

# St Pius X Primary School Windale



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## NEWSLETTER

Term 3 – Week 3

5<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are now back in the swing of things and since our last newsletter the Covid-19 impact has been felt a lot closer to home. Yesterday I sent home a letter to all families outlining our procedures in the event of a confirmed contact within our school of Covid-19. The procedures are in place if the school is closed for a deep clean etc. I ask that you make yourself familiar with them and to also ensure you have the Compass App downloaded on your phone – contact the Office if you need your parent login.

To further ensure the safety of our students, staff and community we will also be implementing a few additional procedures starting from **tomorrow**. They are:

- Only 1 family permitted in the foyer at a time. Please wait in the top carpark if there is a child or family in the foyer
- All lunch orders / notes will be placed in a box at the gate near the entrance to the school.



These simple procedures will help in our control of our school environment.

### WELCOME

Since our last newsletter we have had the pleasure of welcoming three new families to our school. Welcome to:

- Aaliyah Fox (Year 3) and her mum Teagan
- Noah Mosher (Year 6) and his family, Kahlee, Ian and Ariana
- Kirralee Hartley (Year 4) and mum, Amanda



We hope they have a fabulous time at St Pius X and within our school community.

### PRAYERS PLEASE

I ask that you please keep in your prayers the following families who have lost loved ones:

- Bella Fletcher (Kinder) and her family on the sad passing of Rochelle's dad, Norman Ross Harkness on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

- Tracey Dawber and her family on the passing of her grandmother, Mavis Sinclair (aged 99) last week.

May they rest in the loving arms of our Lord. Amen.

### LONG SERVICE LEAVE

Mrs. Casolari and Mrs. Dawber commence Long Service Leave tomorrow, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August.

They will return to work on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August – a little older (50) and possibly a little greyer!! We hope both Tina and Tracey have a fabulous time travelling and



celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> birthdays. Mrs. Tracie Booth and Mrs. Shelly Baker will be here in their place.

### SEMESTER REPORTS

Our Semester One Reports were sent home on the Monday of this week. The reports are a reduced version of our normal School Report due to the impact to Covid-19 and the time spent for the students with

Home Learning. If you wish to speak with your child's



teacher regarding the reports please ring to organise a phone interview.



### STAFF PD DAYS - CANCELLED

The Writing Inservice scheduled for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at the CSO has been cancelled due to travel restrictions on the presenters.

Mrs. Mirceski, Mrs. Dawber and Mrs. Boardman (our Clerical and Support Staff) at this stage will be involved in First Aid Training on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

### TERM 3 SPORT - PCYC

Our gymnastics lessons commenced last week.

Scattered throughout

our newsletter are photos from our Infants classes enjoying the PCYC.



### PEANUT ALLERGY

As one of our students is allergic to nut products I asked that families NO LONGER send peanut

products to school for lunches. This may include peanut butter sandwiches, Nutella products and any snacks that include nuts. Thank you.



## AUGUST

3<sup>rd</sup> Semester One reports went home

6<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Casolari & Mrs. Dawber LSL commences

7<sup>th</sup> Director Principals Zoom Meetings – 8am to 11am

19<sup>th</sup> Director / Primary Principals Meeting



*Happy Birthday to the following children:*

### **August**

**11<sup>th</sup> Asher-Ryan Smith**

**14<sup>th</sup> Mrs Casolari – 50**

**Mrs Dawber – 50**

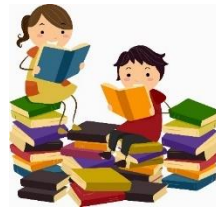
**24<sup>th</sup> Austin Grainger**

**28<sup>th</sup> Georgina Baciates**

*We hope you have a great day.*

*Take care and stay safe and well*

*Peter Bowen*



PRINCIPAL

## BOOK CLUB

Orders for Issue 5 Scholastic Book Club need to be placed on **LOOP** or sent into the office by Tuesday, August 11.

