



# St Mary's Newsletter

## WELCOME TO WEEK 4

We are so very grateful to be back at school and all in our learning spaces and playgrounds together. Again, I cannot thank our community enough for the ongoing trust, support and flexibility when we enter into remote schooling. This is far from ideal for our families and our learners however we always do our best and get through it. Last Wednesday, when our learners returned it was again a beautiful reminder of why we do what we do, and why we love it! Thank you to our teachers who go above and beyond to stay connected with our learners and families while leading the learning in our spaces.

On Friday, we celebrated our Prep 100 Days smarter! Miss Cartwright and Miss Wood created a memorable occasion that our learners will treasure. Unfortunately we were not able to have our Mum's and Dad's join us however we tried to stay connected via Facebook. Our Preps took part in a day of activities that all focused on 100! They also had a morning tea in the staff room with lots of yummy food! We definitely know that we are more than half way through the year once we celebrate this special day!

Over the past week, St Mary's leadership team has been working virtually with Corwin to continue flow and momentum of our Visible learning journey. Next Monday, 9th August there will be a school closure day for staff to have a day of shared professional development. At this point in time, St Mary's is articulating its goals and directions for the next 12 months. Our families and communities can expect to hear about these goals and the explicit areas we will be focusing on with our learners! We hope the conversation comes home.

I have had a few families ask about our 2021 Book Week theme. The teachers are finalising a direction in the next day or two and will share this with you via Seesaw. We appreciate that our families want to be organised and creative! Regardless of restrictions, St Mary's will celebrate Book Week and parade here at school if we are unable to take part in a community parade. If we are allowed out in the community we will be there with bells on!

This weekend we are so excited to see our 10 candidates receive the sacrament of First Eucharist and Confirmation. As we approach this weekend we keep; Henry Giater, Noah Mathers, Abbey Wishart, Isabella Bishop, Milla Ryan, Pippa Reid, Cienna English, Jensen Fountain, Emily Dehne and Elliot Warren. We ask that our community keep these learners in their prayers. We are so blessed to be able to carry on with this significant occasion and welcome Bishop Shane to celebrate with us. A reminder to these families that there is a rehearsal for all candidates at 6:00pm in the church. Parents will need to be a part of this rehearsal.

**God Bless and have a great week!**

Jasmine Ryan (*Principal*)

## DATES AHEAD

- 3rd Aug: PSG's
- 4th Aug: Junior School Mass @ 12.30pm
- 6th Aug: Enrolments for Preps 2022 due
- 8th Aug: Mass Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist @ 2.00pm
- 9th Aug: SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - Staff Professional Development (Visible Learning)





St Mary's is a Child Safe School.

We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

## A PRAYER

### PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST CANDIDATES:

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation and First Eucharist as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

### Canteen Special

This Wednesday's special is Ham & Pineapple Pizza

\$5.00

Via CDF Pay



Please note: If your child is absent and has a canteen order placed, please contact the school before 11am on the day so we can cancel this order.

### Lost Uniform

Can we please kindly ask for all parents to check names on uniform items. We have a few misplaced items and these sometimes accidentally end up in the wrong bags. Please also make sure all items are CLEARLY named.



### PBIS

#### To Try Our Best

To be the best we can be and to always have a go.



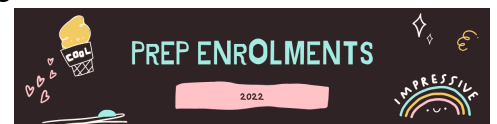
*St Mary's acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet; the Barrapa Rappa People, and pay respects to elders both past and present.*



### PREP Enrolments 2022

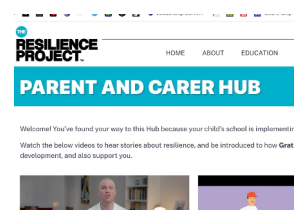
St Mary's is on schedule with our Enrolment process. Can we please remind existing families to submit Stage 1 of our enrolment process. We recognise that it is a detailed process and one we stagger to support families and ensure we are organised.

Thank you to the many families who have submitted their documentation already. Please contact the office to make your family meeting time and tour for the week 16th - 20th August.



**We welcome our families to the Resilience Project journey and hope you join us by exploring and discussing GEM at home. Please use the link below to get started. We look forward to hearing your feedback and learning throughout the year !**

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub/>



## Junior School Team

Wow what a great week we have had. We started the week finishing off our Remote Learning and welcomed back our learners and staff to face to face learning from Wednesday. We finished the week with the Preps celebrating their 100 Days Smarter where learners dressed up and completed a range of fun and exciting activities all things 100! The learners looked amazing and were so excited to celebrate together. They had a lovely morning tea provided by Miss Cartwright and Miss Wood. The Preps blew us away again by sharing their celebration with the entire school community at our assembly on Friday.

We had a wonderful week in Year 1, starting off with Remote Learning on Monday and Tuesday and transitioning back to school for the remainder of the week! We have loved being back in the classroom with all of our friends and have enjoyed settling back into routine! We look forward to a full week of school this week and finally beginning our collaborative learning journey with the Year Preps! Bring on Week 4!

The 2/3 's had a fabulous week of learning. Miss Toll and Mrs Lamb have enjoyed coming back to face to face learning and have been blown away by the flexibility and achievements of all learners. They have been able to jump back into learning from Wednesday onwards and have continued their learning about telling the time, location, finishing off their amazing speeches and much more!



## Senior School Team

Another week is done. Well done to all our learners for their participation with remote learning. It was wonderful to see them engaging in their online learning. We enjoyed seeing their learning and videos. Thank you to our parents for their amazing support during this time. It is wonderful to have our learners back onsite.

We have been completing our speeches in readiness for Lions Club public speaking. It is wonderful to see the learners completing their speeches and taking pride in their learning.

We will begin our narrative writing in preparation for Book Week. Learners will write their own narrative and publish it prior to book week. They will be planning, drafting and publishing their narrative. Learners will focus on the structure and hooking the readers in.

In Mathematics, we will be focusing on multiplication and division. Learners are currently completing pre-assessment for multiplication and division so that we can group them according to their needs.



Bella Douglass 26th July



## NCCD Information Sheet for Parents, Carers and Guardians

The **NCCD** is an annual collection of information about Australian school students with disability. The **NCCD** enables schools, education authorities and governments to better understand the needs of students with disability and how they can be best supported at school. For further information, refer to the link below:

<https://media.naavi.com/macaroni/im-b6d5941b-cd43-4650-ba50-cfa5f13889d9.pdf?deg=auto>



# FEELINGS CHECK IN

*I feel...*



*Happy*



*Calm*



*Bored*



*Sad*



*Angry*



*Worried*



*Tired*

*I can...*

- Help someone else
- Notice and enjoy my positive mood
- Play my favourite game

- Help someone else
- Read a book/do my homework
- Do some arts & crafts

- Write a letter to a friend or relative
- Play my favourite game
- Put on some music and dance

- Talk to a parent, relative or friend
- Write or draw about my feelings
- Cuddle a teddy or family member

- Take 5 deep breaths
- Take a warm shower or bath
- Go for a run or try stretching/yoga

- Talk to a family member, teacher or friend
- Pay attention to each of my 5 senses
- Take 5 deep breaths

- Go for a walk
- Have a healthy snack
- Have a glass of water