From the Principal

Many thanks to the students who are stopping and picking up rubbish to keep our playground looking good. Our grounds are looking fantastic. It is great to see our students showing pride for their school.

In the last fortnight we have had 10 students enrol in our school. As I have mentioned in the past our school enrolments impact on our staffing. The increase in student numbers will enable us to continue to have the same number of school executives. This is great news for our school.

The annual athletics carnival is only two weeks away, June 24th. Students 8 years and older will be transported to Popondetta Park for the day. There will be no cost for the bus. Please ensure you return a permission slip for your child’s attendance.

We are lucky to be able to offer opportunities to support small groups of students in developing specific social skills in stages 2 and 3 at our school. Currently we run Rock and Water for boys, the Kids Hope mentor program and the Sports Leadership program. We are now introducing Emotional Resilience for girls. These programs support our students in developing valuable skills in a friendly fun way.

Our Books In Homes assembly will be held at 10am on Thursday June 18th, please join our students in the school hall for the second Books In Homes formal assembly. We are joined by Alan Sunderland, the Head of Policy & Staff Development at ABC News in Sydney, Australia. His job as a television journalist for SBS and the ABC has taken him around the country and overseas. He will speak with our students at the assembly.

Staff are busy finalising school reports so they can be sent home on June 22nd. Please ensure you complete a parent teacher interview slip so you can meet your child’s class teacher and discuss your child’s report. We are holding interviews across the afternoon on June 23rd. Teachers are also nominating other times they are available to meet throughout the final week of the school term if required.

Just a reminder our school staff are attending a school development conference over 2 days. The school will not be open on Monday July 13th. Please hold all enquiries until Tuesday July 14th when both staff and students return.

Have a great week
Toni Thomas
**PSSA Soccer**

Last Friday, Bidwill PS played Rooty Hill PS. The juniors won 2 games, lost 1 game and drew 1 game. They played very well against their opponents. There was lots of very skilful play from Bidwill players. They are enjoying playing different schools and our teams are improving each week.

The players of the week for juniors were John from 4B and Beau W.S from 3/4Y.

The seniors put in a very good performance winning their game against Rooty Hill PS by 1 goal to nil. They passed the ball well, demonstrated good team work and are learning about soccer tactics. The player of the match was Connor from 6C.

Mr Birdee

**PSSA Netball**

On Friday, Bidwill P.S. played Minchinbury P.S. with determination and smiles on their faces. The junior girls were on fire and defeated Minchinbury 5-4. The seniors unfortunately lost 13-0 despite trying their best. Once again, all players never gave up and should be so very proud of themselves.

The players of the match are Emmaline from 3/4Y for amazing work as GA and Ginamiah from 5M for her speed and versatility.

Miss Marlow

**Good Luck Javae!**

We would like to wish Javae the best of luck for the upcoming NSWPSSA Opens Rugby League carnival at Cronulla from June 16th to 18th. Well done Javae on making it this far and play hard.

**Pacific Islander dance group**

The Pacific Islander dance group auditioned for the chance to be a part of the Education Week Concert today and they represented our school beautifully. The feedback from the visiting dance teachers from another school was positive and they were very impressed by the dedication shown by the girls in the group.

Mrs Marques and Mr Vave are very proud of the girls and would like to extend our congratulations to them for their dedication and beautiful performance. We were very proud of the way they represented our school today.

Thank you,

Mrs Marques

**Stage 3 Camp**

This year Stage 3 will be going to Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre, Gwandalan in week 3 Term 4, from Wednesday 21st October to Friday October 23rd 2015.

We feel this is a great opportunity for students to link their learning of PDHPE to practical situations. We need all notes in and deposits paid ASAP.

Mrs Cox

**Dates to Remember**

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**Students return for Term 3 Tuesday July 14th**

**Best Class Award**

Week 6 - 5G
Week 7 - 5G

**Bike Helmets**

Bike helmets must be worn by all students riding bikes. Calls will be made to family members if students don’t comply. Our children’s safety is our prime concern, so we feel sure all Parents/Carers will support this rule.

Denise Rowen
Deputy Principal
Bunya Awards
Congratulation for being Safe, Respectful Learners

**BRONZE**

K Yellow  
Tiana  
Tameka  
Madeline

2F  
Robbie

**SILVER**

4B  
Jahselmarrose

6H  
Mitchell  
Joana

2P  
Hannah  
Michigan

3/4Y  
Makayla

4B  
Courtney

2P  
Jeremiah

3K  
Raven  
Roriki  
Vatau

1F  
Emily

2F  
Jane  
Joe  
Jordan

**EVERY DAY COUNTS....**

* A day here or there doesn’t seem like much, but...

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* NSW Education & Communities

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NSW Government
Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 23rd June. These interviews give teachers the opportunity to meet with you and share information on your child’s progress. Reports will be sent home on Monday 22nd June.