Headspace Newcastle is hosting a Social Media webinar aimed at Parents and Carers. It's free and its hosted via ZOOM

# Safe on Social

a free social media webinar for Parents and Carers

Social media expert Kirra Pendergast looks at all the popular apps and social media platforms that everyone seems to be using! With over 10 years experience, Kirra looks at the online world from a perspective of social media security, privacy and risk management

This presentation will explore Instagram, Tik Tok, YouTube, Musical.ly, Snapchat, Facebook, Yellow/Yubo, YouTube, Sarahah, Tumblr, WhatsApp, Online gaming, Fortnite and others

**Tuesday August 11th 7pm - 830pm via Zoom**



Tix through eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/safe-on-social-tickets-114839399736>

Facebook event

<https://www.facebook.com/events/211415180263714/>

Safe on Social website

<https://www.safeonsocial.com/>



# ASPIRE

MUSIC. DANCE. DRAMA

## INFORMATION SHEET 2021



### // HOW TO AUDITION FOR ASPIRE 2021

The ASPIRE Audition Application Process is now online. The following instructions will direct you to the online audition form. 1/ Go to the ASPIRE website - [aspiremn.catholic.edu.au](http://aspiremn.catholic.edu.au) 2/ Click on JOIN US

### 3/ Click on 2021 AUDITIONS

4/ Then click on the link: [CLICK HERE TO APPLY ONLINE FOR ASPIRE 2021](http://CLICK HERE TO APPLY ONLINE FOR ASPIRE 2021) Please contact Anne Adams if you have any queries regarding auditions by email: [anneadams@aspiremn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anneadams@aspiremn.catholic.edu.au) or by phone: 02 4979 1311. Please note: Applications for Audition need to be completed and submitted by no later than Friday 25 September 2020

### // AUDITION DATES

NEWCASTLE EXHIBITION AND CONVENTION CENTRE, GUESTS  
NEWCASTLE SITE OF THE OLD NEWCASTLE WORKERS CLUB

<b>DANCE STAGE INSTRUMENTAL</b>	<b>JUNIOR DRAMA</b>	<b>JUNIOR DRAMA AND SENIOR DRAMA</b>	<b>VOCAL</b>
Monday 26 October 2020	Tuesday 27 October 2020	Wednesday 28 October 2020	Thursday 29 October 2020

### // ABOUT ASPIRE

ASPIRE is the Maitland/Newcastle Catholic Schools Office Creative and Performing Arts Program. With an emphasis on fostering creativity, ASPIRE has a large number of programs on offer including in school workshops and production support, professional development for staff as well as special projects in areas such as songwriting, scriptwriting, devising, theatre and choreography. ASPIRE also produces an original theatrical performance annually where students audition to be part of either the design, drama, vocal, dance, instrumental and production ensembles.

### // SAVE THE DATE 2021

#### ASPIRE @ THE CIVIC THEATRE

Wednesday 21 July 2021 at 11.00 am  
Thursday 22 July 2021 at 11.00 am  
Friday 23 July 2021 at 11.00 am  
Friday 23 July 2021 at 7.00 pm  
Saturday 24 July 2021 at 11.00 am  
Saturday 24 July 2021 at 7.00 pm  
**\$12.50 PER STUDENT**  
Accompanying teachers free.  
Tickets through Ticketek in Term 2, 2021

[aspiremn.catholic.edu.au](http://aspiremn.catholic.edu.au)

Please refer to the ASPIRE website for all ASPIRE information on forms, updates, photos and the newsletter.



DID YOU KNOW THAT WORK BEING DONE TO SUPPORT GIFTED EDUCATION IN OUR SCHOOLS SUPPORTS ALL OUR STUDENTS?

JOIN US FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME TO LISTEN TO SALLY BROCK - EDUCATION OFFICER - GIFTED EDUCATION TO HEAR ABOUT THE EXCITING WORK BEING DONE TO SUPPORT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR SCHOOLS.  
WHEN: WEDNESDAY 26 AUGUST 2020  
TIME: 7.00 - 8.00PM  
**VIA ZOOM**

RSVP TO [CATH.GARRETT-JONES@MN.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU](mailto:CATH.GARRETT-JONES@MN.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU) BY COB 25 AUGUST TO RECEIVE YOUR ZOOM INVITATION BY EMAIL.