TERM 3

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Dear Parents and Carers.

Often we see individuals putting the well-being of others before their own needs. We also see individuals making contributions in a quiet and understated way so that others might benefit. I witnessed this recently when **Justin Nasif** (Year 2) brought some money into the school office to donate to a worthy cause. Justin had raised the money by selling some of his toys that he no longer plays with. Congratulations, Justin for living out St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's guiding principle of never seeing a need without doing something about it. Our community is very proud of you! The money you raised will be added to the amount already forwarded to Bear Cottage from the donations made on St John Vianney's feast Day.

Last Friday I had the privilege of judging the school final of the Voice of Youth Speech Contest. This has been an annual event in our diocese for thirty years and involves Year 6 students researching, preparing and delivering a speech on a topic of interest to them. Normally, there would be a cluster final, semi-final and a grand final, however Covid-19 has meant that for 2020 the contest will finish at the school final level. Having been involved in the Voice of Youth as a teacher and judge for 25 of those years, I continue to be impressed by the confidence and maturity of the speakers as well as the sophistication of the topics chosen. I am pleased to announce that Keira Hamilton (6 Gold) was awarded Winner of the school final and Angelica Icaca (6 Gold) was awarded the Social Justice Prize. Congratulations to both girls. I would also like to acknowledge and congratulate our school finalists who also spoke on the day: Alanna Jomon, Khodi Azzopardi, Sofia Manalac and Nicolas Perez.

Thank you to all parents and carers for your patience, understanding and co-operation with the new arrangements for afternoon pick up. These arrangements will continue for the remainder of Term 3. A decision will be made about Term 4 as further information and advice is received. Just so that everyone is aware, each child was handed a note about the new arrangements last Friday and the note was also posted on the skoolbag app on Friday and again on Monday. It is also included in this newsletter.

Cameron Lievore Principal IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 4th September Fathers' Day Stall – P&F Fathers' Day Raffle – P&F

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

MONDAY OCTOBER 12 (TERM 4) STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Feast of The Assumption

Last Saturday 15th August was the Feast of the Assumption. On this day we celebrate the raising of Mary to heaven, body and soul, at the end of her earthly life.

Within the celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, we can reflect on the role of our Blessed Mother Mary, in the mystery of our own salvation.

We believe that Mary was free of all sin. The Archangel Gabriel recognized her as "full of grace", "blessed among women" and "one with the Lord." Mary had been chosen to be the Mother of our saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit, she conceived our Lord Jesus Christ, and through her, true God became also man, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

We see Mary's life as the faithful servant of God who shared closely in the birth, life, death and resurrection of our Lord. We can see that the promises our Lord has given each of us, of sharing eternal life, including a resurrection of the body, were fulfilled in Mary.



Prayer for the Assumption of Mary

Father in heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you.
In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven.
May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A Prayer for Learning

On the Feast of Mary MacKillop recently, Year 6 were lucky to have had Fr Eugene visit. During this time he spoke about the work of St Mary and her devotion to education and learning. Fr Eugene shared a beautiful prayer with the students that he was given when he was himself was a student and needed support. I felt that such a prayer would be lovely to share with all students.

Immaculate Heart of Mary,
When you hear me call
Please light up my mind,
Make all things clear to me,
Bring to my mind
The unknown and the forgotten.
Give me the words I need,
For I ask not in vain.
Amen

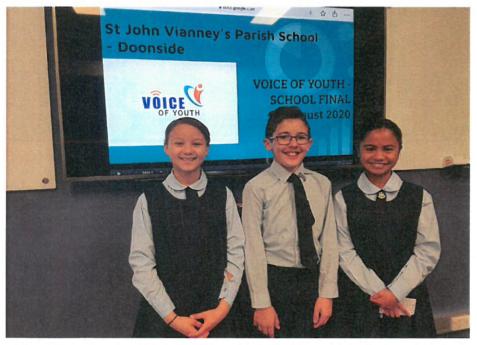
Simon Stennett Religious Education Coordinator

St John Vianney's Voice of Youth School Finals

Last Tuesday, 18th of August, six Year 6 students presented their Voice of Youth speeches in the school finals.

The finalists from **6 Blue** were: Khodi Azzopardi, Sofia Manalac and Alanna Jomon.





