



# St Mary's Newsletter

## TERM 3, WEEK 3 - PREPS ARE 100 DAYS SMARTER!

As we begin week 3, I would like to thank staff for their hard work and families for their support during a challenging week last week. As you are probably aware, we had a significant number of learners away throughout last week with a range of illnesses including, cold, flu, COVID and gastro. This has continued into this week and my feeling is that we may have some ill learners and staff for a few more weeks yet. Thank you to families who continue to support the safety of our community by closely monitoring children for symptoms of these illnesses and keeping sick kids at home. I know doing so has an impact on the 'work life' of our families and again I want to express how grateful we are at St Mary's. Please see [www.rch.org.au](http://www.rch.org.au) for more information regarding sicknesses in our community. Also note that Catholic Education Sandhurst continues to advise us that wearing face masks indoors at school is highly recommended (not mandatory).

It was great to see so many of our Sacramental learners introduced to the parish at mass on Sunday. Please keep Connor, Oskar, Camm, Jacob, Aesha, Chloe, Kaden, Harry and Nathan in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Thank you to Fr Dean and Mrs Kelly for guiding these children.

We are very excited to see the new school canteen begin to take shape (joining the end of the staffroom). I was amazed at how quickly the frame has gone up and hopefully we will smell Ms. Edge's cooking in this space before we know it! On the subject of the school canteen, unfortunately our current canteen will be out of action again tomorrow (Wednesday 27th July). We apologise for the inconvenience.

On the topic of building works at school, I would like to thank families for their understanding as we fix the crack in the front entrance archway. Again, I am hopeful this building work will be completed sooner rather than later with repairs work beginning next week.

Tomorrow - Wednesday 27th July - we will celebrate 100 days of Prep! Wow, this time has gone quickly. Thank you to Graecen and Sally for the amazing work you do with our youngest learners at St Mary's!

On Friday night we will have learners representing our school at the RSL Speech Competition. We wish *Mitchell, Millah, Chloe and Maggie* all the very best at this event! Please take note - the event will start at 6:00pm (not 6:30pm as previously advertised).

Over the past two Monday nights we have had School Advisory Council and Parents and Friends meetings. Thank you to the parents who continue to offer up their time, ideas and efforts in these teams. And well done to Kelsey and her team for the smooth running of our 'Pie Drive!' Thanks also to Tanna, Raewyn, Leasa, Jenny and Tamara for helping Kels.

This Friday I invite all families (especially those with a Prep learner) to our school assembly in the Church. Assembly begins at 2:20pm.

## DATES AHEAD

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

Jarrold Mullavey (Principal)

- Monday 25/7 - P&F meeting - 6:30pm
- Monday 25/7 - PSG meetings
- Wednesday 27/7 - RFDS Dental Service visit
- Wednesday 27/7 - Prep's 100 Days Smarter!
- Thurs-Fri 28-29/7 - Mrs Mullavey in Gr1/2
- Friday 29/7 - Prep Assembly
- Friday 29/7 - RSL Public Speaking comp - 6:30pm





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

Our focus for the start of Term 2 is :-

**Looking after your own belongings.**



*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.*



#### 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.



### Flying Doctor School Dental Program

The Flying Doctor Dental team will now be visiting St. Mary's in August or September to provide FREE dental check-ups and education about healthy teeth and gums. Please be aware that this dental check-up is a basic evaluation and does not take the place of a full comprehensive dental examination. If you would like your child to have a dental check-up, please complete the consent form which will be sent home shortly, and return it to school. After your child's check-up, the dental team will send home a report. If your child requires follow-up treatment this will be stated in the report. The mobile public clinic will be in town shortly after and your child can have their treatment completed at no cost, or you can visit your nearest public or private practice. If you require any further information please contact Flying Doctor Dental Team on (03) 8412 0444 or dental@rfdsvic.com.au.

## Junior School Team

During inquiry, our junior learners have been learning about Australia and some of our famous landmarks and making connections between where we live and the wider world. Our show and tell sessions are running as normal and this term we need to share information about our favorite holiday destination. Congratulations to many of our learners who are striving with their spelling results, we have been working hard in class with extra spelling activities to support our understanding. In math we are discovering facts about different shapes (geometry) around us and explaining different multiplication strategies. In writing we are learning how to use different sentence starters and compiled an elaborate book about a busy dinosaur. In R.E, all junior classes are learning about the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, their significance to the church, and their symbols. This Wednesday our Prep class is celebrating 100 days of school and learning. Parents you are invited to attend this milestone as well as Fridays assemble as the Preps are leading this also. Safe hygienic practices are paramount in the classes however if your learner is unwell to please stay home. Stay well and warm during these colder weeks.

