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## COHUNA BEELE

# **St Mary's** Newsletter

## TERM 3, WEEK 7 - A GREAT WEEK AHEAD!

This week we enter the final month of Term 3 and we have so much to look forward to over the next four weeks! We have library visits, the Junior's late stay excursion, Book Week activities and the Book Week parade - and that's just this week alone! Please note that due to the timing of the parade - we will be eating lunch at 11am and having our recess when we return to school - this will mean that the canteen will NOT operate on Friday (26/8).

Next week our Senior students go on camp to Harrietville, many of our Gr 3/4s will perform in Echuca at the Arts on Show celebration, our Preps are visiting the Cohuna Retirement Village and we have Father's Day celebrations to finish off the week!

Thank you again to Miss Brereton and staff for their organisation that led to a successful Athletics Carnival. I would also like to say a huge thank you to Craig Hayes and Trent Whyte who helped set up and pack up on the day. Also thank you to Ella Pollock for the lend of her marquee and to all those parents who were able to lead a group or support staff at an event on the day. We couldn't have done it without you, thank you so much!! Miss B has spent the weekend organising the learners who will go onto the next level of competition - which will be held next Friday (2/9) at Kerang.

Our Book Fair will run each day this week from 3-4pm. Please support the school by purchasing books at the book fair if you can, as the more books we sell, the more books we receive from Scholastic for our learners. Thank you yet again to Mrs Fry for your tireless work setting up and running the fair!!

On Tuesday last week, we had a very special visitor - Josh Thornton- come and speak to our learners (and staff) about overcoming adversity to achieve greatness. Josh was born with a congenital birth defect but hasn't let this hold him back. He has become a world class lawn bowler and won Gold at the 2018 Commonwealth Games in the Para Triples. It was great to hear Josh's story ... and see his Gold Medal!

Congratulations also to Nathan who made his Confirmation on Sunday - it was a great celebration - well done Nathan!

Continue to look after yourself and each other ... and beware of swooping magpies - I was hit riding my bike to mass on Sunday (opposite the Police Station)!! DATES AHEAD

Take care and God Bless.

Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)



Week 7

- Book Week
- Monday 22/8 SAC meeting @ 7.00pm
- Tuesday 23/8 Amy Stanton in: Speech Pathologist
- Thursday 25/8 Prep/Gr 1 Late Stay excursion
- Friday 26/8 Book Week Parade!!
- Friday 26/8 2023 Prep enrolments due today



Canteen

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

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.

**PBIS** Our focus for the start

of Term 3 is :-

Looking after your own belongings.

St Mary's is a Child Safe School. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

## A PRAYER

A Reader's Prayer

We devote this week to the reading of books. Guide our minds to choose the right books and other written works; reading them for enjoyment, pleasure and knowledge; responding in ways that lead me closer and nearer to you O Lord.

Let all of my reading so refresh my mind that I may more eagerly seek after things that are pure, fair and true.

Amen







Marley-Jai Hardingham 19th August







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.

#### 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

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Flying Doctor Dental Team on (03) 8412 0444 or dental@rfdsvic.com.au.

#### **Junior School Team**

Book Week Celebrations here we come! We are absolutely blessed to have such amazing staff organise an amazing book week for our learners.

Today we walked to the local library for look and story time. Please remember Friday is our whole school 'Graeme Base' themed animal book parade. Parents you are welcome to join.

Our Book Fair will run each day this week from 3-4pm. Please families come and support, as every purchase of books benefits our school and learners.

Thursday we have our Prep and Year 1 late stay, can you please make sure permission slips are returned.

This week during literacy we will continue to perfect our narrative writing piece including a fitting illustration ready for judging by Mr Mullarvey on Friday.

In Maths, we are making steady progress learning about multiplication and shapes.

During inquiry we have been learning loads about Australia and our local area. Parents if you have any historic photos or information from the past based on Cohuna, please share with us.

