

Mercy Catholic College, Chatswood

The Mercy Voice

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Upcoming Events:

TERM 3

WEEK NINE 17-21 Sept—Year 11 Exams continue 19 Sept—Year 7 2019 Orientation Morning 19 Sept—Year 9 Geography Excursion 21 Sept—Year 7 Vaccinations

WEEK TEN

25 Sept – Year 12 Farewell Assembly 25 Sept–Year 11 Lunch for Year 12 26 Sept–Year 12 Academic Assembly 1.45pm 26 Sept–Year 12 Graduation Mass 4.30pm 27 Sept–Year 12 Formal 27 Sept–Year 12 Formal 27 Sept–Term 3 Concludes for Students 28 Sept–Staff Development Day

TERM 4 COMMENCES MONDAY 15 OCTOBER

SAVE THE DATE

Creative Arts Showcase Friday November 2 Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Week was a wonderful celebration of what it is to be a Mercy girl. We began with our Mercy Week Mass on Monday where students were challenged to be disciples of Jesus. Challenged to enact our College values of Respect and Compassion bringing the Good News of the Gospel to the poor, no matter where they come from.



Students were reminded that we are all equals, it doesn't matter what race, what gender. If we look at the world however, we know in reality this equality doesn't exist, there is inequality. So the community worked together during Mercy week to raise over \$7000 to contribute to charitable works, working towards reducing this inequality.

TRIVIA NIGHT: The annual P&F Trivia Night last Saturday was a wonderful success. Around 120 parents and 30 staff attended to have a fun night of games and trivia questions to raise over \$10,000, which will go towards purchasing resources for your daughters.

A big thank you goes to Nicole Clancy the College's Marketing Officer, for gathering from sponsors the huge array of prizes, from kitchen appliances to holiday accommodation and restaurant dinners. We also appreciated Nicole organising the variety of fun games and interesting trivia questions which added to the success of the evening.

YEAR 11 PARENTS: Asking for your help! Each year at the Year 12 Graduation the College provides afternoon tea for the students and their families. It has been a tradition at Mercy that the Year 11 parents help in organising and serving. Remember it will be your turn next year.

If you can help on 26 September please email your availability to <u>MCCPandF@gmail.com</u>

EPPING TO CHATSWOOD RAIL LINE: If your daughter usually catches the train along the Epping line please note the line will be temporarily closed from 30 September.

Buses will replace trains. Please see further information at the back of the Newsletter.

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STUDENT LEADERS 2018/2019

As we move towards the end of Term 3 our senior leaders prepare to hand over their responsibilities to the next Year Group. I have great pleasure in announcing the new leaders for 2018/2019:

College Captain: Sarah Brannan

- Vice-Captain: Gabrielle Pamilar
- Prefects: Eleanor Au Year 9
 - Phoebe Coleman Year 11
 - Chantel Farahani Year 8
 - Hannah Nolan Year 10
 - Angela Prajogo Year 7

I take this opportunity to publically thank our present leaders for all that they have contributed to Mercy College over their year of office and welcome the new leaders who are a wonderful group of young women with fine qualities of leadership.



Best wishes

Suganne Kowanagh

Principal



Mercy Week 2018

Mercy Week began with a celebration of the Eucharist to commemorate our Feast Day and commission our incoming 2019 College Leaders. We were blessed to have numerous Sisters of Mercy join us for our celebration of the Eucharist.

This year we have been inspired by the words of Jesus to: "Go and make disciples of all nations" (Mt 28:19). As disciples we are called not only to follow Jesus, but to be missionaries who go out and change the world, through helping others in need, promoting human dignity and removing the injustices that we see in our world. As Christians, we are called to embrace the compassion, care and acceptance that Jesus showed to others.

At Mercy Catholic College we embody the charism of our foundress Catherine McAuley who was a woman of mercy. Catherine is our role model for living the Christian life, she found a way, despite the impossibilities of her time, to carry out the works of mercy, and to proclaim to a people whose lives were



bounded by poverty, the Christian message of mercy and hope. As Catherine McAuley was sent in her time, we too are sent by God to bring the good news. We are called to go to the ends of the earth and deliver God's message and to act upon it, to love our enemies, to care for the poor and to shine the spirit of mercy upon all people we encounter. We would like to thank our Parish Priest Fr Jim for celebrating Mass with us.

