



St Mary's Newsletter

WELCOME TO WEEK 7

What a lovely way to start the week with an additional day at home with our families! We hope everyone enjoyed your time with one another.

Last week our Years 3 - 6 completed their dental check ins with the Royal Flying Dentist. A great initiative offered in our community. We hope the follow up recommendations have been helpful to families.

Every classroom is a buzz with learning at the moment as I have been visiting many learning spaces. It is great to see the challenge and engagement across the school. Our How Safe Are We? inquiry investigation is well into the area of Finding out, where our learners explore their learning interests in the area. We look forward to sharing the taking action phase with you all in the last weeks of school.

Learning conversations will be held on Thursday 28th March from 1:00pm - 7:00pm. This appointment will allow parents to discuss their hopes for their child(rens) learning and development this year. Bookings will open Monday 18th March and close 26th March.

I will be on Long Service Leave from 15th - 27th March. Miss Adelia and the Leadership team will be here if anyone needs anything at all.

We do hope that we see many of you at our Year 5/6 Family Mass this Sunday.

God Bless

Jasmine Ryan



FOR THE CALENDAR

- 14th Mar: Cake Stall, School Board AGM @ 7pm
- 15th Mar: School Photos
- 15th - 27th Mar: Jasmine Ryan on LSL
- 17th Mar: Family Mass lead by Yrs 5/6
- 26th Mar: Assembly - Host Yr 2
- 28th Mar: Yr 6 Transition to CSC 1:30 - 2:45, Learning Conversations 1:00 - 7:00pm
- 1st Apr: No School - Closure Day for Staff PD
- 2nd Apr: P&F @ 7pm
- 3rd Apr: Specialist Planning Day, Class Mass @ 12:30pm Yr 3/4 to host
- 5th Apr: End of Term 1 - Dismissal @ 2:10pm



St Mary's is committed to Child Safety.

We believe all children have the right to feel safe and be safe.

P&F NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has donated chocolate, Easter eggs and treats to start our foundations for our Easter Raffle. Please continue to send in your donations if you have not yet done so.

Our raffle will be drawn at our last assembly for the term - Tuesday 26th March @ 2:15pm in the Church. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Thank you to everyone who is contributing to our Term 1 Cake Stall. From baking to volunteering it is a great way we can all contribute to a fund raiser for our wonderful school. Can we please have all items packaged and dropped into the canteen by 8:45am tomorrow morning



St Mary's School Board AGM

St Mary's AGM is on Thursday 14th March @ 7pm. We are looking for new members to join us!

Nomination forms are available from the Office

Friends In Need

As we have started a new year so has our Friends in Need freezer donations. Please indicate on the App whether you are happy to take part in the roster. Thank you for your support!

PBIS BLITZ

Talking respectfully towards others and being kind.



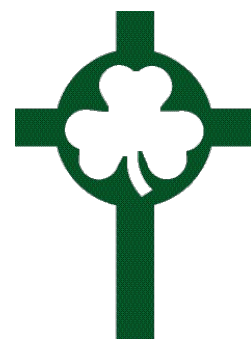
A PRAYER

A Prayer of St. Patrick

Christ Be With Me

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ where I lie, Christ where I sit,
Christ where I arise,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every one who speaks to me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

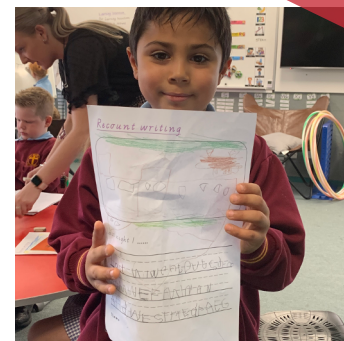
Amen



PARENT LEARNING SUPPORT IN CLASSROOMS

Teachers will share with families via Seesaw today our booking template for our Parent learning Support to start coming into classrooms! We are so excited to be able to open up the learning doors between home and school! The additional adult in the room is an incredible help and motivator to our learners. If you are one of our parents who completed the training with Miss Adelia, be sure to inform the teacher of your availability. A reminder that we are a Child Safe school and a current WWCC, St Mary's Code of Conduct and training of the volunteer must have been completed to support our learning spaces!

Thank you for any support and time you can offer!



OUR LEARNING

JUNIOR TEAM (Prep - Year 2)

This week the Prep- Yr 2 learners have continued to explore "how safe are we?" At school, home and in our community.

The learners have burnt their lent prayers in preparation for Ash Wednesday. The Prep - Yr 2 learners attended the Ash Wednesday mass and received a blessing from Father. The learners are continuing to focus on numbers. We are continuing to focus on recount during writing time.

SENIOR TEAM (Year 3 - Year 6)

In Years 3-6 learners have been putting together their narratives in writing. They have been learning about describing settings and characters, and creating detailed problems that need solving. They are also learning and revising different types of punctuation, as well as strengthening their proof reading and editing skills, including peer editing.

BIRTHDAYS



- Ivy Oliver 15th March
- Addisson Taylor 16th March
- Health Spalding 19th March
- Holly Trevena 19th March
- Kane Mihailovic 20th March

Uniform's New Fit

We have begun rolling out the New Fit polos and shorts that have been tailored for more complimentary fit to all students. Key features of the new polo include:

- ❑ Wear comfortably under PSW jackets of same size
- ❑ More in line with anything you would buy from other retailers
- ❑ Same endurance and premium quality
- ❑ Tailored and softer look
- ❑ ONE SIZE DIFFERENCE (Eg regular size 6 is now a size 8)



Cohuna Kangas are seeking an AusKick Coach for our 2019 season.

You will be supported by our senior footballers & do not require to be AFL accredited.

If you think you have what it takes to help guide our next generation of footy superstars, please let Grant Lunghusen or any committee member know & we can provide you with some further information.

Whole School Production 2019 "Jules" Auditions

The Year 5&6 class have been introduced to this year's play and have been busy reading lines, singing songs and getting into the swing of the characters.

We have discussed the auditioning process by which they will all try out for a part. Learners realise that they must practise hard if they want to impress at the auditions and even though they may not get the part they were hoping for, they must show good sportsmanship and congratulate those who do.

This is a real life lesson in accepting disappointment graciously and still being able to put in 100%. Auditions will take place immediately after the holidays. Year 5&6 learners will all be sent home with a script, so that they may practice over the break and all learners are expected to audition for at least one role.

All Year 5&6 students will have parts to play, from singing to character roles as well as assisting with props, costumes and numerous other jobs within the production.

Looking forward to seeing our leaders step up and shine in the auditions.

Elaine

Free Community Open-Air Movie Night

Come and join us for a family friendly, **free open-air movie night** on **Friday 22nd March** at the **Gunbower Recreation Reserve**, just off Gunbower Island Road in Gunbower.

- 5pm: The Grinch (rated G)
- 7pm: The Greatest Showman (rated PG)

BBQ available from 5.30pm

Lollies, popcorn and drinks available all evening

Raffle



Raffle Prizes:

1st Prize: a nights accommodation at The Butter Factory, Gunbower, valued at \$240

2nd Prizes: two separate prizes - \$75 vouchers for The Gunbower Hotel

3rd Prize: a hamper of local produce

BYO rug or chair. No glass please.