



Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Term 3

Week 5

Tuesday, 21st August, 2018



Year 3 FIZZICS Incursion

"Last Tuesday, Year 3 had a Science incursion with Fizzics Education. We had lots of fun and we were able to do lots of cool experiments. My favourite was invisible writing." Kiarah Van De Poll 3R

"I loved the invisible ink message made from lemon juice. When the paper was ironed, the invisible message appeared. I was amazed! I never knew it could happen, so that's my favourite part!" Chris Baluyot 3B

"My favourite part in the incursion was when we got to listen to Quill, the scientist. We learnt a lot about heat and how it changes." Laiza Chicote 3G

"I enjoyed doing the invisible lemon juice ink because I never knew you can use lemon juice to write a secret message on a piece of paper. It was a fun and exciting day!" Angeliah Elters 3W

"The day taught me two things: that energy cannot be created nor destroyed and that focused air facilitates the shape of a ring." Alex Newell 3B

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Term 3 concludes:

Thursday,
27th September

Term 4 commences:

Monday, 15th October

Term 4 concludes:

Wednesday,
19th December

NAPLAN ONLINE- INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

2019 will see a major change to how NAPLAN testing is administered across Australia. In 2019, all school students in Years 3,5,7,9 will complete the NAPLAN tests online. To ensure our school and system is ready for this migration we are conducting a trial NAPLAN Online testing schedule in two weeks' time.

Our current Year 3 & 5 students will sit abridged versions of NAPLAN Online tests to make sure our technology and systems function effectively. The tests (one test for Year 3 and 2 tests for Year 5) will be completed during class time using a laptop. No results from these tests will be given to the students, teachers or the school. The purpose of these tests is to check our technology capabilities. All CEDP schools will complete these tests in the same week.

You can find more information about NAPLAN online at the following web address.

<http://www.nap.edu.au/default.aspx>

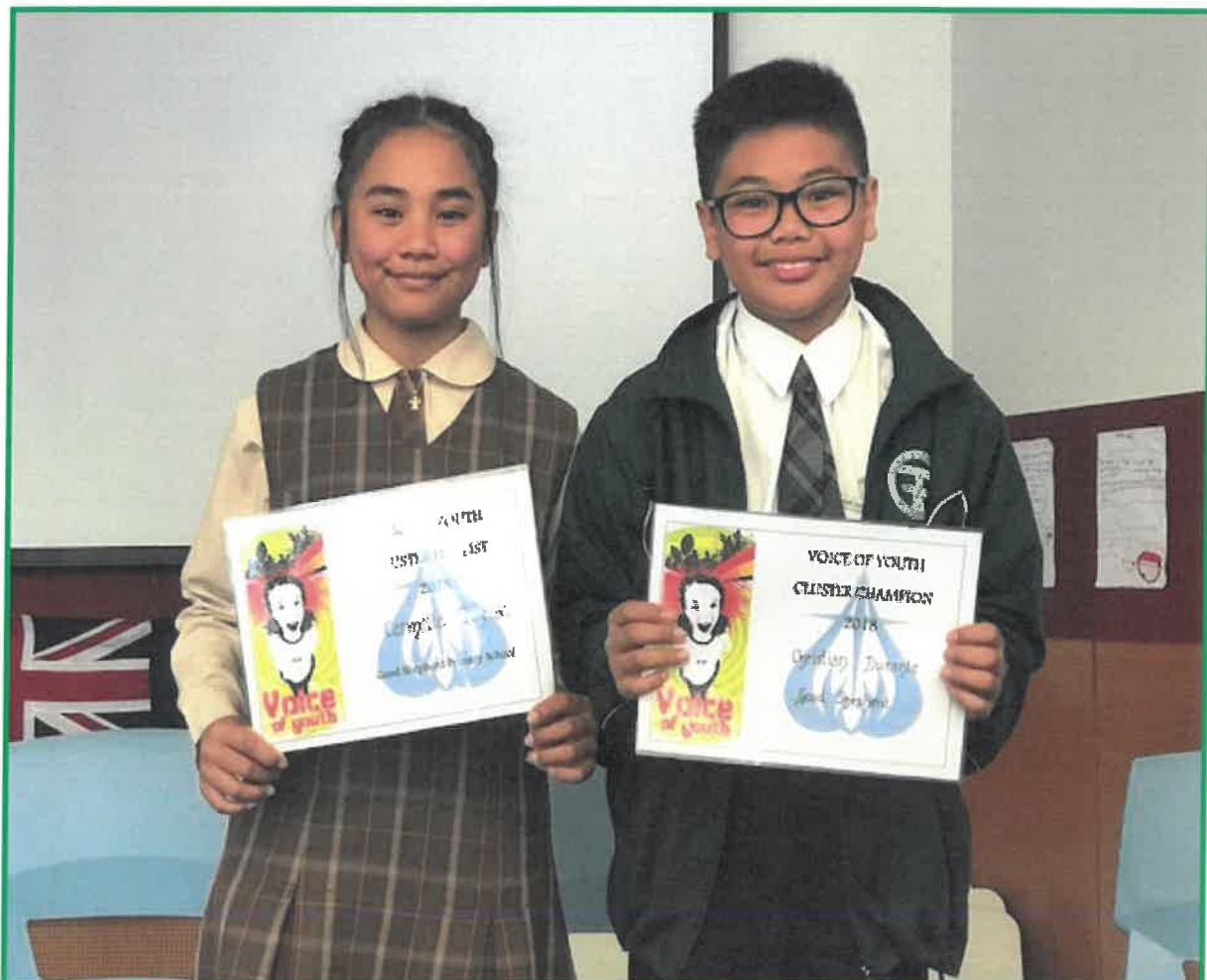
You can also have a go at some sample tests yourself at home! Why not have a go with your children?

