

# Our News...

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Newsletter No# 8



## TO THE COMMUNITY OF ST MARY'S... GOD IS GLORIFIED IN ALL THINGS

An action packed week at St Mary's this week with Harmony Day and a Hockey incursion! The learning was in the air and as I walk through the classrooms I can see and feel the depths of our terms learning with great conversation and engagement! It will be a shame to interrupt the flow however the holidays too are an important part of our growth!

Harmony Day was on Tuesday were all learners at St Mary's were treated to an action packed fun filled day of learning in order to celebrate Australia's cultural

diversity. Harmony day is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Our Learners enjoyed our special guest, parent Bernie Dehne, who spoke about her country of birth, Ireland. Rotating around the school, multi aged groups enjoyed tabloid sports, making fruit snacks, studied Geography, made some dot paintings, drama, and another art activity. We began our day with prayer, recognizing our Indigenous heritage and finished with a pizza lunch had by all!

Thank you to Kerang Junior Hockey Association and Loddon Murray Hockey Club for providing us with a hockey incursion! We all learned new skills and many of our learners keen to try hockey in the community!

A reminder to any parent yet to do the Master plan survey - the link is available on the app or simply type in the below for access.

<https://goo.gl/forms/6Ss3bZWdxNkIV2GH2>

This survey closes on **Friday 31st March** and findings will be included in a consultative process for St Mary's Master plan.

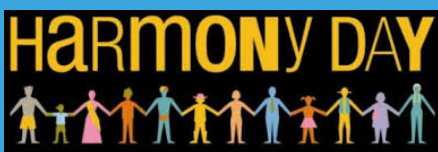
On Monday evening we had our P&F AGM. Thank you to everyone who attended. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Linda Jones for her unwavering commitment. Linda has served the P&F as President for and we thank her for her time. We welcome Alex Douglas to the P&F and thank her for taking over the President role, we wish her every success.

This coming Monday night we have our School Board AGM. Please return any nominations by Friday. Please join us if you would like to.



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 27th Mar School Board AGM @ 7:00pm
- 28th Mar Assembly @ 2:20pm - Prep to Host
- 31st Mar - End of Term One
- Term 2 Begins: 18th April



Next Tuesday we will have our Whole school assembly at 2:30pm, please come along if you are able. We will draw the Easter Raffle on this day. Our Preps' will share their gifts and talents and Year 1 will lead us in prayer.

A reminder that the front entrance of the school at the end of the day is for parents collecting in a vehicle and the back entrance is for our walkers. The bus zone is extremely hectic with blind spots . We would like to ensure the safety of all and thank parents for supporting us with this.

Thank you to all of our parents who came along to our Learning Conversations. As educators we have found them extremely valuable and having parent input and a round table conversation displays to our learners how invested we are in their growth and success. Thank you all, especially to our learners who are all talking about learning and exploring academic goals to be sensational learners!

A reminder that we are approaching our last week of term and dismissal time will be at 2.15pm.

*God Bless - Jasmine Ryan (Principal)*

## EASTER MASS TIMES

Holy Thursday	
Good Friday	5:00 pm
Easter Vigil	6:00 pm
Easter Sunday	8:30 am



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Leitchville Gunbower Auskick

Auskick starts on Sunday the 23rd of April at 10am at the Gunbower Football Oval. Season timetables will be handed out then. Registrations are online, please visit [www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au).

Auskick is for boys and girls between the ages of 5-12

We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions please contact **Casey** on [0428356427](tel:0428356427).



Amelia Hammond - 26th  
 Silas Toll - 26th  
 Kiara Robins - 27th  
 Isla Murray - 28th  
 Liam Edge - 29th



## CARITAS NEWS.....

**Cup cake fundraising update : - our final tally was \$123. A big thank you to the St. Mary's staff for baking the cup bakes.**

**Could all CARITAS money boxes please be returned to school by next Friday.**

