



St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 3, WEEK 2

Week 1 is done! Welcome to Week 2. I hope everyone enjoyed the first week back and families feel like they are getting back into the school routine. Term 3 is traditionally known as the 'learning term' as class expectations are set, rhythms of learning are established and we have some really exciting content areas to explore: Olympics, Visual Arts and Sacraments of the Church.

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus demonstrates the importance of engaging in times of quiet prayer and reflection. When we expend a lot of time and energy in the service of others, it is essential to reflect on those experiences, to learn from them and consider what you'd do differently next time. It is here we can find real value in prayer.

We have a bit to look forward to this term, including (but not limited to): PSG's, Confirmation/Eucharist, St Mary's Athletics carnival, Book Week celebrations, Father's day, Learner Spirituality day, Sandhurst Arts on Show and Learning Conversations ... just to mention a few!

This Friday, to celebrate the beginning of the Paris Olympics, all learners are invited to wear 'sporting clothes' (they don't have to be Olympics sports necessarily) to school.

Due to the availability of our keynote presenter, Gen Bryant, we have changed the date for Learner Spirituality Day - which will now be held on Wednesday 14th August. On this day, we will host learners and staff from St Patrick's Pyramid Hill and St Joseph's Kerang for a day of spiritual replenishment and enlightenment. Recess and a BBQ lunch will be provided for learners on this day. More details will follow, closer to the 14th August.

In Week 6 of this term, we will celebrate all things 'literature' with our annual Book Week celebrations. We will have a Book Fair (thanks in advance to Mrs Fry for once again organising this) and on Friday 23rd August, we will attend the town Book Parade held at the Garden Park (currently scheduled for a 1pm start, but I will confirm this time closer to the date). The theme this year is 'Reading is Magic' so we are asking learners to come dressed in costumes related to 'magic.' We will offer some practical suggestions in the coming weeks, but I wanted to share this theme as soon as possible as I know how much work goes into creating some of the costumes that appear in the parade!!

Have a wonderful week everyone and stay warm!

Jarrold Mullavey



ARE YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE???

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

PRAYER

SAC Prayer

Lord, let us hear your voice so that we may open the gate of our hearts for you. Draw us to the pathways of life. May others then see us as a safe gateway leading to abundant life.

Amen



St Mary's Cohuna - Term 3- 2024

Week	Dates & Items
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 22nd July- SAC meeting @7:00pm
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 29th July- P&F meeting @ 6:30pm
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday 11th August- Confirmation/ Eucharist @ 2:00pm
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wed 14th Aug- Learner Spirituality Day @ Cohuna (NEW DATE) • Fri 16th August- St. Mary's Athletics Carnival
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOOK WEEK • Wed 21st Aug- Fri 23rd Aug- Yr 3/4 camp @ Kyneton • Fri 23rd Aug - Town Book Week parade @ Garden Park
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thurs 29th Aug- Father's Day celebrations at school • Fri 30th Aug - Learner Spirituality Day @ Cohuna
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 2nd Sept- SAC meeting @ 7pm • Fri 6th Sept- Kerang Zone Athletics (no longer a pupil free day)
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thurs 12th Sept- Sandhurst Arts on Show @ Echuca (Yr 5/6)
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 16th Sept- Division Athletics @ Swan Hill • Wed 18th Sept- Pupil Free Day- Learning Conversations • Fri 20th Sept- Last Day of Term 3- 2:15 pm finish



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(03) 5456 2062



To celebrate the beginning of the 2024 Paris Olympics, learners are invited to wear sporting clothes of their choice.

Friday, July 26th

PARIS 2024





2024 / 2025

KERANG RAIDERS

BASKETBALL SQUAD TRYOUTS

AGE GROUPS:

Under 12's - 2014 / 2015
Under 14's - 2012 / 2013
Under 16's - 2010 / 2011
Under 18's - 2008 / 2009

DATES & TIMES:

Sunday 11th August 2024
Sunday 18th August 2024
Sunday 25th August 2024
11:00am - 1:00pm

WHERE: Kerang Basketball Stadium, Maxwell Street KERANG

BRING: Full water bottle, appropriate enclosed footwear, appropriate sports clothing, BYO Basketball if you have one.

TOURNAMENTS

Swan Hill: 26th & 27th October 2024
Shepparton: 9th & 10th November 2024
Bendigo: 25th, 26th & 27th January 2025
Maryborough: 15th & 16th February 2025

REGISTRATIONS HERE:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/62112a>



Enquiries: kerangbasketball@hotmail.com

 Kerang Amateur Basketball Association

MRS MAC IS CHASING SOME CONCRETE POTS IF ANYONE HAS ANY HANGING AROUND THAT THEY DON'T NEED. THANKS



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

  

Sustainability Update

Semester One

The sustainability group has been very busy this semester:

- Alex has joined our group
- We have new garden beds with lots of new plants such as snap beans, snap peas, cabbage, carrots, spring onions, celery, beetroot, and a mixture of herbs. Thank you to Val and Peter who have helped with the planting.
- At the start of the year, we had an abundance of tomatoes, which we enjoyed with cheese and a bicki. We also made passata with Mrs Jones. Students also enjoyed corn on the cob with melted butter.
- We also learned all about fruit flies. We tried all different ways of getting rid of them. The chooks had a lovely time chewing on the fruit flies and the plants, as we could not save the plants.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

- Over the summer break, the chooks had a lovely time holidaying at Sam Cooke's farm. They came back to a clean pen, however, we now have marshmallow weed growing, which has been very hard to dig out.
- **If anyone could please help us with the marshmallow weed problem, that would be great.**
- **We also need someone to make a cover for the chook shed to help the chooks during the summer heat, if anyone would like to volunteer to help it would be appreciated.**
- **We are going to make fairy gardens next term. If anyone has any old concrete pots that they are no longer using, we would love to take them off your hands and use them for our fairy gardens.**

VISY Recycling

We are also making some money through the Visy Recycle collection scheme. We have made \$68.00 so far. The children are learning to put their milk, and juice containers in the special bin. We just need to teach the adults. (lol)

We have registered to be a donation group through Vissy. Suppose you would like to donate this way to our sustainability group. In that case, you can go to any Recycle center in Victoria, with your cans, glass, plastic, or cardboard drink containers, and ask for our group Cohuna St Mary's Sustainability. The money will go into our account and we can continue planting more fruit and vegetables, and hopefully be able to cook more with the children.

Also thank you to Tim Douglass who has helped us get rid of the dead trees around the garden, and whipper snipped around the chook shed. And the many other tasks Alex does him into.

Have a nice holiday break from Mrs Mac, Alex, Mrs Jones and the sustainability group.

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P & F chocolate fundraiser

A reminder to please deposit the \$60 into the School bank account :-
BSB 083-543
Acc. No. 457171993

School Term Dates 2024:

Term 2: 15th Apr - 28th Jun
Term 3: 15th Jul - 20th Sept
Term 4: 7th 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.

