



St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 3, WEEK 4 -

As we roll into Week 4 you may notice things are changing around the school. Our new canteen is starting to take shape. The cracked archway entrance near the Grade 6 room is being repaired. And we have just been given the 'green light' to have the old toilet block demolished. This is all very exciting and has come about from a combination of a well managed school budget, support from Catholic Education Sandhurst through a Supplementary Funds Grant and the tireless work of our school community. By the end of term 3, I am hopeful our school building works will be completed.

I want to say a huge congratulations to Chloe, Maggie, Millah and Mitchell who all represented our school on Friday night at the RSL club for the Lions Club Speech Night. All four speeches were fantastic and I know myself, Kayla, Meg and Julianne were all very proud teachers sitting in attendance. Extra congratulations to Chloe who was awarded the winner of her section.

On Wednesday Fr Dean and the senior learners will lead us in celebrating mass. Then on Sunday (7th August) at 2pm, Bishop Shane will help us celebrate the Holy Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Please keep Connor, Oskar, Camm, Jacob, Aesha, Chloe, Kaden, Harry and Nathan in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their preparations for these sacraments.

Mass times continue with the Feast of Mary MacKillop - Monday 8th Aug - 12:30pm and the Feast of the Assumption - Monday 15th Aug - 12:30pm - to follow in the coming weeks.

Miss B has been busy in P.E. lessons preparing our learners for the upcoming Athletics day. This will be held on Thursday 11th August - more information will follow over the coming days.

The day after our Aths Carnival- Friday 12th Aug - we will be joined at school by learners from St Joseph's Kerang and St Patrick's Pyramid Hill to celebrate our faith with a Leader Spirituality Day. Recess/snack and a BBQ lunch will be provided to all learners on this day.

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

Jarrold Mullavey (Principal)



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A PRAYER

Prayer for our Learners preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

Father, you give each one of us a special life and love in our families. It is through the experience of sharing and growing together that we deepen our experience of You.

As we join with our children in this time of preparation before they celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist for the first time, we ask You to be with us in the power and gift of Your Spirit. We ask you to encourage all of us to be aware of the wonder of Your Sacramental gifts and to deepen our union with You and with one another in and through Jesus Your Son.

Amen



- Jimmy Mathers 25th July
- Bella Douglass 26th July

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 3 is :-

Looking after your own belongings.



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.



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

Junior School Team

What an absolutely wonderful '100 days smarter celebrations in the Prep classroom, costumes, decorations, food and slide show were fabulous! A huge shout out to Ms B who has stated implementing specialized activities during Physical Education - in support of our athletics day coming up. In Religion the focus continues to be on the Sacraments of Initiation, as members of our school prepare for their Confirmation and Eucharist Sacraments this Sunday at 2pm. We are paying close attention to the Gifts of the Holy Spirit that are received through Confirmation. During inquiry we have been learning about Australia's beautiful states and territories and discovering why they are so famous. Parents if you have any photos of any family trips can we please see them. Handwriting is running smoothly, we are perfecting our lowercase formation on a daily basis. In maths we are learning about Geometry and multiplication, please practice times tables at home (5 groups of 5 teaspoons equals...)

Book Week is fast approaching, and our whole school theme is Graeme Base. He is an Australian- British author and artist known for his books 'Animalia' and 'The 11th Hour'. His books focus mainly on animals, so learners are invited to dress up as an animal or another character from any of his books. In Writing all classes are continuing to create their Book Week narratives, ready for the competition during Book Week. For oral language we continue to learn about favorite holiday spots, we love learning about your adventures!



Senior School Team

Well done to Millah, Mitchell, Maggie and Chloe on a wonderful effort in presenting your Lions Club Speeches on Friday night in the final. You should be proud of your efforts. Congratulations to Chloe who was the winner in the 3/4 section, and Maggie, who was runner up.

In Reading in the 5/6 area, we have been learning about the Continents of the world in shared reading and have been enjoying using Google Earth to locate the countries within the Continents. The Year 3/4 's have also been using their shared reading to investigate the Inquiry topic. In Writing all classes are continuing to create their Book Week narratives, ready for the competition during Book Week.

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In maths, we are continuing to extend our understanding of the 4 processes, subtraction in the Year 5/6 classes, and multiplication in the 3/4 room.

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

BOOSTERS LET'S DO THIS

> Book your COVID-19 booster today at nsw.gov.au



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

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!



Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!



<https://www.scholastic.com.au/media/3203/loop-registration.jpg>




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





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.



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



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)
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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