WE ARE TURNING  
100 Days Smarter!

YOU'RE ONE SMART COOKIE



Inviting all Prep learners to join us in celebrating their 100th Day of School!

**WHEN:** Wednesday 27th July

**PLACE:** St Mary's Cohuna

**DRESS CODE:** Dress as if you are 100 years old  
To celebrate this achievement, learners need to create a 100 Days Project!

Each learner is being asked to bring a set of 100 items to show the class. Be as creative as you like in how you present them to the class!

Some ideas are:

- 100 buttons in a jar
- 100 leaves on a poster in the shape of 100
- 100 bricks in a Lego wall

## Senior School Team

Well done to all the senior learners who last week presented their speeches in front of their classes. What an achievement and you should all be very proud of yourselves! Congratulations to Millah Crichton, Mitchell Gray, Maggie McGlone and Chloe Hawken who will be representing St. Mary's at the final this Friday at 6:30. In Writing in the coming weeks, learners will be putting the finishing touches on their narratives for Book Week. In the Year 5/6 area, we will be learning about similes and metaphors and how these can add description to our writing. In maths, 5/6's will be learning to convert between fractions, percentages and decimals in order to apply this knowledge to their learning about chance and probability. In maths the 3/4's will be learning different mental and written strategies to solve multiplication equations.

In R.E, all senior classes are learning about the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, their significance to the church, and their symbols. In Inquiry, we are breaking apart the essential questions, and exploring and sharing our knowledge of each.



- Louis Watkins 19th July
- Beau Bishop 21st July
- Henry Bishop 21st July

### Book Club LOOP

The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

**Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?**

**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

**BONUS!**

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!

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**THE LISTIES**

# R.O.F.L.

**Rolling On The Floor Laughing**

So funny, you might wet yourself  
The Age

Friday  
29 July  
6pm to 7pm  
Cohuna  
Memorial Hall

WINNER Golden Globe Award 2009  
WINNER Sydney Theatre Awards Choice Award 2014  
WINNER Primary Times Children's Choice Award 2019

Recommended for ages 4+

Family Fun!



Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/CAETX>

Tickets:

\$15 Family

\$5 Individual

More information: (03) 5450 9333



## Barham, we want YOU!

**Walk-in**

**NO BOOKING NEEDED**  
Tuesday 2nd August 2022 - 1:00pm - 5:00pm  
Adult Pfizer & Paediatric Pfizer

**ENTER LOCATION HERE**  
Riverside Reception Room,  
Council Chambers 15 Murray Street, Barham NSW 2732

**VACCINE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO**  
Anyone over the age of 5 years  
Anyone aged 16+ who needs a first, second or booster  
30+ Winter booster (4th Dose)

**WHAT TO BRING**  
> Medicare Card (If you have one, no worries if you don't! Come along anyway)  
> Please note: Children 5 - 15 years must be accompanied by a guardian or parent.  
> Photo ID

Paediatric vaccinations available for children 5-11

Walk in - or pre-register by clicking on this link  
<https://nsw.gov.au/health/vaccines/>

### BOOSTERS LET'S DO THIS

> Book your COVID-19 booster today at [nsw.gov.au](https://nsw.gov.au)

Available to those who are  
3 Months since last vaccination  
3 Months post COVID infection

NSW GOVERNMENT

**GANNAWARRA LIBRARY service**

## Drawing Competition

Reimagine a page of 'Animalia' to celebrate its 35th Anniversary.

Open to primary students in Gannawarra.

Win two mystery Graeme Base books plus a special edition 'Animalia' Coin!

(Prizes for P/1/2, Year 3/4 & 5/6 students)

Phone 5452 1546 for more details

Entries close Friday 19 August

**ANIMALIA**  
Graeme Base

**GANNAWARRA LIBRARY service**

### Gannawarra Library Service Drawing Competition

*Celebrating the 35th Anniversary of the iconic Australian Picture Story Book 'Animalia'*

In conjunction with this year's Book Week celebration, primary school students in Gannawarra are invited to take part in a drawing competition to commemorate the beloved book 'Animalia', a beautifully illustrated book by Graeme Base that endures today.

