

St Mary's School Newsletter



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A Child Safe School

From the Acting Principal - Libby Dickinson



PBIS Focus of the Week: Expectations when out in the community

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations

A big congratulations and welcome back to Miss O who has returned as Mrs Kelly. We congratulate Hannah and Paul on their wedding last Friday and wish them the very best for their future lives together.

Phone Lines

Due to the installation of NBN here at school we now only have 1 phone line into the school from this week until the 3rd of December when our new phone system is installed. Your patience would be appreciated as you may have to ring a couple of times to get through.

Renovations

As you will be aware as part of our master plan, the school will be going through a renovation of the main administration building. It is very exciting but it also means there will be some inconveniences over the next few months.

Administration (Amanda and Matt) are being relocated to room 4 as of the week beginning the 3rd of December until the renovation is completed next year. During that time the Grade 5/6 class will move into room 3. All entry into the school will be from the car park adjacent to the Hall. Thank you for your understanding through this time. Plans for the building can be viewed at the office, just ask Amanda.

Remembrance Day

Thanks to everyone for their participation in the Remembrance Day last Sunday. We were very well represented throughout the three services during the day. A special thank you to Darcie, Jose, Taya and Felicity for laying the wreaths and to Annie and Holly who did an amazing job speaking at the evening at Lions Park. It was a great community effort and opportunity to work with the other Rutherglen schools.

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Weekend Mass Times:

Chiltern Saturday 6pm

Rutherglen Sunday 9am

Wahgunyah Sunday 10.30am

Important Dates

Friday 16th November

Zooper Dooper's for sale -
Fundraiser for St Vincent De Paul

50 cents each



Tuesday 20th November

Foundation transition Day
9.00am - 11.00am

Wednesday 21st November

Catholic College Wodonga -
Transition morning 9.00am
(Gr 6 into year 7 2019)

Friday 23rd November

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Assembly this week

There will be an assembly this week because we didn't have one last week.



Thank You

Matt will return from leave next Monday so I will be back in the classroom. A big thank you to Jodie Smith for her fantastic job in the Grade 2 room.



Second hand uniform sale

On Thursday after assembly our donated second hand uniform items will be out on display. Please come and have a look, we have lots of summer and winter uniforms (all free of charge).

Galen Production

Yesterday the Grade 5/6 children attended the Galen Junior Production in Wangaratta. The production was titled Pan which was about a girl Wendy and her 2 brothers flying to Neverneverland with Peter Pan and Tinkerbell. They fight a motley crew of Pirates who were led by Captain James Hook. All the performers were made up of year 7, 8 and 9 children. They also had a live band which was also made up of children from Years 7, 8 and 9.

Transition Week

Starts next week please check dates if this is relevant for you.

Gospel Summary

This Sunday's Gospel reading is often referred to as the "Little Apocalypse" because of its many references to the events that will occur in the end times. Jesus tells his disciples that many unusual and frightening things will happen, but he will come with power and glory to gather together his elect. While we may not know the day and hour of his coming, Jesus encourages us to pay attention to the signs of the times and to know that he is near.

Reflection for Parents

Many frightening things fill the news each day—murder, violence, war, droughts, floods, fires—and your children are aware of these happenings. It is important that your home and your family be a place of safety, security, and peace in the midst of such news and in the midst of the challenges of daily life. As your children talk about the news and voice their fears and concerns, invite them to join you in praying for those impacted by violence and natural disasters.

PBIS Classroom Matrix: As a school we will be focussing on expectations when **Out in the Community** this week.

Out in the community	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen and follow instructions/directions • Follow road rules • Engage/participate with the community • Be in correct uniform 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow road rules • Use a crossing (if available) • Use quiet voices • Walking quietly • Use the path • Keep left • Walking with a partner • Keep your hands to yourself • Use your manners when speaking to people in the community • Engage/participate with the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep your hands to yourself • Put your rubbish in the correct bin • Leave plants and animals alone • Listen and watch

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners (pictured below):

Felicity Hartung (5/6JM), Jacinta Fisher (3KH) and Flynn Verhulst (3KH)



Have a great week,

Libby Dickinson



Winton Wetlands Excursion - Thursday 8th November

The Winton Wetlands is one of the worlds most significant environmental, social and economic renewal projects. One of the things we learnt was about native plants, some weeds and animals, including a weed that makes Wallabies blind, but this weed was not native. We learnt that frogs can freeze themselves during the winter, also the long neck turtle is the Yorta Yorta totem. Boom Fun Fact. On the next walk we saw the canoe tree. You can tell if it was made after or before settlement because you can see the axe mark if it was after and it has straight lines because before they used rocks!!

