

# St Mary's School Newsletter



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**A Child Safe School**

From the Principal - Matt Attwater



## PBIS Focus of the Week

As a school we will be focussing on expectations for the  
**Whole School: this week.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Gospel Summary:

The crowd in this coming Sunday's Gospel showed faith in Jesus. They got into boats and traveled to find him. They called him *Rabbi*, meaning "Teacher." *But at the same time, they had some doubts. They wanted some sign from Jesus that would prove once and for all who he was and what he could do. Jesus tells them again that the sign they seek is in their midst, for he is the bread sent from heaven. He is the bread of life.*

### Reflection for Parents

How many times has your child said to you, "Prove it to me"? And how many times have you yourself said the same? This is basically what the crowds are saying to Jesus - "Prove it to us." Give us a sign that we might believe in you." Every day God gives us signs that he loves us, cares for us, forgives us, and is with us. We see and hear these signs in creation, in the generous actions of a friend, in the kind words of a stranger, and in the community of believers that is the Church. Take time to reflect on the signs of God's love that you have seen or heard in recent days. Think about how you can be that sign in the week to come to others around you.

### Baptism:

Congratulations to Penny and Felicity Hartung who were baptised in a beautiful whole school mass celebrated with Fr. Carey last week.

### First Reconciliation:

Congratulations to those students who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Thursday evening: *Faith Barkley, Murray Enever-Cooper, Maiya Lee, Arthur Morris, Milligan Morris, Brodie Upton, Flynn Verhulst, Henry Ross, Felicity Hartung, and Sam Moloney*

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### Weekend Mass Times:

Chiltern Saturday 6pm  
Rutherglen Sunday 9am  
Wahgunyah Sunday 10.30am

## Important Dates

### Wednesday 1st August

**Sporting Schools** - After school sporting program  
3.40pm to 4.40pm

### Thursday 2nd August

Assembly - 9.15am  
Kinder Transition - 9.30am to 11.00am

### Friday 3rd August

St John Ambulance - First Aid training for whole school

### Monday 6th August

**Sporting Schools** - After school sporting program  
3.40pm to 4.40pm

### Wednesday 8th August

**Sporting Schools** - After school sporting program  
3.40pm to 4.40pm

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## Mary MacKillop - Feast Day - August 8th

Next Wednesday, August 8th, we will celebrate the Feast day of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first canonised Saint.


### Lion's Public Speaking:

Well done to Shaun Gunning, Hannah Robins, Matilda Cheesman and Kayla Horne who did a magnificent job in representing the school, last Friday night at the Lions Junior Public speaking competition. More information about their success in today's newsletter.

### First Sunday Mass:

We are looking for students to read at First Sunday Mass, this Sunday and for the rest of the year. The Senior students will be asked at school however please let Mel know if your child is willing and able to help out.

**PBIS Classroom Matrix:** As a school we will be focussing on expectations for the

Whole School	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wear correct uniform</li><li>• Care for your own belongings</li><li>• Do your best work</li><li>• Listen and participate</li><li>• Be ready to be a learner</li><li>• Respect learning time</li><li>• Label your belongings</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be polite</li><li>• Accept differences</li><li>• Use respectful and inclusive language</li><li>• Speak kindly to others</li><li>• Consider how your actions impact others</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pick up litter</li><li>• Be careful with school property.</li><li>• Respect property and resources</li></ul>

### Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners:

William Giason, Malakye Walch & Noah Cracknell

*(pictured below).*



Thursday 2nd August:

Assembly 9.10am

Have a Great Week!

Matt



## Important Calendar Dates 2018

### TERM 3

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Friday 3rd August	St John Ambulance - First Aid training for whole school
Monday 6th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Wednesday 8th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Thursday 9th August	Senior Mass - 9.30am
Monday 13th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Tuesday 14th August	Stage Door
Wednesday 15th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Monday 20th August	<b>Meals on Wheels</b> <b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Tuesday 21st August	<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
Wednesday 22nd August	<b>Meals on Wheels</b> <b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Thursday 23rd August	<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
Friday 24th August	<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
Monday 27th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Wednesday 29th August	<b>Sporting Schools</b> - After school sporting program 3.40pm to 4.40pm
Friday 31st August	Father's Day Stall
Sunday 2nd September	Father's Day
Wednesday 12th September	Dress Rehearsal—School Production
Thursday 13th September	School Production
Friday 21st September	Last Day - Term 3 - Casual Clothes (Gold coin donation)
	<b><i>Students dismissed at 2.30pm</i></b>

### TERM 4

Monday 8th October	First Day - Term 4
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We send our best wishes to:  
Paige Lee-Wood (21/07) who celebrated her birthday  
last week and to  
Dustin Fisher (30/07) & Kayla Horne (1/08)  
who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

### Phonological Awareness Activities for Chatter Matters:

Giving and listening to instructions;

One of the most rewarding learning experiences you can have with your child is while playing board or table top games. At least once week ask your child to drag out an old game. Pretend that you've forgotten how to play the game and encourage your child to give you the instructions. Make sure you follow their instructions exactly as they say them, even if they are wrong. This way the child will realise they haven't given clear instructions and will need to adjust their language accordingly.

