Dear Parents and Friends,

At Christmas for us Mary is always young... young in her own Joy. The Christmas message is; “we are all meant to always be young and young in our joy.” Kevin O’Shea

Allow yourselves this Christmas to be young. Keep the message of Christmas the simple truth that you are loved always by God. The Birth of Jesus is an invitation for us to be re-born. Our new birth happens every time we accept Jesus’ invitation to be loved.

ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL APPOINTED
Our new Acting Assistant Principal was announced by Fr Peter Confeggi yesterday. I welcome Mrs Katherine McKay in to our community commencing 2014. Katherine has led the school over the last 2 years as a System Teacher Educator. Katherine has also had experience as a school leader.

Katherine will continue in the major role of leading pedagogy K-6.

I also want to acknowledge Mrs Lisa Sebelic on her appointment as Stage 2 Coordinator.

Finally, I wish Miss Jane French, Miss Katrina Orenstein, Mrs Jacqueline Gaid and Mrs Jennifer Warn every success in their future endeavours.

2014 STAFFING:
Principal: Mr John Laffan
Assistant Principal: Mrs Katherine McKay
Religious Education Coordinator: Mrs Anne Easton
Stage 3 Coordinator: Mr Tom Crowley
Stage 2 Coordinator: Mrs Lisa Sebelic
Stage 1 Coordinator: Mrs Katherine McKay
Early Stage 1 Coordinator: Mrs Lisa Samojlowicz
Teacher/Librarian: Mrs Judy Buhagiar
Learning Support: Mrs Helena Fernandes, Mrs Christine Hutchison, Mrs Monica Bright, Mrs Cheryl Boyle, Mrs Karen Valeri, Mrs Karen Foxe, Mrs Elaine Said, Mrs Maree Grainger, Mrs Miranda Portelli
CAPA: Miss Shenade Weeks & Miss Caitlin Svarc
PDHPE: Mr Jeff Phillips & Mr Elliott McKimm
Teachers Aides: Mrs Gai Clark, Mrs Renata Dickinson, Ms Diane Beatriz
Administration Team:  Mrs Robyn Hoogenvest, Mrs Lynne Campbell,
                     Mrs Sharon Lewis, Mrs Amanda Hart (Admin & Uniform
                     Shop), Mrs Renata Dickinson, Miss Patrina Lepatu
Canteen:            Mrs Jan Crawford, Mrs Geny Cleary
Groundsman:         Mr Ron Hoogenvest & Mr Stephen Kutnjak
Cleaner:            Mrs Doris White
Class Teachers:
                    KS     Mrs Lisa Samojlowicz
                    KM     Miss Gabby Meyers
                    KW     Mrs Colleen Walsh/Mrs Cherie Baddock
                    KH     Miss Annemaree Hudson
                    1G     Miss Josephine Galea
                    1S     Miss Carmen Squadrito
                    1D     Miss Stephanie Doherty
                    1R     Miss Jemelyn Rodriguez
                    2S     Miss Veronica Salib
                    2G     Ms Charlotte Gourlie
                    2X     Mr Luke Xuereb
                    2L     Miss Kathryn Long
                    3S     Mrs Lisa Sebolic/Mrs Sandra Russo
                    3B     Miss Sue Bodle
                    3C     Miss Debbie Cox
                    3K     Mr Andrew Kelleher
                    4O     Miss Kerrilyn O’Brien
                    4C     Miss Paula Cassar
                    4E     Mrs Norma Eid
                    4M     Mrs Michelle Mastrosa
                    5A     Mrs Angela Siracusa
                    5P     Mrs Harlane Petersen
                    5O     Mrs Michelle O’Leary
                    5S     Mr Peter Spicer
                    6E     Mrs Anne Easton/Mrs Tina Barbuto
                    6A     Mrs Anne Marie Abrahams
                    6C     Mrs Jenni Coope/Mrs Maree Grainger
                    6T     Mr Tom Crowley/Mrs Julia Reaidi

Regards

John Laffan
PRINCIPAL

From the Assistant Principal

After 18 wonderfully rewarding years at St Michael’s this is the last time I will write to you. The parents, secretaries, teachers
and those in leadership, I thank you for trusting me and supporting me throughout this time. Mostly, I thank all the students
that have passed through the front gate and enjoyed their primary school years here. These children have made every day a
joy, they have taught me so much about life and learning, but mostly, they have taught me the true meaning of “Love One
Another”.