If you have any questions about this process, please speak to your child's class teacher or ring the office and speak to Mrs Cooke.



Voice of Youth Finalists!!

Congratulations to all of our Year 6 students who competed in the Voice of Youth Public Speaking Contest and in particular to Carmella Queras and Christian Durante for becoming the Good Shepherd Champion and Runnerup Finalists!! On Thursday last week both students spoke at the Glendenning Cluster with four other schools involved and Christian was the Finalist chosen to represent the Glendenning Cluster at the Semi Finals. Carmella was chosen as the official Runner-Up for the Glendenning Cluster. We are very proud of these students!!



Kindergarten enjoying their Teddy's Bear Picnic



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 21st August:	Captivate Showcase
Wednesday, 22nd August:	Captivate Showcase
Thursday, 23rd August:	Diocesan Athletics
Friday, 24th August:	"Let's Have A Ball and Games Day" - School Fundraising Day
Tuesday, 28th August:	Netball Gala Day
Wednesday, 29th August:	Father's Day Breakfast (7.00 am—8.30 am Good Shepherd School)
Wednesday, 29th August:	Father's Day Liturgy (9.00 am Good Shepherd Church)
Thursday, 30th August:	Father's Day Stall
Thursday, 30th August:	Year 6 visit Loyola Trade Training Day
Friday, 31st August:	Book Parade (8.30 am Good Shepherd School). Parents welcome to come and watch.

Last week was the commencement of **National Science Week** and the theme for 2018 is **Game Changers and Change Makers**. In keeping with this, our school has declared:

War on Waste!

This is a very topical subject, with the phasing out of plastic bags in supermarkets and discussion around the impact that rubbish, in particular plastic and landfill, is having on our environment. Our focus fits with the National Science Week theme in that we collectively have the opportunity to be the Change Makers of our generations.

Waste Free Wednesday!