Mercy Week has been a huge success this year. Our fundraisers which included the Year 8 Cake Stall, Year 10 Fashion Parade, Year 11 International Lunch and Year 12 Fundraising Activities were successful in raising over \$7,000. This money will be donated to the Farmers Appeal, the Mercy Foundation which is working to end homelessness in Australia as well as funding the Primary School in Vietnam that Mercy College is currently building.

The week culminated with our Mercy Outreach Day on Friday where all students and staff were involved in a community service, social justice, advocacy or outreach activity. I encourage you to read the student reflections of the outreach activities in this newsletter which demonstrate the powerful transformative experiences that students were involved in. I would like to thank Mrs Karen Greenyer, Acting Youth Ministry Coordinator, for all of her support in coordinating the Outreach Day.

Ms Gabie Stojanovski Director of Mission & Religious Education



STUDENTS SHOW COMPASSION

The College received this email expressing gratitude to three Year 10 girls who assisted another student. It's wonderful to see our Mercy values in action.

Ms S. Kavanagh

Good day,

Yesterday afternoon Gabriella (year 7)fainted at Chatswood train station. Three lovely girls assisted her and remained on the train with her all the way to Hornsby.

We are very grateful for their kindness. Special thank you to:

Sydney M Year 10 Sophie T Year 10 Lily H Year 10

Warm regards Patricia

Year 7 Mercy Outreach Day with Catholic Mission - Sock it To poverty

On Friday 7th September during Mercy Week, the Year 7 Mercy College students participated in a programme run by Catholic Mission called "Sock It To Poverty".

This programme was about what Catholics can do to stop poverty and help those in need -- just like Jesus did. Although they were fun, the workshops helped us realise how lucky we are to be living in Australia, as we experienced what life was like for third world countries. We especially learned about about Myanmar and the project in Hakka, where they are building a school for less fortunate children.



In this programme we experienced what it is like to play soccer with a ball made out of socks. The balls were easy to break and made us think of how lucky we are to have real soccer balls.

We also experienced life in Myanmar with 360 Virtual reality goggles. We got to view three clips, the tough road to get to the small village, the hard lives of the families living there and the school life of the children.

"Have and Have Nots" was the name of the workshop lead by Dorothy Makasa. The workshop was about the tough life of a third world country. There were two groups, minority and majority, first world and third world countries. The minorities got everything they wanted unlike the majorities. She told us how

people become poor and how they are treated.

"Shoestring Stories" was a session where real stories were told to the Year 7's of the impact of poverty. The Shoestring Stories opened some of our eyes to a world that needs our help. These stories helped us better understand what we, as young females in society, can do to help change our world today.

It was a heartbreaking experience, but one to remember. All the activities have inspired us to take part in the Catholic Mission programme and donate.

https://www.catholicmission.org.au/get-involved

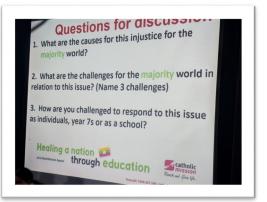
Interfaith Dialogue with Amity College

A group of twenty Mercy students played host to twenty students and two of their teachers at our annual Interfaith Dialogue Mercy Outreach activity. The students from Mercy worked together to show the Mercy value of hospitality by providing a wonderful morning tea and lunch for our visitors that included traditional dishes and lots of homemade treats.

There were lots of laughs and stories shared as the students got to know each other by working on activities together, the highlights being re-creating their own version of "You Can't Ask That" as the girls asked questions about each other's faiths, families, schools and



social lives. The day ended with a group artwork that represented their shared values and the new friendships they've formed. The friendship between the students of Mercy College and Amity College is warm, friendly and strong.



ST THOMAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

St Thomas' primary school was an experience like no other. The children were so lovely, as well as the teachers and welcoming environment. Helping the children in class was so fun and gave me the chance to make new friends with the little ones.

