



St Mary's Newsletter

WEEK 8 - IT'S SHOWTIME!

Welcome to Week 8! Can you believe we are already 8 weeks into the school year! I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and had a chance to enjoy some family time. I know for myself it was a good chance to take a breath and reset for the last month of term.

On Monday night of last week our School Advisory Council held our AGM. Thank you to all members who attended the meeting. Brent Borkowski takes over from Rob Merkel as SAC Chair. I thank Rob for his efforts and wish Brent all the best moving forward. Both Rob and Ben Appleby will remain on the council as will Lyndsey Quinlan, Grace Jones, Tim Douglass, Adelia Muldoon and myself. I also thank Nerissa Nicholson for her service on the council as she steps down after serving two terms. We are still very open to new members. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd May, please contact myself, Adelia or any member of the council for more information.

Ms. Adelia and the Grade 6's finally got to celebrate Shrove Tuesday - even if it was one week late - by teaming up with the Lions Club to sell Pancakes at the Park! This was a great opportunity for our school leaders to get out into our local community and serve others. Thank you to Leigh and Norm Walkington from the Cohuna Lions club for their support with this event.

I found last Wednesday night's Resilience Project parent webinar with Hugh Van Cuylenberg extremely entertaining and informative. Hugh's message of including gratitude, empathy and mindfulness practices into our daily lives made a lot of sense of the benefits of this (which is based on research) look amazing. I hope those parents who were able to attend (online) felt the same way. If I am sent a recording of this session I will be sure to pass it on to our school community. Our learners will continue to learn about gratitude, empathy and mindfulness through daily lessons linked to The Resilience Project. Last year our staff worked through Hugh's first book 'The Resilience Project.' Now we will begin exploring his second book 'Let Go'.

This Thursday 17th March we will celebrate St Patrick's day at school. Learners are invited to wear 'green' and bring a coin donation (if you can). All proceeds will go towards our local parishes. See this newsletter for more information.

On Monday 21st March we will celebrate Harmony Day with a cultural day of activities, food and fun! If you are able to make a meal to share with our community that celebrates your culture please contact Sarah Toll (sarahtoll@smcohuna.catholic.edu.au) to register your interest. Learners are invited to wear 'orange' on this day to celebrate the diversity in our community. See this newsletter for more information.

Unfortunately we are still awaiting delivery on our new school iPads. These were meant to be delivered and ready to go at the beginning of the year - however they are still to arrive (and no arrival date has been provided!). This means that learners in the Junior levels are currently unable to share their work with parents as freely as we'd like via Seesaw. We apologise for this delay - however expect a flood of work to be shared once they arrive!

And lastly, Georgia, Patrick and I are looking forward to attending our first ever Cohuna Show on Friday night (it also runs Saturday). I hope to see members of our school community there! It has been great seeing so many of our learner's 'show posters' in the shop windows around town. Good luck to anyone entering show competitions!

Have a great week!

Thanks for your ongoing support. Take care and God bless!

Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)



DATES AHEAD

- 14th March Labour Day Holiday
- 21st March Harmony Day
- 29th March Learning Conversations
- 1st April Assembly (Grade 5's)



St Mary's is a Child Safe School.

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

A PRAYER

Canteen

Lunch orders must be placed before 8:45am in the mornings. The new cut off time for lunch orders is 8:45am!

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

Caring for our environment

Our focus for the start of Term 1 is how we behave in the toilets.



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.



Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man
who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone
who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

HappyCatholics

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - ST MARY'S A NUT FREE ZONE

As of 2022 St Mary's will be a nut-free zone. Over recent times we have had an increased number of learners with allergies and anaphylaxis. We already expect that our learners do not share food and by limiting some food products coming into school we continue to minimise the risk of harm to these learners. Moving forward can families please refrain from packing:

- Any nut products
- Peanut butter
- Nutella
- Nut based muesli bars
- Nougat
- Biscuits that contain nut products
- Cakes that contain nut products

Thank you to the whole community for your co-operation with this change.



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club LOOP for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Junior School Team

Our Junior school had a blast learning about being creative and successfully completed a floatable raft as a team. They can identify how and what it takes to work together in order to achieve a common goal.

The Preps this week have absolutely aced their testing. They are making great connections between their learning in the classroom and are applying it to their testing. We have been learning to make predictions within our reading and have become superstars at identifying our focus letters in the world around us.

Show and tell is one of our highlights of the week, our learners are practicing to be attentive listeners and are able to confidently give feed forward (Feed back).

Our Year One and Two class have been learning about numbers and currency and enjoyed playing shops while checking Mrs Smith gave out the correct change and breaking up bigger notes when needed to divide currency with others. We are enjoying learning about the colorful semantics writing program, our writing has more depth and detail. Parents please ask your child about their narrative writing pieces. Our Cohuna Show posters look amazing around the shop windows in Cohuna, well done to all the students who made fabulous looking posters.