Finally, I thank the current staff and leadership team, they demonstrated professionalism, determination, and courage on a
daily basis. They are amazing educators led by John Laffan, who has been a friend, a visionary, a compassionate and under-
standing leader who allowed St Michael’s School to evolve into the 21st Century where the education practices are at the
cutting edge and where every child is valued as an individual.

I may not be a teacher AT St Michael’s in 2014 but I will remember fondly that I HAVE BEEN a teacher at St Michael’s School.
I close this chapter of my life’s narrative knowing that I have been enriched by the community of St Michael’s and you will
remain in my prayers forever.

“Love One Another”

Helen Boyer
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (APOS)

LOVE ONE ANOTHER
RE News

The season of Advent is about prophets. Prophets such as John the Baptist and Isaiah. Isaiah is the prophet who guides our journey through Advent as we prepare for Christmas. Advent is a season of joyful anticipation, and Isaiah invites us to look forward to the coming of the Messiah, to prepare the way of the Lord. Advent is a liturgical season with a strong penitential tone, and Isaiah urges us to straighten out our crooked ways, tear down our mountains of misdeeds, and fill in the valleys of our bad habits. It is a time to turn away from sin and receive forgiveness.

As we all spend time remembering the remarkable life of Nelson Mandela, he too can be thought of as a prophet. He was a man of faith. He had faith in the ultimate goodness in all men and women, and he worked tirelessly for reconciliation while calling himself a humble servant of the people of South Africa.

Mandela’s life has made an impact on so many of the world’s people. He worked for a peaceful world where there is an absence of war and the presence of peace through justice for all people.

The world is better because Mandela lived in it. God answered his prayers by giving him the stamina and patience to endure 26 years of torturous prison. Knowing his sacrifice and his power to endure for the sake of truth keeps us all believing that right will indeed triumph over might in the long run.

He was a prophet for this time. We pray for the people of South Africa that they continue to work for justice and peace for all.

All donations for our St Vincent De Paul Hamper Appeal need to be bought into school by Thursday. Thank you for your generous donations.

We will celebrate our End of Year Mass on Friday 13th at 9.30am in St Michael’s Church. Please feel most welcome to attend.

I hope that every family at St Michael’s has a blessed and peace filled Christmas with Jesus being the centre of our celebrations.

Anne Easton
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Library

Return of Books
Parents, at this time of year I need to get ALL books back to check for repairs and re-organise shelves. Could you please help your children look for any books with a barcode on the front and return any that are found. There are quite a number of students who have books missing over several months. This week I will start sending home bills to those students who still have books. A Library has a shared ownership, and as borrowers, students should develop a sense of responsibility to return books promptly. If they have damaged or lost books, perhaps they could contribute some of their pocket money towards the cost.

PRC
The Premier’s Reading Challenge certificates have arrived and will be given out at an assembly next week. Congratulations once again to all students who met the requirements, especially to Ashleigh Southam, 4E, who was inadvertently omitted from past newsletters.

Thankyou
A great big THANKYOU to all the Mums and Dads who helped in the Library during 2013. I was constantly amazed by the generosity of parents whenever I asked for help – to cover books, to count and collate Book Club orders, to drive children to after school Chess competitions. The students and I really appreciate your ongoing help. I wish you all a wonderful safe and relaxed Christmas with lots of time to spend with families.

