



St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 3, WEEK 6

We are now over half way through Term 3! We had such a big week last week, and this week is just as great! I thought our Learner Spirituality day was our best one yet! It was great to see staff and learners from St Patrick's Pyramid Hill, St Joseph's Kerang and St Mary's Cohuna getting on so well and celebrating our faith. Musicians Gen Bryant, Monty and Ashane, along with Michael and Troy from CES Ltd (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander team) were the perfect additions to our day! I'm already looking forward to next year's event. Thank you to all families for your understanding with us postponing our Athletics Carnival last Friday. I know many parents and family members take time off work to attend these days, and I apologise for the inconvenience this will have caused. I am looking forward to a sunny 25 degree day on Friday 30th August when we 'take 2' and host our Aths down at the Second Oval!

I really enjoyed Sunday's Gospel (Jn 6:51-58) where Jesus tells a crowd of followers that he is 'the living bread' and 'anyone who eats this bread will live forever.' Just as we need bread/food to sustain our physical bodies, so too do we need to 'consume Jesus' to sustain our spiritual bodies. And by consume, I mean to follow in the teachings of the Gospels, to treat those we interact with with kindness, compassion, dignity and respect. We continue to teach our learners, using stories of Jesus, that we are to love not just our friends, but also those we don't always get along with, because this is what Jesus would do.

This week is Book Week! Please help us celebrate all things "Literacy!" by spending any spare time reading to and with your children and experiencing the joy and MAGIC that comes with reading! The school Book Fair is being held in the Music/STEAM room all week and books are available for purchase after school - as well as online. Let Jenny know if you need to purchase before school and we can arrange this. All proceeds from our Book Fair sales will go towards the school increasing our literacy resourcing.

On Wednesday Mrs Barry is off on well deserved Long Service Leave and Mrs Patterson will cover for Jenny. Can I remind families to show respect at all times when interacting with our school staff - especially our Office staff. They do an amazing job and only have our children's best interests at heart, and it is disheartening to hear how some people talk to them at times.

I am really looking forward to joining our Yr3/4's, Miss Beer, Mrs Walker, Mrs Mac, Grace and Kara on school camp in Kyneton from Wednesday to Friday! We will enjoy activities such as: canoeing, bike riding, archery and the giant swing ... to name a few!

Today (Monday 19th Aug) we held an emergency evacuation drill, so if your child comes home and says “there was a fire at school today!” please know that it was an emergency drill - we have stressed this with our Preps, so hopefully the correct message goes home!

On Friday we will take part in the Town Book Parade. We are asking that learners come dressed as book characters related to our theme of “Reading is Magic!” We will all make our way down to Garden Park (opposite IGA) for a 1pm parade and celebration. All families are most welcome to join us!

This week, Mrs Patterson will email 40 randomly drawn families to take part in our annual School Engagement Survey. The data collected from this survey will be used next year in our School Review to help us better engage with families in our school community. We ask that if you are one of the “lucky ones” to receive a survey, could you please complete it by Monday 16th September.

Parents and carers are again reminded when picking up their children from the front of school at the end of the day, to please meet your child/ren on the school footpath and walk them across the road to the middle island (if that is where you are parked). We have had a couple of ‘near misses’ lately, and do not want to see anyone get hurt in the excitement of going home from school.

With so much sickness around, please take care of yourself over the coming weeks and we conclude the Winter months!

Have a great week.

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SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY

18TH OCTOBER

GRANDPARENTS DAY

(MORNING)

