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St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 3, WEEK 9

I hope families had a wonderful Father's day weekend. Spring has sprung! It is great to see the sun return and longer days arrive! We have a great week ahead at St Mary's. Today (Monday) we welcome Remy Doyle back to school for a week of `work experience.'

Our Gr1/2's are off to the Cohuna Retirement Village to visit the residents. Tomorrow we welcome Georgia Donat who is our new CES Ltd. Speech Therapist. Georgia takes over from Amy Stanton, and we thank Amy for her commitment to our learners and families.

On Wednesday our Junior school will celebrate mass at 12:30pm - all families are most welcome to attend. On Friday we round out the week with an assembly hosted by our Gr5/6 learners where we will hear and see all the great things that happened on camp!

Thank you again to the staff for their efforts last week. It was a pleasure to go on camp with Kayla, Sarah V, Sarah T and Julie. Our job was made very easy with the excellent behaviour of our senior students ... I hope everyone involved was able to catch up on some sleep over the weekend!

Thank you also to Miss Brereton for organising and supporting our athletes at the Kerang Trials on Friday (along with the parents who were able to provide support). Well done to our athletes who represented our school so positively!

Next week I will share the 'Term 4 Ahead' dates so families are aware of what will be going on next term at St Mary's. However, I wanted to let you know the following dates that will be Pupil Free Days as soon as I could, so here they are:

- Friday 14th October 2022 (Week 2)
- Monday 31st October 2022 (Week 5)

Students will not attend school on these days.

Today I will open the booking platform for Learning Conversations. These will be held next Tuesday (13/9) from 12:30-7:00pm. Please take this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning and growth.

Booking link:

http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/jzszu

Booking QR Code:



I hope you have a wonderful week.

Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)

DATES AHEAD

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



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

A PRAYER

Our Prep and Yr 1/2 learners have been visiting the residents of the Cohuna Retirement Village to bring a little joy, love and laughter. This prayer is a reminder that we all need to remember the older generation and treat them with respect and dignity.

Father, we pray that You would soften our hearts to our

elderly neighbors-that you would stir us to love them in both

word and deed. Spirit, move us toward action, help us to slow

elderly neighbors for whom daily life has become a struggle.

down, to take the time to offer care and assistance to our

Canteen

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

Amen

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 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

With only two weeks to go, we have so much learning to do and fun activities to complete!

Parents please keep the resources coming in for the 'Australian landmark project' (Inquiry). Many of us have started our facts poster to complement our 3D model. Love the creativity!

We had a fabulous time learning about dinosaurs and fossils with Wendy from the Melbourne Museum. Please ask your learner about any new facts and exhibits that they might have touched during the presentation. During math we continue to learn about more complex shapes and strategies to solve multiplication problems. In Religion, the learners are continuing to identify the different Sacraments within the Catholic church and define any similarities between church celebrations and celebrations at home. Our Fathers Day celebrations at St Marys were wonderful. Our teachers organized engaging activities - we hope you enjoyed it. I can honestly say it was my first time teaching a 'Man Manicure' class.

Please remember to pack a healthy snack for the 10am break and to keep the family celebration photos coming in. Stay safe.













Senior School Team

Wowee what an amazing experience the Year 5/6 learners had at their camp last week! Well done to all of the learners, everyone pushed themselves out of their comfort zone in a number of ways, and of course created wonderful memories. Watch out for next week's newsletter when some of the 5%'s share their recounts of the camp.

In the classroom, the Year 5/6 's are working on recounts for their writing, using their experiences on camp to revise this text type, and remembering to include lots of detail and description. The 3/4 's are focusing on how to change information into their own words. In Religion, the learners are continuing to identify the different Sacraments within the Catholic church, this week focusing on the Holy Orders, while the 3/4 's are writing their own prayers. In maths, the Year 5/6 's will be revising their understanding of the 4 processes, as well as using their knowledge of shape to build a geographical landmark linked to our Inquiry topic. They will also be learning about different angles. The year 3/4 class will be identifying the time using analogue and digital clocks, and revising the correct way to read time. In Reading, we are learning about how Australia is connected to other parts of the world, while identifying why the author chose different techniques to use in their writing.

Congratulations to all learners that represented our school at the next stage of Athletics in Kerang, a superb effort by all and a special mention to those learners whole will be going onto the next stage in Swan Hill, we wish them all the best.









Kerang District Athletics Trials

On Friday the 2nd September, a number of learners who progressed from our St Mary's Athletics carnival traveled to Kerang to compete against other schools in our district. Well done to all learners who competed. We had a great day out in the sun, competing, cheering on our friends and making fathers day presents between our events. A huge thankyou to Ella Pollock and Alex Douglas for ensuring all learners were at their events on time.

Learners who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd will progress to the Mallee Zone Athletics carnival on Monday 12th in Swan Hill. We wish them all the very best.

Learners who represented at Kerang District Trials

Chloe Hawken Zarah Crichton Chloe Keating Lainie Spring Pippa Reid Abbey Wishart **Emily Dehne Bella Douglas** Zaeli Cutter Kaden Hollingworth Charlie Grills Nathan Mihlavic **Camm Nicholson** Harry Mathers Ryder Cameron Elliot Warren Jack Pollock Tai Edwards Charlie Hauser







Learners who progressed to Mallee Zone

Kaden Hollingworth Charlie Hauser Nathan Mihlavic Ryder Cameron Tai Edwards Jack Pollock Bella Douglas Lainie Spring Zaeli Cutter Zarah Crichton



Father's Day 2022 Celebrations































Cohuna Lawn Tennis Club Inc. Season 2022/23 The NDLTA season will commence in 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 28th September 2022 Saturday morning & twilight tennis Start dates to be advised. Please check Facebook page for updates. NEW PLAYERS WELCOME



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The Term Ahead - Term 3 - 2022

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 Sunday 4/9 Father's Day •

Week 9

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- 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