Judy Buhagiar
TEACHER LIBRARIAN
**Sport**

**Twilight Swimming Carnival Results:**
If you finished outside the top four and would like to know your time please come and see Mr. McKimm directly.

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Senior
1: Lily Hardman 2:52:34
2: Ashleigh Witteveen 4:13:28
3: Jordan Walsh 4:56:03
4: Nikayla Tighe 5:25:14

2013 Twilight Swimming Age Champions:
Junior Boy Champion: Zack Hardman
Junior Boy Runner Up: Andrew Roseby
11 Years Boy Champion: Thomas O’Callaghan
11 Years Boy Runner Up: Nicholas Pezzano

Senior Boy Champion and Runner Up not awarded

Junior Girl Champion: Vanessa Portelli
Junior Girl Runner Up: Hannah Witteveen
11 Years Girls Champion: Lily Hardman
11 Years Girl Runner Up: Jordan Walsh

Senior Girl Champion: Ashleigh Witteveen
Senior Girl Runner Up: Louise Francisco

2013 Twilight Swimming Carnival Colour Points:
1st: Red (104)
2nd: Green (93)
3rd: Gold (36)
4th: Blue (24)

2014 Zone Swim Team (Congratulations!):
Students may still submit times to Mr. McKimm to be considered for any gaps that exist in our teams for the 2014 Zone Swimming Carnival.

The team will receive further information about the Zone Swimming Carnival early in 2014

Captains of Swimming for 2014:
Lily Hardman and Thomas O’Callaghan

Individual Girl Swims:
Event: Athlete 1: Athlete 2:
Open 100m Freestyle Lily Hardman Ashleigh Witteveen
8 Years 50m Freestyle Amayah Burns
9 Years 50m Freestyle Beatrice Gara Ella Moggridge
10 Years 50m Freestyle Hannah Witteveen Vanessa Portelli
11 Years 50m Freestyle Lily Hardman Jordan Walsh
12 Years 50m Freestyle Ashleigh Witteveen Louise Francisco
Junior 50m Backstroke Hannah Witteveen Vanessa Portelli
11 Years 50m Backstroke Lily Hardman Ruby Bowden
Senior 50m Backstroke Ashleigh Witteveen Louise Francisco
Junior 50m Breaststroke Vanessa Portelli Beatrice Gara
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Junior 50m Butterfly Vanessa Portelli Hannah Witteveen
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### Student Sporting Achievement 2013

**Tennis:** Eric Tripathi was selected in the 2013 Diocesan and MacKillop (number one seed) Tennis Teams. He has now been selected in the 2014 Diocesan Team.

**AFL:** Lachlan Stack was selected in the 2013 Diocesan AFL Team.

**Rugby League:** Hayden Hunter was selected in the 2013 Diocesan and MacKillop Rugby League Teams.

**Soccer:** Matthew Dudgeon and Marcus Correria were selected in the 2013 Diocesan Soccer Team. Our Senior Boys Team were champions at a Diocesan Stage 3 Gala Day. Matthew Dudgeon represented Met West at the State Titles.

**Basketball:** Jordan Roman was selected in the 2013 Diocesan Basketball Team. He has now been selected in the 2014 Diocesan Team.

**Cricket:** Montanna and Marcus Farquharson were selected in their respective 2013 Diocesan and MacKillop Cricket Teams. Marcus Farquharson was selected in the under 13 Australian Indoor Cricket team.

