



St Mary's

Newsletter

WELCOME TO WEEK 4

This week in all Catholic schools throughout Australia we will recognise and review the great work of our only ordained saint, Mary Mackillop. A life dedicated to the less fortunate and ensuring education was accessible to as many as possible. A great sentiment to reflect upon and be reminded of the power and possibility of education. We hope to see as many of you as possible at mass with us on Thursday.

This week our teachers launch our Home learning grids! The purpose of these grids is to clarify expected home learning however also offer opportunity for our learners to have choice to directly and share their own learning. Teachers have structured age appropriate grids that are easy to take part in at home. We thank our families who support our partnership of learning and provide time in the home to practice vital life skills.

All Year 3 - 6 learners gave their utmost to take part in the 2019 Lion's public speaking. Many went outside their comfort zone, learned a great deal but most importantly did themselves proud. The teachers did an incredible job in scaffolding the learning and providing feedback that allowed great learning. Well done to Joeline Mathers, Jorji Easton, Eliza Brown and Georgie Neil for representing St Mary's at the Cohuna heat. We wish Georgie Neil every success this weekend as she further represents St Mary's at the next stage! We look forward to congratulating her on Monday!

This Saturday we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Les will host our Sacrament at 2:00pm for anyone in our community able to attend. Our candidates have prepared for this event in their faith journey well and are looking forward this weekend.

God Bless

Jasmine Ryan

Principal



FOR THE CALENDAR

- 8th Aug: Feast of Mary Mackillop - Whole school Mass @ 12:30, CSC Transition 1:30 - 2:45
- 10th Aug: Sacrament of Confirmation @ 2:00pm
- 12th - 16th Aug: Prep 2020 Family Tours
- 15th Aug: Feast of the Assumption, Whole school mass @ 12:30pm
- 16th Aug: Nursing home visit - Yr 2
- 19th - 23rd Aug: BOOK WEEK
- 19th Aug: A Taste of Africa Performance
- 20th Aug: A Whale's performance
- 23rd Aug: Community Book Parade @ 1:00pm, Prep 2020 Enrolment forms due
- 26th Aug: P&F Meeting @ 7pm
- 27th Aug: Assembly @ 2:15pm
- 29th Aug: St Mary's Athletics
- 30th Aug: Father's Day Breakfast
- 3rd Sep: St Mary's Pastoral Well being Review
- 4th Sep: Whole School Mass



Production



A REMINDER

Our production is well underway with our learners preparing with Mrs Keely. In the past we have asked each family to pay \$5 per child to cover costume hire. This again will be the case for our 2019 production. Payments can be made through CDF Pay or send in \$5 in a marked envelope to the office please.

Uniform Reminder

Uniform is at the discretion of the parent in regard to pants, shorts or skirt.

The colour of our uniform is navy only. Black shorts are not to be worn please.

Runners are only worn on sport and PE days. If your child wears a runner on all days as a school shoe, please ensure that the shoe is completely black.

LONG SERVICE LEAVE

Just keeping the community informed about staff on LSL. Mrs McLoughlan is on LSL until week 8.

At the end of this week Mrs Grogan will take LSL for the remains of the term. Mrs Jones & Mrs Kelly will cover year 2 in her absence.

Miss Adelia will return from LSL next week!

On Monday canteen each week in term three students are welcome to purchase a hot chocolate and a piece of raisin toast for one dollar each at recess!



A Prayer

Provident God,

With grateful hearts we remember the power for goodness that Mary MacKillop is in our world. On this her feast day may we be touched anew with her spirit of prophetic charity and generous participation in mission. We ask this in the name of Christ, the Sacred Heart, and of the Spirit of Mission.

Amen.



St Mary's Pastoral Well being Review

St Mary's invite you to take part in our Pastoral Wellbeing survey. This input will allow us to plan for continued improvement in this area. The survey closes on: 21st Aug @ 3:30

SURVEY

St Mary's Cake Stall

The St Mary's cake stall will be held on Thursday 15th August outside the UNA Supermarket. Our cake stall has proven each time to be a massive success so we ask that all families get involved. If you are wanting more containers or able to help out on the day, please contact the office. Thank you





OUR LEARNING...

JUNIOR TEAM (Prep - Year 2)

This week learners have been busy unpacking their essential questions. We have been looking at 'What is a performance?' and the different elements of the performing arts. The learners worked in groups to create their own definition of performing arts. We combined the key words from each definition to create a Prep – Year 2 definition. The Prep – Year 2 learners have been exploring all the different jobs that are involved in performing arts. We have been looking at what is involved in making a movie and the difference between making a movie and a musical. The prep learners began to look at subtraction. They are learning to count all when subtracting a number. The Preps and Year 1's are beginning to write their own procedure text about making a sandwich. The Year 1 learners are focusing on measurement, they are comparing the difference between two objects based on height, weight and capacity. The Year 2 are learning new strategies to assist in solving addition and subtraction equations. Year 2's have finished editing their narratives and are beginning to publish them in preparation for book week.



- Liam Bowland - 6th August
- Quinn Conlan - 9th August
- Elvey Robinson - 9th Aug
- Jim Watkins - 9th August
- Bayley Merkel - 11th August
- Noah Mathers - 13th August

SENIOR TEAM (Year 3 - Year 6)

In the Year 3-6 learning space, the learners have been busy writing, typing and illustrating their narratives in preparation for book week which is fast approaching. This week learners have been introduced to information reports and are learning how to structure one. The year 3/4 learners will begin to learn about shapes with a focus on 2D and 3D. They have also been learning about Mary MacKillop in line with her Feast day and mass. The learners have been gathering information about Mary MacKillop's life. The Year 5/6 learners will be focusing on fractions and decimals.



Can we prevent dental problems?

Dental Health Week 5-11th Aug 2019



Absolutely!!!

Dental Health Week is a good time to 'brush up' on healthy tooth tips. Most of us know that we should look after our teeth but we may not know why. Good oral health not only means we are more likely to keep our adult teeth and be less likely to suffer pain from decay, but it also has links to good overall health. Eating for good oral health can help us have better heart health, less risk of diabetes and provide us with more balanced energy for our day-to-day lives. However, many of us are not looking after our teeth properly:

- 65% of Australians haven't seen a dentist in the last two years
- 50% of Australians brush their teeth only once-a-day
- Nearly 40% never floss or clean between their teeth
- A whopping 73% of 14 to 18 year olds are consuming too much sugar

3 key actions for great oral health:

1. Brush twice a day for 2 minutes with a toothpaste that contains fluoride, spit out don't rinse
2. Eat a healthy, balanced diet and limit sugar intake-this includes swapping sugary drinks for water
3. Regularly visit the dentist for check-ups and preventive treatment

Next Week: more on our local Dental Services, including free and low cost services. You don't have to put off going to the dentist because of cost. For more information on Dental Health Week check out the Australian Dental Association website <https://www.adelaide.org.au/Dental-Health-Week/About>