



# St Mary's Newsletter

## TERM 4, WEEK 1

The weather is warming up, the days are longer and Term 4 is upon us! What a year we have had together so far and I look forward to that continuing this term. I hope all families have had the chance to unwind, and spend some time doing what you enjoy over the holidays.

Lately at Mass Fr Dean has spoken on the importance of forgiveness and how this is modeled by Jesus in the Bible. As we begin the final term of the year, this can be a good time to reflect on our actions, seek forgiveness and recommit ourselves to living a life in harmony with God's will. The parables of the Lost Sheep and the Unforgiving Servant remind us of the call to be merciful, both to ourselves and to those around us, and to embrace the transformative power of God's love and forgiveness in our lives.

As you know, Term 4 can be a fast one, where Christmas arrives before we know it. Please make sure we look after each other as a school community through the highs and challenges ahead of us over the next 12 weeks. This term I am really looking forward to seeing our 2024 Preps transition to school. I also hope our Yr6 learners have an enjoyable final term of primary schooling. This term we will celebrate World Teachers Day, Grandparent's Day and a Community Event (night of 27th Oct).

Staff will focus their professional development in the areas of R.E. (with Kevin Lawlor - CES Ltd), Maths (with Lauren Gould - CES Ltd) and Strategic Planning (with Brenda Keenan - CES Ltd). Our Sport focus will be on our Swimming program later in the term. And I'm sure there will be plenty more in store for us as we progress through the term. Staff will also be busy preparing for 2024 and I look forward to sharing information about next year as soon as it is available and appropriate.

This term we welcome back Mr Mann and his music program. The Music program will replace Italian on our Specialist timetable. After stepping aside from teaching Italian this term, Mrs Jones will work two mornings per week (Mondays and Wednesdays) in her Educational Support (Top Up Time) role. This will allow Angie to target learners requiring additional support and see them twice each week.

Tomorrow night (Tuesday 3rd Oct), Colleen Hampson (CES Ltd) will lead a Life Relations Parent Meeting at school from 6:30pm onwards. This night is for parents and learners (in Yr5/6) and knowing Colleen, it will be informative and well delivered.

We are a SunSmart school at St Mary's, so this term (just like Term 1), it is compulsory for learners to wear the school hat during recess and lunch times. I also recommend sending sunscreen in with your child/ren and staff can work with families to build the habit of applying sunscreen at appropriate times throughout the day.

Kimmy's Cafe will now offer lunch orders on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and again I would like to thank Simon Dobie for supporting the school last term by providing lunch orders every Monday.

PSG's for Term 4 will be held on Monday 16th Oct and Monday 23rd Oct. Please see further booking details in this newsletter.

I hope everyone is adjusting well to the new daylight savings time and the mornings aren't too challenging!

Have a great week everybody.

Take care and God bless,

*Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)*

# A PRAYER



## Catholic Education Theme from 2023 Reflection

*"Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." (Colossians 4:6).*

*Before people had refrigerators and freezers, they needed a way to store food and make sure it would be safe to eat. How did they do that? With salt. Someone, a very long time ago, discovered that salt rubbed into food (like meat) would preserve the food in a safe way. It also made it taste better!*

*Why does Paul tell us to season our conversation with salt? He means that our words should be tasty and delightful to people who may hear them. Our words can also be used as a preservative—to build and to strengthen relationships.*

*Do your words build up people around you? Does your conversation reflect that Jesus lives in your heart? The next time you talk to someone in person or through technology, remember Paul's advice: let your conversation be full of grace and seasoned with salt!*

## St Mary's Cohuna Families - Term 4- 2023



Week	Dates & Items
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 2nd Oct - Term 4 begins</li> <li>Mon 2nd-Wed 4th - Mrs Williams out LSL (replaced by Mrs Mullavey)</li> <li>Tues 3rd Oct - Life Relations Parent Meeting @ 6:30pm</li> <li>Thurs 5th Oct - World Teachers Day</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 9th Oct - Cohuna Kinder Visit</li> <li>Mon 9th Oct - SAC @ 7pm</li> <li>Fri 13th Oct - 2024 Prep transition #1</li> </ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 16th Oct - Leitchville Kinder Visit @ 11:30am</li> <li>Mon 16th Oct - P&amp;F Meeting @ 6:30pm</li> <li>Tues 17th Oct - Georgia D, Michelle and Sheryn (CES Ltd) visit</li> <li>Wed 18th Oct - School Mass - Middles @ 12:30pm</li> <li>Thurs 19th Oct - Miss Cooke out - Pastoral Wellbeing Network @ Shepp</li> </ul>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thurs 26th Oct - Mr Mullavey out - Western Deanery Principal's Network Bendigo</li> <li>Fri 27th Oct - Grandparent's day</li> <li>Fri 27th Oct - Community Event</li> </ul>
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 30th Oct - 11-12:30pm Child Safe Officer Training (Miss Cooke and Mr Mullavey)</li> </ul>
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 6th Nov - Mrs Fields out this week</li> <li>Mon 6th Nov - Report writing day (Pupil Free day)</li> <li>Tues 7th Nov - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday</li> <li>Wed 8th Nov - Mrs Barry out LSL until 23/11 (replaced by Mrs Patterson)</li> <li>Wed 8th Nov - School mass - All Souls day @ 12:30pm (Seniors)</li> <li>Thurs 9th Nov - Kylie Smith (CES Ltd) visit - faith formation</li> <li>Fri 10th Nov - MacKillop Art Exhibition (opening)</li> </ul>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tues 14th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in (CES Ltd Speech therapists)</li> <li>Thurs 16th Nov - Mr Mullavey out - Director's Briefing @ Shepparton</li> </ul>
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fri 24th Nov - Mrs Barry back from LSL</li> </ul>
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 27th Nov - Swimming Program this week</li> <li>Mon 27th Nov - P&amp;F Meeting @ 6:30pm</li> <li>Tues 28th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in</li> </ul>
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tues 12th Dec - St Mary's Feast Day/End of Year mass @ 6pm</li> <li>Thurs 14th Dec - Learner Pool Party!</li> <li>Thurs 14th Dec - Yr6 Graduation @ Tavern</li> <li>Fri 15th Dec - Learner's last day of 2023</li> </ul>
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 18th Dec - Staff professional development</li> <li>Tues 19th Dec - Staff 2024 planning</li> <li>Wed 20th Dec - Staff last day</li> <li>Wed 20th Dec - CES Ltd office closes for 2023</li> </ul>