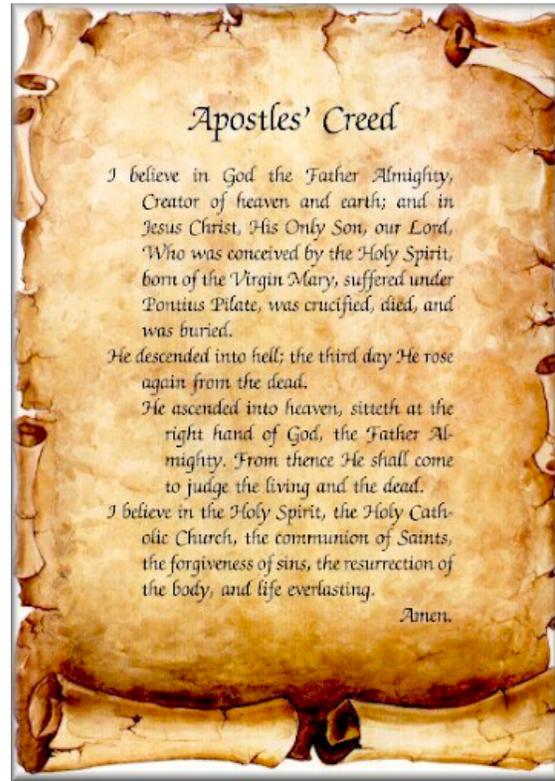
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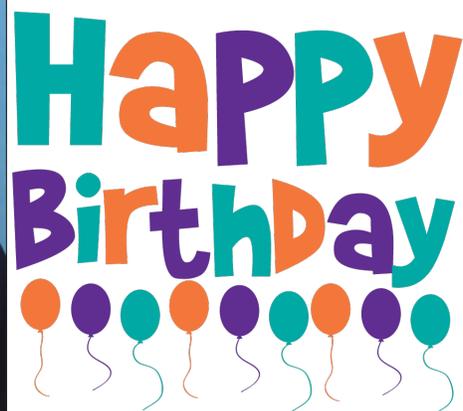
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MORE INFORMATION TO COME

PRAYER



ISABELLE COOMBS
25TH AUG



JACOB MATTHEWS
25TH AUG



ARE YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE???

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

St Mary's Cohuna - Term 3- 2024

Week	Dates & Items
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOOK WEEK • Wed 21st August - Jen begins LSL • Wed 21st Aug- Fri 23rd Aug- Yr 3/4 camp @ Kyneton • Wed 21st Aug- PLC Kylie Smith- Mark's Gospel • Fri 23rd Aug - Book Week parade @ 1pm
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thurs 29th Aug- Father's Day celebrations at school • Thurs 29th Aug- Jarrod at Principal's Briefing @ Shepparton • Fri 30th Aug - Learner Spirituality Day @ Cohuna • Fri 30th Aug - St Mary's Aths carnival (take 2)
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 2nd September- SAC @ 7pm • Wed 4th September- Jarrod- R.E Network • Fri 6th- Kerang Zone Athletics (no longer a pupil free day on this day)
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 9th Sept- Being a Responsible Pet owner visit- P-3 • Thurs 12th September- Sandhurst Arts on Show @Echuca
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon 16th- Division Athletics @ Swan Hill • Wed 18th September- Pupil Free Day- Learning Conversations • Fri 20th September- Last Day of Term 3- 2:10 finish

Date 19th - 23rd August 2024 Time 3.15 - 4.30 pm
 Place STEAM/MUSIC Room

Scholastic Book Fair Pre-Payment

Your child's school is having a Scholastic Book Fair. Your child will bring home their wish list of titles they have discovered at the Fair. We encourage you to discuss the Book Fair and their wish list choices with your child. Once you have agreed which items you will purchase you can pre-pay for those titles by completing the following steps.

- 1 List the titles they are going to purchase from the fair.

Title	Price

- 2 Make a secure payment online by going to scholastic.com.au/payment or scanning the barcode below.



Book Fair Payment

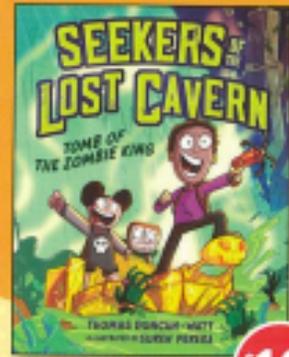
- 3 Complete the Payment Form including the receipt number and amount paid. This form needs to be returned to the school.

Receipt Number	Amount Paid
<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
First Name: _____	
Surname: _____	
School: _____	
Suburb/State: _____	
Daytime Tel: _____	

THIS IS JUST A PRE-PAYMENT.
THIS FORM MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE SCHOOL DURING THE FAIR TO COLLECT YOUR BOOKS



Every BOOK equals RESOURCES for our school.



\$10

THE TOMB OF THE ZOMBIE KING

Davern and his friends must solve a mystery AND survive a zombie curse!

100134140 | CHAPTER BOOK | AGES 7+



\$12

DOOMSDAY

Nolan's first mission after spy training is to go undercover in an oceanic lab!

100134139 | PB NOVEL | AGES 10+



\$17

AXOLOTL SQUISHY SNACK DIARY

An adorably squishy lockable diary.

