



Carmeletta

Our mission is to encourage each individual to achieve their personal best
in a meeting place where Christ's teachings are learned and lived.

"Peace be with you! As the Father sent me, so I am sending you" John 20:21

Term 2 Week 5

20 May 2015

Sunday's First Reading from Acts 1:1-11

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."



it's time to
change it up!

Dear Parents, Teachers and Students,

Reconciliation Week

Next Tuesday marks National Sorry Day, an annual day of commemoration and remembrance of all those who have been impacted by the government policies of forcible removal that have resulted in the Stolen Generations. Reconciliation Week commemorates two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey; the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision. The week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort. We will recognise National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week in a prayer service at our Wednesday (27 May) morning assembly. Parents, as always, are most welcome to attend. Students will also participate in an art-making activity that will create 'a sea of hands'.

Staff Matters

It is with much regret I announce that Joanne Hoare will be resigning her position effective from this Friday. Jo has worked with us for six months as a Canteen Assistant but has secured full-time work in Canberra. On behalf of our community I wish Jo all the very best in her new position and thank her for the wonderful contribution she made to the Canteen and our students. Mel Leahy will be Canteen Assistant until the end of term to allow time for advertising.

Community Council

Just a reminder to speak with our School Board members about your thoughts on the possibility of a Community Council. If the decision is made to proceed with the Council structure, it would be in place for two years on a trial basis and another decision will be made as to whether the school will continue with the Council structure or revert to our current way of operating with a School Board and P&F Association.

Quality Teaching

Congratulations to Kassie Miller who presented at an Archdiocesan Language Teachers Workshop today. As well, congratulations to Sue Shepherd who has been a member of a team of teachers who are re-writing units of work for our Archdiocesan Religious Education program. We are very blessed to have such quality teachers, who are recognised and appreciated for their level of skill and talent within our school community, but also across the Canberra-Goulburn Archdiocese.

God bless

Gaye McManus
Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 22 K-2 Athletics Carnival
- Week 6 RECONCILIATION WEEK**
- 25 Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians Prayer Service 9am
- 26 National Sorry Day
K-2 Athletics Carnival Back Up
- 27 Reconciliation Week Prayer Service 9am
- 28 Da Vinci Decathlon
Sullivan Shield Round 1
- 29 3-6 Athletics Carnival

2015 TERM DATES

- Term 2**
- 8 June Public Holiday
- 25 June End of Term 2
- Term 3**
- 13 July Students return
- 17 Sept End of Term 3
- Term 4**
- 5 October Labour Day Holiday
- 6 October Students return
- 16 Dec End of Term 4

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE 2015

Please contact Julia Morphett for further information 6236 8305
Country Children's Early Learning
www.ccel.com.au

Thought for the Week

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses
Acts 1:7

Parents and Friends Association

Joint meeting with School Board
20 August 2015

Email: pandf@mtcarmel.nsw.edu.au

Board Meetings Thursday 7.30pm

18 June 2015
20 August 2015

Class Assemblies

Fridays at 2.15pm
5 June KSS
19 June 3AL
24 July KNB

CatholicCare Student and Family Counsellor

Kirsten Stafford will be at Mt Carmel every Monday from 9am until 3.30pm

St Augustine's Parish

Priest Fr Mick Burke PP
Secretary Irene Carr
Office hours
Mon, Tues, Fri 9am-4pm
Parish Office

Meehan St Yass NSW 2582
PO Box 24 Yass NSW 2582
Phone 02 6226 1086
Fax 02 6226 2220

email sta.yass@cg.catholic.org.au

Weekend Mass Times

Vigil Saturday 6pm Yass
Sunday
8.30am Gunning
(5th Sun Liturgy of the Word)
10.30am Murrumbateman
(5th Sun Liturgy of the Word)
11am Wee Jasper (5th Sun)



K-2 Athletics Carnival

Friday 22 May 2015
Lower Grass @ Mt Carmel
10am-1pm

3-6 Athletics Carnival

Friday 29 May 2015
Victoria Park
9.30am-2.30pm



*****Claim the Date*****

Mt Carmel School Trivia Night

Friday 19 June 2015 | 7pm for 7.30pm

Venue: Yass Soldiers' Club

Enrolling now for 2016



**Enrolment forms
available
from the front office**

Kindergarten~2016 Enrolments

Our enrolment drive for 2016 has already begun. If you have a pre-school child ready for Kindergarten next year, please contact the front office for an enrolment form. An interview will be organised very soon (after the enrolment application is received). If your friends have a child starting in Kindergarten next year, please encourage them to consider Mt Carmel as an option for the education of their children.