Beginning this week we will be encouraging students to bring their recess and lunch to school in recyclable wrapping and/or containers. When they do they will receive a stamp next to their name on a class list. At the end of the term, the class in each Stage with the most stamps will receive a Science/Environmental based book as a prize.

So, we are asking parents to come on board with this initiative. Talk to your children at home about some things that you can do as a family to help fight the War on Waste.



Peace & Joy Awards



The Good Shepherd School Community would like to congratulate the following students for their hard work and dedication throughout the past week. These awards are presented for cooperation, respectfulness, responsibility, care, compassion, fair go and integrity.

KB	Jacob Mammoliti	KG	Krthish Latchman
KR	Aiden Alano	KW	Abigail Milag
1B	Taiuli-Rose Bennell	1G	Thomas Sanak
1R	Mikaella DeGuzman	1W	Aashish Mann
2B	Sophia Rahme	2G	Angelo Cabida
2R	Miguel Reyes	2W	Jacob Cayetano
3B	Mahalea Miles	3G	Jacob Gigante
3R	Olivia Espinosa	3W	Lebron Manalo
4B	Macsimos Agpoon	4G	Jayden Fernandez-Zamora
4R	Ty Smith	4W	Hagop Ajoyan
5B	Aliyah Torres	5G	Gilsan Gilbertsagayathan
5R	Jude Aloisio	5W	Tuatangketatau Sailosi
6B	Mark Eckert	6G	JD Masi
6R	Vincent Viray	6W	Nathaniel Gonzales

Blacktown Zone Athletics Results

Last Tuesday 39 students competed at the Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival. Congratulations goes to Isabella Lira-Loloa who broke the Junior Girls 800 m record and placed 1st!! 18 other students also had outstanding results in their events and will now compete at the Diocesan Carnival this Thursday. These students will compete in all events including two relays, 100 m, 200 m, 800 m, Long Jump, Shot Put and Discus. Best of luck to all these students representing Good Shepherd and the Blacktown Zone.



Watch out Chicken Pox is about!!

Dear Parents, please note there has been a diagnosed case of Chicken Pox at school. Please visit website NSW Health www.health.nsw.gov.au/ for further information.



Complaints/Grievances Forms

Parents, please note if you would like to make a complaint/grievance in regards to any school matter, you can visit our school website, look under "About Us", "Policies & Procedures", "Catholic School Community", and you will find the Complaints documents there, or you can pick up a form from the school office. All matters will be attended to under strict confidentiality.

A special invitation to: Dads, Grandads, Carers!

In celebration of Father's Day we are holding a special morning for you!

Wednesday 29th August 7.00 am
to 9.30 am

Lets start with a nice hot BBQ Brekky at 7.00 am followed by a liturgy at 9.00 am. Dad, Grandad—if you are bringing the children to school—they can join you for breakfast too!

We will celebrate your special day with a liturgy in Church at 9.00 am! Everyone welcome.

Parent Group News

Father's Day Raffle—Donations urgently required please

Dear Parents, our school's Parent Group are organising a Father's Day Raffle which will be held at school on **Friday, 31st August**, and has asked if you would kindly donate male appropriate items for the raffle. These can be brought into the school office at any time and must be received no later than this **Friday, 24th August**. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.



Social Skill of the Week "Say please and thank you"

Library News

1. Bookclub Issue 5 has now closed.
2. The Premier Reader's Challenge has now finished. Would all students please bring in the finished record sheets if they haven't already done so.
3. There will be a **Book Character Parade for all students on Friday, 31st August (Week 6)** commencing 8.30 am to mark the end of Bookweek. This will be held in the back Cola area at school. Parents are welcome to come and watch. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character or bring in their favourite book/poster about their favourite book.



2018 Dates

Term 3

Concludes: Thursday, 27th September

Term 3 School Holidays

Monday, 1st October—Friday 12th October

Term 4

Commences: Monday, 15th October (Week 1)

Concludes: Wednesday, 19th December

Term 4 School Holidays

Thursday, 20th December 2018 through to
Monday, 28th January 2019

Please note Staff Development Days will occur throughout the year. Parents will be notified of such dates at the start of each term.