This website has numerous free card, paper and dice games.

[www.familyfuntwincities.com/fun-indoor-games-for-kids-of-all-ages-categorized/](http://www.familyfuntwincities.com/fun-indoor-games-for-kids-of-all-ages-categorized/)

While in the car, accidentally forget which way you are going and ask your child to give you directions. Encourage them to use appropriate instructional language for example; turn left at the next traffic lights, drive 2 more blocks then turn right at the post office. They need to include the action word and key words that highlight where to go.



**Congratulations to last week's PBIS Winners:** Hannah Robins, Jacinta Fisher and Logan Chappell  
(pictured below).





## **Catholic Identity Newsletter**

### **BAPTISM - Felicity and Penny Hartung**

On behalf St Mary's School and the Parish Community, congratulations to Felicity (Grade 5) and Penny (Grade 2) who were baptised last Thursday at our school mass. The girls were very happy and it was wonderful that all of their friends and family could help celebrate.





TERM THREE			
22.7.18	Grace Milthorpe Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman	9.9.18	Alexandra O'Meara Hayley Barkley Grace Milthorpe
29.7.18	Alexandra O'Meara Emily Price Aleisha Price	16.9.18	Faith O'Donoghue Campbell Smits Jacob Fuge
5.8.18 First Sunday	Akira Bonacci-Law Holly McMahon Jacob Fuge	23.9.18	Akira Bonacci-Law Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman
12.8.18	Faith O'Donoghue Hayley Barkley Campbell Smits	30.9.18	Sonny Enever-Cooper Jacob Fuge Hayley Barkley
19.8.18	Sonny Enever-Cooper Aleisha Price Emily Price	7.10.18 First Sunday	Alexandra O'Meara Campbell Smits Brayden Field
26.8.18	Grace Milthorpe Holly McMahon Jacob Fuge		
2.9.18 Father's Day /First Sunday	Sonny Enever-Cooper Olivia Cheeseman Milly Cheeseman		
<b>Please remember:</b> *Arrive at 8:45am through the side door of the Church. *Fr Carey has requested that at least one adult be present with the children prior to and after Mass for safety purposes. *If you can't make your rostered Sunday, please make a swap and notify Mel Field.			



What's On In Term 3??

<b><u>Wk 4</u></b>	8/8: St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Feast Day Liturgy 9/8: Senior School Mass - 9:30am
<b><u>Wk 5</u></b>	15/8: WHOLE SCHOOL FEAST DAY - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b><u>Wk 6</u></b>	23/8: Junior School Mass - 9:30am
<b><u>Wk 8</u></b>	6/9: Senior School Mass - 9:30am
<b><u>Wk 10</u></b>	20/9: Junior School Mass - 9:30am



## Mrs Mel Field - G4 Teacher

### Special Service Award

We are very excited to inform you that Mel Field has received the Special Service Award in recognition of her Good Service to the Scout Movement by His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) the Chief Scout and Governor of Australia.

Mel will personally receive her award at a special ceremony in September.

### Sacramental Program - Reconciliation

Last Thursday, the following students celebrated their First Reconciliation. The liturgy was held in the Church with many of the students' family and friends. We all celebrated the special occasion with pizza afterwards.

Many thanks to the families who have, over the past 6 weeks or so, met at the school and in homes to prepare the students so well for the sacrament.

Thank you also to Fr Carey for his guidance with the students and families in the program and for conducting such a beautiful liturgy.