100133240 | JOURNAL | AGES 6+



ST MARY'S LIMITED EDITION BEANIE

If you would like to be a part of our Father's day slideshow, we invite you to email through a photo of your child with their dad or special man.



Please email them to gcartwright@smcohuna.catholic.edu.au by **Friday, August 23rd.**

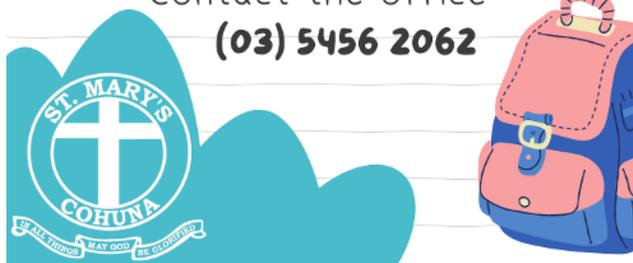
St. Mary's



PREP ENROLMENTS

NOW OPEN

School tours available daily!
Contact the office
(03) 5456 2062



RECYCLE BIN!!!

Mrs Mac has provided a bin near the entrance (near shed) for anyone that would like to use it to recycle.

GLASS , PLASTIC, ALUMINUM

If anyone is interested in joining in saying the Rosary on a Wednesday morning at 10am please contact

Donna 0431 737 790.

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



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.

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

ST. MARY'S

is a

NUT FREE SCHOOL

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.





YOU'RE INVITED

AFL Victoria & Central Rivers invites you to participate in Junior Footy - Under 12's Program!
Eligible ages - 7-12 - Turning in 2025
Splitting up Age Groups (7-9) & (10-12)

a FREE 2-week competition playing mini matches and enjoying football in a fun & safe environment.

let's party!

2024 Central Rivers Junior Football Under 12 Program
Monday 9th September
Swan Hill Rec | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Monday 16th September
Swan Hill Rec | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM



REGISTER NOW

Further Enquiries contact : madeline.pieper@afl.com.au

YOU'RE INVITED!

AFL Victoria & AFL Central Victoria invites you to participate in Junior Footy Unders Program - Under's program!

FREE Program for kids turning 8,9,10 in 2025
Boys and Girls Welcome. Playing Mini Matches

**AFL Central Victoria Region
Central Murray**

Swan Hill Rec - Swan Hill - Friday 23rd August 4:00 - 5:30
Riverside Park - Kerang - Tuesday 13th August 4:00 - 5:30

Further Details contact madeline.pieper@afl.com.au



SCAN HERE

Fight Cancer Foundation **FOOTY COLOURS DAY!**

WE'RE WEARING OUR FOOTY COLOURS
ON: **FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER**

GOLD COIN DONATION



FOOTYCOLOURSDAY.COM.AU
#FOOTYCOLOURSDAY

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Reading is..



MAGIC



Book Week
Friday, 23rd August

Come dressed as your favourite Magical book character



Children's Book Week

#CBCA2024

Reading is Magic

10-23 August



TEXTS

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets - Harry, Dumbledore, Hermione, Ginny.

Possum Magic - Grandma Poss, Hush the Possum, vegemite sandwich, koala,

The Magic Hat - Wizard, Magic Hat

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. - Lion, Witch, Children

Matilda - Matilda

The BFG - Giant

The Magic Finger- magic girl-narrator

Magic Beach- Children at the beach, dragons

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland -Alice, Cheshire Cat,

The Velveteen Rabbit - Nursery Magic Fairy, Young Boy, Skin horse

Mary Poppins - Mary Poppins

Where the Wild Things Are- -Max, Wild Things

Charlie and the Chocolate Factor - Charlie

Peter Pan -Peter, Wendy, Tinkerbell, Captain Hook

The Wizard of Oz-Wizard, Ruby

Winnie the Witch- Winnie

Cinderella- Cinderella

Room on The Broom -Witch, Cat, Dog.

Never Ending Story-Falkor, Bastian

Bush Magic- Grandpa, Jarrah

The Magic Pudding-Bunyip Bluegum, Bill Barnacle, the Pudding thieves

The Hobbit-Bilbo Baggins, Smaug (the dragon)

The Bunyip and The Stars-Little Brother, Bunyip

The Magic Faraway Tree

Any Fairytale Character-Wizard, Giant, Princess, King, Prince, Queen, Magician, Witch, etc



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