We envisage that the interview will last 10-15 minutes. They will be held on the bottom level of both Bidwill and Bunya Block(simultaneously). Interview times will commence at 3.15pm

During this period you are encouraged to view samples of your child’s work and gain an understanding of their progress and learning journey across all Key Learning Areas. It is also an opportunity to develop a partnership with the teacher, to ensure that there is continuity of learning opportunities at home.

**Interview times will be allocated on the basis of when they are received.**

It is important that you indicate if you have other children and would like interviews with their teachers. The teachers will endeavour to accommodate this in their interview schedules.

If this day is unsuitable for you to attend, please indicate and your teacher will contact you with other arrangements during this last week of school.

Looking forward to meeting with you,

Mrs Thomas (on behalf of the teachers)
Principal
10.6.15
Book Week is coming next term
Today we experimented with mixing colours in an experiment with coloured vinegar, bicarb soda, and dishwashing liquid. We began by hypothesising what would happen when we added the liquid to the powder.

Holly - “It will get wet”
Kayla - “It will change colour”
Maddison helped to pour the liquid into the tray. There were lots of oohs and aahs.
Isla “It’s bubbling”
Andrew - “It’s going to spill over!” Again we thought about what would happen next.
Kayla added the second colour. The mixture bubbled and poured over the side until there was a swirl of blue and yellow in the tray. Maddison spotted the change first.
“IT’s turning green!” Everyone leaned in close as the liquid began to melt together.
Jesse picked up the red jar and handed it to Miss Louise. We decided to add some red as well. Miss Louise asked what would happen next?
Dhriti - “It will spill and mix together!”
Holly was first to notice some orange as the coloured foam mixed together.
We repeated the experiment with blue and red, as well as red and orange. Everyone had a turn adding the coloured vinegar or mixing the solution.
Somali - “It’s turning purple”
Michael - “Look at the bubbles”
Sarafina - “It’s mixing up together”
Fausta - “That’s so cool, can we mix some more?” Miss Louise gave him some clear liquid to pour into the tray. What do you think will happen?
Jayden - “It’s going to grow and grow and grow.”
Lemahah leaned over and stirred the mix with her fingers.
Mannai - “Look at all the colours. They are mixed now!”
It was a wonderful experiment in colour mixing as well as chemical reactions.
Learning Outcome 4.2 - Children develop a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.

Learning Outcome 4.4 - Children resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed materials.

Learning Outcome 5.1 - Children interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes.

PP3 Learning through Play PP4 Intentional teaching.

What an exciting experiment. I loved the interest you displayed in exploring the resources. It was fantastic to see you working together and discussing the possible outcomes of the experiment. I loved the way that you hypothesised what would happen and recognised the resulting colours made when combining colours.

Next I think we will continue to explore colour changing and mixing using different resources. I also think we may conduct more experiments and explore science concepts such as colour spectrum and chemical reactions.
Art Workshops - Term Three 2015
Bookings Essential Ph: 4735 1100

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All Term Workshops:
• include a sketchbook and all art materials
• build on and develop students’ existing practical skills
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• are suitable for new and returning students

Wednesday Drawing School
9 – 12 years old, $130 pp
22 July – 9 September 2015
4pm – 5.30pm
Tutor: Naomi McCarthy

Students will learn expressive and observational drawing techniques that extend and consolidate their existing skills. Students will learn new techniques whilst working with a range of drawing mediums and a variety of subject matters.

Art Attack Saturday
5 – 7 years old, $130 pp
25 July – 12 September 2015
10am – 12noon
Tutor: Nkeza Attonio-Simon
Tutor: Paula Pengin

Students will explore art themes and concepts whilst creating art pieces that use a range of materials and processes. Students will use a mix of traditional art making techniques and experimental methods with a range of materials.

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Wear old clothes and BRING A SNACK

Inspired by RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW, an exhibition of colourful, experimental abstract art.

Japanese Paper Marbling (Suminagashi) Workshop
Wednesday, 1 July, 10am – 12 noon, 7 – 10 yrs $20
Using Japanese Paper Marbling techniques this class will create A3 artistic backdrops inspired by Justine Williams’ Volcano Tree.
Tutor: Paula Pengin

Hyper Neon Animal Portraits
Thursday, 2 July, 10am – 12 noon, 7 – 10 yrs $20
Get super contemporary with high impact neon paints and create bold animal portraits inspired by artist Louise Zhang’s Vanform Streaks.
Tutor: Paula Pengin

Lewes’ Clay Bowls Family Workshop
Friday, 3 July, 10.30am-12 noon, $15 per child, adults don’t pay but must stay.
Families will sculpt decorative clay bowls that incorporate shapes, motifs and form inspired by the ceramic sculpture exhibition, On Site: Noranda and the plants in Lewes’ Garden.
Tutor: Paula Pengin