**Swimming:**

- Our Zone and Regional swim teams were wonderful representatives of the school.
- At the Zone and Regional trials Lily Hardman was outstanding breaking a number of records.
- Lily and Zack Hardman were selected in 2013 MacKillop swim team competing at the NSW CPS Swimming Trials.
- Lily and Zack Hardman swim at the 2013 State Titles.
- Lily Hardman swam at the 2013 National Championships achieving: 6th IM, Relay Gold and 4th 100m Breaststroke.
- Lily Hardman received a Sports Council Medallion at 2013 Diocesan awards evening.
**Touch Football:** Our mixed Senior Gold Team were champions at a Diocesan Stage 3 Gala Day

**Netball:** At the Diocesan Netball Gala Day our under 10’s were champions

**Gymnastics:** Mackenzie Jones state gymnastics

**Athletics:** Our Zone and Regional swim teams were wonderful representatives of the school. Claudia Estrada was selected to compete at the MacKillop Athletics Championships

**Cross Country:** Our Diocesan Championship team were wonderful representatives of the school

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the P.E Department

Mr McKimm and Mr Phillips

PE TEACHERS

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop will be open on the following days:

**Wednesday  11th December**  **8.15-11.00am** - this will be the last opening day for 2013 as we need to carry out our end of year stocktake. Unfortunately, we will not be able to process any uniform orders after this date.

During the school holidays the Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday 22 January 2014 from 9:00am to 12:00pm and Tuesday 28th January 2014 from 10:00am-2:00pm (the day before children return to school) for back to school uniform purchases.

The Uniform Shop will then resume normal trading hours in 2014 - Wednesdays - 8:15am-11:00am

Amanda Hart

**UNIFORM SHOP MANAGER**

**From the Office**

**Notice of Intention to Remove Students from St Michael’s School.**

The Catholic Education Office has developed a Policy relating to the notice required from parents to terminate their children’s enrolment in the schools of the Parramatta Diocese. In part this states that “A terms notice (10 weeks) in writing must be given to the principal before the removal of a student or a full term’s fees will be paid. The notice can be given any time during the term for the next term.” This means that unless the school receives a term’s notice no pro rata adjustment will be given for part term tuition. Notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year’s enrolment. In this circumstance the requirement for 10 weeks notice will be waived.

**Canteen News**

Would you please put a substitute sandwich on your child’s lunch order as we are running down our food stock for the end of the year. There are no **NACHOS** and we can’t get **SAFARI POPS** at this time of year as they are in short supply.

Thank you to all the Year 6 volunteers. Thank you to all the parent volunteers for your help over the year. Thank you for the donations that have been sent in. Thank you for your support for the canteen.

Have a Happy Christmas and Happy New Year and a safe and relaxing holiday.

Looking forward to working with you in 2014.

Jan Crawford

**CANTENE MANAGER**
CAPA News

TALENT QUEST 2013
The re-scheduled Talent Quest will be held on Thursday, 12 December (week 10) 9.30am until it finishes (around 11am). We wish the Finalists all the best in the lead up to the whole school performance!

P & F News

Dear Parents & Students,

On Wednesday last, 4th December, the AGM was held. It was a great meeting with about 20 people attending, thank you all for your involvement.

Importantly, the new P&F Team for 2014 was elected, with a very big welcome to the team.

The 2014 team is now active and will be contacting you via newsletters, facebook, notes via your child’s class and your class parent representative.

We wish them all the best for a great year as I believe that it will be a fantastic year where the Class parent representatives will develop and our community will flourish.

The team for 2014 is:

   President            Susan Perry
   Vice President       Jackie Coleman
   Treasurer           Marisa Khan
   Secretary           Heidi Langshaw
   Assistant Secretary  Denise Ali
   Assistant Treasurer  Leanne Cash

Committee members

   Emma Moore
   Merryn Lillia
   Elizabeth Fenech
   Tina Mavris
   Ele Gatt
   Leanne Gibbins
   Danielle Grills
   Rebecca Walker

With regard to the year that was 2013, I cannot thank enough the effort of the team of 2013, namely Jackie, Tash and Marisa, without whose help we would not have been able to achieve what we did this year.

The night ended with a donation to the school from the P&F for $6,000, which will no doubt be well used with the new building in 2014.

On behalf of the P&F team and the school, special thanks to Storage King, Blacktown and The Good Guys, Prospect for supporting the school.