Over the next three weeks we will be developing and brainstorming ideas about our final projects for the end of Term learning expo.... Great things are coming! Stay safe and remember to label clothing and lunch containers.

#### **Senior School Team**

Welcome to Book Week! Today each class got to head to the Cohuna Library to celebrate the beginning of Book Week. We read a story and had a look around the library.

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone's costumes for the book parade on Friday, remember to come dressed as an animal in celebration of Graeme Base's many wonderful books!

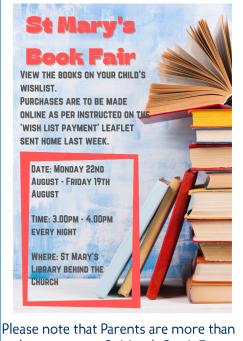
Next week the Year <sup>5</sup>/<sub>6</sub>'s are heading to Harrietville for our snow camp. Please look out for any reminders on School Stream, and refer to the permission slip information for what learners need to bring. Please contact your child's teacher with any questions.

In the classroom, each year level is beginning to research their own interests within the Inquiry topic, and the Year 5 and 6's are using venn diagrams to compare Europe, Asia and Australia.

In Religion, the Year 5/6 's are learning about the Sacraments of Healing, and researched the uses and sources of different oils in relation to the Anointing of the Sick. We are about to find out about Reconciliation and the Holy Orders.

In writing, the Year 3/4 's are finishing off their narratives and illustrations. The Year 5/6 's are beginning to research for their Inquiry projects, and refreshing their understanding of how to turn information into their own words.

The 3/4 's are still working on division strategies, and the 5/6 's are focusing on multiplication and completing post assessment on chance and data in maths. This week in reading we will be sharing the Book Week finalists and winners and completing activities based on them. Looking forward to a great week!



welcome to visit St Mary's Book Fair held in our Library between 3pm - 4pm daily this week.



### **Athletics 2022**

Our second attempt at our Athletics carnival was a great success. Our learners remained dry whilst they participated in all track and field events and collected their ribbons. The introduction of the modified Javelin event was a huge hit, with learners attempting to beat Mr Mullaveys record. It was great to see staff and families vs our year 6 learners in the 100m dash!

A huge thankyou goes out to all the parents who were able to give up their time to assist on the day. Our Athletics Carnival could not be possible without your help.

We congratulate Fatima who won the 2022 Athletics by a small margin.

Fatima - 552

Carmel - 540

Lourdes - 427

Congratulations to our age group champions 10 year old - Kaden Hollingworth and Chloe Hawkin 11 year old - Ryder Cameron and Chloe Keating 12/13 year old- Jack Pollock and Millah Crichton

And to top it off, Well done to our new record holders Dan Murray - Discus 14.95m Sophie Keating - Discus 11.06m Zarah Crichton - Discus 12.92m Millah Crichton - Discus 17.53 Ryder Cameron - High Jump 17.53

All learners who placed first or second in the 10, 11 or 12/13 year old events will progress to Kerang District Zone Athletics on Friday 2nd of September. This event will be held at Kerang Technical High School. Events commence at 9.30am. A permission form and timetable of the events will be sent home to learners who are competing. We wish all our learners the very best as they represent our school.





















## 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

#### Week 3

- . 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

#### 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)
- Tuesday 16/8 Josh Thornton 'Dealing with the cards I was dealt'
- Thursday 18/8 St Mary's Aths back up day (surely won't be required??)
- Friday 19/8 Grade 6 transition day at Cohuna Secondary College

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#### 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 •
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- Sunday 4/9 Father's Day •

#### Week 9

- Monday Welcome Remy (Work Experience) •
- Wednesday 7/9 Junior Class Mass @ 12.30pm Thursday 8/9 Prep enrolment welcome packs sent out Friday 9/9 Assembly Yr 5/6 •
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#### Week 10

- Tuesday 13/9 Learning Conversations new date Learning Expo (date TBC) Friday 16/9 last day Term 3 (2:15pm finish) •
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#### 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

