



# St Mary's Newsletter

## WELCOME TO WEEK 4

We welcome production week! There is a wonderful energy in the air and our learners have done everything that has been expected of them! They have given their very best, behaved and respected staff and truly shone in all of their roles! Thank you to all of our learners you are a joy to lead! -

A reminder that our learners are welcome to enjoy a sleep in on Thursday morning in lieu of our late night at production. Please have all children at school by 11:30 for our first roll. We do ask that learners do attend on Thursday as we may touch up on production items and the routine of school keeps everyone settled! Staff will still be at school on Thursday for normal times for parents who work and bus travelers. Friday is a school day and we look forward to celebrating our wrap party with ice cream and a disco at lunch time!

In the coming weeks we have two camps. The year 5/6 will head off to Canberra and the Year 2's will camp out at Treetops. Please read and complete paperwork that comes home in readiness of this.

Next week is a short week with Monday as a school closure and Tuesday for Melbourne cup. We hope that families enjoy their extended weekend together and take up the Cohuna Festival opportunities!

God Bless,

Jasmine Ryan - **Principal**



## FOR THE CALENDAR

- 30-31st Oct: School Production "Jules" - 7.30pm
- 1st Nov: Prep transition 9-11am, Feast of all Souls - whole school liturgy @12:30
- 4th Nov: School Closure
- 5th Nov: No school - Melb Cup
- 6th Nov: Collaborative
- Spirituality Day @ St Joseph's
- 8th Nov: Fashions on the Field
- 10th Nov: St Mary's Garden Walk
- 11th Nov: School Board @ 7pm
- 13th Nov: Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 6pm
- 14th Nov: Treetops Camp Yr 2
- 15th Nov: Prep Transition 9-11:40
- 18th - 22nd Nov: Canberra Camp
- 22nd Nov: Prep Transition 9 - 12
- 25th Nov: St Mary's Bishops Holiday
- 26th Nov: Assembly @ 2:15pm





### PBIS BLITZ

Respecting your belongings, hats, jumpers, lunch box and containers

### FASHIONS ON THE FIELD

On Friday 8th November we will celebrate our annual Fashions on the Field! We will hit the run way at recess to show off our spring fashion flare!

There will be prizes from our judges and we look forward to seeing everyone in their finest!



**A reminder there is no school on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th November. Enjoy your long weekend!**



### LSL

Jasmine will be on leave in week 5 - Miss Adelia will be in charge if anyone needs anything!

## IT'S SHOWTIME

Today we had our full dress rehearsal. All of our learners did an incredible job! We are so proud of the entire learning journey that they have all explored to get to this amazing performance.

Thank you to Mrs Keely and all of the St Mary's staff who have been so flexible with their time. As a team they have been able to support our learners in shining on stage tonight and tomorrow night.

Thank you to all in our community who have helped in anyway from the start to the end, I know you too will be proud of the final outcome!

Thank you to our families for keeping informed and supporting your children to do their very best in our production.

## A PRAYER

A Special Prayer for All Souls Day, November 2nd

**'Their lives change but do not end'**

**A Prayer Offered by Pope Francis**

We entrust to you, O Lord

The souls of our beloved.

May none of them be afraid to meet You,

After their earthly pilgrimage,

But may they always hope to be welcomed

In the embrace of your infinite mercy.

Lord, may no earthly thing

Ever separate us from you,

But may everyone and everything

Support us with a burning desire

To rest peacefully and eternally in You.

Amen



## Child Safe Reminders



Thank you to all of our visitors on Grandparents day for your patience in waiting to sign in. We are grateful of the support everyone showed with our child safe practices. We did recognise that next time we have a large event that we will have more sign in books available. Again, thank you for your support in keeping our children safe!

## UNIFORM UPDATE

We will order new school uniforms in the coming weeks ready for 2020. Initially, we will only introduce the polo top, sports shorts / sport skort and sports top. We will inform the community via the newsletter and CDF pay once orders are open. We will revisit winter options in the new year. Due to improved materials and embroidered logos there is an increase in some costs. Again, St Mary's will have a 12 month roll over period. Our goal is to ensure unity, comfort and quality!

**COSTS:** Short sleeve polo \$25, Long sleeve polo \$30, Sport shorts \$15, Sports skort \$25, sports top \$35





## OUR LEARNING

### JUNIOR TEAM (Prep - Year 2)

All the learners in the junior area are looking forward to Jules, the school production. They are so excited to share all their hard work with their family and friends. The Prep - year 2 learners have been practising to deliver an amazing show. We cannot wait to share it all with you! Last Friday all the learners enjoyed grandparents day. They loved spending time and completing the activities with their grandparents and special friends. The junior area is beginning to explore different countries and cultures around the world. We are beginning to look at America. They have identified America landmarks such as The White House and the Empire State Building on a map. They are learning to read maps to identify different places around the world. The Prep- Year 2 learners will be comparing similarities and differences between America and Australia. The Prep learners are continuing to use their prior knowledge to help them visualise within Reading groups. The Prep learners are to write biographies. They are beginning to understand the purpose of biographies and some key features. The Prep learners are continuing to ask yes/no questions. They are learning to gather and collect data to create bar graphs. The Year 1 learners are writing letters, before they begin to explore autobiographies. They are focusing on the comprehension skill of retelling during reading. During Numeracy the Year 1's are exploring chance and data.

