

St Mary's Newsletter

WELCOME TO WEEK 9

It was fabulous to have the whole school back onsite today. Our teachers have been so excited to have everyone back in their learning spaces. Teachers were busy ensuring that classrooms were ready and exciting for everyone to return. We hope that our mum's and dad's transition back to some kind of normal soon also! We are so thankful to all of the support and teamwork we have received from all of our families over the last eight weeks. It has been a once in a life time experience we hope! There was definitely a buzz in learning spaces, however all were quick to settle into their learning routine.

This week our Year 3 - 6 Learners will complete their semester one testing and assessment. We value being able to accurately gather data to inform our teaching. We are hopeful that our remote schooling has not placed a decline on our progress however, having the data will allow us to best navigate this.

Our teachers are extremely eager to get right back into the routine of learning, ensuring that every moment is used on task. We ask that our families please ensure that children are at school on time and in attendance. Our school day starts at 8:45am with RATS (Reading Across The School), this is such a valuable practice at our school. Teachers begin instruction at 9am so late arrivals miss crucial teaching and instruction.

Now that school is back there are some changes to normal school life that will be in place for the foreseeable future. The school, in line with government guidelines is not allowed to have incursions, excursions, unnecessary adults and visitors on site, no inter school sports or camps. We will keep all families informed as restrictions are lifted. Thank you to all of our families for following new pick up and drop off processes. Your support and cooperation allows myself and the staff to get all children in and out of school as quickly as possible.

Again, we are so thankful to be all back together... I look forward to seeing you all at some stage throughout the coming weeks.

God Bless

Jasmine Ryan (Principal)



DATES AHEAD

- 11th-12th June: Yrs 3-6 testing and assessment days
- 12th June: Book Club due

- 17th June: Opening Evening for Prep's 2021 19th June: Reports to go home 25th June: Learning conversations 1pm-7pm, Cross Country Sports
- 26th June: Last day of Term 2. Casual clothes



A PRAYER

This week we finish homeschooling and all come back together as a whole school. In today's prayer, we give thanks and pray for our wonderful families, who have supported our school and their children through this challenging time. We thank God for our families and ask him to bless them and always watch over them.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for our families. Thank you for the loving homes that we live in and thank you for our parents and carers who show their love for us by listening to us, comforting us, encouraging and supporting us to be the best we can be. Our parents and carers work so hard to give us what we need to be happy and healthy, help us to be loving and kind to them and to help them as much as we can. Make us quick to forgive so our home can be full of joy and peace. Bless our families and keep them safe, so we can all follow your example and live together in love.

Amen

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are pleased to inform our community that all items have now arrived and our whole school can wear the accurate uniform. Thank you for your patience while our winter items arrived. There have been freight delays due to coronavirus. We recognise that some families made temporary adjustments to the uniform and we now expect that all children will be in the full St Mary's uniform. We have winter trousers, tracksuit pants and yoga pants available. We have some larger sizes available now for our growing seniors! St Mary's school jumpers are also to be worn. St Mary's has been working hard to improve the look and feel of our uniform with insight from the children. It is important that we are uniformed in our presentation. Parents can still make choices in regard to long pants, shorts etc but no other track pants, leggings etc are to be worn. Thank you for your cooperation.

CANTEEN CHANGES

CODE: uw788

Our canteen will be operational tomorrow Wednesday 10th June with a few slight changes due to Covid 19. The Canteen will now supply paper bags for lunch orders so parents do not need to send in the re-usable bags. All orders must be placed through CDF Pay - NO cash will be accepted and lastly, tomato sauce must now be purchased through CDF Pay as we cannot share sauce bottles at this time. Thank you

SEMESTER 1 - LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Learning conversations will be held virtually this term. These meetings will be scheduled for Thursday 25th June between 1pm - 7pm. Your child's google account and log on will be shared with families prior to this date so that families can access the Google MEET with their child(rens) teachers. Please use School Interview to book your times.