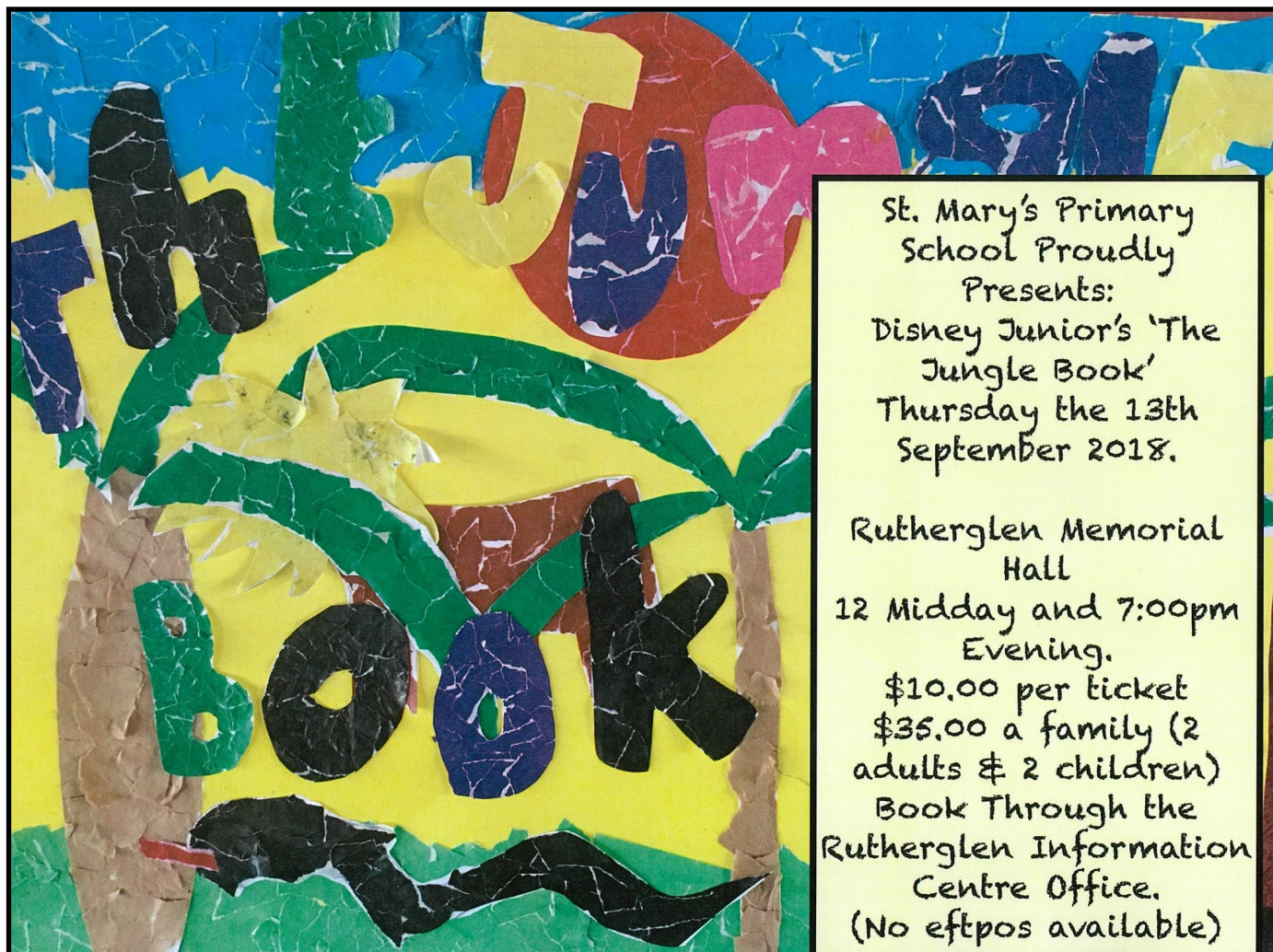


Congratulations to:

***Faith Barkley, Murray Enever-Cooper, Maiya Lee, Arthur Morris, Milligan Morris, Brodie Upton, Flynn Verhulst, Henry Ross, Felicity Hartung, and Sam Moloney***

Pictured left with Fr. Carey.





## ***Rutherglen High School Year 7 2019 Enrolments***

Enrolment forms are due in on the 14<sup>th</sup> September.

Enrolment packs are available here at St Mary's School at the front office.

## **Helper's needed for our Father's Day Stall**

We are looking for some volunteers to help with the wrapping of our Father's Day gifts.

Please contact Briony Taylor or Amanda in the front office if you are available.





## IT AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP NEWSLETTER

### LEARNING WITH TECHNOLOGY

Learning with technology, whether with a math app, a video how-to, or a wiki, opens up a new world of discovery for kids. And as they access information in novel ways, kids are preparing for life in a new interconnected, global world. Learn [how to spot the good stuff](#), find [the right products for your kids' needs](#), and [foster a love of learning](#).

Commonsense Media has a section of their website dedicated to Learning with Technology. Follow this link <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/learning-with-technology> to read articles, watch videos and read the frequently asked questions.

## World Scout Scarf Day

World Scout Scarf Day is an effort to encourage active and former Scouts worldwide to wear their neckerchiefs in public annually on 1 August as a symbol of the Scout promise and the spirit of Scouting. It has been promoted on Facebook and by Scouting organisations since 2007. The date of the event commemorates the first Scout Camp on Brownsea Island in 1907.