School Fees 2018

Dear Parents, accounts for the third instalment of school fees will fall due on 29th August. Any family who may experience difficulty paying their fees this year please contact the School Office for an appointment to discuss options available under the Catholic Education Office financial hardship policy.



Dear Parents & Carers, please note if someone else will be collecting your child **early or during school hours**, on your behalf, you need to inform the school **in writing or by email to:** (goodshepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au) **PRIOR**

TO PICKUP. This policy is **effective immediately**. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week: Krthish Latchman, Tsega Dawit, menna Dawit, Tevita Ma'asi, Saanvi Shrestha, Aiden Lees, Cloey Nguyen and Errol Cantorna.



"Let's Have A Ball and Games Day" - this Friday, 24th August!!

This Friday, 24th August is our "Let's Have A Ball and Games Day". This day promises to be more **FUN** than you can imagine! This day is our major fundraiser for the year so gather your sponsors and be prepared for **FUN**!!



There are so many wonderful games and inflatable challenges that are being prepared for our students to enjoy. Please put the effort into gathering sponsors so that we can have "**FUNtastic**" dollars to buy resources for all students to share!

Term 3 2018 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

Each year Staff participate in professional development to support them in their roles as educators. The focus of these days is aligned to Good Shepherd School's goals. Staff will use information they have gathered about the children to design learning programs for the children that will best meet their needs. Term 3's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on Friday, 28th September (Week 10). Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on this day. COSHC will be able to offer spaces for care on this day. Please phone COSHC on 0409 121 980 for all inquiries and bookings.

Policies and Forms

For all policies and forms, please refer to our School Website—"About Us"—"Policies & Procedures". Please note our Parent Handbook is on our School Website for your convenience.

Sick before School

Parents if your child is sick in the morning before coming to school please **do not** send them. It is much better that they are resting and recuperating at home than in Sick Bay. With the colder weather here, many little accidents are happening in Kinder and Year One. Could you please pack a spare pair of underwear and pants/socks/stockings for your child/ren. Thank you for your cooperation in both of these matters.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students who have participated in this challenge: Jasmine Ismail, Jahaziel Dela Paz, Mason Parica, Jacob Mammoliti, Jayden Aberca, Serenity Thomas, Ankit Maharaj, Kevin Gounder, Jaden Taranto, Amity Thomas, Mahi Prasad, Milan Mahajan, Angelo Dela Paz, Ethan Nunag, Dre Oakes, Nabil Kayrouz, Amellia Deja, Janice Hide, Marissa Galea, Jasleen Sehgal, Cyrille Raposas, Cassandra Pascual, Kritish Chand, Harper Thomas, Alena Terepo and Al Jur Cabanlong. Well done!!

Canteen News

Two Meal Deals to choose from at \$5.00 each (This deal is available until Friday 31st August).

Meal Deal 1

Chicken Salad Box (Chicken, Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot & Beetroot)
Bottle of Water

Meal Deal 2

Homemade Pasta Bolognese
Glee 99% Juice Drink

To view the full menu of Classroom Catering, please visit website: www.classroomcatering.com.au



Information regarding Leave from School

Leave from school for holiday/overseas trips in school time is not encouraged and must be explained in writing to the School Principal.

A leave form ("Application for Extended Leave") must be completed at least 4 weeks in advance for **5 or more school days**. Leave forms can be obtained from the school administration office. **Leave during school terms is strongly discouraged.**

Leave of 4 days and less needs to also be approved by the Principal. Please write a letter to your child's class teacher outlining the details of the leave, including the first and last school day that the child will be absent.