Applications are sought for the position of
Canteen Assistant – Temporary Part-time (Hours per fortnight: 10)

This is a temporary part-time six (6) month contract commencing 17 July 2015 with a 3 month probation period. The six month contract could be extended. Applications are invited from persons able to demonstrate a commitment to the aims of Catholic Education. Application is to be made on the official Application Form which is available from the Catholic Education Office website,

<http://cg.catholic.edu.au/teachers-staff/employment/vacant-positions/school-support-staff-vacancies/>

The Canteen Assistant is responsible to the Principal and the Parents and Friends' Executive.

The canteen is operational two days per week – Thursday and Friday during school terms – from 9.30am until 2.30pm each day. The position is for 10 hours per fortnight. The Canteen Assistant would need to be available to work on Fridays.

As well as completing the above application form, applicants should provide two relevant (work) referees' contact details and address the following criteria which should be not longer than two (2) A4 pages in length.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential Criteria

- Proven knowledge and understanding of safe food handling procedure
- Current First Aid and CPR Certificate

Desirable Criteria

- Management Skills
- Prepare and implement volunteer rosters if required
- Liaise with Canteen Manager and be accountable to the Principal and employer (ie Catholic Education)

Communication Skills

- Communicate effectively promoting harmony and mutual respect among workers and volunteers
- Ensure a welcoming and supportive environment in the canteen

Health and Safety

- Maintain a safe and hygienic work environment with current Work Health and Safety regulations
- Assist in implementing a Healthy Canteen menu
- Attend professional development directly related to school canteens as required

This position involves working with children. The appointment of a successful applicant will be subject to satisfactory employment screening for child related employment in accordance with CE policy.

Completed forms together with Curriculum Vitae, covering letter and a statement addressing the selection criteria above should be addressed to The Principal, PO Box 447, Yass, 2582.

Applications close on Friday 5 June 2015.

Further Enquiries:

Gaye McManus

02 6226 3357 or gaye.mcmanus@cg.catholic.edu.au

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School Fees

A gentle reminder if Term 2 school fees have not been paid. Please make every effort to pay as soon as you can. With much thanks.

2015 Pupil Free Days

Please mark these dates in your calendar

Term 2

Friday 26 June 2015

Term 3

Friday 18 September 2015

Enrol your family now for 2016

Enrolment packs available from the front office

Interviews have already commenced

'Educating for TODAY and TOMORROW'

Mt Carmel School Board Members

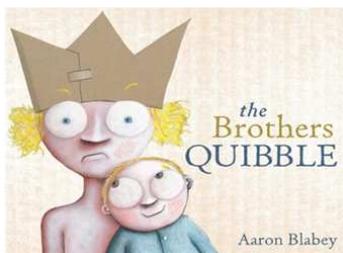
Chair	Mrs Kate Seselja (children in K, 1 and 5)
Vice Chair	Mrs Meaghan Medway (children in 3 and 6)
Secretary	Mrs Stephanie Harding (children in 1 and 3)
Treasurer	Mr Paul Twohill (child in 5)
Parent Representatives	Mrs Zuzy Webster (child in K) Mrs Kate Seselja
P&F Representatives	Mrs Stephanie Harding Mrs Meagan Medway
Staff Representatives	Mrs Melissa Allan (children in 1 and 3) Mr Michael Green (children in K and 2)
Ex-Officio Members	Fr Mick Burke (Parish Priest) Mrs Gaye McManus (Principal)

All parents are interested in their child's education.
Every parent has something to contribute.

Lacey Library News

National Simultaneous Storytime 2015

Next Wednesday 27 May at 11.00am, we will be joining in with other schools across Australia to celebrate National Simultaneous Storytime 2015. Every year a picture book which has been written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. The purpose of the day is to promote the value of reading and literacy. This year the children will read "The Brothers Quibble" by Aaron Blabey.



