



# St Mary's Newsletter

## WELCOME TO WEEK 10

Wow....it is the last week of term! It has been a challenging term and I would just like to thank everyone in our school community for their support, determination and perseverance in completing another period of remote learning. It has not been easy however with the support of all of our families we have made it through, continued to have fun and achieve!

This Wednesday we will still have Wellness Wednesday to finish off the term! We only have the Junior learners back onsite and teachers will also be online conducting Term 3 Learning Conversations. All Learning Conversations will be virtual and our support staff will facilitate Wellness Wednesday tasks. Learning conversation bookings close at 4:00pm today.

We are very excited to have our Year Prep - Year 2 learners back onsite and there is a great energy back at school. Thank you to the patience of our Year 3 - 6 Learners, we hope we are all back together soon. Please continue to do your best with your remote learning and get in touch with your classroom teacher if you need anything.

Over the past week we have been closely exploring options for Year 5/6 Camp. We have had to cancel the camp to Canberra. We recognise with border restrictions and Covid, travel is problematic. We are now exploring options within Victoria for next term so that we can still go somewhere safely and still have the camp experience. I know that families have been paying Canberra Camp through fees and any difference in funds will be returned to families. Once a place has been confirmed, Year 5/6 families will be informed.

This week I will begin advertising for 2 teachers for next year. With Miss Adams and Mrs Lamb both expecting babies we will advertise 2 x 12 month contracts. St Mary's will advertise on a variety of platforms to ensure we potentially receive the best possible applicants.

With two weeks holidays ahead of us, I do hope that everyone has the opportunity to get some well deserved rest! Please stay safe and well, and hopefully we will all be back together again for a wonderful forth term.

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

Jasmine Ryan (*Principal*)



## DATES AHEAD

- 15th Sept: Learning Conversations (VIRTUAL)
- 17th Sept: St Mary's Term 3 Learning Expo - 11am - 12:30pm, Assembly @ 12:30pm (Virtual), End of Term 3 - Dismissal @ 2:15pm
- 4th Oct: School Closure Day
- 5th Oct: Term 4 Begins
- 6th - 7th Oct: Year 2 Camp to Treetops



St Mary's is a Child Safe School.

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

## A PRAYER

The Yr 4-6 Learners have been learning to write personal psalms which we would love to share with you as we move into our Term 3 holidays.

### PSALM - Praise to God by Charlie Hauser

Verse 1: God has his ways of making us feel happy. We have to thank God for that.

Verse 2: God is the reason for good things in our life. We have him to thank.

Verse 3: God is the reason we are here so we have to keep the world that he left for us safe.

Verse 4: God is a legend. For all we know is that we need to respect him.

Verse 5: Now just think how God made this world and how we need to protect it.

### Psalm - by Mac Ryan

God is kind and caring because he gave us earth to live on.

God is so beautiful because he gave us nature to care for.

God is generous and we are thankful for him/her giving us the food we need.

God is a creator of water which gives humans and all living things the ability to survive.

God is so loving because he gave us a family to love and a family to be loved by.

God teaches us to be good to one another and to our neighbours

### Canteen Special

There will be no canteen until further notice.



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.

### PBIS

#### To Try Our Best

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



- Mac Ryan 14th September
- Jack Grills 16th September
- Jasmine Keating 17th September
- Lola McGlone 19th September

*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.*



**St Mary's, at this current time is investing greatly in the Resilience of our community. We invite our parents to do the same. The Resilience project has shared with us, 'The Resilience Project at Home'. Please take the time to explore and try something with your family.**

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/at-home/>



**TRP@HOME**

## Junior School Team

Wow the last week of Term!

We finally made it, well done to each and every one of the learners and parents for everything they have done to support each other and us over the past month!

This week we welcomed back our Prep-2 learners to face to face learning. They were so excited to be back in the classroom and seeing their friends, classmates and teachers. Sadly we could not welcome back all of the Junior school. The Year 3 learners who are still at home, are still going strong with their learning and we are doing our best to include them in our classes, joining us for daily Google Meets and check ins.

The learners are all busy working in their Inquiry Actions in readiness for their presentations that will be virtual, through the help of video and photos to showcase their learning.

On Wednesday we have Learning Conversations for those who wish to book them. Teachers will be sending out links to your child's gmail and look forward to chatting to you about your child's progress this term.

### Psalm - by Piper Hooper - Higgs

O'Lord for this wonderful creation you have given us the beauty and potential it has, the environment, nature and life. As humans of this earth we will try our hardest to keep the legacy of the generations passing it on. Our intentions are to care for this beautiful creation.

This world has many problems that are unfixable but we are trying to solve the ones that are. Our world is definitely not perfect but there is still beauty in this world. We just have to look at the earth in a different way.

We have amazing creatures that have come from thousands of years ago, unfortunately for many they have become extinct or endangered. So Lord, we need to hang on and fight for those who are alive.

O'lord how beautiful is the ocean and rivers, the clear blue water in the ocean and the soft fluffy sand. The large mountains in the distance are tall and wide, the long green grass and the colorful flowers. O'lord how lucky we are.

O'lord please give us guidance on what to do next. We try our best to keep this wonderful creation alive but sometimes we struggle. We just need a little more help on this journey.

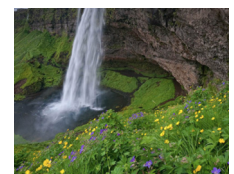
## Senior School Team

And just like that we are in our last week of Term 3. This term has gone so fast. For our Yr 6 learners, they only have one term left before adventuring on to high school. Next term is going to be a busy and exciting time for them.

We have been very busy with remote learning and the learners are doing an outstanding job. They have been spending a lot of time completing their Inquiry investigations in readiness to share what they have learnt this term about sustainability and the environment. Learners have been investigating an initiative and completing a presentation about their findings and the learning they have had. They will continue to complete these over the next few days, so they are ready to video and present by the end of the week.

Learners have been planning and writing their own Information report about a selected topic. Some learners have completed some research to support their final writing piece. At the end of this week learners will complete a writing assessment while online.

We thank all the learners for their ongoing participation and resilience while being online. We also thank all our parents for their ongoing support during this time, we truly appreciate it.





# **Cohuna Lawn Tennis Club Inc.**

**Season 2021/22**

**The NDLTA hope to start the 21/22 season  
mid October**

Anyone interested in playing Saturday afternoon tennis

Please contact Shirlene Barker 5456 2053 or

Raelene Farrant 0412 031 422

Names must be in by 30th September 2021

Saturday morning tennis to be advised.

Please check Facebook page for updates.

**NEW PLAYERS WELCOME**