The finalists from 6
Gold were:
Angelica Icaca,
Keira Hamilton
and Nicolas Perez.

Angelica Icaca who talked about Children's Right to Education got the Social Justice Award and Keira Hamilton who talked about Constructive Criticisms was the overall School Champion.



Congratulations to everyone who participated and for a job well done!





STUDENT OF THE TERM TERM 1 & TERM 2

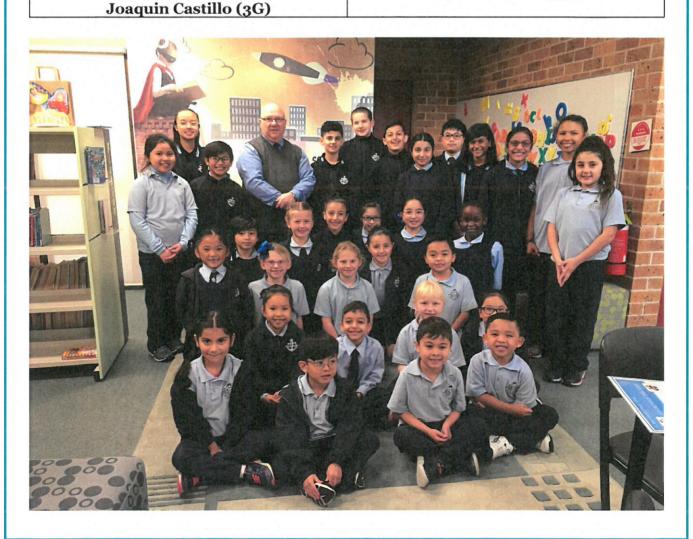
Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teachers to receive this special award:

TERM 1

Lilah Scarpin (KB)
Alize Vergara (KG)
Victoria LoboKakodkar (1B)
Alexandra Gaspi (1G)
Hannah O'Keefe (2B)
Taylor O'Keefe (2G)
Elisha Odur (3B)
Ava Elfar (3G)
Arrabel Guiterrez (4B)
Caleb Dacayo (4G)
Tayana Hamilton (5B)
Ayurvi Chaudhary (5G)
Helyna Nery (6B)
Jesse Scott (6G)
Phoenix Frei (1B)

TERM 2

Lucas Cuento-Reynoso (KB)
Antoine Alfafara (1B)
Isaiah Hanna (1G)
Lebron Marasigan (2B)
Gabriel Crisostomo (2G)
Stephanie Nery (3B)
Anna Prokhorov (3G)
Annabelle AbouChaaya (4B)
Janelle LoboKakodkar (4G)
Elias Hellouie (5B)
Gabriel Hidalgo (5G)
Khodi Azzopardi (6B)
Hayley Gunnion (6G)
Zyra Elfar (2G)
Alyssa Arevalo (3G)



NSW Chess Competition for Primary Schools

During this term, 12 students from Year 3-6 participated in the NSW Chess Competition for Primary Schools. These students played in the Combined Grade in 3 Teams of 4 players in each team. The games were played on Friday afternoons after school. These games were played on a 'home/away' basis. The schools they visited and played against were:

- Beresford Road Public School
- Ironbark Ridge Public School
- North Kellyville Public School

Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions the competition was cut short. However, we would like to **CONGRATULATE** these students for the way they conducted themselves during the competition, not only in the way they represented St John Vianney's during the games with great Sportsmanship, but for the way they welcomed their opposing teams and interacted with them.

The students representing SJV's were:

Gabriel Paul (Yr 6), Jayden Liu (Yr 6), Isaac Bayada (Yr 5),
Samuel Vella (Yr 5), Jordan Laidlaw (Yr 5), Eason Zheng (Yr 4),
Justin Dela Pena (Yr 4), Avryl Bergado (Yr 4), Arianne Santos (Yr 4),
Annabelle Valenzuela - D'Antonio (Yr 4), Caetlynn Dolores (Yr 4) &
Hendrix Layson (Yr 3)

We would also like to thank the parents of these students for their patience and for taking them to their 'AWAY' games. Without your support, your children would not have had the opportunity to participate in this **FANTASTIC** extracurricular activity.

