

**90 Seconds with the Principal**

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*"It is in giving that we receive."*

**Mother Teresa**

**Important Dates:**

- **Wednesday, 31st August**  
NO Canteen
- **Friday, 2nd September**  
NO Canteen
- **Monday, 5th September**  
NO Canteen

**Canteen Price List**

**Come Join Us!**

Dear Parents,

Over the remaining weeks of this term there will be a number of opportunities to participate and be involved in the MTP community. If you are able to join us at any of these events we would be most grateful.

**Father's Day Celebration - August 31— 12.00pm Prayer (in the Morley Centre)** followed by picnic lunch. Join us for a time of prayer and celebration honouring the fathers in our lives.

**Canonisation of Mother Teresa - September 5**

Commencing with a liturgy at St Patrick's Cathedral at 10.30am, followed by picnic lunch on the school grounds. Join the school community as we rejoice in the canonisation of Mother Teresa. A day of special recognition for our MTP school community.

**Celebration of Learning - September 7 - 4:30-6:00pm**

Continue to be amazed at your child's learning as you have the opportunity to visit their learning studio for this term!

**The launch of MTP Parent University - September 14 - 7.30-8.30am**



After parent feedback and reflection, we are launching our **MTP Parent University**. This is an opportunity for **ALL** parents to learn, increase their skills and collaborate on topics related to your child's learning.

This will involve **5 opportunities** throughout the year, including early morning and night sessions to enhance your parenting skills to further support your child. This year already we have had sessions focussing on *Cybersafety, Helping your child read non-fiction texts and School goals: How can I help?* If you are unable to attend we will share the information and resources from these sessions.

We look forward to seeing as many parents at our next session in the coming weeks and in the future!

**School sporting event facilitated by Motiv8 Sports. September 21 all day event.**

To celebrate an amazing term the children will have the opportunity to participate in a fun-filled day based on the Olympic Games. The day will be facilitated by Motiv8 Sports and all parents are welcome on the day to be a part of the many sporting adventures.

**Staffing Update**

This is the last week for Mrs Burton as she prepares to have her baby. For the remainder of the year Miss Rita Ata will be teaching KLS. We welcome Miss Ata to our school community and we wish Mrs Burton all our best wishes in the weeks ahead.

We also congratulate Mrs Stennett who has been appointed acting Leader of Learning until late December.

## Bingo & Disco Night

Thank you again for everyone's support and hard work in making our Bingo/Disco Night such a success. We raised over \$3000 on the evening which will go towards valuable reading resources at the school. We thank in a particular way.....

Bam Bam Music  
Harvey Norman  
Taronga Zoo  
Calmsley Hill Farm  
Featherdale Wildlife Park  
Malafu Family

## What does it mean to be a Saint?



"God doesn't  
call you to be  
successful,  
He calls you  
to be  
faithful."  
- Blessed Mother Teresa

On September 5th our school will celebrate in the highest possible fashion, with Eucharist at 10.30 am, at St Patricks Cathedral Parramatta, the canonisation of Mother Teresa of Kolkata. Saints are not super humans descended from heaven to be examples of the unachievable demands of our God. They are ordinary human beings with extraordinarily open hearts to God. It was through prayer and meditation, that her eyes were opened to the work God had for her. Mother Teresa struggled with doubt, rejection, criticism and fear, yet her faith allowed to day by day, step by step, one person at a time, change the world. "We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." It all begins and ends with love.

Maria Boyd REC

## Canteen

Just a reminder when ordering your child's lunch from the canteen that the order is written on a **brown paper bag** and includes: **Child's Name, Class, Item and Price**. If a child's lunch order includes money for a sibling, please place all bags into the bag with the money.

As Catherine McAuley has to deal with large amounts of lunch orders on a daily basis, there will be **NO CHANGE given**.

## Just a few reminders

- A reminder that parents are not to walk through the grounds of our Catherine McAuley and Parramatta Marist High Schools. As protection to all students on the site, parents must only access schools through their respective school administrations.
- If you arrive at school **8:35am or later and the student access gate is closed**, parents **MUST** walk their child / children into the school office to sign a 'partial absence slip'.
- **Smoking is prohibited on all school premises, including school buildings, car parking areas and school ovals. This ban covers staff, students, parents, contractors and visitors.**
- The schools visitor carpark is only to be used for temporary parking related to school events.