St Mary's Semester 1 Learning Conversations Booking



Book Club

A reminder to our families that Book Club orders are due Friday 12th June





PBIS

Respect for self: To wear our school uniform accurately to school everyday

St Mary's acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet: the Barrapa Rappa People, and pay respects to elders both past and











OUR LEARNING

JUNIOR TEAM

We are so glad to be back together at school! We have had so much fun being back with all of our junior learners and have enjoyed all our learning. We have seen lots of growth from our learners when we completed testing last Thursday Friday. and In Inquiry, our learners have been learning all about internet safety and being careful about sharing personal who trust information and we can online. In maths, the learners have been learning about addition and practising our doubling and partitioning using number lines and concrete materials.

In writing, learners have continued to describe settings and began learning about the structure of narratives. In reading, we have been practising our inferring meaning skills when reading and using evidence to back up our thoughts.

We are so proud of all of our learners for continuing to try their best and for getting back into our routine so well. Well done!



- Noaah Hollingworth 12th June
- Levi Langley-Lynch 14th June
- Amber Merkel 14th June

SENIOR TEAM

Remote Schooling was an amazing learning journey for our year 3-6 learners and families. We adapted to our new learning environment and showed phenomenal resilience to change. The learners and teachers have grown their technology skills and we now have many new ways of learning that will now apply to our everyday classroom. On behalf of the Year 3-6 staff at St. Mary's we would like to thank our families for trusting our learning and teaching during this unusual time. We are beyond proud of our learners and we were constantly filled with so much joy through this experience by seeing outstanding learning on Seesaw.

Our 3 and 4 learners celebrated their Remote Schooling last week, ending a history making journey. We recognised National Reconciliation week by completing different activities that linked our understanding of the significance of Indigenous culture. We used our collaborative characters to write a creative narrative. All learners enjoyed sharing their characters together. In mathematics, we continued to build our problem solving skills. All learners enjoyed applying their knowledge and cracking the emoji

The Year 5 and 6 learners had a fantastic last week of Remote Schooling. We celebrated the end of our eight week learning journey by a Google Meet dance, sharing our favourite moves! We recognised and celebrated National Reconciliation week by reading many books created by Indigenous authors. We continued to learn collaboratively in writing by creating our own setting using padlet and sharing this with our class to spark our narrative ideas. Our mathematical understanding of measurement continues to grow as we investigated the metric unit of mass. We measured many household items using kitchen scales!





WHAT TO DO? Complete the "First Stage - Application for Enrolment Form" found on our website. Return ASAP

NOW **ENROLING** FOR 2021

WHAT'S NEXT? <u>A "S</u>econd stage Enrolment Form" will be sent to families

Schedule a family meeting and active tour

Return all documentation relating to enrolment by 28th August 2020.



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at

FROG JUMPS

X 10 hop like a frog

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BEAR WALK X 20

CRAB CRAWL X 20 SECONDS

SECONDS

INCH WORMS - X 10

Stand tall, keeping your legs as straight as possible, ar reach your palms to the floor. Now crawl out to a plan lift your hips to the sky and inch your feet towards yo Ill steps), trying to keep knees straight



GORILLA WALK X 10 EACH DIRECTION

Squat down with your hands between your knees, now reach y hands past your right knee and place your palms on the groun Lift your hips to the sky and in one movement slide your body

FOR MORE RESOURCES AND INFORMATION ON HOW TO STAY ACTIVE, VISIT EXERCISERIGHT.COM.AU

ISSUE 4 DUE 12th JUNE

BOOK CLUB Issue 4 Is Running!

Click on this link to take a look scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents



BOOK CLUB BROCHURES ARE BACK!



Staying Active during Winter for Children APPROVED BY NDCH EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGIST - SARA MCNEIL

Animal Circuit

Frog Jumps X 10: Squat with hands between knees, now hop like a frog. Bear Walk X 20: Hands & feet on floor, hips high, walk left & right like a bear.