Michelle Smith

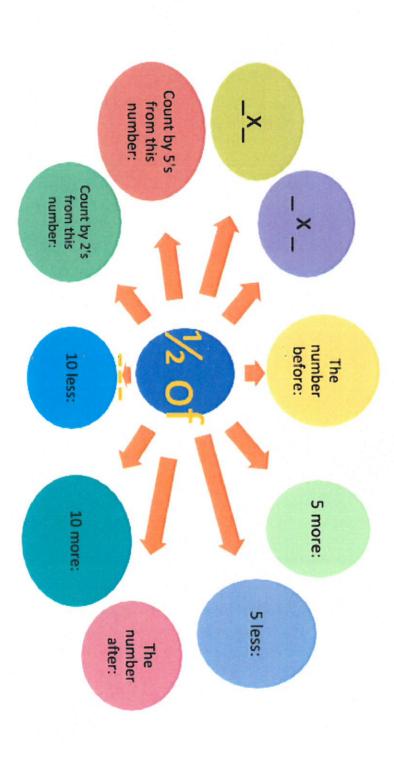
Assistant Principal





This week, the focus for Numeracy is Number Busting. The Magic Number this week is ½ of ---. Children solve the Please feel free to change the Magic Number if this number is too tricky or not challenging. problems in the circles below keeping in mind the number they are busting is $\frac{1}{2}$ of ----.

Mrs Arze Derjani Numeracy Coordinator





ST JOHN VIANNEY'S PARISH SCHOOL

21st August 2020

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP at SJV's – EFFECTIVE from MONDAY 24th August 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the tightened COVID-19 restrictions, it has been directed that no parents/carers are to enter school grounds. So we are doing our very best to maintain safer distances and abide by set protocols during this time, we are asking the following of you from MONDAY 24th August 2020:

- * MORNING DROP OFF If you are bringing your child/children to school please drop them at the gate near the office and then immediately leave the school grounds.
- * AFTERNOON PICK UP When you come to pick up your child/children from school please note changes to waiting areas.

PICK UP FOR ALL SIBLINGS or THOSE PICKED UP WITH OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS and/or FRIENDS, will be gathered on the BASKETBALL COURT. These children will be dismissed by a teacher via the top gates in the far corner of the basketball court. A teacher will ask for your family name and those children will be called to the gate. No parents/carers are to enter the school grounds.

ALL those WITHOUT SIBLINGS will gather in the amphitheatre. A teacher will dismiss these children via the gate between the Parish and the School Library. A teacher will ask for your child's name and then your child will be called to the gate. No parents/carers are to enter the school grounds.

PLEASE NOTE: The MAIN ENTRANCE GATE near the office will be locked in the afternoon. The Walkers are to wait at this gate for a teacher to walk them out.

After School Care children will wait in the amphitheatre. They will be escorted by a teacher to their supervisor outside the Main Entrance when they arrive.

We are asking that you <u>leave the gate areas promptly</u> once you have collected your child/children and do not gather to chat.

While this may be an inconvenience, your child's health and well-being as well as your own is our first priority. Thank you for your ongoing support and assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Cameron Lievore

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Principal

ACARA Collection Student Background Data Notice:

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) collects data from schools to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA). CEDP is currently working to provide relevant details to the Catholic Education Commission of NSW. Data collected is de-identified of personal information.

Parents and caregivers must advise their school if they don't want their child's data included in this report by **28 August 2020**

Copies of Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) Standard Collection Notice and Privacy Policy can be obtained from the school office

ENROLMENTS 2021

Enrolments Forms for Kindergarten and all other grades are available from the school office.

LATE NOTES

Parents just a reminder: if your child is late of a morning <u>you must</u> complete a Late Note at the school office as this is a record of attendance and a legislative requirement.

LIBRARY NEWS 2020 Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2020. Amelia Shobin, Boris Prokhorov, John Carlo Simon, Monique Papachristou, Hannah Justin, Isabella Guillermo, Agnes Justin, Caitlin Ortega, Caetlynn Dolores, Jacinta Aquino, Grayson Bolwell, Lucas Tee, Aseda Appiah, Mark Boctor, Lilliana Broadfoot, Bryan Malonzo & Elisha Odur

Well done!!
Mrs. Kersivien
Teacher/Librarian

DROPPING OFF & PICKING UP STUDENTS

Mornings: Parents are to drop off their child at the school gate, adjacent to the school office, and leave straight away.