In 2014, please support your child, be involved, introduce yourself and say g’day to the class parent representative of your child’s class. If you’re not sure who that is, please ask.

Once again, many thanks, and Merry Christmas to all.

Kind regards from the P&F Team 2013:

Jackie Coleman, Vice President
Tash Scanlon, Past-Secretary
Marisa Khan, Treasurer
Justin Bear, Past-President

Patrician Brothers College

HOST FAMILY NEEDED:
Are you interested in hosting students from Patrician Brothers’ College in 2014?
The host family needs to provide full board in a caring environment. There will be an allowance for the lodging of students.
If you are interested or require more information please contact Samantha Borg 9671 3000 or sborg@parra.catholic.edu.au for further information and details.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER
Play Rugby League and Soar in 2014 with the St Anthony’s Girraween Eagles!

Established in the 1960’s, our competition is modified for primary school aged boys and girls between 4-11 years, of all ability levels. Our kids enjoy a fun, safe and healthy sporting environment that focuses on skills training, sportsmanship, participation and teamwork.

SAVE $10 PER CHILD by registering your interest now for the 2014 season girraween_eagles@hotmail.com
We’ll make sure you are invited to our Registration Day in February 2014.

All players who register with the Eagles for the first time will receive the following:
• Shorts
• Game Day Shirt
• Hoodie
• Training Shirt
• Socks
• Football

OUTSTANDING VALUE! YOU WON'T FIND BETTER!

2014 Registration Fee:
1 x Child = $90
2 or more Children* = $130

Fees above are before discount is applied
*Must be from same family

All new players (ie. not previously registered) must provide BOTH of the following documents:
1. Birth certificate
2. Baptism certificate*
*or name of Catholic school child attends

Early Bird Eagle Discount:
10% discount on your fees if you register by the 2nd December 2013

For more info, call Natalie on m. 0400 376 270 or Kieran m. 0400 377 942.
Alternatively, email us or Google “girraween eagles” where you’ll find lots more info on us.
# JANUARY 2014 VACATION PROGRAM

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### Minute To Win It

Race against the clock in a range of fun games and activities with lots of prizes on offer for everyone.

### Clown Town Rosehill

**Bus Depart: 9am Returns: 3pm**

We are visiting Clown Town for a highly active and action packed day of fun including:  
- Enormous Multi Level Soft-Play Structure - Giant Obstacle Course  
- Twin Slides plus Amazing Speed Slide - Ball Pools with Automatic Ball Cleaner - Tunnels, Cargo Nets and Flying Fox - Fantastic Tea Cup Ride - Amazing Hand Painted Themed Party Rooms

**NOTE:** Chicken or vegetarian nuggets, chips and a drink will be provided for lunch. Children will need to bring their own lunch if not eating the lunch provided.

### Water Fun Day

**How many ways can you use water in play?**

**Bring your board shorts, rashies and arm yourself with a water toy of your choice for a water fight (weather permitting).**

**Remember to bring a towel as well.**

### IMAX Theatre at Darling Harbour

**Bus Depart: 8:30am & Returns: 2pm**

IMAX is the ultimate educational film experience. With crystal clear images projected onto the world’s biggest cinema screen (yes, it is the BIGGEST!), IMAX has the power to take children to places they may have only dreamt of visiting. Designed to educate and enlighten as much as they are to entertain. IMAX films provide children with unique and exciting opportunities to explore new worlds and new ideas.

### Things that creep and crawl

**Start 2:00pm**

Children will have the opportunity to see and touch some amazing creatures from the insect and arachnid world. Following this there will be craft activities including making your own Bug Mask.

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**Children to bring:** Fruit snacks, morning-tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle  
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### My Pet Dinosaur
**Start:** 2:00pm
Amazement and excitement is what Kota, Rose and Cera will bring to our Centre today... Children will have the opportunity to meet baby dinosaurs. Hold and touch fossils and have a photo opportunity with a baby dinosaur.