By Flick and Jaz



IT AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP NEWSLETTER

17 Apps for Kids Who Think Reading Is Boring

<https://www.common sensemedia.org/lists/17-apps-for-kids-who-think-reading-is-boring>

There are lots of ways to read: Some kids love comic books and **graphic novels**, while others yearn for the next 900-page novel in a **favorite series**. Your kid may tell you reading is boring, but they *are* reading something, even if it's articles on social media. Whether it's just not your kid's jam or getting through a book is **truly difficult**, there are apps that are innovative and involve reading. Sometimes little kids just need a wide selection to find the perfect thing, and bigger kids are often into the offbeat or inventive. Others might love a game with reading built right in. Take your pick from these apps, and see if you can turn any spark of interest into a wildfire.

Check out the apps online at: <https://www.common sensemedia.org/lists/17-apps-for-kids-who-think-reading-is-boring>
Be sure to check the age requirements before downloading!

Important Calendar Dates 2018

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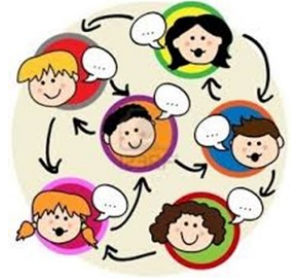
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Wednesday 21st November	Catholic College Wodonga - Transition morning 9.00am (Gr 6 into yr 7 2019)
Friday 23rd November	Book Club (issue 8) orders due
Tuesday 27th November	Foundation transition Day 9.00am - 11.00am
Thursday 29th November	Great Victorian Bike Ride visit at 12 noon
Friday 30th November	Kanga Cricket Carnival - Senior School (3-6)
Monday 3rd December	School Closure - Student free day
Monday 10th December	Rutherglen High School transition day Grade 6 to Yr 7 (social day - activities/BBQ & a trip to the pool)
Tuesday 11th December	Grade 6 transition day (all schools)
Friday 14th December	End of Year Mass Reports released 4pm Rutherglen Christmas Carols
Monday 17th December	Grade 6 Graduation Dinner - Corowa RSL
Tuesday 18th December	Cinema Day (Wangaratta) - whole school
Wednesday 19th December	Last Day - Term 4 - Casual Clothes (Gold coin donation) Students dismissed at 3.30pm
Thursday 20th December	Staff - Planning Day
Friday 21st December	Staff only

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CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

We can communicate so much by the way we say something. See if you and your child can say the following sentence in different ways to change the underlying meaning: "Oh, you've had a haircut". You can sound surprised, amused, jealous etc. by putting the emphasis on different words and using different intonation.



We send our best wishes to:

Jasmine Branella (17/11)

who will be celebrating her birthday this week.

Language Development Information Session



Supporting Your Child's Language Development

Tuesday, December 11th 2018 10.00am - 11.00am in the St Mary's Primary School Hall

St. Mary's Rutherglen is offering an information session for parents of future and current foundation/grade 1 students to learn about how to support your child's language development.

Sheryn Long, Senior Speech Pathologist, will be presenting on tips for oral language in the home, how to use book reading to its full potential and simple practical ideas on how to support your child's learning.

Oral language provides your child a solid foundation in early life for future academic achievement, developing literacy skills and social engagement.

As a parent your role in your child's language development is critical. There are many simple ways to assist your child in learning to communicate.

For more information, please contact Amanda at St Mary's Primary School on 02 6032 9284



Rutherglen Lights Up

Celebrating the huge community effort for Rutherglen's Christmas decorations for 2018

Saturday 1st December from 6.30pm

Come to Gollings Square for the:-

- ♦ Lions BBQ
- ♦ Carols from 'Wine, Women and Song'
- ♦ Santa will make an appearance
- ♦ The Sanger St Band will be playing Tastes @ Rutherglen / Rutherglen Brewery outdoor beer garden

Then amble along the Main St and enjoy the sparkle


CATHOLIC IDENTITY NEWSLETTER



Community Christmas Decorations

The students have been busily creating Christmas decorations as part of our contribution to the Community Christmas Decorations program. **A huge thank you to Natalie Watson, Taya Ward, Jasmine Brannella and Violet Fisher** who yesterday decorated our Christmas trees, which were made by the Rutherglen Mens Shed. All decorations will go on display at the end of November. There will be a launch night held on December 1st!

The school and parish will also feature our very popular silhouette nativity scene again this year. The Senior students have been creating some artworks to complement the scene. **If there is anyone who has any potted palms that we could borrow for the time of display please contact Mel Field.**

PARISH ALTAR SERVERS TERM FOUR			
18.11.18	Alexandra O'Meara Campbell Smits Holly McMahon	16.12.18	Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman Sonny Enever-Cooper
25.11.18	Aleisha Price Emily Price Hayley Barkley	23.12.18	Hayley Barkley Brayden Field
2.12.18 Youth Mass/First Sunday	Holly McMahon Jacob Fuge Campbell Smits	24.12.18 Christmas Eve - 7pm	Holly McMahon Grace Milthorpe Hayley Barkley
9.12.18	Akira Bonacci-Law Aleisha Price Emily Price	25.12.18 Christmas Day - 9am	Volunteers please
		30.12.18	Volunteers please

First Sunday Readers -

A reminder that the following students are rostered on for the First Sunday Mass in December. This will be the regular parish mass at 9am. There will also be a Youth Mass that evening. If your child would prefer to attend the Youth Mass and help there rather than the 9am mass please let me know ASAP. Please arrive ten minutes prior to the start of mass.

