

St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 4, WEEK 9

It's Week 9 - and bring on the warm weather and the swimming program. Thank you in advance to all families for your organisation leading into this hectic swimming week and to Miss Adams for her preparation of our swimming program.

Yesterday was the last Sunday of the liturgical year where we honoured Jesus Christ as King of the Universe and our King. We not only celebrate his triumph and glory, but also his justice. He reminds us that the way we treat those we like the least, reflects on how we treat all people.

On Friday the staff met to celebrate the areas of St Mary's that we feel are going well, and more importantly focus on where we need to improve to ensure our learners are provided with the excellent educational experience they truly deserve. We will communicate these areas for development with families early next year when we publish our 2024 Annual Action Plan. We also discussed the power of relational connection and ways we can continue to work in partnership with learners and their families.

Last week staff, learners and parent representatives met with our school architects to begin the consultation process towards our new Master Plan (buildings etc.). Thank you to all involved and I look forward to hearing back from the architects before the end of the year.

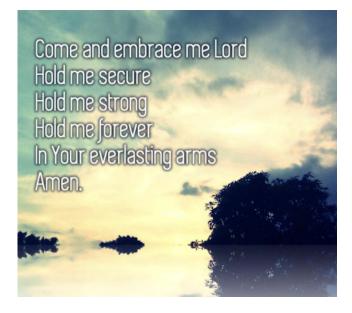
By my count, we now have 15 more school days this year. In that time we have: our Swimming Program/Week begins - Mon 27/11, Sacrament of Reconciliation (Yr3's) - Thurs 30/11, Yr6 Big Day Out - Thurs 7th Dec TBC, Community Step Up Day - Tues 12/12, Christmas Performances - Wed 13/12, St Mary's Feast Day and End of Year Mass - Wed 13/12 (new date), Yr6 Graduation - Thurs 14/11, Learner's last day - Fri 15/12, Staff last day - Wed 20/12.

This Thursday night is a special one when our Yr3 learners celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Church at 6pm. This Sacrament is a cornerstone of our faith, where if you make a mistake, own up to it and truly seek forgiveness and work to make up for it, that forgiveness is always granted in the eyes of God. Thank you to Mrs Kelly for preparing the children and to Fr Dean for leading this celebration of faith.

Take care and God bless,

Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)

St Mary's Cohuna Families - Term 4- 2023	
Week	Dates & Items
9	 Mon 27th Nov - Swimming Program this week Mon 27th Nov - P&F Meeting @ 6:30pm Tues 28th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in
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11	 Tues 12th Dec - St Mary's Feast Day/End of Year mass @ 6pm Wed 13th Dec Thurs 14th Dec - Learner Pool Party! Thurs 14th Dec - Yr6 Graduation @ Tavern Fri 15th Dec - Learner's last day of 2023
12	 Mon 18th Dec - Staff professional development Tues 19th Dec - Staff 2024 planning Wed 20th Dec - Staff last day Wed 20th Dec - CES Ltd office closes for 2023





HAPPY! BIRTHDAY!



1st Dec DARCY GORDON

JUNIORSCHOOL



SENIOR SCHOOL

It was another busy week in Gr 3/4 last week. We've all been practicing hard for our plays and there was lots of painting happening as groups were getting their backdrops and props finished. Everyone is enjoying writing their own stories in writing time and working with their partners on their maths projects, where they are designing, creating and costing how much they would need to build their own gardens. We're all very excited for swimming, so fingers crossed the weather is kind and we have a lovely week of swimming.

On Wednesday the 15th of November, 8 Year 5 learners were selected to go to Echuca for a leadership day at St Mary's Echuca. We learned about what Caritas Australia does and learnt about Project Compassion and the theme 'For All Future Generations.' We had a great day and were lucky enough to get some Maccas on the way home.

Summer Savage.

COMMUNITY NEWS

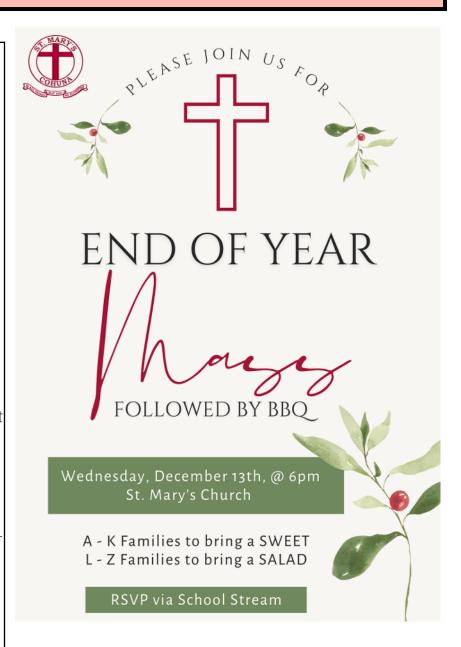
<u>Calling all Mo</u> <u>growers!</u>



Every November I (try to) grow a mustache to raise awareness for men's health and wellbeing - Movember. This November I am looking for members of our school community to join in the fun! If you are interested, this is what you can do to help out:

- Take a photo of yourself on Nov 1st (without a mo) and share it with us
- Take a photo of yourself each week showing your growth! and share it with us
- Allow us to put these photos on our school social media
- Everytime someone asks you about your 'mo', ask them two questions: 'How are you going?' (and really listen to their answer).
 And ask them 'When was the last time you went to the doctors for a check up?'

I am not wanting you to raise money, but
I am asking you to raise awareness
around men's mental health and
wellbeing.



COHUNA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

CAROLS IN THE PARK

20TH DECEMBER 6PM

BYO:

CHAIR, SNACKS,
ALCOHOL

IMPORTANT DATES



Important Dates for the rest of the 2023 year

Pupil Free Day - Fri 24/11

Swimming Program/Week begins - Mon 27/11

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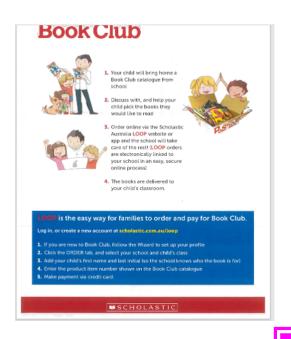
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The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international organisation operating in 153 countries and has over 800,000 members worldwide. The Society has a presence on every continent in the world with the exception of Antarctica perhaps. Mrs Mathers in her role as chaplain at our school is also a St Vinnies Kerang member. She is able to assist families with food vouchers or other resources that families require. You can make appointments to see her if a need arises. Please do not hesitate to contact the school.

"Helping one person may not change the whole world, But it could change the world for one person."

God Bless Mrs Mathers



Prep/1
Year1/2
Year3/4 LK
Year 3/4 B

Year 3/4 B Year 5/6 WM Year 5/6 D. LOGIN DETAILS

SCHOOL: St Marys School

SCROLL to Cohuna

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School Term Dates 2023:

Term 1: 27th Jan - 6th Apr

Term 2: 24th Apr - 23rd Jun

Term 3: 10th Jul - 15th Sep

Term 4: 2nd Oct - 20th Dec

It Mary's acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet; the Barrapa Rappa People, and pay respects to elders both past and present.

