



**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021**  
**Week One Term Three**

Dear Families

Welcome back to Term Three everyone.

Once again COVID has raised its head in our Nation and is devastating some communities as it has done across the world many times in the past 18 months.

Recent weeks have reminded us that we cannot be complacent or refuse to take the threat of COVID seriously. I know there are a significant number of our school community who have endured great suffering and loss as a result of this terrible virus.

While our hearts ache, we do know that we are particularly blessed in this part of the world and following certain precautions can help to protect our community:

- All students, staff and parents must not come onsite if they are unwell or displaying symptoms.
- Adults are reminded to physically distance as much as possible.
- Water bottles for students are encouraged please.
- Additional cleaning procedures remain in place at school.

While there are some restrictions for those who have travelled in certain areas of the State, students are not required to wear a face mask while at school or when travelling on school transport. School staff are also not required to wear masks when working with children.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions you may have or visit the Qld Government Site:

<https://qed.qld.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media/novel-coronavirus/frequently-asked-questions-for-parents?fbclid=IwAR1L2ZCPOT-iOJB4rf8Is5nn1cMn1mggyGTiYJluMeUZ8EkKGLeQnR4xwVk>

**CAULFIELD 2021**  
**Saturday 16 October**

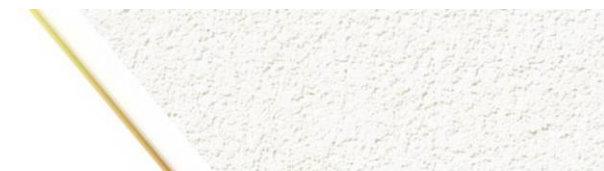
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Events such as Caulfield are only made possible with the support of the community and local businesses.

If you would like to support the Caulfield 2021 event by sponsoring or donating a prize, please send us a message or contact Prue on 0437924770.

We look forward to working with you to deliver an amazing event!



**Caulfield**  
**2021 Sponsorship Prospectus**



God bless you and Live Jesus in Your Hearts Forever!

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## ***From our APRE***

I do hope everyone had a chance to recharge their batteries in some way over the holidays.

Last week was NAIDOC week, a week set aside each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.



This year the theme was HEAL COUNTRY which calls for us to continue to seek greater protections for the lands, waters, sacred sites and cultural heritage of First Nations peoples from exploitation, desecration and destruction.

I was at Kmart last week and loved the window display they had arranged. Artwork by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples always catches my eye. I love the detail and the story behind the artwork. A local Aboriginal artist, Patricia Coleman, has an exhibition at the art gallery at the moment and it is well worth a look.

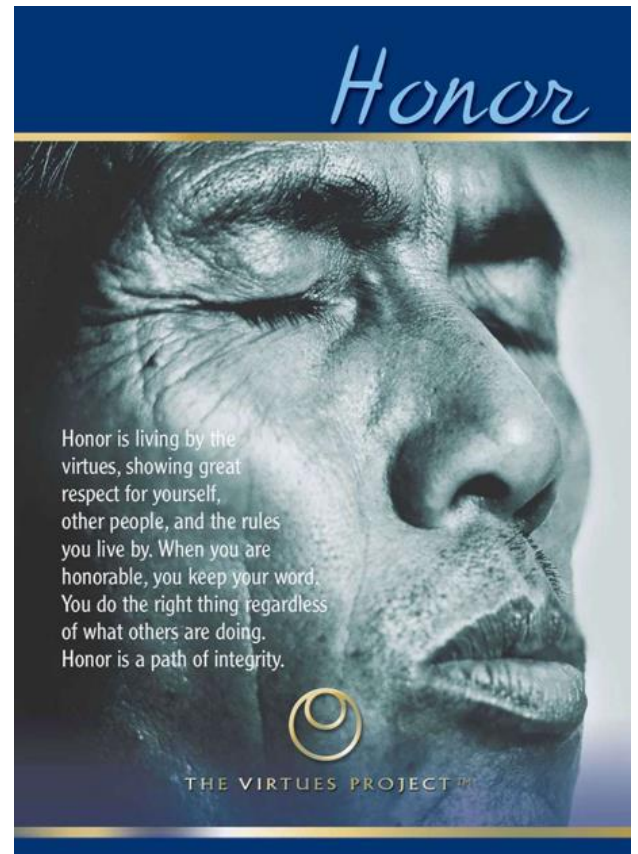
### **MJR MESSAGE OF THE WEEK**

Be a Give not a Taker *Happiness often comes from giving of ourselves to others. Even those considered to be very poor can be rich – rich in spirit, rich from love, rich from counting their blessings.*

**The happiest people are the givers, not the takers.**

## **WEEKLY WONDERING**

**I wonder how we prioritise what is important?**



*Setting a good example and caring about doing the right thing.*

## **Our Mission**

Love God as Mary did.

Respect ourselves, others and our world.

Value lifelong learning.

Strive to achieve our potential.

Live our faith in Jesus within our community.

***Have a wonderful week,***

***Kellie Richardson***

***Assistant Principal: Religious Education***

## IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for all those affected by the COVID pandemic and for all those who work to care for them and to bring an end to this pandemic: may they feel God's wisdom and strength through it all.
- We pray for all who live with war and suffering, that leaders who impact society will be moved by the Holy Spirit to bring about justice and peace.
- We pray that the sick and housebound will be comforted and given the support they need, including those suffering the ravishes of Covid.
- We pray that, through the Holy Trinity, those who have died will find their home with the Lord.

**P & F MEETING THIS  
TUESDAY 13 July  
6:30PM**



**Come along at 6pm for a  
drink and a chat beforehand.**



**A reminder not to attend if you  
are unwell please.**



## CURRICULUM NEWS

### ICAS REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, quality skills-based assessment program which rewards and recognises student achievement.

ICAS gives you broad insights into your child's performance across English, Mathematics, Science, and Digital Technologies. ICAS (sometimes referred to as the UNSW assessments) has been developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) since 1981.

These competitions are **optional** and at Star of the Sea we open them to students in Years Three, Four, Five and Six.

In 2021 students can participate in the following subjects:

**DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY 10th August**

**WRITING 10th August**

**ENGLISH 17th August**

**SCIENCE 24th August**

**SPELLING BEE 24th August**

**MATHEMATICS 31st August**

If you would like your child to participate in any of the subjects listed above, please visit the new online Parent Payment System to make a direct payment to UNSW Global. The Parent Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments.

The web link is:

<https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pds>

Our school's unique access code

is: **XKZ147**

**Online payment closes Friday, 16th July.**

**IMPORTANT:** Please enter your child's name accurately into the System as it will appear on their ICAS certificate. Registrations must be in by the 16th of July and paid online using the above details. **Unfortunately, no late entries can be accepted.**

*Anthony King  
Assistant Principal: Curriculum*





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Eligibility	Program Name	Time	Fees	Book online at
Yr 1 - Yr 2	Bricks Challenge	3:15pm to 4:30pm	\$180	<a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BSXNQ">https://www.trybooking.com/BSXNQ</a>

THURSDAYS STARTING 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY TO 16<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021

Eligibility	Program Name	Time	Fees	Book online at
Yr 3 - Yr 6	Robo Bricks	3:15pm to 4:30pm	\$180	<a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BSXNQ">https://www.trybooking.com/BSXNQ</a>

**Early Bird Discounts:** the early bird discount of \$15 will apply for only a short time, so book early to avoid disappointment. This discount will apply automatically when you proceed to the booking page that can be found at <https://www.trybooking.com/BSXNQ>

**Bricks Challenge** enriches your child's world with Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) to make sure they are ready for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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For more information, please call 0424 985 172

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