I loved every moment with them, and giving them support during activities was really enjoyable. There were so many laughs, chats and stories shared in class and on the playground that I will never forget. Making the kits that would help welcome the incoming kindies was so important to me as I felt that I was doing work that would benefit their learning.

Sophia A - Year 9

For outreach day, a group of us went to St Thomas' Willoughby. We started off our day by creating folders for the 2019 kindergartens. We created counting beads out of piping cleaners and beads to help the kids count. Alyssa and I were partners and went together to go into the various classrooms. We were able to go with kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2.

Each year group was different as we were able to do different subjects with them. With Year 1 who we went with first we listened to some of their speeches and then we continue to help them with their artworks and self portraits. We went around and talked to the children and created many conversations and friends. At recess we participated in some games with the kids along with the other girls.

We then went to kindergarten and we were able to help them with their math activities and help the add numbers up using dominos, we also went to the library with them. After a lunch full of running around with the kids, we went to Year 2 where we saw them practise their singing in choir for their musical. All the teachers were welcoming to us allowing us to get involved in the classroom and the children were engaging and fun to play with. Overall the day was fun and cannot wait until next year.

Mia & Alyssa Year 9

I had a really good time at outreach because I went to my old school which was really good because I got to see it again. I also got to talk to some of my old teachers. The children that we worked with were really nice I enjoyed helping them with their learning.

We would all sit together at lunch which was good and we played games. When we were leaving two Year 1 girls had made Imogen and I drawings and were thanking us for helping them. Overall I think that this was a really good and fun experience and would love to do it again.

Natalie D — Year 9

Mercy Outreach Day



On Friday 7th September a group of Year 10 and 11 Textile students volunteered their time to assist the "Days for Girls" charity organisation sew kit bags to be sent to **Papua New Guinea**.

The "Days for Girls" organisation is a team of volunteers that coordinate making and packing washable feminine hygiene kits to girls and women that would otherwise go without. These kits enable the girls to attend school to gain an education. Without these kits the girls have no solution to manage their monthly cycle. The Mercy girls produced 50 bags on the day and were delighted to be able to help girls in need.







OUTREACH DAY ST MARTIN'S DAVIDSON

Today seven of us went to Saint Martin's de Pores Catholic primary school at Davidson. We were all assigned a classroom from K1, Yr 2 and Yr3 to lend a helping hand in any way we could. The teachers were very kind and patient and the kids were fun and creative to work with. Overall, this was a great learning experience for us and taught us how to interact well with kids and teachers.

Maddie V - Year 9

ST EDMUND'S VISIT

For outreach day, I had the opportunity to go to St Edmund's College, a secondary school for children with disabilities. During the day I spent time with a Year 8 class and followed them around from class to class, went to the whole schools athletics carnival meeting and played a game of soccer with many students.

Everyone was very welcoming excited to spend the whole day with me. From this experience of hanging out with children from the school I learnt that they are not much different from me in that they love to have fun, socialise, have fun with their friends and peers, and I would definitely go back again.



Caitlin S and Caitlin L

Caitlin S – Year 12

`STREET MISSION'

On Friday, the 7th of September, 9 girls from Year 10 fulfilled their outreach activity by collecting money for a non - profit charity called 'Street Mission'. We started the day by receiving an engaging speech by a woman named Lynette who was the president of Street Mission.

All the girls were informed about the charity and received knowledgeable information that gave us clear understanding on how 'Street Mission' operates. We were told that all the money that is donated to the charity goes towards providing food for people who are in need of a meal.



After the talk, all the girls were put into pairs and were given a donation bucket. We all hit the streets of Chatswood and located ourselves in busy positions that would be visible by people walking past. In pairs, we stood with a smile and the bucket and waited for the public to donate money.

Some girls enthusiastically attracted the public by singing liturgical songs. Overall, we were all fortunate to be able to participate in raising money for Street Mission as the work we did will make a positive impact on many people's lives. By donating to Street Mission, it helps to reach the charity's goal which is to support those who are unable to support themselves.