The Year 2 learners are writing descriptive text where we are reading longer sentences and finding joining words to make better sentences. In maths they are revising their counting and place values.

### SENIOR TEAM (Year 3 - Year 6)

Year 3/4 learners have been reading information texts with a 'PIE' to identify the author's purpose. Learners have been writing acrostic poems. In Mathematics, learners have been creating graphs. They have been reading and comparing the data presented on graphs.

In Year 5/6, learners have been exploring shape and measurement. They have been learning a variety of poetry in reading and writing.

**There will be NO NEWSLETTER next week due to the short week! PAM will still provide families with information for daily organisation!**

## BIRTHDAYS



Piper Hooper-Higgs - 3rd November  
Brooklyn Bowland - 5th November



## Christmas Hampers 2019



Each year we ask our St. Mary families to donate goods for Christmas hampers that are given to those who are in need of a little extra Christmas cheer. We have again been invited to join the Combined Churches Christmas Hampers which is a wonderful way for our community to join together in the spirit of giving.

Each class will have their own basket where each student can put their contributions into.

Each class will be asked to donate the following items to the hampers.

(If you have children in more than one class, please only donate what you can. No pressure to put into every class hamper.)

Preps	Long life milk
Grade 1	Biscuits - sweet/savory
Grade 2	Pack of chips
Grade 3&4	Tinned fruit
Grade 5&6	Custard

The aim is to create lovely hampers filled with wholesome food and we ask that the products be well known brand names. (No home brand).

All goods need to be collected by Nov 15th and these will then be sorted into beautiful hampers. Please give what you can and it will be lovely to think that we will be bringing smiles to faces at Christmas!

Thankyou







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### Tips for Learning to Embrace Failure in Kids

Often failure can be seen by children as being 'the end of the world' or sometimes 'losing is not an option' and can be hard for them to deal with.

Approaching this as a parent can be difficult. Supporting and teaching children how to embrace and learn from failure can be beneficial.

It is important to remind your children that failure is one of the many things we experience in life.

#### 1. Be a good role model

Your children are always watching you. Handle your own disappointments appropriately. Don't get mad or angry, accept the disappointment and acknowledge that you can do better next time.

#### 2. Normalise failure

Let your children know that they will experience failure sometime during their life. It is not something to be scared of.

#### 3. Give feedback after failure, ask specific questions and encourage learning

What can be learnt from the failure? Ask questions such as: "How did you feel when that happened?" "What could you do different next time?" Failure is an opportunity to learn.

#### 4. Encourage your children to try new things and activities

By sticking to "what they are good at" and not trying something new, it is hard to identify strengths and weaknesses. It is important for your child to try new things and activities, to broaden their horizons, to experience failure and to continue working on strengths and weaknesses.

#### 5. Manage expectations of plans

Plans such as play dates can get cancelled and children may 'bomb out' on a test that they planned to do well on. Treat plans as possibilities not guarantees. This reduces expectations and allows your children to understand that minor disappointment and failure will happen in life.

For more information and tips visit:

<https://www.parents.com/kids/development/behavioral/failure-is-an-option/>

<https://lindastade.com/working-with-failure-2/?fbclid=IwAR32o6yFFDGNiYoYm8S4LGPo7ZcY19pcNRNvWG7R1o4Bpgx60e7Vd82X-I>



[www.ndch.org.au](http://www.ndch.org.au)

## St Mary's, Cohuna Garden Walk

Sunday November 10th,  
10am - 2pm

Come and explore our beautiful local gardens  
Tickets \$15 includes a light lunch at the school  
Tickets available at St Mary's Primary School  
now or on the day

Major prize proudly donated by



Call 0400 130 235  
for further details



## GANNAWARRA MEMORIAL TOY RUN 2019

Saturday 23rd November

ROAD BIKES & CARS

#### Registrations & Route Info:

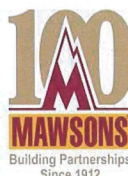
- Motorcycles & Cars 7:30am @ Leitchville CFA
- Breakfast in Kerang CBD @ 8:00 am – 9:30am
- Cars & Bikes 8:00am in Kerang CBD
- Cars 9:45am Leave for Barham
- Bikes 9:30am Leave for Barham
- Morning Tea in Mellool St Barham from 10:30am – Leave 11:30am for Cohuna.
- Lunch at Cohuna Park from 12:30pm. All welcome.



**Cost:** \$20 per bike/car includes tickets into Raffle for 2 Major Price Draws.

Show & Shine – Cars & Bikes at Cohuna

2 Nights Accommodation for 4 people @ Golden Rivers



Barham Bakery  
8 Mellool St.  
Barham N.S.W 2732  
Ph 03 54532059



Donations of Toys, Gift Vouchers and Cash accepted

**\*PLEASE NOTE WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT NEW TOYS\***

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