 2.30pm

Sweeps and Auction throughout the afternoon

FAMILY
FUN
DAY OUT



FREE
ENTERTAINMENT
FOR THE KIDS

ENTERTAINMENT
TILL LATE

INGLEWOOD BLUE LIGHT DISCO



WHEN: 6:00PM—8:00PM, Friday 18th October 2019

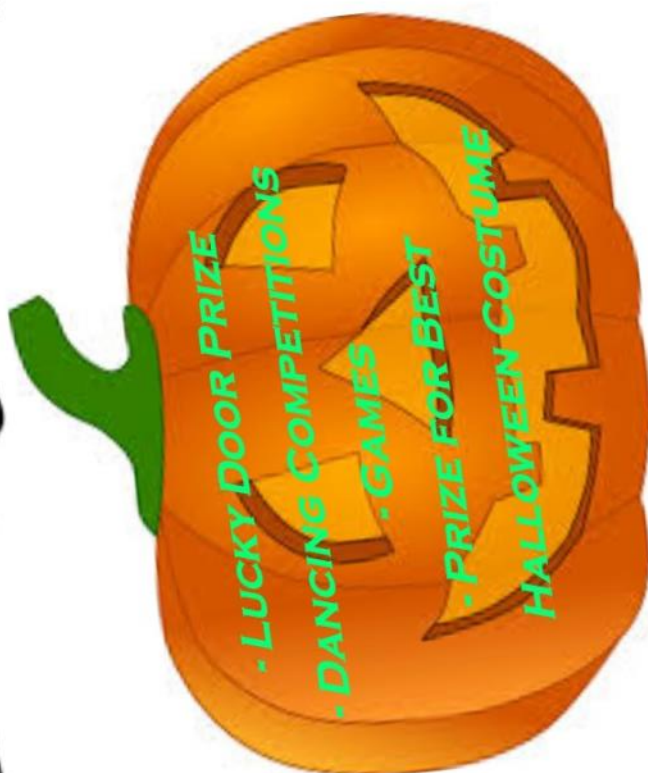
WHERE: Inglewood Civic Centre

COST: \$5 entry per person

Age: Prep to Year 10 (must attend school)

- Safe Environment

- Food and Drinks available at the canteen



Police Supervision



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STARTS
HERE →



Parent Partnership Forum

Chairperson: Mike Price
Secretary: Zalae Smith

Upcoming events:
16th October—PPF Meeting

We are again having a \$1000 board in the lead up to Christmas. See the office for your number!
Please mention to family and friends.
Cost per number is \$20.

Prep Orientation Dates:

Friday 25th October 8:40am—11am
Friday 1st November 8:40am—11am
Friday 8th November 8:40am—1:30pm
Friday 15th November 8:40 am—1:30pm
Friday 22nd November 8:40 am—3:05pm



Inglewood Social Sports Mixed Touch Season

Nominations are now open for 2019-20 Touch Season for both Junior (8-12 year olds) and Senior (13 yrs and over) Competitions. Games will be on Monday nights at 5:30pm for Juniors and 6:15 or 7:00pm for Seniors. The season will begin on the 14 October 2019. Please contact your team captain to nominate or if you are a new player, please contact Stacey 0428 880 946 for details.

Toowoomba Catholic Schools Visiting Services

23rd October—Jennifer Fenn—School Counsellor
 6th November—Jennifer Fenn
 20th November—Jennifer Fenn
 October 21st November—Suzanne Cavanagh

School Dental Service—Van 8B

Ph: 0407577169

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Darling Downs Health

CHILD & ADOLESCENT Oral Health Service

Southern Downs

Services Available *

- Dental examination
- X-rays
- Fillings
- Extractions
- Preventive treatment and advice
- Emergency treatment of toothache or trauma

**A parent or legal guardian must attend all appointments*

We can see your child if they are:

- 0-3 years with a concession card
- 4 years old to Grade 10
- Grade 11 and 12 with a concession card
- Eligible for Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Contact the Darling Downs Oral Health Call Centre!

1300 082 662

8am - 4.30pm

Monday - Friday

(excluding Public Holidays)



STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES

Semester 2



Bus Fare Assistance

- Does your child attend a **school outside the Brisbane City Council** boundary?
- Does your family spend more than **\$20/week*** on fares to and from school (* \$15/week if you hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a **publicly available bus** not owned or associated with the school?

Students With Disability

- Does your child have a **verified disability** that requires **transport assistance** to and from school?
- Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's **travel capability rating** as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and

apply at www.schooltransport.com.au by 31 October.

Late applications cannot be accepted.



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Prep - Year 6

Where Christian values are an everyday lived experience