OUTREACH DAY-ABORIGINAL SPIRITUALITY

Some Year 11 and Year 12 students were very fortunate to spend their Outreach Day with David Ella in the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park learning about Aboriginal Spirituality.

David is the Diocesan Aboriginal Education Advisor and he was able to provide valuable insights into the culture of Guringai, Darkinjung and Darug People.

Students were shown various rock carvings and hand paintings on their journey which culminated in a picnic at West Head Lookout.

Mr M Cuttler Year 10 Co-ordinator PDHPE Co-ordinator & Teacher



OUTREACH DAY—WILLOUGHBY BUSH CLEANUP

On Friday the 7th of September, 16 girls from Years 10 and 12 walked out to Muston Park to clean up Scotts creek. After walking from school to the creek, the day started with our Willoughby Council guides showing us the start of Scotts creek and the filter system (Gross Pollution Trap) in place to sieve through the runoff from gutters.

We then walked to the park where we were told about what the day would involve and what our roles were. We then split into small groups and we began to walk down the creek and collect rubbish. This was very eye-opening and enlightened us to how much rubbish is in our waterways and flows into our oceans.

After walking down the creek for about 2 hours, we then visited a return and earn and got rid of some of the plastic bottles we had collected and donated the money that we made. We then walked back to the park where we sorted out what was recyclable and what had to be thrown away.

In total, we collected about 1m³ of rubbish in that short time. We then were educated on some alternatives to single use plastics such as reusable straws. Ultimately we had a wonderful day giving back to the community and learning about threats to the health of our local environment.

Helena S-Year 10

MERCY OUTREACH DAY—THE LAKE'S COLLEGE

The Lakes College Outreach was a day full of love, acceptance, laughter and community as we were welcomed into the 'Youth off the Streets' school at Blue Haven, an alternative school for teenagers who have experienced abuse, neglect and severe bullying.

Full of excitement and nerves the day started in a circle, where we introduced ourselves to the teenagers of the Lakes College and vise versa. We cooked a delicious breakfast and shared a few laughs and conversations as we ate breakfast.



The day remained challenging and a little confronting; however, it was an experience that has shaped us and will continue to have an impact on us. It was challenging to start conversations at the beginning and confronting to hear some of the stories of the students. As the day progressed, friendships formed, laughter was heard from afar and trust was built.

The sounds of thoughtful and friendly conversations filled the air, as we spray painted a mural, hung out and worked on a craft project. The wonder of community was displayed

as we shared a lovely meal together outside. Many hands came together to prepare the food and set/ decorate the table so that we could enjoy a moment of fellowship and unity. The day ended where we started, in a circle.

We each expressed something we were grateful for that day. Tears we shed, smiles were widened and once again laughter filled the room. Our hearts were full. We Mercy girls left the college with opened eyes, softened hearts and a passion to see beyond people right to their core.

We are grateful and blessed that we got the opportunity to be involved in such a rich experience.

Imogen O-Year 12







LEGACY

Last Friday, a group of about 20 Year 10 girls participated in the Legacy outreach collection. Our task was to sell as many badges and pens as possible and collect donations too.

Some highlights of my day included talking to members of the public and being able to have the opportunity to give back to society through volunteer work.

Another highlight of the day was when the Street Mission girls joined us and we all sang to the public! Altogether, I think it was a really great experience and I really recommend it for the girls next year. (Anika)

A man bought a \$50 badge from me and I was very excited because I thought I wouldn't be able to sell any of the \$50 ones, the man was in his late 40s. As he was giving me the \$50 I asked him why he had bought the most expensive badge and he said " Legacy helped my family and me when we were having a hard time, I'd like to help them back" I was very touched with what he said and very proud to be spending my Friday helping Legacy. (Michaella)

I found Legacy as a really heartwarming experience. One particular moment that I remember was when one lady who walked past me, came back to buy a badge and said 'Sorry, I had to come back - I couldn't resist your friendly smile' (Jana)

Legacy was definitely experience. Some times of the day it was really slow and no one was buying anything, but there were parts where many people came and bought something or donated, especially when we were busking and singing church songs. (Alexandra)