- Emmy Easton 9th March
- Bailey Gray 10th March
- Henry Borkowski 11th March
- Oskar Fletcher 12th March
- Eadie Power 12th March

Senior School Team

Wow what a busy week in the Senior end of the school! We are continuing to learn about what makes an effective learner through Inquiry; this week focusing on investigating what it means to be an independent learner. We did this through construction of our own marble mazes, and during this, we also explored the importance of constructive feedback, and how to give it.

In Year 3/4, the maths focus is ordering numbers using number lines, and practising adding 10 and taking 1 using our mental maths strategies. Year 6 are learning to order decimals and how to place them correctly on a numberline. We are just about ready to finish up our narratives and will begin to learn about and write our own Information Texts. The Year 6's had a ball this week when we headed to the Apex park for Pancakes in the Park with the Lion's Club, cooking and serving to raise money for CARITAS Australia.



Can all money's raised please be directly deposited to St Mary's School NAB Account:

BSB 083-543 Acc No. 457171993

Thank you.

St Mary's Harmony Day

THIS YEAR FOR HARMONY DAY ST MARY'S WILL BE HOSTING A CULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL.

We are inviting families to join us to celebrate on Monday 21st March. If possible, please make and share a meal from your culture on this day.

If you would like to make a meal to share with our school community, please email Sarah Toll.

sarahtoll@smcohuna.catholic.edu.au

Harmony Day

MONDAY 21ST MARCH
2022

CULTURAL DAY OF ACTIVITIES, FOOD AND CELEBRATIONS!
HARMONY DAY CELEBRATES DIVERSITY IN OUR COMMUNITY!
COME DRESSED IN A TOUCH OF ORANGE.



Music | Culture | Food

SWAN HILL HARMONY DAY

Riverside Park
26 MARCH 2022, 4pm-8pm

Welcome to Country • Kids activities • Traditional Dress Parade
Dancing • Indonesian Dance Workshop and performance
• Colombian music with Rose Páez

We acknowledge the Traditional owners of the lands on which we gather and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



goodFriday
appeal THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Meet Alex & Isla



**Cohuna Lions Club needs
your help to help them!!**

Volunteers needed for
Good Friday Appeal 'Door Knock'
Friday 15th April 2022

If you would like to help, please contact
Anne Graham ~ Secretary
cohuna.vic@lions.org.au or 0407 316 183





Year 7 2023 Information Evening

**Wednesday, 4 May 2022 at 7pm in
the College Oak Centre.**

Tour St Joseph's College with our new Principal,
Ms Anne Marie Cairns.

- Monday 4 April 2022: 9am and 4.15pm
- Wednesday 27 April 2022: 2pm and 4pm
- Thursday 28 April 2022: 9am and 10.45am

To book a tour contact Mrs Brianna James on
03 5482 2577 or email registrar@sje.vic.edu.au.

www.sje.vic.edu.au



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STRENGTH & KINDNESS



**Kildare
EDUCATION
MINISTRIES**
In the Anglican Tradition



Discover the opportunities at
Moama Anglican Grammar!

Year 7 Information Evening Tuesday 3 May 2022

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Join us for our Year 7 Information Evening to meet
key Secondary staff and explore our facilities.
Parents and Students will have the opportunity to
engage in mini sessions coordinated by our
dedicated Teaching staff.

Bookings via:
moamagrammar.nsw.edu.au/2023year7/

**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL**

Secondary Enrolment Interviews

Tuesday 14 March - Friday 13 May

2023 Scholarships

Moama Anglican Grammar is delighted to offer a range of scholarship
opportunities for current and new students across Years 5-11 in 2023.

Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to the School values,
be committed to their learning and contribute to the life of the School.
Applications are assessed on an individual basis by a selection panel.

Moama Anglican Grammar offers scholarships in four categories:

- General Excellence
- Music/Performing Arts
- Education Support

Scholarship applications close Friday 13 May 2022.
Visit our website for more information www.moamagrammar.nsw.edu.au

Contact our Registrar (03) 5480 5900 or registrar@moamagrammar.nsw.edu.au



Dear Parents/Guardians, you are invited to our

Year 7 2023 Information

Wednesday 11th May at 7pm

Tour Cohuna Secondary College with our Principal, Mrs Fiona Miller

- Wednesday 4th May at 11am, 2pm and 4:30pm

Book your tour by contacting CSC 5456 2555
or cohuna.sc@education.vic.gov.au



*Community—Ownership—Respect—Excellence
Excellimus: Let us excel*

NET SET GO COHUNA AGM

**Wednesday 16th March, 6pm
Cohuna Kangaroos Clubrooms**

**If you are considering enrolling
your child in Net Set Go this year
we encourage you to attend**

Woolworths **net set go**

START PLAYING

LEARN THE BASICS, FIND YOUR PEER AND
MAKE A BUNCH OF NEW FRIENDS

REGISTER NOW

Woolworths **net set go**

Macorna Football Netball Club ARE HOSTING NETSETGO IN 2022

You're invited to our FREE Come and Try session
Thursday 7 April @5:45 - 6:30pm

Our season will run from Thursday 21 April until Thursday 23 June
Trainings are 5:45 - 6:30 pm weekly at
Macorna Netball Courts, Macorna South Road.

