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ST MARY'S NEW SLETTER

Term: 4 | Week 3 | 26th October 2018

WEEK 3

Another week has quickly passed us by with amazing learning experiences and energy throughout the school. Well done to our Learners who were incredible hosts on both our Spirituality Day with St Joseph's Kerang and St Patrick's Pyramid Hill and Grandparents Day.

Today we welcomed the faces of those we love - our Grandparents and Special people. Our children just beamed with pride having their grandparents spend time in their school. St Mary's never has an event where I am not complimented on the politeness and welcoming ways of our children.

It is even more impressive and humbling to know that no matter where our St Mary's Learners are, they are modeling greatness, kindness and compassion. Today I have included a lovely tribute from NDCH - thank you for seeing what we see all the time!

God Bless Everyone...

Jasmine Ryan
Principal

OUR MISSION - OUR SPIRITUALITY

On Thursday we explored our own spirituality and mission. We looked deeply at what mission is and what we are called to do as Christians and as Catholics. In our Collaborative school groups we welcomed Kerry Stone from Caritas Australia to share with us real stories of Mission. From small and simple acts of kindness to larger ones that have become global movements.

Our Learners all finished the day with a commitment of how to be great, be kind and have a mission that benefits others. In class time we have been sharing our actions and we encourage you to talk to your child(ren) about their personal mission moving forward. A great day of rich, real, relevant learning!

OUR MISSION - OUR POPE

Pope Francis -
'Our consciences thus need to be converted to justice, equality, simplicity and sharing.'

To live charitably means not looking out for our own interests, but carrying the burden of the weakest and poorest amongst us.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

30th Oct: Whole School Assembly @ 2:15pm - Year 2 to host

2nd & 3rd Nov: Gymnastics - Yr 2 & 3, St Mary's Art Show Evening and Kids Workshops

5th Nov: School Closure Day

6th Nov: Melb Cup - Public Holiday

7th Nov: Fashions on the Field @ St Mary's, Whole Class Mass @ 12:30pm - Prep to Host

8th Nov: Year 6 Learners to CSC Transition - 9:00am - 1:30pm

9th Nov: Remembrance Day Service, Prep Transition 9:00am - 11:00am, Gymnastics Yr 2 & 3

11th Nov: St Mary's Garden Walk 10:00am - 2:00pm

12th & 13th Nov: Yr 2 Camp to Treetops

16th Nov: Prep Transition 9:00am - 11:00am

19th - 23rd Nov: Testing Week

19th Nov: School Board @ 7pm

22nd Nov: Prep & Yr 1 Stay Late @ School Day

Further dates available on the App under 'Calendar' website.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY

Today is World Teachers Day! It is one day a year which helps us to reflect on the wonderful work, love and care our teachers provide our children! In the rush of daily life I think we can sometimes forget the incredible effort and magic that they weave and share in shaping our children.

Today I would like to thank all of our teachers and staff for always going above and beyond. A passionate and powerful educator is motivated by truly making a difference to all children. Teaching is far more than a job...ask your child about their favourite teacher and why that person is their favourite teacher. I think you will find it is about how a teacher made them feel, made them believe in themselves, made a difference!

I know that there are many at St Mary's who make a difference everyday and I say thank you!

WHAT IS HAPPENING @ SCHOOL...

P B I S BLITZ

Respect for others: To revisit our playground rules, ensuring we are all safe

ART DONATIONS

Our art donation box is slowly filling up! We are still needing donations, please contribute what you can. These contents will be used for our many prizes throughout the exhibition. Please donate if you can! Thank you

Items such as;

Paint, paper, craft packs,
textas, pencils, smocks,
canvas', clay, scissors etc



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Isabella O'Mahony - 25th



INSIGHT SRC

Thank you to all of the families who took the time to complete the Insight SRC Survey - Greatly appreciated! Our family participant winner will be drawn on Monday.

PLAYGROUP

Friday 2nd November - 9:00am - 10:30am



Please join us for Playgroup on Friday mornings. Bring your friends and neighbours. As the weather is improving we hope to see you there!

This week we will be ROCK painting! How much fun!



St Mary's Cohuna, Garden Walk

Come along and explore our beautiful local gardens followed by lunch and plant stall at the school

11th November, 2018 10am - 2pm

Tickets \$15 includes light lunch at the school from 11am, kids under 15 free. Tickets can be purchased from St Mary's, Cohuna now or on the day

GARDEN WALK

We recognise there is a great deal going on but we do not want anyone to forget the annual Garden Walk! This event attracts many within and outside our community. Please be sure to get your tickets or sell them to people you know in our community who love our Garden Walk. Today each family will receive a paper form inviting helpers and contributions!

Please help out as best you can! Thank you again to the P&F for their wonderful team work and organisation!