I really enjoyed volunteering with Legacy, and it was great having so many people coming up to me, thanking me for volunteering for such a good cause. (Lauren)





ST CANICE'S KITCHEN

Our outreach day at St Canice's Kitchen was an eye opening experience, since we prepared food for and served homeless people in the Kings Cross area. In particular I will take away the genuine nature of the people, who are just like myself but have ended up in a less fortunate situation. Catie - Year 12

The day was extremely enjoyable and I had a great time interacting with the people we were serving, who, despite their circumstances, were some of the nicest and happiest people I've met. I would love to go back and do the same work again as I think it was a grounding experience and has made me more grateful for what I have.

Caolyn - Year 12

The biggest thing that I will take out of the experience is the true positivity of a majority of the people we met. All the smiles on people's faces, despite facing the harsh conditions that led them to coming to St. Canice's, made me feel extremely lucky and grateful when I went home that night and ate dinner with my family. Bella -Year 12

St Canice's Kitchen was TRULY an EXTRAORDINARY experience. Having no expectations, I barged into the kitchen and was amazed by how cool and nice everyone

was! Despite their circumstances, their unique personalities shone through with their beautiful smiles and polite, "thank you"s. Never have I ever felt more humbled than I did during that day after helping out in the kitchen. As the girls with me have said, I would absolutely return to St Canice's to volunteer once more! I am grateful to Mercy Catholic College for letting me have this beautiful experience before I graduate and I am sure I will participate in more activities like this more in the future.

Kaila—Year 12





THE HOUSE OF WELCOME COOKING CLASS

On Friday 7th September, Year 10 Food Technology students took part in a cooking class from The House of Welcome not- for- profit organisation who support asylum seekers and refugees.

It was a great opportunity for a connection between asylum seekers and refugees. We welcomed our guest chef from Iran and it was a valuable day to learn about her culture and story.

After our discussion, we helped prepare traditional Iranian food and then we sat around the table and enjoyed the meal we prepared together. It was a really fun experience both for the girls and Mrs Cunningham.

Nadia-Rose C and Mia S



YEAR 8 BAKE SALE

On the Tuesday of Mercy Week, the 4th of September, the Year 8s at Mercy College put together a bake sale with all the profits going towards <u>Buy a Bale.</u>

This organisation is helping to support Australian farmers through the drought. Many of the Year 8s contributed by baking a range of goods from cupcakes to pizza scrolls! Overall, we raised an exceptional \$666.50 which is going directly to farmers across Australia.

Many thanks to everyone who donated their time, ingredients and spare change to make the bake sale such a success.



Tara K



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2018 FASHION PARADE

On Thursday, Mercy College held the annual Year 10 Fashion Parade. In accordance with tradition, 2018's Year 10 cohort selected a theme for the performance - this year's being 'Red Carpet Celebrities.' From the likes of Britney Spears and Beyonce to the Wiggles and the infamous 'white chicks,' Wednesday's 45 minute lunch break was filled with laughter and cheering at the Year 10s' singing, acting and (arguably) dancing prowess. Kim Kardashian and her sisters strutted down the aisle whilst cameras furiously clicked.



While Netflix's Riverdale Cast was ambushed by a mysterious man in a black hood; the Wiggles and their much-disputed duplicates threw a fighting match, and our Commerce, Religion and Food Tech teachers even appeared in a brief cameo as the Spice Girls!

It was amazing to see many Year 10 students work together in a friendly environment to produce a worthy red-carpet performance. Students with talents in design, event organisation, makeup and even comedy, all had an opportunity to exercise their skills during the build-up to the display.

A big thank you is owed to Year 10's Betsy, Kayla and Claire for their amazing organisation of the event. However, the 2018 Fashion Parade was a group effort and whether it was the cheering from the amphitheatre or parading in a red gown, every girl played her part.

Claudia B



YEAR 7 & 8 AMPHITHEATRE ACTS

Last Wednesday, Year 7 and 8 performed their first Amphitheatre Acts at the College. During lunch, everyone gathered around in the amphitheatre buzzing with joy to watch them perform. The girls performed very well and stunned the school. At first, they were very nervous but they were then able to perform and sing so well, which delighted the students and teachers. Groups had the opportunity to perform with instruments showing their musical talents and performance skills. Many students sang along and cheered them on as they were performing.

