Feast of Mary MacKillop: Monday of this week was the feast day of St Mary of the Cross, better known to us as Mary MacKillop. Mary died in Sydney on this day in 1909. She is remembered as the pioneer of a new form of religious life who provided education for isolated colonial families and for her work with the poor, itinerant and destitute women and children. At our assembly on Thursday Year 4 shared some of Mary’s better known sayings from which we should emulate in our own lives:

“Remember we are but travellers here.”
“We must teach more by example than by word.”
“Courage, courage, trust in God who helps you in all things”
“Let God’s Spirit guide you in your choice.”
“Never see a need without doing something about it”

Prayer Requests:
As requested in the letter sent home yesterday, we ask you to pray for Henry McInherney-Nash (Yr 2) and his family after the sudden and tragic death of Henry’s dad, Greg, on Tuesday night. Our school community is rallying around them for support, with Year 2 families asked to help with the supply of meals in the immediate future (a roster is being organised - contact Therese Lynch on 0467 961 434 or Brendon Lynch on 0499 653 783 if you would like to contribute). For those wishing to help in another practical way, the family has requested that no flowers be sent, but friends have set up a fund for the family with the aim of providing 15th a respite holiday break for Henry, his brother Gilbert and mum Deidre for when things settle down in the near future hopefully. Contributions can be made electronically at the Commonwealth Bank BSB 062 -648 Acc No. 10236567. There will be a funeral service for Greg at the Port Macquarie Crematorium next Wednesday 17 August at 11.00am and members of our school and parish communities are welcome to attend.

I ask that you also keep in your prayers our Library and Music teacher, Sarina McNamara, as she is also dealing with a family tragedy at the moment. A little over a year ago Sarina lost her sister Taegan to cancer and last week Taegan’s husband, John Tavaga, was involved in a motor accident in the Cook Islands and passed away on the weekend as a result of his injuries. Sarina is currently on leave to be with her extended family.

Driveway Disruption: We now have a starting date for the repair and upgrade of the school entrance. This work will include the installation of a new electronic sign and the replacement of paving at the start of the carpark entry. Work on the driveway will commence in the week before the next school holidays (weather permitting) which will mean that this entrance will be closed to traffic completely for three weeks (4 weeks for buses), including Week 10 of this term. During this time the church carpark will be used for accessing the school and cars and buses will drop off and pick up children there. Extra staff will be on duty in this area to supervise all arrivals and departures. More information will be forwarded closer to the commencement of the project. This will also mean that Grandparent’s Day, originally planned for the last day of term, will now be moved one week forward to Friday 16 September (Week 9). A timetable of activities for Grandparent’s Day will be published soon.
Father’s Day celebrations will take place at school on Friday 2 September, starting with a cooked breakfast, followed by a short liturgy and then some fun and games. Dads – please book in a late start to work that day!

Monday 22 August is a Pupil Free Day with staff being trained in the implementation of the new Australian Curriculum for Geography. Child minding is available on this day at school by Camden Haven Kids. Please call 6559 5275.

This week Year 6 visited the Lakeside Nursing Home on Monday and Year 5 the Haven Nursing Home on Tuesday. After celebrating Mass with the residents, the classes performed a song and mingled with the locals. Mary MacKillop would have been proud of their actions in bringing a little bit of joy into the lives of those who have a need.

Yr 4 Prayer from Thursday

Loving God, you sent your Son, Jesus, into the world to bring good news to the poor, happiness to those who are sad and suffering, and hope to those who struggle. Through the example of Jesus, your Son, and the life of Mary MacKillop, may we come to know and love you as they did and show our love and care for the poor and needy in our world. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALENDAR

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR AUGUST:

- Wed 17th Aug: Yr 5 & 6 Leadership Day
- Fri 19th Aug: Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes
- Mon 22nd Aug: Pupil Free Day
- Tues 23rd Aug: BOOKFAIR
- Wed 24th Aug: BOOKFAIR
- Wed 24th Aug: Out of uniform - Green & Gold Aussie Day
- Thurs 25th Aug: Yr 5 & 6 Soccer & Netball Gala Day
MERCY ON THE MOVE...

Mercy on the Move is a travelling resource consisting of 8 large images available for schools and parishes. This display is adapted from an initiative from the Melbourne Archdiocese, Office of Evangelisation, “Parables of Mercy”. Through the paintings and photographs presented, we are given a visual meditation on some of the parables and stories Jesus used to portray God’s mercy plus, examples of our prophets of mercy today. Below are Kinder and Yr 1 learning about these images this week.

Canteen thanks this week goes to...
✓ Kim McCullough for cupcakes
✓ Dona Davy for fruit
✓ Karen Mair for fruit

Our $5 meal deal Wednesday this week was a success with chicken & gravy rolls plus milo – thanks to Anne Maree Ashcroft & Dona Davy. Our next meal deal on Wed 24th will be home-made mini pizzas plus juice😊

CANTEEN COLOURING COMPETITION

Sam deSilva of Yr 6 has given the canteen a great idea (see his artwork to the right). We will run a lunch order colouring in competition from now until the end of this term. The best lunch bag drawing each week will receive a free ice-block or item to the value of $1.00. We are looking forward to lots of creative entries!!! 😊😊😊

Beach Walkathon  Thurs 15th Sept – Lake Cathie to Rainbow Beach

Children will catch buses at 10.30am from school to Lake Cathie and walk to Rainbow Beach, have lunch & play activities until it is time to return to school. Children can come in their own clothes! Please wear appropriate tops, i.e., no singlets, and correct footwear - closed-in shoes, no thongs or sandals. And a hat! Please pack recess (this will be eaten at school before boarding bus) fruit and snacks, a water bottle, hat & sunscreen. Lunch will be provided - a sausage sizzle and can of drink. A towel to sit on is optional. Sponsorship sheets were sent home this week. Parents welcome to join us.
Champion of Champions tennis tournament (last weekend in Grafton) – Paige Hudson placed 3rd, & Elwood Dollery placed 5th. Congratulations on such a fantastic achievement!

Milla Scale received her NSW PSSA cross country medal this week.

Camden Haven Parish Mass Times

Saturday: Laurieton 5.30 pm
Sunday: Laurieton 7.30 am  Kendall 9am
Tuesday: Kendall 9am
Wednesday: Laurieton 8am
Thursday: Laurieton 8am
Friday: Laurieton Midday Mass
Sacrament of Penance 5.00-5.20pm Sat