Library Request

We have many new books to be covered for the children to use in the library. If anyone could help to cover these can you please let Carol know in the office. I will put 10 books and the plastic contact in a bag to take home for you to cover and return them when done.

Thanks so much

Message

I still have unclaimed plates from the Grandparents morning tea. I will leave these in the front office for collection.

Ev Turner
Teacher/Librarian

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our 2015 school theme is "Peace be with you!" As the Father sent me, so I am sending you." These inspirational words encourage us to extend Christ's peace to others through our actions in our everyday lives.

MAY – THE MONTH OF MARY

In the Church's Year, May has been called "the month of Mary". In our prayer we can think of the times that Jesus' Mother is mentioned in the Gospels as she supports her Son.

We pray:

Mary, chosen by God,
you believed the angel's message
and became the Mother of Jesus.

You welcomed
shepherds and wise men:
Pray for us, Mary,
that Jesus may live in us.

Mary, you were beside Jesus
at the wedding feast at Cana,
and you noticed
that the servants were worried
that the wine was running out.
You told them to do
whatever Jesus would ask of them,
and then he changed
water into wine
in jars that the servants
had filled to the brim:
Mary, ask your Son
to fill us with the Holy Spirit.

Mary, your love met Jesus, your Son,
as he suffered on the cross:
Mary, in your love, support us
as we carry our crosses
in daily life.

Mary, you stayed with the friends of Jesus,
waiting for the Holy Spirit
to change their lives at Pentecost:
Mary, wait with us
and our families and friends
so that we, too,
may receive all the promises
of Jesus, your Son.
Amen.



Jan Harvey
Religious Education Coordinator

K-2 Athletics Carnival

When: Friday 22 May 2015

Where: School Oval

Time: 10.00pm–1.00pm



Land Rover Cup Grand Finals

Mt Carmel's year 5/6 rugby union team has now qualified for the Land Rover Cup Grand Finals to be played at Canberra Stadium on Friday 29 May as a curtain raiser to the Brumbies v's Bulls Super Rugby match that night.

In the respective year 3/4 and year 5/6 competitions we will play a tri-series against the winner of the Southern Inland Primary School Championships and the winner of the South Coast/ Monaro Primary School Championships. Games will likely start from 5.30pm on the night, with the Brumbies main game kicking off at 7.40pm. Each team will be provided with 20 tickets to the main game and to be used to gain entry to the stadium.

Sullivan Shield

The Sullivan Shield (Years 5 & 6 students) is scheduled for Thursday 28 May at the Nicholls Playing Fields, Nicholls.

Archdiocesan Rugby Union Trials

The Archdiocesan Rugby Union Trials is scheduled for Monday 1 June and students who are interested must complete a permission note and consent form. The students must be at Walker Park no later than 9.30am for registration.

Important Sport Dates

Mt Carmel K-2 Athletics Carnival – Friday 22 May

Sullivan Shield Round 1 – Thursday 28 May

Mt Carmel Y3-6 Athletics Carnival – Friday 29 May

Mt Carmel School to play the curtain raiser for the Brumbies v's Rebels at GIO Stadium – Friday 29 May

Sullivan Shield Round 2 – Wednesday 10 June

Sullivan Shield Finals Day – Wednesday 24 June

NSW CPS Rugby Union Knockout Competition (Sydney) – Monday 10 August

NSW Legends Shield Competition (Sydney) – Wednesday 19 August

Deon Norval
Sport Coordinator

2015 Mt Carmel School Athletics Carnival Information

This year the Mt Carmel Athletics Carnival (Years 3-6) will be held on Friday 29 May at Victoria Park (alternative date Tuesday 2 June).

Students will participate in Track and Field events on the day. This year we will run the 800m races on the day of the carnival. The High Jump events will be held at school on Tuesday 2 June 2015.

In readiness for the carnival we ask you to nominate your child in suitable events. Please complete the entry form and return to their classroom teacher. We would like all our students to participate on the day.

Medallions and Certificates will be awarded to Age Champions and Certificates to Second and Third. Ribbons will be presented to all overall place getters from the Timed Finals. The winning House will be announced and presentations to these winners will be made at the School Assembly on Monday 15 June 2015.

