Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Last week there were two serious incidents that were reported regarding the ‘Kiss and Drop’. These incidents occurred because drivers did not follow the safety procedures that we have in place.

Please read the following guidelines and if a relative or friend is using the Kiss and Drop please ensure that you inform them on how ‘Kiss and Drop’ works at St Monica’s.

**Morning Drop Off**
- **Entry to the school is via Daking Street only**
- Parents are **not to leave their car when they are in the ‘drop off zone’**.
- Please ensure bags etc are already in the car ready for the children to take.
- Children are to only get out of the car from the driver’s side.

**Afternoon Pick up**
- Keep all business driveways clear whilst on the car line allowing cars to reverse out onto Daking Street if required.
- Keep to the left hand side of the road so that oncoming traffic can access Church Street.
- Move close into the kerb where the ‘no parking’ signs have been placed at our school entry.

- **When entering the school grounds from Daking Street**—parents are asked to either follow the marked arrows to the carpark or if entering the playground to follow the teachers directions.
- **When exiting the playground**—after picking up your child you may only turn right out of the playground towards North Rocks Road and Church Street.

*** PLEASE NOTE: Entry to the school is via Daking Street only and exit is either via Church Street or North Rocks Road.

**Pasta Lunch**
Thank you to the wonderful parents who made the bolognese and neopolitana pasta lunches last Friday. Your efforts were appreciated by all the children who ordered their lunch. Special thanks to Janet Joseph who did a test run at home with her family and then calculated the ingredients for the two pasta dishes so that all the children had plenty to eat. Thank you also to Simone Lewis, Neil and Janet Joseph, Tiffany Cooper, Katrina Mitchell, Gulshan Muttoo, Mitsue French, Joan Evangelista, Kristy O’Rourke and Gabriela Maksimova. A profit of $304.30 was made which will go towards technology for the school.

**ABC**
Last Friday Mr Greg Whitby, Executive Director of Schools was interviewed by Rebecca Barrett from the ABC News at St Monica’s. Mr Whitby and Mrs Barrett were very impressed with the students as they explained their learning and how they integrated technology. The news item will be on the ABC sometime this week. If we receive word on the day we will inform parents otherwise keep tuning into the ABC News at 7:00pm nightly.

**Dance Fever**
Photos of the Interschool Challenge can be found under Galleries on the School Website.
PBL Presentation
Congratulations to the Stage 3 students and their teachers on their presentation of their PBL driving question “How can we, as civil engineers, design a bridge for two or more purposes?”.  

Book Fair and Book Parade
A reminder to all parents and students that the Book Fair and Book Parade will be held on Monday 4 August (Week 4, Term 3). The theme this year is ‘Connect to Reading’. Characters MUST be from a book. Further details can be found under SCHOOL NOTES on the website.

I wish all staff, students and families a very safe and relaxing holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Louise O’Donnell
Principal