In NSW, school attendance is compulsory for children over the age of six years until the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. Students must complete Year 10, and after Year 10 until they turn 17 years of age, students must be: in school or registered for home schooling, or in approved education or training (e.g. TAFE, traineeship, apprenticeship), or in full-time, paid employment (average 25 hours per week) or in a combination of work, education and/or training.



Privacy Consent

Dear Parents & Carers,

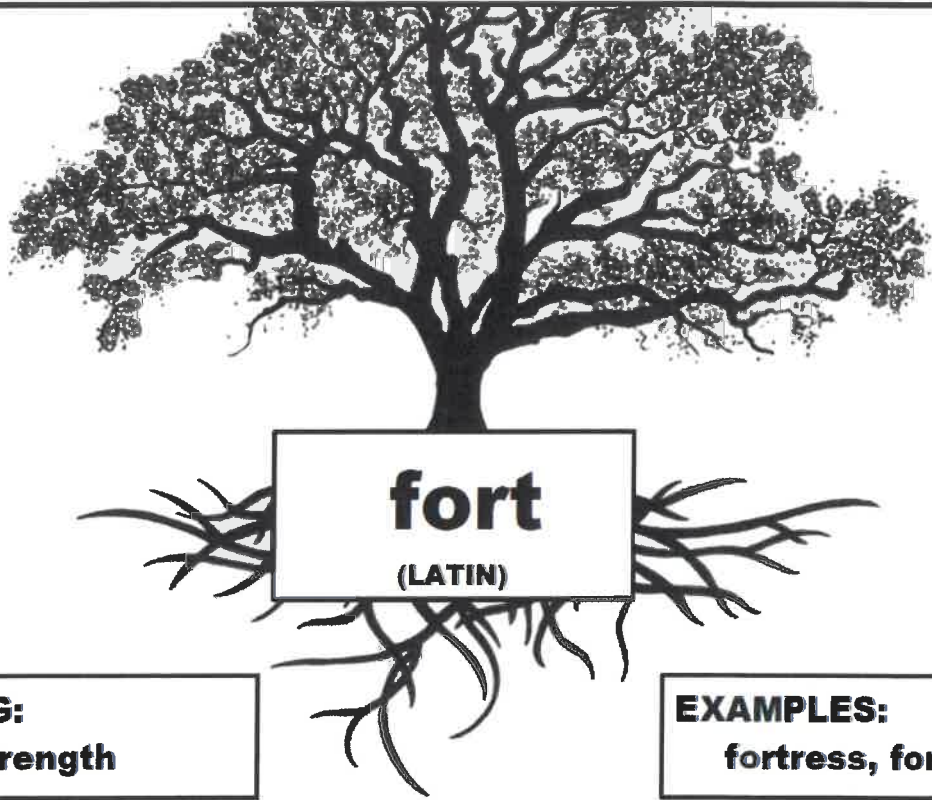
If you **do not** give consent for the use of your child's image and/or works to be published in our School Newsletter or on our website, please notify the school in writing. If you do not want your child to sell raffle tickets, please also inform the school office. Thank you.

Kindergarten 2019 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2019 are now available from the School Office. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any new siblings for 2019.



ROOT WORD OF THE WEEK



MEANING:
strength

EXAMPLES:
fortress, fortitude

Numeracy Warmup

Order My Numbers

Learning Intention: We are learning to read, write and interpret a 2,3 or a 4 digit number

Success Criteria: I know I am successful when I can:

- form a 2, 3 or 4 digit number using numeral cards
- order my number from smallest to largest
- predict which person will have the middle number
- order the numbers on an empty number line

Equipment needed: deck of cards or numeral cards

Aim: To develop children's understanding of 2, 3 or 4 digit numbers.

Task: In groups of 3 players and using a deck of cards with the picture cards removed.

Using the cards, make 4, -two, -three or -four digit numbers.

Order the numbers from smallest to largest.

Predict which person will have the middle number.

Plot the numbers on an empty number line. Compare my number line with another person's number line.

