## St Mary's School, Rutherglen (a child safe school)

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Newsletter

This Coming Sunday's Gospel Summary: John 21:1-19

For the third time since his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples. It seems that the disciples had returned to their former lives - those they had lived before they left to follow Jesus-because they were fishing in the Sea of Galilee. Jesus stood on the shore and called out to the men in the boat asking if they had caught anything. The disciples replied that they had caught nothing. Jesus then instructed them to cast their net on the right side of the boat. When they did, they had a huge catch of 153 fish. They knew from this sign that it was Jesus on the shore. When they came ashore, Jesus cooked their breakfast of fish. When they finished eating, Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved him. This was a great example of reconciliation because the opportunities for Peter to affirm his love of Jesus matched the same number of times he denied knowing him. It was then that Jesus commissioned Peter to care for the sheep in Jesus' flock.

## Reflection for Parents:

As parents we know a great deal about caring for sheep in the flock. We work long, hard, and diligently to make sure that our children receive the physical, emotional, and spiritual care they require. We are challenged by this Gospel reading to move outside our immediate "flock" and care for all of God's children. Our own children will learn the essence of this Gospel when they see us reconcile with others and go outside our small worlds to help others.

## Weekend Mass Times:

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

## Friday 3 May

Glenview visit - 5/6JM
Sporting Schools (Touch Football) during school hours

## Mon 6 - Fri 10 May

Catholic Education Week

## Tuesday 7 May

Grade 5 Transition Day— Rutherglen High School (Full day)

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Welcome Back to Term 2.

As we had a very short week last week, this is our first newsletter of the term. I trust all families had a enjoyable Easter break with family and friends. Again it promises to be a busy term ahead, so make sure you keep up to date with what is happening both in and out of the classroom during term 2.

## Farewell Mrs. Field

Today we farewell Mel, who will be leaving us for the rest of the year to establish a new family business. As outlined in the correspondence sent home last week, Mel's outstanding teaching skills will be missed, but l'm sure she will be able to transfer some of those skills into cutting up chops and making sausages!!! Therefore, as a school community, we wish Mel and Jason best of luck in their new venture.

## Catholic Education Week

Next week is Catholic Education Week in our diocese. As a school we will celebrate the special qualities of being part of a Catholic Community. Our main day will be Wednesday 8th of May, where we will begin the day with a family school breakfast from 7.30 am in the school hall, followed by a whole school Catholic Education Week Mass at 9.30 am . A Board games afternoon will start at 2.30 pm , where all families are invited to join us for some fun.

## School Office/Staff Administration Refurbishment Welcome Cup of Tea

The new Administration/Staff area is now complete and is a fantastic new facility in our school. Next Wednesday at 10.30 am, after Catholic Education Week mass, there will be a morning tea for families and parishioners to celebrate the opening and have a look at our new Administration/Staff area.

## Mother's Day Celebration: Friday 10th May at 9.15 am

Next Friday at 9.15 am the students would like to say a big thanks to all their mums and grandmothers with a few special surprises. Hope to see you there. There will also be a cuppa during the morning.

## NAPLAN

This year our Yr 3 \& Yr 5 students will be doing NAPLAN online for the first time. The NAPLAN online testing window lasts a fortnight beginning on Tuesday 14th of May with the writing component. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact myself or your child's class teacher.

## Cross Country Friday 10th May

The school's annual cross country event is on next Friday beginning with a warm-up lap at 12.00 noon at the Chiltern golf course. Check for individual age group race times in today's newsletter.

## Rotary Country Fair Stall

This year we were fortunate in being successful in gaining a stall at the Rotary Country Fair on the Long Weekend in June. We will be manning the BBQ stall that will be staffed by St Mary's Primary School and the Rutherglen Scouts. This will be one of our major fundraisers for the year and we will need a great deal of support from all families over that weekend. A more detailed letter will be sent home in the very near future outlining what needs to be done and organised for the successful running of the stall.