Watercolour Painting Workshop
Wednesday 8 July, 10am – 12 noon, 6 – 9 yrs $20
Have a vibrant and colourful time experimenting with this vibrant medium and create a series of miniature watercolour paintings, along with a tiny easel ready to display your artwork.
Tutor: Naomi McCarthy

Rain Stick Percussion Instrument Workshop
Thursday 9 July, 10am – 12 noon, 6 – 8 yrs $20
Using a hammer, nails and a thick cardboard tube make a Rain Stick that sounds surprisingly like falling rain. Paint your rain stick in colours and patterns inspired by the current exhibition.
Tutor: Naomi McCarthy

Decoupage Box Workshop
Friday 10 July 9am – 12 noon 8 – 12 yrs $20
Use acrylic paint, cardboard and decoupage to make a multi-colored, bejeweled, keepsake box.
Tutor: Christine Hall

Penrith Regional Gallery & the Lewes Bequest, 86 River Rd Emu Plains 2750 p: 47 35 1100
Starting in Term 3, 2015

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A program created and owned by Macquarie University Centre for Emotional Health. The Program is designed to provide children with tools to manage anxiety, increase resilience and adopt healthier thinking patterns. The Cool Kids™ Program will begin Thursday 16th July, 2015 from 5.00 - 6.30pm, then weekly for 10 weeks

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Holy Family Holiday Program

Ice Palace Penrith
Wednesday 8th July, 2015

Adults (18 years +) - $3.00
Child (5 years +) - $1.00
Children (4 and under) – FREE

Pick up: 9.00am
Depart from HF: 9.30am
Leave Penrith: approx. 2.00pm

Let us embrace the Winter season with a fun day gliding on ice at the Penrith Ice Palace with the whole family. No skill is needed to have a great day. Don’t forget to pack your sock and a jacket - it does get very chilly!

No outside food or drink is allowed on the premises. A canteen is available next to the ice surface for you to sit, relax and enjoy some light refreshments, hot and cold drinks and snacks.

Tickets on sale now at the Holy Family Parish Office
(11 Emert Pde, Emerton, NSW 2770)
Payments to be made in CASH ONLY.
*No bookings, refunds or cancellations.

For more information, please contact Malia at the Parish Office on (02) 9628 7272.
Alternatively, you can send an email to: enquiry@holyfamily.org.au

Holy Family Holiday Program

Jenolan Caves, Blue Mountains
Tuesday 30th June, 2015

Adults (18yrs+) – $5.00
Child (5-17yrs) – $2.00
Child (4/U) – FREE

Pick-Up: 7.00am
Depart from HF: 7.30am
Leave Jenolan Caves: 3.00pm

Grab the family and join us on an adventure to the Jenolan Caves in the Blue Mountains, where we will take part in the ‘Lucas Cave tour’. This spectacular cave includes the most photographed limestone formation at Jenolan, ‘The Broken Column’ and displays a wide range of huge cave formations. The Lucas cave is one of the most amazing, highest and widest caves which gives a glimpse of the pure underground river. After our tour, we will then enjoy lunch with a view at one of the parks on site, before heading home. So, get your tickets now! Limited tickets available

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Two days per week:
Wednesday 9.30am-2.00pm
Friday 9.30am-2.00pm

Application and information session
Wednesday 24th June 2015 10am
Mt Druitt TAFE
Room L.G.48

18 week course/one semester

For further information contact Julie or Mike
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TAFE Outreach Unit Mount Druitt

DigiWomen
(10089NAT - Certificate II in Skills to Work & Training)

Course content:
- Microsoft Office – Word, Excel and Powerpoint
- Digital and social media and Windows
- Internet and Email
- Workplace computer skills
- Job seeking skills and work experience (optional)

This course runs Mondays and Tuesdays 9:30 – 2:30
Starting Tuesday 14 July 2015
Finishing Tuesday 24 November 2015

To apply you must attend the Application and Information Session:

Tuesday 23 June 2015 – 12 noon
Room LG25 Mt Druitt College
cnr Mount St & North Pde, Mt. Druitt

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Work Opportunities for Women WOW
(10060NAT - Certificate I in Access to Work and Training

Course aim:

This course is for women who would like to gain or update their skills in the growing employment area of computing; build confidence for further work or study; improve career planning and participate in work experience.

Course includes:
- Exploring career and study options;
- Developing study and job seeking skills and resume writing;
- Introduction to the main areas of workplace computers including word processing, internet and email, spreadsheets, office equipment.

Two days per week: Tuesday 9.30am-2.30pm
Thursday 9.30am-2.30pm

Course starts Tuesday 14 July 2015
Course finishes 26 November 2015

Information and Application Session:
Tuesday 23 June 2015 – 10am
Room LG48 Mt Druitt College
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