Crab Crawl X 20 seconds: Sit on floor and reach hands behind you with palms flat on the floor. Lift bottom up and crawl forwards, backwards and sideways like a crab.

Inch Worms X 10: Stand tall, keep legs as straight as possible and reach palms to floor. Crawl out to a plank, lift your hips to the sky and move feet

towards hands, try to keep knees straight. Cheetah Run X 20 seconds: Run as fast as you can on the spot. Gorilla Walk X 10: Squat with hands between knees, reach your hands past right knee and place palms on ground. Lift hips to the sky and in one movement slide your body across and land with your hands beside your left knee.

Superhero Circuit

Bend & Touch Toes X 10: Feet shoulder width apart. Reach arms to the sky, now bend forward and touch toes. Keep knees as straight as you can. Leap X 20: Pretend to leap from building to building with big long steps. Run on the Spot X 20 seconds: Run as fast as you can on the spot to catch the baddie

10 Jump as High as you can: Feet shoulder width apart, and arms by your side, bend down like you are going to sit on a chair, swing your arms and push your feet into the around and jump into the air.

10 steps Walk on your Toes: Pretend you're sneaking and walk as quiet as possible.

10 Commando Crawl: Lie on your tummy, pull yourself along the ground as quietly and quickly as possible.

Benefits of Physical Activity for Children

• Makes their lungs & heart stronger - gives them more energy to play for longer Helps blood flow to their brains and organs – can concentrate at school
Strengthens & stretches their muscles – won't hurt themselves when heavy lifting

- - Builds strong & healthy bones helps them stand taller & lighter on their feet Helps with coordination & reflexes – can catch, kick balls, balance

• Decreases chance of getting sick – boosts your immune system

https://exerciseright.com.gu/exercise-home/





ST MARY'S CANTEEN WINTER MENU TERM 2 & 3 2020

St Mary's School offers affordable quality food choices to our learners to ensure the whole school is well nourished throughout the day.

WARM & TOASTIE!

Ham & Cheese Toastie 2.80 Ham, Cheese & Tomato Toastie 3.00 Chicken & Cheese Toastie 3.00 Baked Bean Toastie 2.80 Cheese Toastie 2.50

Please choose Multigrain or White

Cheese & Bacon Roll served warm with melted cheese 2.80

SWEET CHILLI CHICKEN TENDER WRAP 5.00

Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender strips with Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese & Mild Sweet Chilli Sauce * Cheese Only 4.00

CLASSIC CRUMB CHICKEN TENDER

WRAP 5.00

Plain Crumbed Chicken Tender Strips with Lettuce, Tomato & Cheese * Cheese Only 4.00

SMART SNACKS:

*Vaalia Yoghurt Tubes 3.00 Strawberry or Vanilla *Popcorn 1.50

I'm HUNGRY!!! NEW ITEM:Traditional Beef Lasagne 5.00 (220g serve) *Potato Wedges 4.00 *Baked Potato with Coleslaw 4.50 *Baked Potato & Cheese 4.00 *Baked Potato with Baked Beans 4.50 *Fresh Corn Cob 2.70 with Herb Butter or Butter

CHICKEN NUGGETS 60c each

FISH FINGERS 60c each

*TOMATO SAUCE 30c

MILKSHAKES WITH SIPPAH STRAWS 2.00

Cocoa Bean Chocolate, Luscious Strawberry, Velvety Vanilla, Banana Smoothie, Cookies & Cream & Chilled Out Choc Mint & NEW SMOOTH CARAMEL!

All milkshakes served with 200mls light milk & shaken for <u>FUN!</u>

<u>JUST JUICE 2.00</u> Apple, Orange, Paradise Punch or Apple & Blackcurrant

PADDLE POPS 2.00

Rainbow & Banana

WEDNESDAY SPECIALS

Each Wednesday there will be Special Menu Items advertised in the newsletter for the following week.

Specials will include Ham & Pineapple Pita Pizzas, Veggie Quiche, Risotto Balls