**NetSetGO is aimed at girls and boys aged 5 - 10 and introduces kids to netball
in a fun and relaxed environment**

For information contact **Leeza Wishart** on **0427 886 956**

Or to register for the 2022 season visit:
<https://netball-registration.worldsportaction.com/userRegistration?organisationId=316ef5f0-5355-4fbc-8f50-7eed569f8347&competitionId=bb574cb5-df2e-4a91-aeel-1a19f50e065f>

GET ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER PROGRAM

Apply for up to \$200 to support your child
in sport and active recreation activities.

To be eligible your child must be:

- aged 0 to 18 years
- a resident in Victoria
- named on a valid Health Care Card or
Pensioner Concession Card and
Medicare Card.

Visit getactive.vic.gov.au



Kangas Junior Netball

CKFNC are seeking interest from all junior netballers

• 18 & Under • 16 & Under • 14 & Under • 12 & Under •

Current Kangas or new players looking to join, we are seeking
interest for season 2022!! Girls from 10yrs up and of all
abilities encouraged and very welcome.

Why join the Kangas:

- For fun and fitness
- For great competition
- To build friendships
- To develop social skills
- To create long lasting memories

**More info to come
regarding
Preseason Training
and
Registration dates**

COACHES ALSO WANTED!!

For more information or to confirm playing interest for 2022
Please contact Gab Fitzpatrick 0447798956 or Kim Lister 0428557473

ANNUAL ART SHOW Rotary Club of Kerang

At the Kerang Basketball Stadium,
Maxwell St, Kerang.

Prizes totalling \$7,300

Official Opening, Judging & Sales

Friday April 15th, 7 pm - 10 pm
Entry \$25.00 includes program, supper,
complimentary wine, judging announcements &
entry for Saturday and Sunday

Display, Sales & Demonstrations

Saturday April 16th, 10 am - 6 pm
Sunday April 17th, 10 am - 3 pm
Refreshments available.
Entry \$7 includes program.
All Welcome. COVID regulations will apply

**High Standard Exhibits for Sale, by Artists from all parts of
Victoria and Interstate**

Major Prizes

Gannawarra Shire Acquisition Award - \$1,500
Best of Show (any medium) - \$750
Best Oil/Acrylic - \$500
Best Pastel/Drawing - \$500
Best Watercolour/Pen & Wash - \$500
Best Mixed Medium - \$300
Best Any Other Medium - \$300
Best Photographic Print - \$300
Kerang Progress Association Acquisition Award depicting Kerang - \$500
Kerang Turf Club Award themed 'Country Facing Strong' - \$500
Mallee District Aboriginal Services Indigenous Artwork Award - \$500
Regional Encouragement Award - 50 km radius - \$300
Kerang Ministers & Chaplains Assoc. Best Easter Themed Artwork - "Hope" - \$400
Peoples Choice Award - 50 km radius - \$250
Yvette Brimacombe Memorial Youth Encouragement Award (16-25 years) - 50km radius- \$200
Judge — Jon Lam, Artist & Tutor
Raffle prize - Abstract Triptych Acrylic artwork donated by Rhonda Willoughby

Entries close Friday 1st April 2022.

Email rotarykerangartshow@gmail.com

Art Show Coordinators Jenni Kelly 0408 571 266
Annette Kelly 0409 183 354

TERM 1 DATES:

Term 1 Dates:

Week 3

7th Feb - SAC Meeting 7pm

9th Feb - Prep Rest Day #2

- Parent Information Night 6:30pm (via Google Meet)

10th Feb - Curriculum Newsletter (sent home)

Week 4

14th Feb - P&F Meeting 6:30pm (online)

15th Feb - PSG's

16th Feb - Prep Rest Day #3

18th Feb - School Closure Day (Staff attending Visible Learning Professional Development)

Week 5

22nd Feb - PSG's

23rd Feb - Prep Rest Day #4

Week 6

1st March - Shrove Tuesday

2nd March - Ash Wednesday Mass 12:30pm (Preps attend today)

4th March - Clean Up Australia Day

- Assembly (Grade 6's to lead)

6th March - (Sunday) Cohuna Bridge to Bridge

Week 7

9th March - Resilience Project Parent Information Night (Webinar)

Week 8

14th March - Labour Day Holiday

Week 9

21st March - Harmony Day

Week 10

29th March - Learning Conversations (12:30-7:30pm)

1st April - Assembly (Grade 5's)

Week 11

6th April - Learning Expo

8th April - Term 1 ends (2:15pm)

