



St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 2, WEEK 4 - BIKE ED AND MOTHER'S DAY!

Wow, what a fantastic Catholic Education Week we celebrated last week. It was great to see the smiles on our learners' faces as they: wore their pjs, dressed up, danced at our disco, ran cross country and enjoyed a teddy bear's picnic! Add to that, two excursions for our senior learners where they represented our school with pride! So much work went on behind the scenes to ensure the smooth and safe running of a jam-packed week at St Mary's, so my thanks also goes out to our staff and all parent volunteers who were involved!!

This week we get to celebrate Mother's Day!! I know many of us have wonderful, loving mothers and it will be a great celebration both at school on Friday and at home on Sunday. Please also keep in your thoughts and prayers those of us whose Mums are sick or are in heaven, or those who have a challenging relationship with their Mum.

In Sunday's Gospel (Jn 15:9-17) Jesus calls us to love one another as he has loved us. This is love of the deepest kind. It is without restriction and without seeking something in return. Jesus loved those who no one loved and he even loved those who hated him and sought his downfall. We are challenged to love like this. We are challenged to love those who hate and despise us; to love without counting the cost.

Tonight (6/5) we have our 2025 Prep Information Night. Please encourage any new families that might be interested in sending their children to our school to attend this night. It will be held at school and begin at 6pm. Child minding and finger food will be available. Also, please let prospective families know that if they are unable to attend tonight's session, our door is always open for them to come in and take a look around our beautiful school.

As I mentioned earlier, on Friday (10/5) we will celebrate Mums (and special women) at our annual Mother's Day morning. The day will begin at 9am with a liturgy in the church. Then Mums will be invited to participate with their children in a Mother's Day activity. Morning tea will follow this, as well as the drawing of our raffle. (Please note: there will be no gifts for purchase this year as the feedback we have received places the focus on mums spending time with their children - not buying gifts). The coffee van is booked and ready to go!

We will close out the week on Friday afternoon (10/5) with an assembly in the church beginning at 2:20pm. All families are welcome and our Junior learners will lead our assembly.

I am looking forward to seeing all the bikes and scooters around school this week as our learners participate in Bike Education. We also have a number of 'spare bikes' so if you can't get a bike or scooter to school, don't worry, your child will still be able to join in the lessons. Remember all bike/scooter riders require a correctly fitting helmet. Staff will ensure that any bikes left at school during this week are kept safe. Thanks in advance to Mrs Walker for this great initiative!

Take care and God bless,

Jarrold Mullavey

Principal

St Mary's Cohuna - Term 2- 2024 - Families

Week	Dates & Items
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fri 10th May - Assembly• Fri 10th May - Mother's Day celebration• Sun 12th May - Mother's Day
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mon 13th May - PSG meetings• Tues 14th - Division Cross Country (Swan Hill)• Wed 15th May - Pastoral Wellbeing Leaders Network - Miss Cooke out• Wed 15th May - Wheelie Wednesday• Thurs 16th May - Principal Briefing Shepp (5:30pm)• Fri 17th May - PSG meetings• Fri 17th May - Principal's Briefing Shepp• Sun 19th May - Pentecost Sunday
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wed 22nd - Indigenous Performance @ school 9:15-10:15am• Fri 24th May - Speech Path (Georgia in)
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reconciliation Week (27th May- 3rd June)• Tues & Wed - AFL Clinic• Fri 31st May - Good Samaritan Winter Cup - Pyramid Hill
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mon 3rd June - SAC @ 7pm• Wed 5th June - Wheelie Wednesday• Friday 7th June - Pupil Free Day (Data focus)
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mon 10th June - King's Birthday Public Holiday• Wed 12th June - R.E. Network - Jarrod out• Wed 12th June - Wheelie Wednesday• Fri 14th June - Assembly
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tues & Wed - Gymnastic @ Palmers Gym• Fri 21st June - Speech Path (Georgia in)• Fri 21st June - Division Winter Sports
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tues & Wed - Gymnastic @ Palmers Gym• Fri 28th June - Last day of Term 2 - 2:15pm finish



6th May 2024

Dear families,

We will hold our Term 2 Parent Support Group (PSG) meetings on Monday 13th May and Friday 17th May. 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/cumgu>



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 Graecen Cartwright (or your child's teacher) at school on 5456 2062 (or via email and Seesaw).

These bookings will close on Friday 10th May.