Everyone who enters has points awarded to their house for the Athletics Carnival Trophy.

Parent Helpers

If you are able to help in any way at our Athletics Carnival could you please email or contact the school office and let them know your availability. We acknowledge, and remain very grateful for, the participation of parents at our school sport carnivals.

We particularly need help in the following areas;

- Transporting gear to the oval on Thursday afternoon
- Setting up on Friday morning before the Carnival
- Packing up on Friday afternoon following the Carnival

Name	Area of help
.....	Take equipment to oval (Thurs. 3.30pm)
.....	Set up at oval (Friday 7.00am)
.....	Timekeeping
.....	Long Jump
.....	Discus
.....	Shot Put
.....	Track Events
.....	Pack up (3.00pm)
.....	Other



WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 22 MAY 2015

Well it's that time of year again –
WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY, THIS FRIDAY 22 MAY.

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 22 May 2015!

K-2 Students please wear your yellow safety vests for increased visibility for drivers. All students who walk to school on Friday will receive a special sticker.

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au
If you have any queries please contact Trish O'Dell on 62263357
or email patricia.odell@cg.catholic.edu.au

Canteen News

The canteen will be closed next Friday 29 May, and will relocate to Victoria Park to cater for the Y3-6 Athletics Carnival.

Lunch items available will include:

Meat Pies \$4.00 Sausage Rolls \$3.50 Hot Dogs \$3.50 Pizza Rounda \$3.00
A limited selection of sandwiches will also be available from \$2.50

A variety of chips, drinks and 'special items' will be available from \$0.50 throughout recess and lunch. Pre-ordering is not required.

Wakakirri 2015

Our school is preparing to enter Wakakirri 2015 - Australia's Search for the Best Story!
Our Story Dance Performance will include students from Years 4-6 who are very excited to be taking part.

They will be participating in an unforgettable experience; by being involved in the creating, preparing and performing of our Story-Dance item - A story told to music using creative movement, dance and drama.

This term, students and teachers will be looking at who and how people will be involved, the Story outline and the plan for the weeks ahead before show time in Term 3.

We would love the support of parents so if you can help in any of the following ways, please contact Tara Cassidy through the Front Office on 6226 3357 or via email at tara.cassidy@cg.catholic.edu.au.

Perhaps you:

Can assist with props and set making?

Can assist with transporting props and sets to or from the Canberra Theatre on show day?

Have skills you can offer the group in costume making, make up or hair design?

Have another skill that could be utilised in creating our fabulous Wakakirri entry?

We look forward to sharing our 2015 Wakakirri Story with you!