We would like students to re-imagine their favourite page from the book. Whether you stick to the traditional 'Graeme Base illustration style', or create a manga version of the page, the hand drawn illustrations must reflect the original material.

Entries can be A4 or A3, are to be hand drawn and MUST include the boy that pertains to this quote –

*"A final word before we go;  
There's one more thing you ought to know;  
In Animalia, you see,  
It's possible you might find me."  
(Ask an adult at home or librarian about this feature of the book)*

Entries will be divided into three categories – Prep/1/2, Grades 3/4 and Grades 5/6. Two prize winners will be selected from each category.

Winners will receive a SPECIAL EDITION commemorative coin, celebrating the anniversary of the publication of the story, PLUS two mystery titles of other Graeme Base books.

**ANIMALIA**  
Graeme Base

Entries can be delivered to either the Cohuna or Kerang libraries and must include the full name of the child, grade level and school they attend and a contact phone number. Please do not place personal details on the front of pictures.

Entries to be received by close of business Friday 19 August and winners will be announced on the Gannawarra Library Service Facebook page (with a copy of the winning drawings and the first name of the artist) on Friday 26 August and will be contacted the following week.

# The Term Ahead - Term 3 - 2022



## Week 1

- Monday 11/7 - Start of Term 3
- Thursday 14/7 - Inquiry Launch (11:40am - 1:40pm)
- Thurs-Fri 14-15/7 - Mrs Mullavey in Gr1/2
- Friday 15/7 - Prep for a Day
- Friday 15/7 - Final pie drive orders
- Friday 15/7 - Inquiry launch

## Week 2

- Monday 18/7 - SAC meeting - 7.00pm
- Monday 18/7 - PSG meetings
- Tuesday 19/7 - Amy Stanton in: Speech Pathologist
- Thursday 21/7 - Pie drive pick up
- Thurs-Fri 21-22/7 - Mrs Mullavey in Gr1/2



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## Week 4

- Monday 1/8 - Yr 5/6 ABLAZE @ Ulumbarra
- Tuesday 2/8 - Amy Stanton in: Speech Pathologist
- Wednesday 3/8 - Class Mass - Seniors
- Wednesday 3/8 - Sacraments of Confirmation/Eucharist Mass rehearsal (straight after mass)
- Sunday 7/8 - Sacrament of Confirmation and Eucharist @ 2.00pm

## Week 5

- 8/8 - Feast of Mary MacKillop whole school Mass - 12:30pm
- 11/8 - St Mary's Athletics Carnival
- 12/8 - Learners Spirituality Day- St Mary's to host St Pats and St Josephs

## Week 6

- Monday 15th - 19th - 2023 Prep enrolment tours and family meetings
- Monday 15/8 - Feast of the Assumption @ 12:30pm Mass (whole school)
- Thursday 18/8 - St Mary's Aths back up day (surely won't be required??)



## Week 7

- Book Week
- Monday 22/8 - SAC meeting @ 7.00pm
- Tuesday 23/8 - Amy Stanton in: Speech Pathologist
- Friday 26/8 - 2023 Prep enrolments due today

## Week 8

- Mon 29/8 - Thurs 1/9 - Yr 5/6 Mountainview Retreat Camp - Harrietville
- Monday 29/8 - Arts on Show - Yr 3/4 learners
- Monday 29/8 - P&F meeting @ 6.30 pm
- Friday 2/9 - Father's Day celebrations

## Week 9

- Wednesday 7/9 - Junior Class Mass @ 12.30pm
- Thursday 8/9 - Prep enrolment welcome packs sent out
- Friday 9/9 - Assembly Yr 5/6

## Week 10

- Wednesday 14/9 - Learning Conversations
- Learning Expo (date TBC)
- Friday 16/9 - last day Term 3 (2:15pm finish)

### *Term Dates for the Year:*

TERM 1: 28th January - 8th April

TERM 2: 26th April - 24th June

TERM 3: 11th July - 16th September TERM 4: 3rd October - 20th December

