

## SPECIAL EVENTS

There are a range of special events at Mary Immaculate Primary School. These include:

### **Open Day**

An Open Day is held on a Saturday or Sunday annually, to allow current and prospective families time to explore our facilities, meet staff and parents and gain information on what Mary Immaculate has to offer students and their families.

### **Orientation for New Students**

Orientation for new students Prep – Year 6 takes place on the first Thursday of November. The morning begins with a *Welcome Liturgy*, hosted by the current Prep and Year 5 students. This is followed by input for the parents on school policies and procedures such as curriculum, parent involvement, uniform, daily procedures, while the new students enjoy time in their new classrooms, getting to know staff and other students. The Uniform Shop is open and Prep book packs are available for purchase.

### **Yr 6 Graduation**

This is always a special liturgy as we celebrate Year 6 students' completion of their primary years of school. The celebration is followed by supper (Year 5 parents are requested to help with this) and informal procedures where the efforts of staff, students and parents are acknowledged.

### **Annual Talent Quest**

A much anticipated event for all students. Organised by our Year 6 student leaders, this talent quest is open to all students from Prep – Year 6 and gives individuals and groups the opportunity to highlight their talent/s.

### **Mother's Day & Father's Day celebrations**

The P&F organise a Mother's and Father's Day stall each year. In addition, this special day is highlighted at weekly assembly and/or at class liturgical celebrations.

### **Grandparents/Family Day**

This special family day is highly valued and takes place in July each year, in Catholic Education Week. The school takes the opportunity to showcase our school and students, including our wonderful choir! Some grandparents annually make the trip from interstate to share this special celebration with their grandchildren. We acknowledge that it is not always possible for grandparents to visit, and so we also have a strong focus on family participation.



### **Harmony Day**

Harmony Day is always a special celebration, where we acknowledge and celebrate that we are a diverse multicultural community.

**Anzac Day**

As a school we recognise ANZAC Day, with a school liturgy or assembly. The senior students attend the Schools' Anzac Day celebrations in the city. Students and families are encouraged to attend the community celebration at Yeronga Park on Anzac Day.

**End of Year Concert**

A concert is held on the Wednesday of the second last week of Term 4. The concert may take the form of a Christmas celebration whilst at other times, it might focus on a particular theme. The concert is held in the Marymac Community Centre, adjacent to the school. The concert involves all children in the school, Prep to Year 6.

**P&F Annual Major Fund Raiser**

The P&F Association have a major fund raiser each year. This has taken the form of a School Disco, trivia night and Multicultural Festival over recent years. All parents are automatically members of the P&F when they enrol children in the school and are encouraged to be involved and support their child/ren's education through a range of opportunities.