*Happy World Scout Scarf Day to our Scouts*







2016 People's Choice Award, 'Big Joe' by Belinda Schrickker

# **St Augustine's Primary School, Wodonga**

**21<sup>st</sup> Annual Art Exhibition  
and Sale, including the \$600  
Acquisitive Art Award**

## **Opening Night**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

7pm – 10.30pm

*Continuing at The Goods Shed,  
Junction Square,  
from 10.30pm to Midnight.*

**Earlybird Tickets available until 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug: \$30 per person**

**\$35 per ticket on 23<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> August**

**School Parents' Special:**

**\$55 for 2 tickets (EARLYBIRD Only)**

**Includes Wine, Beer, Hors d'oeuvres and Live Entertainment**

**Official Guest:** Cathy McGowan,  
Local Member for Indi

**Exhibition Open:** \* Including Student Art Display

**\* Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August 10am – 3pm**

**\* Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August 10am – 2pm**

All enquiries to:  
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## How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

### For iPhone and iPad users:

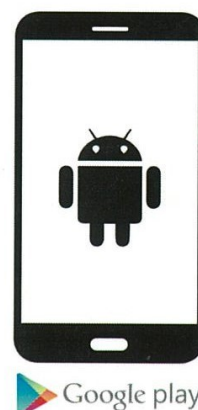
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



### For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

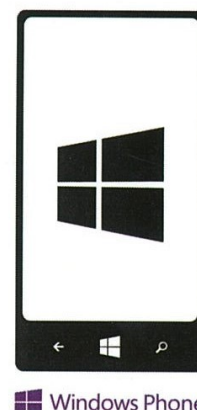


Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

### For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.



## Lions Club Public Speaking Competition

Each year the Lions Club provides students in Grades 3-6 the opportunity to develop their skills in public speaking through participation in the Lions Club Junior Public Speaking Competition. We have a long history of involvement in this competition and look forward to each years topic arriving to start working on the process with the students.

Every year, each student in Grades 3-6 is expected to plan, write, practise and prepare a speech to present to their teachers and peers. This year the topics were:

### **Grade 3/4:**

**My Favourite Place** - Where is your favourite place to go in your Community/Local Area? How did you find it? Describe it to us. Why do you like it? What makes it special to you? What do you do when you are there?

### **Grade 5/6:**

**You are a Travel Guide** - Your job is to explore your local area - as if you've never seen it before! Document what you find. Tell us about your discoveries and why we should visit.

Every student presented their speech in the first week of school this term and as teachers we were all very impressed with the quality of speeches and the preparation that had occurred prior to and throughout the holidays. It made our job extremely difficult!!! **Congratulations to all senior students, speaking in front of an audience is not an easy thing to do and you all did such a fantastic job!**

From here we chose 6 students from 3/4 and 6 students from 5/6 (although Mr Mac chose 7!!! Too hard to choose!) to present their speeches to a panel of judges from the Parish - Tony Jones, Frances Walsh, Beryl Cooper and Sr Lucille.

These students were:

**Grade 3/4: Akira Bonacci-Law, Jacinta Fisher, Shaun Gunning, Alexandra O'Meara, Hamish Neil and Hannah Robins.**

**Grade 5/6: Milly Cheeseman, Violet Fisher, Darcie Gunning, Kayla Horne, Jazmyn Lea, Emily Price and Jo Somerville.**

All of these students spoke so well and the judges had an extremely difficult decision to choose two speakers to represent our school at the club final. We thank them all very much for the time that they spent listening to the speeches and debating the final decision.

School representatives:

Grade 3/4: Shaun Gunning and Hannah Robins; Alexandra O'Meara (back up)

Grade 5/6: Kayla Horne and Milly Cheeseman; Darcie Gunning (back up)

### **Club Final - Friday 26th July**

Congratulations to Milly Cheeseman and Kayla Horne who represented our school on Friday in the Grade 5/6 section and Shaun Gunning and Hannah Robins who represented our school in the Grade 3/4 section of the Lions Club Public Speaking Final.

They competed against students from Rutherglen Primary School, Wahgunyah Primary School, Springhurst Primary School, St Joseph's Chiltern and Chiltern Primary School.

Again each speaker did such a tremendous job and represented St. Mary's with such confidence. We, as staff of St Mary's, were very proud of them all.

Congratulations to **Shaun Gunning - Winner of the 3/4 section and to Hannah Robins - Runner Up of the 3/4 section!**



Congratulations also to **Milly Cheeseman - Winner of the 5/6 section!**

These students will now represent the Rutherglen Lions Club in the next stage of the competition in August. We wish them all well!