Afternoons: All siblings or children picked up with other family member and/or friends, will be gathered on the Basketball Court. These children will be dismissed by a teacher via the top gates in the far corner of the basketball court.

All those children without siblings will gather in the amphitheatre. A teacher will dismiss these children via the gate between the Parish and the School Library.

The Main Entrance Gate, adjacent to the office will be locked in the afternoon. The walkers are to wait near this gate for Mr Lievore to walk them out.

After School Care children will wait in the amphitheare. Mr Lievore will escort them to their supervisor outside the Main Entrance when they arrive.

Parking Notice:

A reminder to parents that there is no parking in the Staff or Parish carpark when dropping off / picking up children unless you have a disability sticker displayed. Also, there is no parking in the bus bay at any time. Blocking driveways makes it very difficult for others to enter / exit so please refrain from this practise as well.

Complaints Procedures:

At St John Vianney's School, the dignity of each individual is paramount. The school follows the Catholic Education diocese of Parramatta Complaint Handling Policy and Procedures. A copy of the policy is available at the school office or online at:

http://www.stjohnvianneysdoonside.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Policies-and-Procedures

Classroom issues should always be addressed with the class teacher in the first instance so that a positive outcome can be reached. Parents should not approach other children in an effort to resolve an issue or misunderstanding.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED LEAVE

Parents, as you know, it is very important that children attend school every day. Quite often leave is requested by parents for various reasons. While we understand that this may be necessary sometimes, it is not encouraged. **Every school day is important for every student.**

If you intend taking your child out of the school for **five days or more** you must make a <u>formal</u> <u>application to the Principal</u> <u>in writing</u> and complete the 'Application for Extended Leave' form which is available from the school office. The application must be **submitted at least 4 weeks prior** to the expected leave or earlier if possible.

It is important for parents to know that, depending on circumstances, this leave <u>may not be approved</u>. Each application will be considered on an individual basis and could depend on circumstances such as the intention for the leave, your child's attendance and the impact the leave may have on your child's academic progress.

These regulations are in place in all schools in the Parramatta Diocese to make sure that all students have the best opportunity to achieve to their full potential. We appreciate your support and understanding of these requirements.

MERIT CERTIFICATES Congratulations to the following Students:

Friday 14th August & Friday 21st August

K BLUE	Pearl Adjei Izabel Lopez Andrija Ochoa Lucas Tee Dre Sio Ngaha Om Nepal	K GOLD	Grayson Bolwell Jaymee Bulaong Anandita Bains Stephanie Roufail Marqus Fagela Mia Kemppainen
I BLUE	Aidan Labo Shiloh De Guzman Amelia Shobin Alex-Jane Burns Connor Layson Antoine Alfafara	1 GOLD	Cecille Rucat Rosa Talione Nathaniel Ram Michael Hellouie Phoenix Sylva-Williams Jacob Joubran
2 BLUE	Nathan Abreu Emma Hocson Erielle Intud Evelyn Joshy Emmanuel Dela Cruz Cristo Ochoa	2 GOLD	Olivia Brennan-Jesson Charlotte-Grace Bayada Georgia Mercado Valentina Matura Gabriel Crisostomo Justin Nasif
3 BLUE	John Barrak Jacinta Aquino Celestine Cabiguen Sanvi Nepal Romeo Marasigan Emily Bottomley	3 GOLD	Aseda Appiah Annabel Kemppainen Khushi Singh Brooke Shaw Gavin Zano Mateo Martinez
4 BLUE	Annabelle Valenzuela-D'Antonio Alicia Williams Jake Cutajar Lachlan Fajardo Lily Solbiati Elijah Sibucao	4 GOLD	Aaliyah-Rose Robertson Annabelle Muljono Oliver Franjic Gabriel Talione Mia Filippi Tiago Belista
5 BLUE	Roslind Cabiguen Nina Isakov Brandon Duff Linda Aggrey Zyra Broadfoot Meghan Bartlett	5 GOLD	Giannah Zano Clare Ciappara Geneika Fadlen Aubriana Obligacion Chelsea Quimpo Madison Divina
6 BLUE	Gabriel Paul Sandrina Roufail Dustin Mallari Lachlan Rull Jacob Magsalin Charlotte Attard	6 GOLD	Niyat Habtemikel Caitlin Ortega Adia Aniano Jocelyn Graf Calvin Maningat Chanel Morales

Parents & Friends News

DATE	EVENT	
Friday 4 th September	FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE	
	FATHERS' DAY STALL	
Friday 18 th September	POPCORN & POPPER STALL	

FATHERS' DAY GIFT STALL

The Annual Fathers' Day Stall will be held on Friday 4th September.