All of the performances were exceptional. This left smiles, cheers and laughter all around. It was great fun and entertainment to watch for all Year groups. It was nice to see everyone getting together and supporting their peers and friends. Performing in front of your school may not be the easiest thing to do but it was amazing to see the girls go out and do what they enjoy, without letting their nerves get to them. It was such a fun and memorable lunchtime for all.

By Anya K -Year 8, Mary D-Year 7









MERCY INTERNATIONAL LUNCHEON

Mercy's iconic International Luncheon was hosted by the Year 11 on the schools favourite day of the year, Mercy Day. With potato bakes, pasta, salads and desserts galore, there were teachers and students flocking from every grade towards the food.

The girls raised **over \$3000**, with only a few trays of food leftover, which were donated to charity with help from Mrs Dorey. Many thanks to all of Year 11 for all coming together and Ms McDonald for a perfectly executed International Luncheon!

Ms K McDonald Year 11 Coordinator









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MERCY WEEK PHOTOS CONTINUED







YEAR 12 MERCY v ST PIUS X NETBALL GAME

The annual Mercy Pius X netball game was yet another success this year, with the two teams going head to head on Tuesday lunchtime in Mercy week. Filled with school spirit, chants, cheerleaders, music, coaches and commentary the game was a great spectacle and loads of fun. Thank you to all the girls who organised the event, St Pius X for attending and the teachers who made it possible.

Caitlin H-Year 12



Netball Grand Finals

An early start on a cold, wet and miserable day greeted our 9 teams competing in Grand Finals last Saturday. Our Year 7 13C and 13G teams starting the day in their first Grand Final in Mercy colours. 13C up against Loreto and 13G playing Monte. As in all GF's intensity was at a different level! Adrenaline, excitement, nerves and that was just the supporters! Despite slippery courts and a few nerves from the players themselves both teams managed to steady the play and go on to take out their respective titles.

Our 14E's then took on CNC who had been unbeaten all season and although they fought hard and gave them a real run for their money, they were beaten in the last quarter. Our 15Bs and 15Ds were up next and both played strong and hard games with the Bs coming out on top and the Ds just being pipped at the post. The 15Bs game seemed to be the game of the day with supporters and netball tragics all turning up to watch the Mercy/ Monte battle. The lead changed throughout the game and both teams played a tough but fair game that was a pleasure to watch. A sea of blue and gold were there to support all teams and the sound of the cheer that went up after the B's game left no doubt Mercy were the victors.

The weather looked like it might improve by lunch time but that was short lived and the rain returned for our afternoon games with light showers on and off. Our two Year 11 teams, Year 12s and Ex-student teams were up for tough games; however luck was not on our side with only the Ex-students taking out the title. For those teams who were not winners on the day these girls showed their true Mercy Spirit by fighting to the last whistle and then being a credit to themselves and their coaches in the way they accepted defeat and congratulated their opposition.

As with all community sport, volunteers are the backbone that facilitate and run the club and MCC is no different. A big THANK YOU to all our coaches, managers, scorers, duty day helpers, photographers, cupcake makers and the list goes on. Two people who have gone above and beyond this year are our Netball Convenor Merelda Pace and Umpire Convenor Alison Bird. One word: AMAZING!!

A huge congratulation to Alison who was also named the 2018 recipient of the NSNA's Joan Burge Memorial Award for Outstanding Club Volunteer. The second year in a row Mercy has received this Award.

A full report on the 2018 co-curricular sport season including a full wrap up of all Netball teams will be published in our final Newsletter at the end of the term.

Margaret Kellendonk



Grand Final Winners



Runners Up











TRIVIA NIGHT



Oh What a Night!

It was loads of fun, there were plenty of fantastic prizes and auction items, tables looked amazing and food was great. All of this and I haven't even made mention of the amazing company! I sadly could not attend this function but have it on very good authority that it was one to remember!

