

Our News...

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



Today we welcome spring! With the beginning of spring we hope to welcome some warmer days and better health! Thank you to all families who have kept their children home who have been unwell. It is awful to have an unwell child and we thank you for keeping them home to minimise infection. Thank you for completing absentee forms via the App as it provides St Mary's with instance data on what is circulating. Thank you to Sharee Edge who has provided the school with some Victorian Health facts around common illness we experience in school aged children. These have been uploaded to our App under 'NEWS,' for easy access.

Thank you to all our families who attended this week assembly! We celebrated many gifts and talents in our school particularly our public speakers and up and coming writer's. It is always impressive to see our Learner's share their gifts with such confidence and pride. We again congratulate Sophie Link on winning this years Book Week Community Writer's award. Sophie's book is available for all to read on our schools website - a worthwhile read!

This week we have introduced an eating bell. For the first 10 minutes of each break all Learners will sit and eat their lunch or snack. This allows ample time for eating and playing. We are asking our Learners to take any food scraps home to families so that you are aware of what is and is not being eaten and discuss this accordingly with your child. Our chooks get ample from our fruit scraps! We thank you for your support on this.

Today we celebrated with our Dad's and special men in our lives! Everyone got involved with the wonderful activities and had a chat with other Dad's and friends in the playground. Our lunch was incredible and we thank all the men that were able to come along. We hope that you all enjoy your Father's Day this weekend. Well done to Cameron Mihailovic who won this years amazing raffle! The PFA raised \$735. Thank you to the many PFA behind the scenes that helped.

St Mary's staff have begun to incorporate the Child Safe curriculum into the classroom. With the guidance of the CEO all schools in Victoria are mandated to be teaching Child Safe curriculum in the classroom by the end of 2017. Initially, this curriculum begins with an assessment of what it means to feel safe at school. St Mary's will monitor the data from the Learner's to best deliver the curriculum. Our families will be informed continuously around this as it may be beneficial to continue some conversations at home. Child Safe standards and procedures are very important with in schools.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 4th Sept: P&F Meeting @ 7:30pm
- 6th Sept: Class Mass @ 12:30pm - Yr 1 to Host
- 8th Sept: Playgroup 9:30 - 10:30, Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 5:00pm
- 11th Sept: Learning Conversations this week, School Board Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 13th Sept: Chaplain group outing to St Patrick's
- 15th Sept: Playgroup 9:30 - 10:30
- 18th Sept: Grandparents Day

Thank you for your understanding in regard to the date change for our Grandparents day. We recognise that Grandparents day is a significant occasion for the St Mary's community. Our need to change the date is that we are hoping for our Grandparents to play a significant part with our final stages of our inquiry learning, through guest speaking and Now and Then interviews. This investigation still has a few weeks to go so we changed the date to allow our Grandparents to be apart of our celebration of learnings. An official invitation and lunch order will come home next week.

Today 12 fantastic athletes represented St Mary's school at the Zone athletics in Kerang. Well done to Remy Doyle, Joe Brown, Sophie and Maddy Link. Marli Easton, Liam Edge, Hudson Fountain, Isaac Erfurth, Thomas Hawken, Seth Robinson, Lainie Hawken, and Kiara Robins for making it through to the zone competition and doing St Mary's proud!

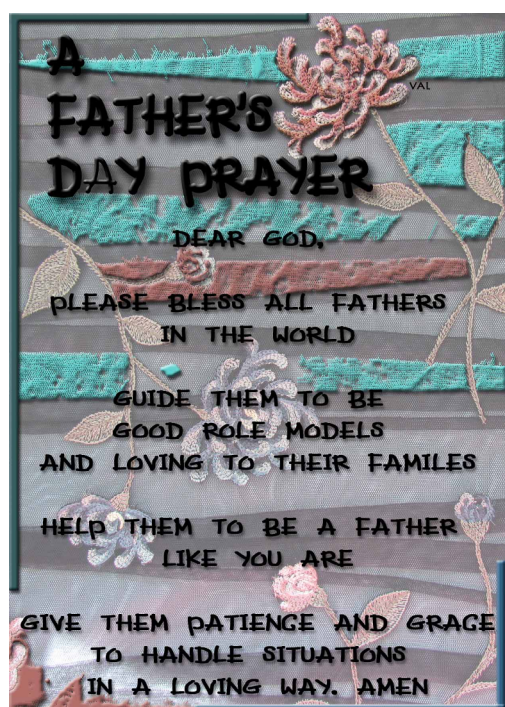
It is hard to believe that Learning Conversations have come around already! Please get onto to School Interviews to book your time with your child's teacher. These conversations are really important and we we appreciate you making arrangements to attend. This term, the library will be open for siblings waiting for their conversation. We will have a staff member supervising games in the library. We ask that only the parent(s) and one Learner be in the classroom for these conversations .

Again, thank you to all the Dad's, Grandfathers and wonderful men and women that joined us today! I wish you a truly lovely day on Sunday.

God Bless - Jasmine Ryan (Principal)



Caelan Appleby - 2nd



LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

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Mon 11th Sept: 3:30 - 5:30

Tue 12th Sept: 3:30 - 5:30

Thur 14th Sept: 3:30 - 5:30

Fri 15th Sept: 3:30 - 5:30



Community Notices.....

Cohuna United Cricket Club U12 & U14 Training will commence on 6th September - 4.30pm start at the nets. All welcome.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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To use the music preparation time accurately to be ready for learning!

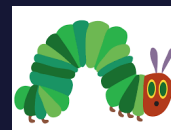
NEXT WEEK @

Playgroup

From 9:30 - 10:30....come and join in the adventure of the "Very Hungry Caterpillar!" We will be making caterpillars after reading the book! We also have a parachute to play under!

Date: 8th September

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Happy Father's Day