Gifts Tokens will need to be pre-ordered in advance this year due to restrictions. Order forms sent home yesterday, 25th August.

Students will still choose their gifts on the day as normal.

FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE

We are excited to announce that this year we will be holding a Father's Day Raffle Tickets will be \$1 each and we have 5 fantastic prizes... Each prize is valued at \$150 each.

Ticket order forms were sent home with students yesterday, 25th August. If you would like another copy of the form, please collect from the front office.

P & F MEETINGS

Due to the current restrictions, we have cancelled our meetings for Term 3.

2ND HAND CLOTHING POOL FRIDAYS - 2:30pm - 3:00pm

The clothing pool will be by 5mins appointment only during Term 3. Appointments can be made through the school office.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We need all types of uniform items, summer, sports or winter, in good condition. If you have any items you would like to donate to the clothing pool, we would appreciate them being handed into the school office.

Teneile Shaw **P&F Committee**



GBW:vt

19 August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, the NSW Government released new advice to schools on responding to the challenges of COVID-19. This new advice followed a review of the existing protocols by the NSW Chief Medical Officer.

The health and safety of our school communities will always be our top priority. I know that some of the new advice announced this week will bring disappointment for some students, families and staff. It will mean that some really important upcoming school celebrations such as Year 12 and Year 6 graduation functions and other large school events will not be able to proceed. I particularly feel for these students, as well as their families and teachers; I know how important these milestone events are for them. At the same time, it is just so important that we do everything possible to keep every member of our community safe.

Below are some of the main changes for schools:

COVID-19 Testing

- Currently, no student should attend school if they are unwell. That still applies but now, each student who is absent from school or who has been sent home because they have flu-like symptoms must have a COVID-19 test
- Students are not able to return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free
- A negative COVID-19 test result must be provided to the school before a student can come back to school. The test results can be a NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre letter, SMS or email and/or a medical certificate
- These same protocols apply to school staff.

School Activities

- Wherever it's possible, schools will keep activities to Year groups or Stages (e.g. Year 5 and 6 together)
- Schools will stay within their local community area or zone for interschool activities, including
- Group activities such as choirs, chanting and the use of wind instruments in a group setting won't take place

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- Formal graduation ceremonies and other school-related social activities are now not allowed; however, a graduation assembly (e.g. Year 6 or Year 12) can take place but with restrictions. The assembly can only include the students from that Year group and staff. Regrettably, parents / carers and other family members are not able to attend the assembly. I know that schools are exploring creative ways to ensure parents and carers are part of this in other ways such as live streaming and the use of social media.
- Parent & Friends social events or functions can't take place
- School or community-run playgroups are on hold
- Kindergarten orientation and transition to school activities remain on hold
- School-related overnight events like retreats, camps and excursions are suspended.

The health and safety advice that has been in place throughout the pandemic remains in place. This includes regular hand washing and social distancing for adults.

I am aware that there have been so many changes for school communities during the last six months and how difficult this has been for families and school staff. I am so proud of the way that each community has responded and supported each other during this extraordinary time.

Your school will be in touch with you about these changes and how they will apply in your school. They will keep you updated when there is important new information.

Thank you again for your support and your care of each other as we continue to work together during this complex time.

Yours sincerely

Gregory B Whitby AM KSG

Executive Director Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta

WITHDRAWAL OF ENROLMENT

Please note that under the School Fee Policy as set out by the Catholic Education Office Parramatta:

"A term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. The notice can be given any time during term for the next term.

One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment, that is, the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived in this circumstance".

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2020

Term 3 - Monday 20th July to Thursday 24th September Friday 25th September - Staff Development Day

> Term 4 - Monday 12th October - Staff Development Day Tuesday 13th October to Friday 18th December

Students Finish Wednesday 16th December

CITIZENSHIP/CHANGES TO VISA STATUS

If parents or students become Australian citizens at any time during the year, could you please provide a copy of your certificate to the school office so that we can update your child's enrolment file.

Please also advise the office if there are any changes to your Visa status so that we can make the necessary amendments.