Thank you everyone for your attendance, your kind donations and your school spirit! \$10,334.40 was raised to further enhance our daughters learning environment.

A huge thank you to Nicole Clancy, without whom this evening would not have been possible. Nicole you hit the ball out of the park! You single-handedly put together the most fabulous night of the year! We are truly grateful for everything that you did!

Year 11 Parent Volunteers – Year 12 Graduation Afternoon Tea

If you can spare a few hours on the **26th of September** to assist with set up and clean up for the Year 12 afternoon tea, please drop me a note at <u>MCCPandF@gmail.com</u>.

Year Group Information

Thank you for those of you who have already completed the Google Forms with your updated details. For those of you who have not yet done so, please take 2 minutes to fill it in.

https://goo.gl/forms/MuazoqvtHrbDhCNj2

As always send me any ideas, feedback and suggestions you may have.

Tina Teixeira President P&F <u>mccpandf@gmail.com</u>

UPCOMING DATES

2018 P&F Function Dates

Graduation Afternoon Tea Year 7 2019 Welcome BBQ Wednesday 26 September Friday 16 November

2018 P&F Meeting Dates

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YEAR 7 PARENT GET TOGETHER!

A relaxed and friendly evening out for all year 7 parents. A great opportunity to meet other parents from your daughter's year group.

Where: Willoughby Hotel, Willoughby When: Thursday 25th October 2018 Time: 7pm

There is no charge for this event – just buy your own drinks at the bar. However, the hotel needs to know the number attending, so please send an RSVP to <u>catherinetwalker@gmail.com</u>. Feel free to get in touch with any questions. Look forward to seeing you!



Parent News



Jesuit Mission Indian Bazaar Saturday 15th September from 9am - 4.30pm at St Ignatius' College, Riverview



Enjoy over 50 stalls, rides and activities for all ages!

St Ignatius' College has provided ample onsite parking and a courtesy bus from Lane Cove Village.

You are warmly invited to attend. Pre-purchase and save at https://jesuitmission.org.au/indian-bazaar/

Jesuit Mission

All funds raised support the work of Jesuit Mission, helping the most marginalised communities in over 10 countries. For more information visit: <u>www.jesuitmission.org.au</u> Dear Stakeholder

To help you plan for the Epping to Chatswood rail line upgrade, details about the Station Link services are now available at <u>Transportnsw.info</u>.

Station Link services will keep you moving while the Macquarie University, Macquarie Park and North Ryde Stations are closed from 30 September 2018 for around seven months.

And just a reminder that, Transport for NSW is providing personalised trip planning through the Station Link Trip Planning Pop Ups across the precinct. Come along to your nearest pop up and let the team help you plan your trip.

Station Link Trip Planning Pop Ups will be held across the precinct on the following dates:

Wednesday 5 September, 10am-3pm, courtyard of Foxtel, <u>5 Thomas Holt Drive</u>, <u>North Ryde</u>

Monday, 10 September, 12pm -2pm, courtyard of 78 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park

Tuesday 11 September, 10am-12pm, courtyard of <u>3 Richardson Place</u>, North Ryde

Tuesday 11 September, 1-3pm, entrance to the building of <u>67 Epping Road, Macquarie</u> <u>Park</u>

Wednesday 12 September, 10am-3pm, outdoor terrace of <u>1 Julius Avenue</u>, North <u>Ryde</u>

Thursday 13 September, 10am-3pm, entrance to the building of <u>16 Giffnock Avenue</u>, <u>Macquarie Park</u>

Kind regards The Station Link team



Use public transport... plan your trip at <u>transportnsw.info</u> Get on board with Opal at <u>opal.com.au</u>



Night work on Victoria Avenue, Help Street, Railway Street and Brown Street, Chatswood

The NSW Government is delivering the Sydney Metro project, Australia's biggest public transport project.

Services start in the first half of next year on Stage 1 of Sydney Metro, the \$8.3 billion Sydney Metro Northwest project.