SCHOOL BANKING REWARDS

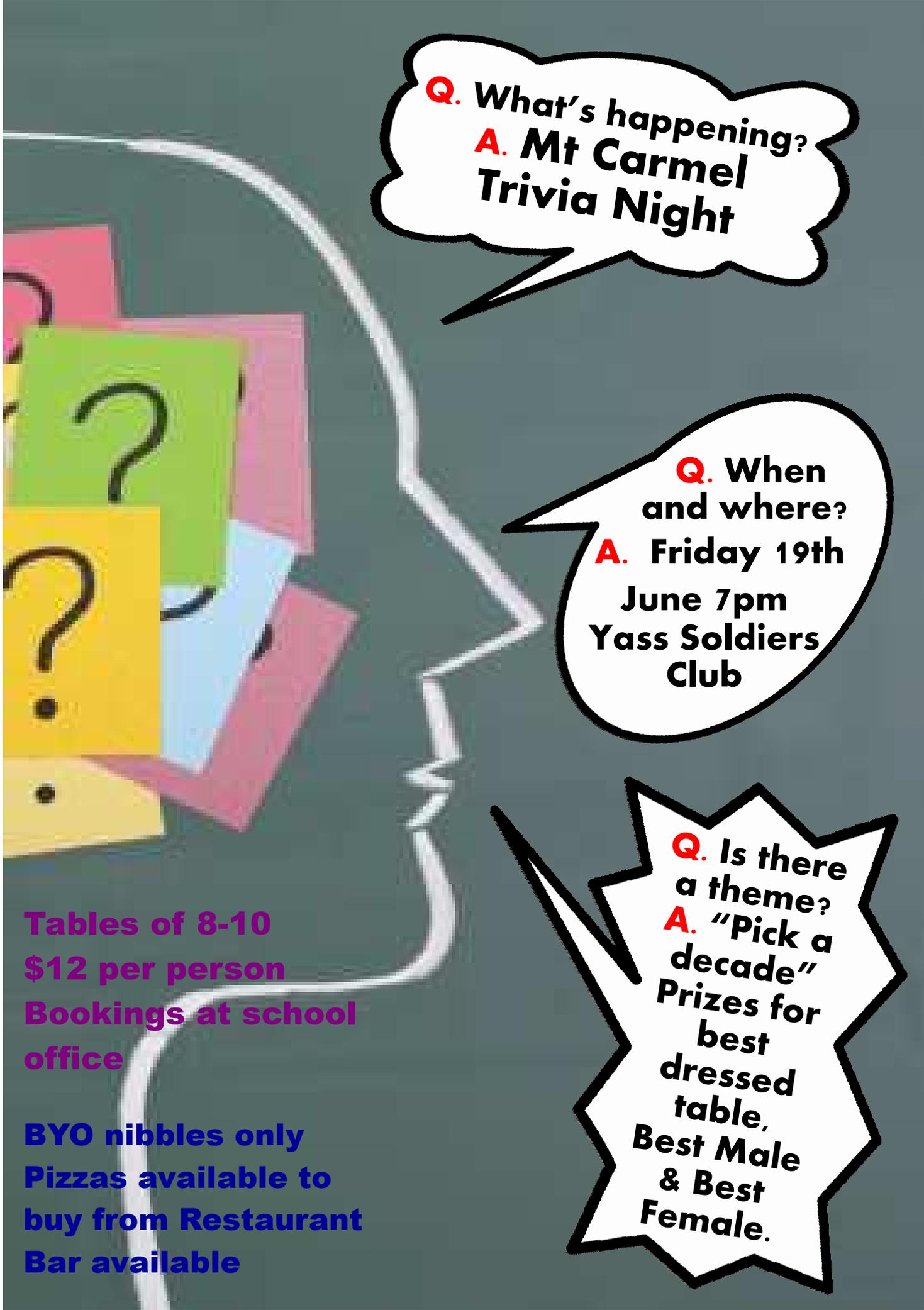
PLANET HANDBALL
ET DVD
BLUE WALLET 2013
HEADPHONES 2013
SHARK KEYRING 2014
SWIM BAG 2014

INTERGALACTIC ROCKET
INVISIBLE PENS
KNUCKLES GAME 2013
PROJECTOR CUP 2014
SCENTED PENCILS 2014

All these rewards are available to order this Term until further notice.

HAPPY BANKING!





Q. What's happening?
A. Mt Carmel Trivia Night

Q. When and where?
A. Friday 19th
June 7pm
Yass Soldiers Club

Q. Is there a theme?
A. "Pick a decade"
Prizes for best dressed table, Best Male & Best Female.

Tables of 8-10
\$12 per person
Bookings at school office

BYO nibbles only
Pizzas available to buy from Restaurant
Bar available

Mt Carmel Junior Jazz Group

Experiencing Jazz at an early age opens doors to a broader range of musical abilities

From Term 3, 2015 students from age 6 can join a rhythm focused jazz group that offers performance orientated training in keyboard, xylophone and drums—leading to knowledge in essential notation, chord inversion, rhythm and improvisation structure.

Mr Noonan has been a jazz percussion performer for over a decade and will run sessions in the school's music room each Monday.

Session 1: 2.40pm—3.10pm

Session 2: 3.20pm—3.50pm (after school). Parental supervision is encouraged, but not essential and children will be required to be picked up by 4.05pm at the latest.

Fees for 2015/2016 are \$90 per term per student and numbers are limited to six per session.



St John Paul II College is
accepting enrolments for
Years 7 to 10 in 2016.

Enrolment Forms are available from
1021 Gungahlin Drive Nicholls ACT 2913
More information can be found at www.jpc.act.edu.au
or phone 6163 4800.