![Dinosaur](image)

### ~ Our Big Kitchen ~ at Bondi
**Bus Departs:** Sun Returns: 4pm
Our big kitchen is open to anyone who wants to use it to empower themselves or to help others. Children will prepare & serve meals to those in need while learning some new skills.

Lunch of Pizza, fruit and drinks provided

**NOTE:** Children will need to bring their own lunch if not eating the lunch provided

### The Crazy Scientist
**Show Time:** 2:30pm to 4:00pm
The Crazy Scientist will amaze with his wacky, weird and wonderful science show. He will blow your mind and get you involved in the crazy side of science

![Scientist](image)

### Em's Entertainment
**I Can Do It!! Circus Show**
**Start:** 2:00pm
There's more than just entertainment in this fully interactive show where children learn about their own inner awesomeness as they follow the band of eccentric characters who take them on a magical journey where they learn that *ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!!*
Then afterwards have fun at our disco and games under the sprinklers

### Singstar Karaoke Day and walk to McDonalds for Lunch
**NOTE:** Children will need to bring their own lunch if not eating McDonalds.

Children to Bring: Fruit snacks, morning-tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle

Children to Wear: Sun-safe clothing with sleeves and collar, enclosed sport shoes & socks and a sun-safe hat (Legionnaire hat or Bucket hat with deep crown and wide brim) for all outdoor play. Please refer to our "Sun Protection Policy"
Children's Details:

1. Name: __________________________   2. Name: __________________________

3. Name: __________________________   4. Name: __________________________

I hereby give my permission for my child/ren to participate in the excursions and incursions on the dates I have signed below.

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LUNCH: SPECIFIC DIET REQUIREMENTS: YES / NO

Parent Signature: __________________________
Parent / Guardian:

Name: ____________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Contact Numbers: Home: ____________________ Mobile: __________
Email: ____________________________________________

Parent Declaration

☐ I understand that the Educator to Child ratios will be maintained at a minimum of:
  Excursions: 1:8
  Centre: 1:15

☐ I understand that the maximum number of children attending on a single day will be:
  Excursions: 32
  Clown Town (COSH C St Michael’s 32)
  32
  IMAX Theatre (COSH C St Michaels 32)
  77
  Our Big Kitchen Bondi – 2 centres combined (COSH C St Michaels 32)
  Centre: 60

☐ I understand that Catholic Out of School Hours Care programs are based on the “My Time Our Place” learning outcomes in the school age care setting
☐ I understand that an “Excursions and Incursion Risk Assessment” has been completed prior to the event and is available to me upon request

☐ I understand that failure to make the full Vacation Care fee payment by the due date, my child/ren’s position at Vacation Care will be cancelled without notice

☐ I agree to abide by all policies and procedures of the Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Out of School Hours Care relevant to the delivery of Catholic Vacation Care

☐ I accept that children will be supervised at all times, and that all travel between the Centre and excursion venue will be in privately booked buses with only COSHC staff, volunteers and Vacation Care children on the bus

☐ I understand that all excursions are compulsory for all children booked in to attend on that day

☐ I accept that it is my responsibility to ensure my child/ren is/are at the Centre 30 minutes before the scheduled departure bus time on excursion days. I understand that I will need to make alternative care arrangements for my child/ren if we arrive late

☐ I agree to support the centre in implementing the COSHC’s Sun Protection Policy
  NO SUN-SAFE HAT, NO OUTDOOR PLAY

☐ I give permission for my child/ren to consume the foods and drinks as listed to be supplied by the Centre &/or out on excursions

Parent / Carer Name: ____________________________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: __________

Staff Signature: ____________________________________________ Date Received: __________

CLOSING DATE FOR BOOKING REQUESTS AND FULL PAYMENT: Wednesday 18 December 2013.