FIRST SUNDAY READERS / HELPERS - SUNDAY DECEMBER 2nd 2018

First Reading: Milly Cheeseman

Responsorial Psalm: Amelia Verhulst and Matilda Colwell

Second Reading: Felicity Hartung

Prayers of the Faithful: Jazmyn Lea and Henry Ross

Offertory Procession: Flynn Verhulst and Penny Hartung



Youth Mass

Mrs Field is looking for youth members from St Mary's Parish (current students and ex students are more than welcome) to assist in the planning of the upcoming Youth Mass. If you are interested or know someone who may be please contact Mrs Field.



Community Christmas

It's on again
 25th December 2018
 Rutherglen Town Hall
 12.30pm onwards

RSVP: Leonie: 0400429738 (let us know if you need to be picked up)

All Welcome



COROWA PCYC BLUE LIGHT PRESENTS
BLUE LIGHT DISCO

16.11.18 6pm-8pm

COROWA RSL CLUB
 Friday November 16
 For ages 5 to 12.
 All children must be collected from the RSL Club.
 Entry tickets \$4 per child.

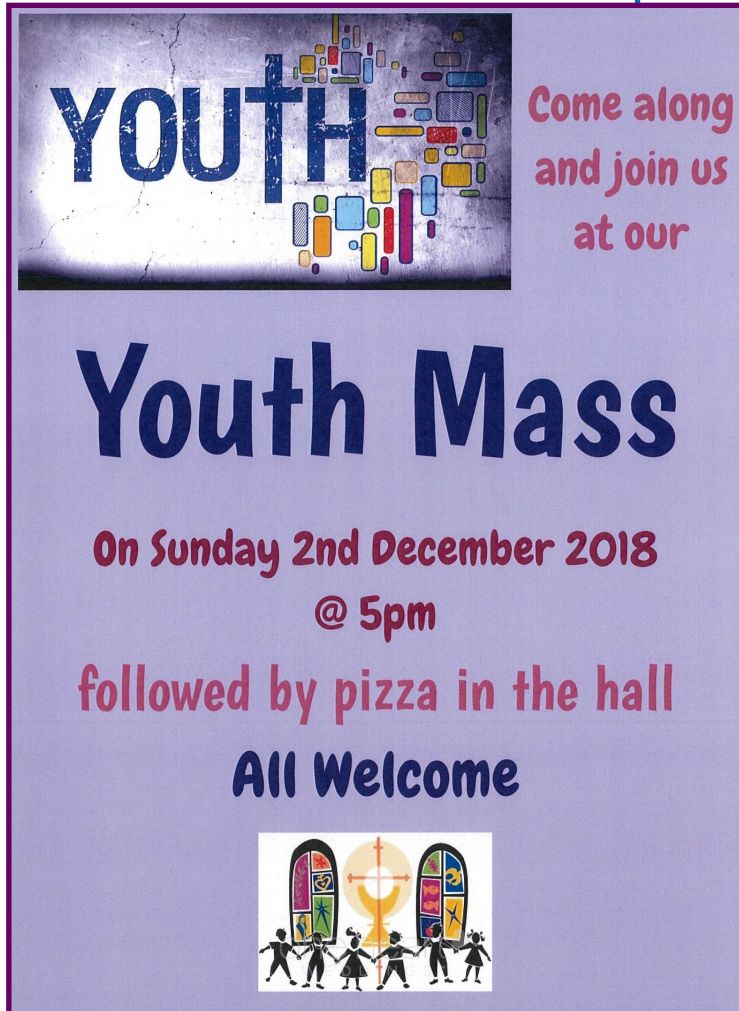
LUCKY DOOR PRIZES | DANCE COMPS
 DRINKS, HOTDOGS AND ICE-CREAMS AVAILABLE

NO ALCOHOL | NO DRUGS | NO PASSOUTS

All Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and supervised by Police Officers

Blue Light

www.pcycnsw.org.au




YOUTH

Come along and join us at our

Youth Mass

On Sunday 2nd December 2018
@ 5pm
followed by pizza in the hall
All Welcome



Come and make waves with the

Rutherglen Swim Club



Come & Try / Information Sessions
Tuesday 13th November and Thursday 15th November
from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM at
The Rutherglen Swimming Pool

The Rutherglen Swimming Club invites all swimmers to join our Club to help develop their fitness and swimming ability.

We focus on participation, fitness and fun and encourage swimmers of all ages.

Squad Training commences the week beginning the
12th November for Senior Squad at 5.30pm and
13th November for Junior Squad, 4.30pm

For further information, please contact Briony Taylor on 0403 268 442, or speak with one of our Committee members: Cooper Gabriel, Ruth Weller, Aaron Storer at the Come and Try Sessions