Kind regards

Jarrod Mullavey
Principal
St Mary's Cohuna

PRAYER

A Prayer for my mother

Lord,
I thank you for my mother.
Thank you for placing her in
my life, and for the blessings
she is to me and my family.
Thank you for the godly
wisdom that she has instilled in
me. Words cannot express the
gratefulness I have in my heart
for her beauty and spiritual
influence in my life. Please
continue to bless her and
surround her with your grace
and favor. Amen.

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School Term Dates 2024:

Term 2: 15th Apr - 28th Jun

Term 3: 15th Jul - 20th Sept

Term 4: 7th Oct - 20th Dec

P & F chocolate fundraiser

A reminder to please
deposit the \$60 into the
School bank account :-

BSB 083-543

Acc. No. 457171993

*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.*



Attending the Early Years = Greater chance of success

- establishes positive habits
- builds positive relationships
- maximises opportunities to learn
- supports problem solving skills

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



**6th May
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THIES**

**Cross Country
Congratulations FATIMA**



AGE CHAMPIONS

	BOY	GiRL
10yrs	Nate Edwards	Tilly Douglass
11yrs	Dan Murray	Sophie Keating
12yrs	Kaden Hollingworth	Chloe Hawken

SCHOOL NURSE VISIT

Kerrie McCosh, Primary School Nurse, will be visiting our school May 27th 2024.

Prep Grade Health Assessments:

All parents/guardians of prep grade children will be asked to complete a Health Questionnaire online, before May 24th. A "postcard" will be sent home from school with information about how to do this. **If you do not wish your child to be seen by school nurse**, please go online, register, and indicate the non-consent.

Referrals (Grade 1-6)

Parents and/or teachers may refer children from any grade for assessments of vision, hearing, basic speech, physical abilities, medical conditions, behavioural and parenting issues. Please collect a referral form from the school office. Completed forms are to be handed into the school office prior to 24th May. Should parents wish to have an interview with the School Nurse, please indicate your request on the form. Please note: You can talk to the primary school nurse at any time throughout the year.



ST. MARY'S COHUNA

2025 PREP INFORMATION NIGHT

St. Mary's Cohuna invites our community
to our 2025 Prep information evening

Come and learn about who
we are!

At St. Mary's all will be
included, nurtured,
faith-filled, respected &
inspired to reach their
full potential.

MONDAY, MAY 6TH, 2024 – 6:00PM

Please enter via the front office

CHILD MINDING FACILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE

www.smcohuna.catholic.edu.au



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M O T H E R ' S D A Y

Mother's day is coming around very quickly.

If you would like to be a part of our Mother's day slideshow, we invite you to email through a photo of your child with their mum or special lady

Please email them to
gcartwright@smcohuna.catholic.edu.au



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Would your child be interested in participating in a MiniRoos soccer program?

The program would need a minimum of 15 students to run.

It would run as an after school activity on the Cohuna Consolidated School Oval over 4-6 weeks.

If interested please send an email with your name and preference for a 4 or 6 week program to:

genna.gordon@education.vic.gov.au

by Wednesday 15th of May.





LEITCHVILLE PRESCHOOL OPEN DAY

Leitchville Preschool invites all interested families to come visit our exceeding educational service, meet the educators and explore the facilities on offer.

'LEITCHVILLE PRESCHOOL OFFERS AN OPEN-ENDED PROGRAM FULL OF FUN AND LEARNING IN A SUPPORTIVE AND CARING ENVIRONMENT'

Tuesday 14th May 2024
9:30 am - 12:30pm
50 King Albert Ave, Leitchville

WE OFFER :

- ▶ Exceeding Rating
- ▶ Purpose built facility
- ▶ Bush Kindergarten
- ▶ Excursions & Incursions
- ▶ Certified Healthy Early Childhood Achievement Program



MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KIM 03 5456 7478





ARE YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE???

Please contact the office of any changes to your details!!!



Free workshop

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Bendigo, VIC



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Tuesday & Wednesday
28 & 29 May, 2024
9:30am - 2:30pm



All Seasons Hotel
171-183 McIvor Hwy,
Bendigo VIC 3550

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
🌐 <https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC>
✉ ccorrigan@positivepartnerships.com.au

☎ 0447 219 627

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VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

Check for the 10c mark

DONATE YOUR DRINK CONTAINERS TO COHUNA ST MARY'S SUSTAINABILITY GROUP

EVERY CONTAINER YOU RECYCLE CAN EARN 10c FOR OUR CAUSE

We are raising funds for:
GARDEN GREEN HOUSE

Your Donation Partner ID & next steps

Now you've received a Donation Partner ID, you're on the way to raising funds from CDS Vic. Please take note of these important details and follow the steps below to complete the process of activating your Donation Partner ID with Zone Operator/s.

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