

## St Mary's ews etter

#### **WELCOME TO WEEK 11**

Thank you all for the wonderful turn out last week at our end of year Mass and BBQ! I so enjoyed seeing you all and being able to farewell many of you! For those of you who were not able to attend I thank you for your support and belief during my time at St Mary's. It has been an incredibly memorable five years, I have learnt a great deal that will carry me well onto my next journey! I wish the community of St Mary's every continued success and look forward to seeing you all within the parent community next year.

Thank you to the whole school community for my art work. I now have a true Lyndsey Quinlan original to take with me. The art is fabulous and will look amazing in my home! I love that I have something that will continue to remind me of this wonderful community. I have included a photo for you all to see! Thank you all!

This week is all about out Year 6 Graduates and finishing their time at primary school! Today they are taking part in the amazing race at school, the pool party and their Graduation dinner tomorrow, our Christmas assembly and the annual water fight needs to fit in their somewhere too! It is only 3 days, but they will be action packed.

At the end of last week, 'Our Year Ahead' information came home. I will share this again today on School Stream to ensure families have digital access. There are key dates for Term 1, next year focus areas and staff listings. There was a typo with one date for our Year Preps. Just to clarify our Preps will be the only class to start on our testing days to Transition them into the wider school. Preps will; start on Monday 31st January 2022.

Last week Meaghan and Will Lamb gave birth to Baby Charlie Josephine Lamb. Meaghan and Charlie are doing well and we look forward to a visit to school from them both in the near future. I have included a photo of Charlie for you all to see. On behalf of the community we congratulate them and wish them every joy at this time.

Unfortunately, at assembly we were challenged by our ICT and were unable to watch our end of year photo tribute. This will now be shared with the community via School Stream on Wednesday - I hope you all enjoy it!

This is my final newsletter and I would like to wish you all a merry and safe Christmas. I hope everyone has the opportunity to relax and reconnect with many loved ones. I know it has again been a challenging year and we are all hopeful to start 2022 fresh and well. Merry Christmas everyone, and I will see you all soon!

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

Jasmine Ryan (**Principal**)





#### DATES AHEAD

- 14th Dec: End of Year Pool Party & Yr 6 Graduation
- 15th Dec: 10:00am Christmas Assembly, Last Day of School - 3:15pm Dismissal
- 28th Jan: Staff Return to School
- 31st Jan: L Z Testing Day & Preps start school 1st Feb: A K Testing Day
- 2nd Feb: Yrs 1 6 Start school altogether, Preps day of rest



#### **A PRAYER**

At the end of this school year we give thanks to God:

For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school, both in and out of the classroom,

For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have been faced;

For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed;

For the respect and care that has been given.

We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those that have grown.

For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles,

For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days And for the love that has kept us going.

We give thanks for the community that we are, and we ask you Lord -

Bless our families as we take our holidays, may our time together leave us with memories to cherish.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen



Mother Mary, pray for us, that we might be inspired by the way you received your life and God's. Draw us close to your Son, that we might trust Him with our lives, as He learned to trust His Father by His trust in you. Amen.









Canteen

**Special** 

THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN SPECIALS FOR

THE REST OF THE YEAR.

Please note: If you child is

absent and has a canteen

order placed, please contact the school before

11am on the day so we can cancel this order.

#### To Try Our Best

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





On Wednesday 15th December at 10:00am our Learners will be sharing with the community some Christmas carols and some of their learning from Performing Arts & Music. Our families are welcome to attend for this performance. Our learners are welcome to wear casual with as much Christmas as they can on this day!

It 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.



### SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL - 15th December

This Wednesday, half an hour before our Christmas Assembly and half an hour after, St Mary's will have second hand uniform for sale. We have much that has been donated to the school once our learners grow out of them. Please have cash available if this is of interest to you. We have many bomber jackets particularly.

THANK YOU TO THE ST MARY'S COMMUNITY FOR MY AMAZING PIECE OF ART! I WILL TREASURE IT ALWAYS! JASMINE



#### **Junior School Team**

The last week of term! Wow time sure does fly when you are having fun! What an incredible term filled with learning and growth across all the Junior classrooms.

We are all so excited to finish off this busy and amazing year with you all! The junior team.

This week we have our Pool Party and Final Christmas Assembly. Swimming has been lots of fun. The junior school are very much looking forward to the pool party. The learners love going down the slide and enjoy spending time with their friends. We can not wait to share our songs with you all at our Christmas assembly. We have been very busy practising all our songs.

This week we also have our learning expo for term 4. We can not wait to show you all the learning that we have been completing. The junior school have been busy composing music and writing lyrics for their inquiry investigations.

On Wednesday learners are welcome to come in casual clothes with a festival flare, to celebrate our Christmas assembly.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Stay safe and enjoy your holidays. Wishing all our learners the best of luck for 2022.

# HAPPY

- Zaeli Cutter 8th December
- Rex Power 9th December
- Emma Nicholson 10th December
- Charlie Grills 11th December
- Millie Dobie 15th December
- Nathan Mihailovich 19th December
- Holly Hawken 20th December
- Abraham Matthews 23rd December
- Casey Flanigan 29th December

#### **Senior School Team**

And just like that it is the last week of school for 2021. What a wonderful year we have had. Congratulations to all our learners and thank you to all our families for their amazing support.

It has been a busy week for the learners finishing off their Inquiry Investigations and year 6 Graduation videos.

It was great to see so many families at our End of Year Mass and BBQ and it was wonderful to be able to have families onsite. Congratulations to all our award winners in Year 6.

We have a busy week ahead, with one more swimming lesson on Monday, pool party Tuesday and Christmas Assembly on Wednesday.

The Senior learners will also be having their Triple R rewards this week. Which is wonderful to be able to celebrate the success in the classroom.

On Wednesday learners are welcome to come in casual clothes with a festival flare.

Good luck to all the learners for 2022.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year.

















#### **COHUNA SWIMMING POOL**

Swimming Lessons-Stroke Correction

Pre School - School Age - Adults



#### SUMMER HOLIDAYLEARN TO SWIMPROGRAM 2022

EnrolmentsOpen

Starts Tuesday 4th Jan 2022

3 Weeks

Geoff Dale-Austswim Teacher of Swimming
Phone 0428563395 or Email: geoffdale29@gmail.com





#### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited (CES Ltd) are seeking applications from passionate artists experienced in Media, Visual Arts or Performing Arts to become part of our preferred suppliers for the Artist in Residence Program in our schools.



develop the capacity of school based Arts teachers

foster a generation of art makers and consumers

share artmaking skills and techniques

#### As a contractor:

- you will be engaged directly by the school to work with our students as required
- have experience working with children and demonstrate an understanding of child safety obligations
- demonstrate exceptional communication skills
- · hold or be willing to acquire a Working with Children Check
- · demonstrate a commitment to promoting the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children
- · have their own ABN and ability to invoice
- hold professional indemnity and public liability insurance

Contractors will be paid a generous daily amount to compensate artists for their class time, accommodation, transport and meals.

The artist will collaborate with the school prior to attending to ensure the relevant materials are provided for the project.