**PSG letter home to families**

**2nd October 2023**

Dear families,

We will hold our Term 4 Parent Support Group (PSG) meetings on **Monday 16th October** and **Monday 23rd October**. These meetings are very important to help us plan for, and meet, the needs of our learners who have additional needs.

If you haven't done so already, please book a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning via School Interviews with the link or QR code below:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/fbyzs>



If you have any further questions (or trouble booking), or need to make a time to meet outside of the two days we've provided please contact me (or your child's teacher) at school on 5456 2062 (or via email and Seesaw).

These bookings will close on Thursday 12th October.

Kind regards

Jarrod Mullavey  
Principal  
St Mary's Cohuna



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



**2nd Oct**

**Macey Pollock**

**3rd Oct**

**Jensen Fountain**

**4th Oct**

**Anna Borkowski**

**4th Oct**

**Harry Coombs**

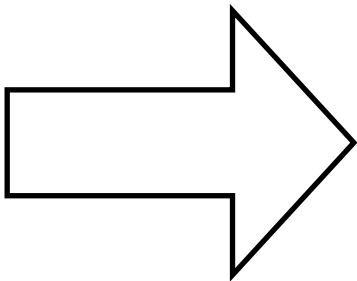
**7th Oct**

**Connor Bishop**



# COMMUNITY NEWS

PLEASE PICK  
ST MARY'S



**RITCHIES IGR + LIQUOR**

**NOMINATE US TODAY**  
AS PART OF THE  
**RITCHIES COMMUNITY  
BENEFIT PROGRAM**  
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## Cohuna Lawn Tennis Club Inc.

### Season 2023/24

The NDLTA season will commence

On 21st October 2023

Anyone interested in playing Saturday afternoon tennis

Please contact Shirlene Barker 5456 2053 or

Harrison Cleave 0488 971 087

Names must be in by 2nd October 2023

Saturday morning & twilight tennis

Start dates to be advised.

Please check Facebook page for updates.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME



## KIMMY'S CAFE

**GOOD NEWS  
KIMMY'S CAFE WILL  
BE TAKING ON THE  
LUNCH ORDERS FOR  
MONDAYS!!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 27TH, 2023**

Something big is coming..



# CANTEEN IS BACK



## St. Mary's Canteen

### Wednesday & Friday Menu

### Term 3 COMMENCING ON WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY

ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE COMPLETED ON CDFPAY & CLOSE AT 8.30AM EACH MORNING  
(orders can be placed up to 1 week prior)

FOOD & DRINKS WILL BE SUPPLIED BY KIMMY'S CAFÉ

### PRICE LIST



#### HOT / COLD FOOD

PIE	\$5.00
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$4.50 (GF & DF OPTIONS AVAILABLE)
SWEET CHILLI WRAP	\$6.50
SALT & VINEGAR WRAP	\$6.50
LASAGNA	\$6.50
CHICKEN NUGGETS	\$.80 EACH (GF & DF OPTIONS AVAILABLE)
MINI DIM SIMS	\$.80 EACH
SWEET CHILLI TENDER	\$2.00
SALT & VINEGAR TENDER	\$2.00
MINI PIZZA	\$3.50
CHICKEN SALAD WRAP	\$6.50 (GF & DF)
HAM SALAD WRAP	\$6.50 (GF & DF)

SAUCE .30C

#### SLICES

HEDGEHOG SLICE	\$2.00
JELLY SLICE	\$2.00
RUMBALLS (3)	\$2.00

#### DRINKS - \$3.00

BIG M 300ml - Chocolate or Strawberry

POP TOP - Orange, Apple or Apple/Blackcurrant



The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international organisation operating in 153 countries and has over 800,000 members worldwide. The Society has a presence on every continent in the world with the exception of Antarctica perhaps. Mrs Mathers in her role as chaplain at our school is also a St Vinnies Kerang member. She is able to assist families with food vouchers or other resources that families require. You can make appointments to see her if a need arises. Please do not hesitate to contact the school.

**"Helping one person may not change the whole world, But it could change the world for one person."**

God Bless Mrs Mathers



### Book Club

1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school
2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read
3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (LOOP orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)
4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.

**LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.**

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card

**SCHOLASTIC**

**Prep/1**  
**Year1/2**  
**Year3/4 LK**  
**Year 3/4 B**  
**Year 5/6 WM**  
**Year 5/6 D.**

#### LOGIN DETAILS

SCHOOL: St Marys School

SCROLL to Cohuna

Note: No cash please pay through Loop



School Term Dates 2023:  
 Term 1: 27th Jan - 6th Apr  
 Term 2: 24th Apr - 23rd Jun  
 Term 3: 10th Jul - 15th Sep  
 Term 4: 2nd Oct - 20th Dec

*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.*