What? Family Disco
(pre-schoolers to Year 6)

When? Every 2nd Sunday afternoon of the month, 5pm - 8pm

Where? Yass Golf Club Function room (upstairs)

How much? Free entry!! (kids' drinks (ie fruit poppers) \$1)

Parents can sit back and have a refreshing beverage at the end of the weekend, overlooking the first fairway (and their children!) while the kids burn off some energy and tear up the dance floor...

Mobile DJ is DJ'N4U

And if you are hungry, 'Gil & Sue @ The Golfie' is open with a choice of a Snack Menu or two dinner menus including a dedicated Thai menu.

See our [Yass Golf Club](#) Facebook page for updates.



Ability Links NSW

About Ability Links NSW

Ability Links NSW aims to assist people with disability to be valued and equal members of their communities and to help build a society where people with disability enjoy inclusive lives in all spheres: community, public, private and social.

Ability Links NSW is the NSW approach to local area coordination. It is about building a person's informal networks to support them to achieve their goals and have their needs and interests met within their local communities. It is also about promoting community inclusion and participation for people with disability, so that people with disability are able to access and actively participate in the activities available to the general community.

What Linkers do

Linkers have a strong local knowledge of mainstream and community based supports and services in your community.

Linkers can assist you to:

- set goals and plan for your future
- build your confidence to achieve your goals
- develop your existing support networks and create new networks
- look at ways you can participate in and be part of your community.

Is Ability Links NSW for me?

Ability Links NSW is for:

- people with disability (9-64 years and who are generally not accessing specialist disability services)
- carers and families of people with disability
- the community.

Ability Links NSW coordinators, known as Linkers, work with people with disability, their families and carers to plan for their future, and help people become more confident, supporting them to achieve their goals and access support and services in their communities.

Linkers also work alongside communities and mainstream services, supporting them to become more welcoming and inclusive.

Ability Links NSW is an initiative of the NSW State Government's Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care.

For more information about Ability Links NSW email abilitylinksnsw@facns.nsw.gov.au or visit www.adhc.nsw.gov.au

Local Contact:

Belinda Emmerton

**Linker- Southern
Ability Links NSW**

M: 0431 213 706

E: bemmerton@ssi.org.au





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The next workshop in your area will be held:

TIME & DATE:	VENUE:	BOOK NOW ON:
Wednesday 20 May 2015 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Yass Soldiers Club Meehan St Yass	Ph: 6226 9248 Or email Melissa.Weller@yass.nsw.gov.au

Helping learner drivers become safe drivers



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World No Tobacco Day 31 May 2015

Sunday 31 May is World No Tobacco Day. It is important that we remember the harm that can be caused to children through secondhand tobacco smoke. That is the smoke which smokers exhale after inhaling from a lit cigarette. There is no safe level of exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke.

Breathing second-hand tobacco smoke can exacerbate the effects of other illnesses such as asthma and bronchitis. It can increase the risk of cardiovascular disease, lung cancer and other lung diseases.

For children, inhaling second-hand tobacco smoke is even more dangerous. This is because children's airways are smaller and their immune systems are less developed, which makes them more likely to suffer negative health consequences of second-hand tobacco smoke such as bronchitis, pneumonia and asthma.

Quitline 13 7848  **Health**
Southern NSW
Local Health District

New outdoor smoking bans take effect from 6 July 2015



www.health.nsw.gov.au/smokefree



 **Health**

Before and After School Care

We have increased places at Mt Carmel
**Before School Care with Jessica Pointon and
Lyn Cram**
**After School Care with Rebecca Hodgkinson
and Lyn Cram**

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information contact:

Julia on 02 6236 8305
www.ccel.com.au



7.30am to 5.30pm Mon to Fri
39 Place Centre
6 weeks to school age

41 Orion Street Yass 2582
Ph: 02 6226 6598

www.yassprekindergarten.com.au
CCB & CCR Approved

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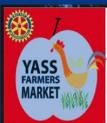
Where to find us: 66 Lead Street, Yass
(other side of carpark behind Club House Hotel)

For more information email vinecommunityfoodcare@gmail.com
or phone 6226 4848

This service is available to all Centrelink concession card holders



YASS FARMERS MARKET



St Augustine's Hall

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month
10am to 1pm

All the usual goodies including bread, fruit and vegetables, farm produce,
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www.yassfarmersmarket.org.au



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