From Sunday 30 September 2018, the rail line between Epping and Chatswood will be closed to allow for major upgrades, including testing and installation of new signalling, electrical, fire and life safety systems. During this time, there will be seven Station Link bus routes that will replace train services for around seven months.

Ahead of Station Link services starting on 30 September, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) will be upgrading street furniture, removing trees, installing signs and tactiles, adjusting pedestrian ramps and relocating the taxi zone to Brown Street for the duration of Station Link.

What do I need to know?

- Phase one:
 - From Sunday 2 September work will take place between 7pm and 5am for up to five nights per week, over a two week period.
 - There will be some noisy activities such as concrete excavation, ground compaction and the use of trucks with reversing alarms. Wherever possible, we will carry out the noisier tasks before midnight.
 - Four trees on Victoria Avenue will be removed to allow for the operation of Station Link buses. Four new trees will be planted after Station Link is complete in consultation with Willoughby City Council.
 - Traffic and pedestrian management will be implemented during work hours to protect workers and the public. Please follow signs and traffic controller's directions.
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Night work on Victoria Avenue, Help Street, Railway Street and Brown Street, Chatswood

The NSW Government is delivering the Sydney Metro project, Australia's biggest public transport project.

Services start in the first half of next year on Stage 1 of Sydney Metro, the \$8.3 billion Sydney Metro Northwest project.

From Sunday 30 September 2018, the rail line between Epping and Chatswood will be closed to allow for major upgrades, including testing and installation of new signalling, electrical, fire and life safety systems. During this time, there will be seven Station Link bus routes that will replace train services for around seven months.

Ahead of Station Link services starting on 30 September, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) will be upgrading street furniture, removing trees, installing signs and tactiles, adjusting pedestrian ramps and relocating the taxi zone to Brown Street for the duration of Station Link.

What do I need to know?

- Phase one:
 - From Sunday 2 September work will take place between 7pm and 5am for up to five nights per week, over a two week period.
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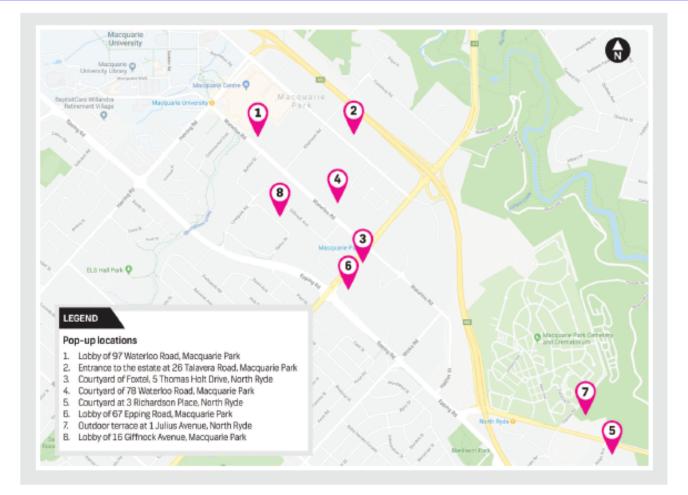


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For further details about Station Link, visit www.mysydney.nsw.gov.au/stationlink



Parent News



Station Link Trip Planning Pop Ups will be held across the precinct on the following dates:

	Date and Time	Location
1	Tuesday 4 September 10am - 12pm	Lobby of 97 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park
2	Tuesday 4 September 1pm - 3pm	Entrance to the estate at 26 Talavera Road, Macquarie Park
3	Wednesday 5 September 10am - 3pm	Courtyard of Foxtel, 5 Thomas Holt Drive, North Ryde
4	Monday, 10 September 12pm - 2pm	Courtyard of 78 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park
5	Tuesday 11 September 10am - 12pm	Courtyard at 3 Richardson Place, North Ryde
6	Tuesday 11 September 1pm - 3pm	Lobby of 67 Epping Road, Macquarie Park
7	Wednesday 12 September 10am - 3pm	Outdoor terrace at 1 Julius Avenue, North Ryde
8	Thursday 13 September 10am - 3pm	Lobby of 16 Giffnock Avenue, Macquarie Park

Find out more at mysydney.nsw.gov.au



Station Link II