Read my numbers out loud and correctly.

Supporting Questions: Are the numbers plotted in similar positions along the number line? How can we prove it? Why did you pick the number as the middle number? Why did you order the numbers the way you did? What did you look at to decide the correct order?



From the Bishop's Office

We're hiring!

If you're studying or recently graduated from accounting and looking to get your foot in the door in finance, the Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Development Fund is looking for a casual Trainee Assistant Accountant with an immediate start. For more information contact ddffinance@parradfd.org.au

IFM Themes of Faith Program

Exploring Catholic life, faith and action themes – for people keen on very manageable home readings/reflection ready to attend great group conversations. Ten Monday evenings and one Saturday morning are spread out across July 30 to Oct 29. Gatherings break into mentored groups of 10 - excellent for age 18 to seniors - builds confidence to grow and share faith. See ifm.org.au or call the IFM team 9296 6369

IFM Reflective Ministry Program

This enjoyable program aims to enrich those involved in service/ministry of Catholic communities – excellent chance for learning and further shaping of faith and purpose. Ten Tuesday evenings and two Saturday mornings are spread out across August 18 to Dec 1 – presenters' inputs, journaling and application to ministry – group size about 35. See ifm.org.au or call the IFM team 9296 6369

ACYMC 2018

Early-bird registration for the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta on behalf of the Australian Catholic Bishops is now open at www.acymc.org.au. The event will host up to 500 adult delegates who are engaged in ministry with young people in parishes, schools, agencies and ministries of the Catholic Church. Rooty Hill RSL, September 21-23.

Contact James Camden, Director, Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information (02) 8838 3428 or james.camden@parracatholic.org

Save the Date - Liturgy Conference 2018

Date: 10 November 2018. Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter Williams Vicar General from the Diocese of Parramatta. Workshops (still to be finalised): Singing the Psalms, RCIA ritual & symbols, Training Junior Altar Servers and Music and Prayer in the Classroom. To register your interest go to: parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/
Tickets: On sale soon (we'll let you know when).

Migrant and Refugee Week: 20 - 26 August

Pope Francis has chosen as the theme for the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 'Welcoming, protecting, promoting, and integrating migrants and refugees'. We are challenged by the message of the Holy Father to consider how we can welcome, protect, promote and integrate migrants and refugees in our own Australian context. For more information please visit: parracatholic.org/socialjustice

Nigerian Mass in Igbo: 26 August

Rev Fr Chukwunonyerem Akamadu, Chaplain to the Nigerian Catholic community, will celebrate Mass at 12.30pm at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. Contact Fr Akamadu tel 0451 174 438, Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472.

Creating a Safe Church: 31 August - 1 September

The Diocese of Parramatta is co-hosting two days of presentations by Fr Hans Zollner SJ addressing the most significant issues facing the Catholic Church today with respect to harmful behaviour, including the theological and spiritual implications arising from the abuse crisis and their impact on victims and survivors, together with members of the Church. Fr Hans is regarded as one of the leading ecclesiastical experts in the field of safeguarding of minors and on areas concerning sexual abuse both in the Roman Catholic Church and beyond. More information and registration via parracatholic.org/safechurch

Plenary Council 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

St Vincent de Paul DROUGHT APPEAL

Help support struggling rural communities facing tough drought conditions. Help individuals and communities across NSW in three ways:

Provide immediate relief through food assistance and other household bill payments

Fund the delivery of water and animal feed by partner organisations

Organise social events for rural communities to come together and find support

Donations can be made by calling 13 18 12, www.vinnies.org.au/drought or at any local Vinnies Shop.

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WASTE FREE WEDNESDAY

**Every Wednesday from week 5 bring
lunch that produces no rubbish.**

Pack
reusable
containers
and drink
bottles



Earn stamps
and you can
win a prize!