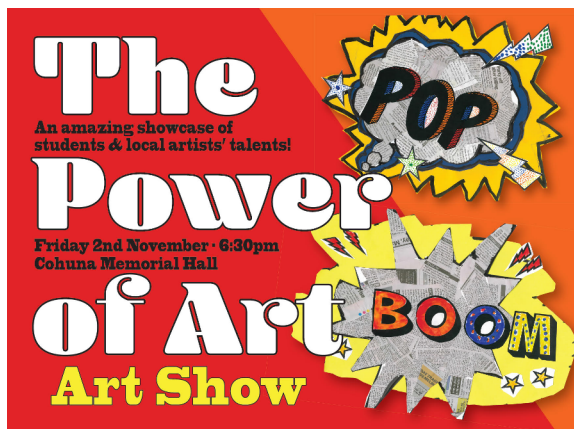
MISS TOLL - FULL REGISTRATION

When a graduate teacher starts their career they are required to complete an action research project to receive their full registration. Miss Sarah Toll presented her research project this week to the Leadership team. Sarah did an incredible job with her research, her learning and with the Learners in her classroom. Through this research achievement was made by all. From all of us at St Mary's we congratulate Sarah on her learning and journey in education so far. We are lucky to have her!

GRANDPARENTS DAY

What another sensational turn out! Grandparents day is a special one and we thank all of you that could attend. The day goes by extremely quickly but the best part is watching the cuddles, giggles and happy faces as they show off their school.

Thank you to our wonderful P&F who continue to out do themselves at every event! A huge thanks to the Lion's club for cooking the donuts that were mouth watering. We can't wait to have you back!



**THE POWER OF ART -
TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

Tickets for St Mary's Art Show are on sale now!

Tickets for the adults only Friday night session are \$15. This allows entry on the Friday night and Saturday if you return with your children.

A child's ticket is \$7, and this is entry and a workshop for the Saturday. An adults ticket for the Saturday is also \$7. All tickets are available on CDF pay or from the office.



St. Mary's P & F Garden Walk

Sunday 11th November 2018

St. Mary's P & F is having a garden walk on Sunday 11th November, this should be a terrific and fun fundraiser for our school. Tickets can be purchased on CDFPay, from the Office, or from the front of the school on the day, and includes a light lunch available at the school. In addition to rounding up your family and friends for a great day out we need some help before and on the day.

If you can help in anyway it would be much appreciated, below is a list of jobs we require assistance with, if you can help with one or more please tick the box and return to the office by 2nd November.

Could anyone with potted plants to sell on the plant stall please have them to the school by 10.00am.

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Name :

I can help with :-

- ☐ **Setting up** - we need 2 people from 9-11 to help set up.
- ☐ **Ticket Sellers** - we need 4 people from 10-12
- ☐ **Sandwich makers** - we need 4 helpers to make up lunches from 10-12
- ☐ **Lunch helpers** - we need 4 helpers from 12-2 to assist with serving
- ☐ **Sweet slice** - we need 16 dozen. Could you make a slice and cut into 24?

I will sent home reminders with all details,

Many thanks,

Brooke Brown & Linda Tubb

“The Power of Art” Art Show 2018

Newsletter Final Update

Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd November

It's all coming together! Help still needed!

Dear Families,

We are on the “home straight” to our Art Show - “The Power of Art” which will open the Cohuna Festival on Friday 2nd November 6.30pm.

A classy night of wine, cheese and a “Grazing Table”, along with live entertainment by our very own Rachael Warren!

Saturday begins 10.00am with children’s art activities, raffles and competitions!

The children are very excited to have the opportunity to display some of their wonderful creations both to their families and the wider community. They have been busy choosing the works they think are too precious to sell and others, which for just a small price, will grace the wall of someone special. Alternatively what more precious gift could someone receive than art created by a special child in their lives??

Our Art Show occurs only once every three years, so would love to see all families attend and share in this special event.

However, as with all events, help is required in a variety of little ways from helping with the sale of tickets or alcohol (RSA certificate required) on Friday evening, to spending a short time in the children’s activity room on Saturday.

Remember many hands means no one will have to work for too long and everyone will be able to enjoy the show.

Display, Lighting & power leads - If you have any spare lamps of any sort and power leads that you could loan for the show that would be great. Also, if you have any spare step ladders or something quirky that might be useful for displaying our artwork that would be appreciated. Please name everything and drop off to the hall Wed 31st Oct 9.00am - 9pm

Hay Bales: Volunteers to pick up about 30 hay bales from Terrina and Gary Harrison on Wed 31st October and dropped off at Cohuna Memorial Hall by 10.am

Volunteers to bring work down to the hall on Wednesday 31st at 9am and return artwork after show on Saturday 3rd Nov.

Volunteers for Door & Art Sales: If you are able to assist in manning the door and art sales on Friday night or Saturday and are happy to be rostered on for a short time.

Volunteers for Art Activities: Looking for helpers to be on hand to assist staff with the Children's Art Activities on Saturday.

Volunteers with RSA: If you have your RSA (Responsible Serving of Alcohol Licence) and would be willing to be rostered on to man the bar on Friday evening that would be great.

With everyone's help it will be a wonderful event!

If you are able to assist, please circle below and return to school.

"The Power of Art" Art Show 2018 Volunteers

I _____ am able to assist with the following: (Please indicate.)

1. Pick up and return hay bales.
2. Bring artwork to hall on Wed 31st Oct.
3. Assist with the bar Friday evening 2nd Nov. (RSA)
4. Assist with ticket sales and art sales. (Friday evening or Saturday)
5. Assist with Children's Art Activities Saturday 3rd Nov.
6. Assist in the return of artwork to school after 3pm on Saturday 3rd Nov.