Thank you.

SUPERVISION

Morning supervision starts from 8.30am. I ask you to ensure that your child is not at school before 8.30am as **there is NO supervision before this time.** School finishes at 3.00pm and children should be picked up promptly. Afternoon supervision finishes at 3.30pm.

If you are running late to pick your child up, please ring the office so we can inform your child - 8869 6300.

Please be mindful of physical distancing and when dropping off and at pickup parents are requested to leave immediately.

KEEP US INFORMED

If you have changed your address, email address or phone numbers, please update via the Skoolbag App or contact the school office as soon as possible. It is important to have ALL contact details up to date for our records to ensure we can contact you when necessary.



MEDICATION

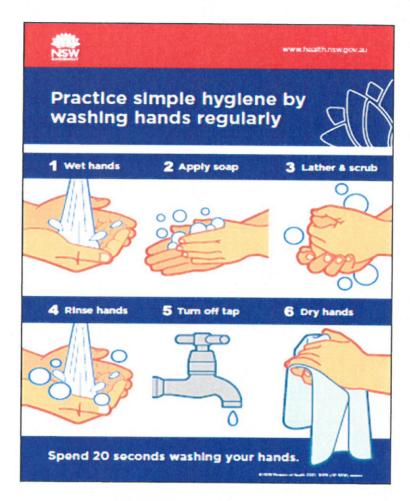
If your child requires medication during the day, e.g. antibiotics, please send a note to the office together with the medication, details of dosage and time to be administered. If medication is required for a period of 5 days or more, a form will be sent home for completion. Just a reminder that **NO MEDICATION** is to be in your child's school bag. All medication must be kept in the office as we need to record all medication given to students.

The School's First Aid Officer require updated copies of all Asthma Management Plans and Anaphylaxis Action Plans so that we are prepared to help your child in case of an emergency.

WASHING HANDS ~ HEALTH NSW

What is the correct amount of time to wash your hands?

Wet **your hands** with **clean**, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap. Lather **your hands** by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of **your hands**, between **your** fingers, and under **your** nails. Scrub **your hands** for at least 20 seconds.



COUGH ETIQUETTE



Cover your cough

- · When coughing or sneezing cover your nose and mouth
- Dispose of the tissue afterwards
 If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your elbow.

Wash your hands

- After coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose, wash your hand with soap and water
- Use alcoholic-based hand cleansers if you don't have access to soap and water

CHILD PROTECTION

Building Child Safe Communities Undertaking Form and Training Module for Volunteers

Dear Parents/Carers.

All Volunteers must complete the Building Child Safe Communities Undertaking form and online training module prior to volunteering at any school or CEDP site.

In Catholic Education Diocese Parramatta (CEDP), we see parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. Parents and carers are encouraged to become involved in our schools in many important ways such as supporting classroom learning, being part of advisory groups, mentoring programs, coaching sporting teams and supporting other extracurricular activities, canteen support and other kinds of help.

A range of checks and undertakings are required for people who work for or provide services to CEDP. These checks reduce potential risk and form part of our strategy to build child safe communities.

CEDP has launched a new *Building Child Safe Communities* form and online training module that all volunteers are required to complete.

The purpose of this training is to inform you of the standards of behaviour and other requirements that must be adhered to when volunteering for CEDP.

The undertaking should take no more than 5 minutes to complete and the training module approximately 10 minutes. Once the form and training modules are submitted, an automated email will be sent to you within two business days to confirm the status of your submission.

The undertaking form will expire within two years or when your Working With Children Check expires (if applicable), whichever is sooner. At that time you will need to complete the undertaking form and training module again. You will receive an automatic reminder email when this occurs.

Further information on the new online form and training module can be found at www.parra.catholic.edu.au and clicking on about us/building child safe communities. Within the form you will also find help sheets and a video tutorial to assist you.



KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL PICKUP & DROP OFF DAILY SERVICE

Kindercare Learning Centre located in Doonside is a privately owned centre offering a variety of services including Long Day, Before & After School Care and Vacation Care for ages 0-12 years. Full Government subsidy and eligibility offered.

Our centre is open 7am to 6pm all year round.

Our Before School Care operates from 7.00am – 8.45am.

Our After School Care operates from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

For further enquiries, or **to make the switch** please contact Jackie De Abreu on (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au