Pack Waste Free

Lunches

Reusable containers

Reusable drink bottles

Reusable cutlery

Reusable lunchbox or bag

Fruit (banana, apple, grapes, mandarin, pear etc)

Cling wrap

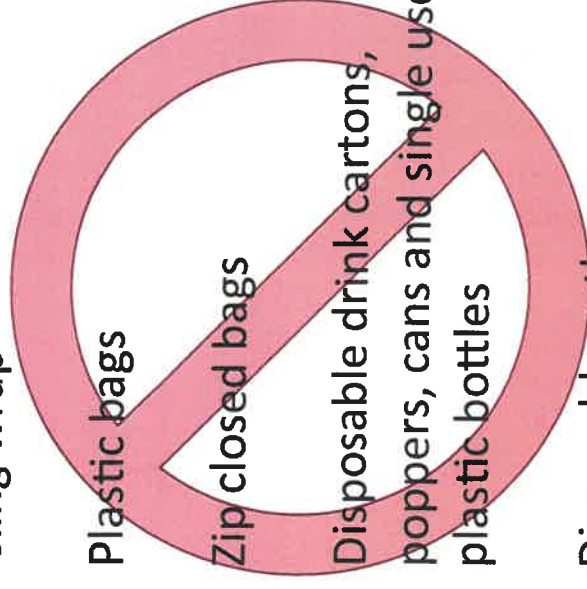
Plastic bags

Zip closed bags

Disposable drink cartons, poppers, cans and single use plastic bottles

Disposable cutlery

Straws



FAMILY FUN DAY

at the New South Wales Parliament
October School Holidays!

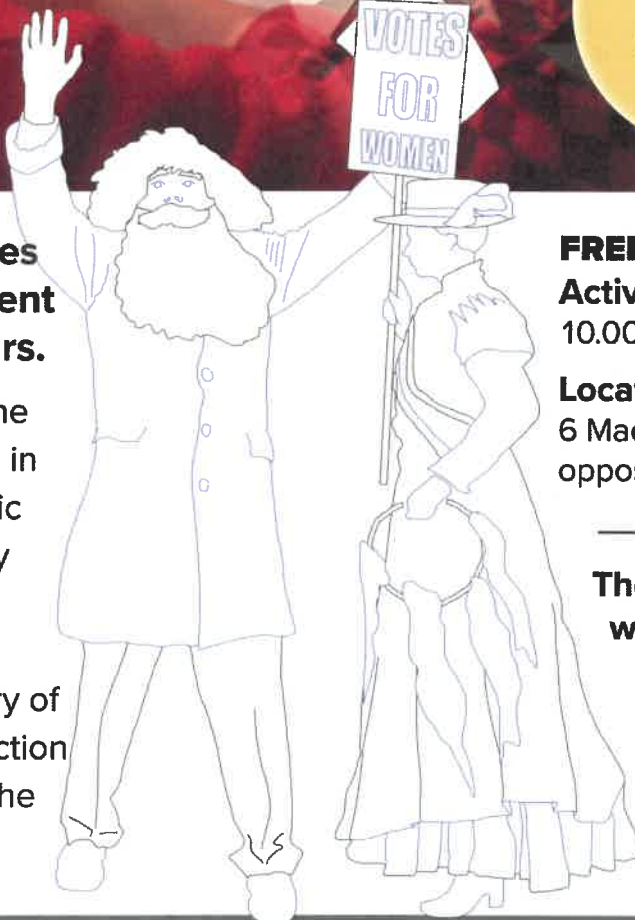
FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER
10 AM TO 3 PM



Sausage
Sizzle
\$3.00
per person

Free fun educational activities at Australia's oldest Parliament for children from 4 to 12 years.

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers places rarely open to the public. Engage with roving historical characters and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women becoming eligible for election to parliament and admittance to the legal profession in NSW.



FREE ENTRY Activities

10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Location

6 Macquarie Street –
opposite Martin Place

**The public café
will be open.**



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