## PBIS Awards ( Positive Behaviour in Schools): This week's Focus: Expectations in the Office Area

| Office Building | Respect Ourselves | Respect Others | Respect our Environment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - Use inside voice <br> - Be patient and polite. Eg. Please, Thank you, Excuse me <br> - Knock before entering and wait <br> - Respect all staff <br> - Smile to others <br> - Watch where you're walking <br> - Enter and exit the office calmly and correctly | - Smile to visitors in the school and say hello <br> - Follow adult instructions | - Be polite <br> - Accept differences <br> - Use respectful and inclusive language <br> - Speak kindly to others <br> - Consider how your actions impact others |

## Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

(pictured right):
Ailysh Walsh, Jack Welsh and

Isla Verhulst

Have a great week,

Matt
Principal


## CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

## Vocabulary/Morphology activities:

An activity to build vocabulary:
1 An activity to build vocabulary. Find the synonym or antonym: If your child has a set of spelling or tricky reading words she's working on this week, you can play games to
 build the words' meaning. Decide whether the object of the game is to name antonyms or synonyms for the words. Once that is established, one player selects a word. See if you can name at least 2 different words that have the same or different meaning. For example: humid - muggy. Close, steamy, oppressive, stuffy. Discuss tricky word meanings and try to put them into meaningful sentences. You could use pen and paper, and ask each player to write their words down.


Pictured right - Principal Award winners
Back Row - Sonny Enever-Cooper \& Hannah Robins Front Row - Codie Johnson-Wood, Travis Gunning, Jed Goudie and Isabel Neil



A BIG congratulations to Ian and Jackie Kay and big sisters Freya and Ivy on the safe arrival of Edith (Edi) Alice who was born during the Easter holidays.


Pictured left -
Classroom Award Winners

Back row - Hannah Robins, Flynn Verhulst, Jaylen Cracknell, Ryan Barkley, Alex O'Meara

Front row - Jack Welsh, Isla Verhulst, Clementine Colwell, Matilda Doolan, Codie Johnson-Wood \& Isabel Neil

We were lucky to receive a visit from a couple of players from the
Essendon FC on Monday.


Mad Bombers supporter, Logan Chappell, pictured (above) with Michael Hartley \& Dylan Shiel


Dylan and Michael also spent some time kicking the footy with the kids.

Photo opportunity after our visitors answered questions from the floor.



Anzac Day March \& laying of our

## Wreath

Thanks to all those students and families who attended the Anzac Day service last Thursday.

St Mary’s School was well represented.


aRTS Rutherglen invite you to an evening talk and discussion with: ROSALIE HAM

## Saturday 11th May 2019

## 7pm-10pm

Cost $\$ 30$, aRTS Rutherglen members $\$ 25.00$
St Stephens Anglican Church Hall High St, Rutherglen
Complimentary tea, coffee and savouries
Wine available for purchase Trybooking.com/488832

Enquiries: Leonie 0400429738

# Annual St Mary's/St Joseph's Cross Country Event - Chiltern Golf Club Friday 10th May, 2019 

The approximate race times are:-

| $5 / 6$ year olds | - | 1 Lap | - | 12.15 pm |
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| 7 year olds | - | 1 Lap | - | 12.25 pm |
| 8 year olds | - | 2 Laps | - | 12.35 pm |
| 9 year olds | - | 2 Laps | - | 12.50 pm |
| 10 year olds | - | 2 Laps | - | 1.05 pm |
| 11 year olds | - | 3 Laps | - | 1.25 pm |
| $12 / 13$ year olds | 3 Laps | - | 1.45 pm |  |

Parents/family/friends are all welcome as spectators. Please notify the school if your child will not be returning to school on the bus after the event.

## *Book Club

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## Trallalala!!lt's... Day Palke\%

- Day was diagnosed with dyslexia and ADHD as a child and was so disruptive in class that his teachers made him sit out in the hall every day. In second grade Dav created a comic book about a superhero named Captain Underpants. His teacher ripped it up and told him he couldn't spend his life making silly books. Fortunately for us, Dav was not a very good listener. His Captain Underpants series has sold more than 70 million copies and been translated into more than 28 languages. He's also written the Dog Man series, Mighty Robot series, The Dumb Bunnies, Dog Breath, Kat Kong, Dogzilla, World War Won and so many more!
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## AGES 3+

Are penguins always polite?
Penguins are always polite, they always wait their turn and they always say 'please' and 'thank you'. But Polly decides that being polite is boring! Will Polly learn the importance of manners?

## Perfectly Polite Penguins

Georgiana Deutsch Item 150-Page 12

## AGES $6+$

## Get ready, get set and race!

Matilda and Olivia have a super-amazing idea for Recycling Week at their school! They get their whole class to make box cars so they can race each other! But why hasn't Bethany made a box car?

## AGES 7+

Can Dog Man answer the call of duty?
When Greg the police dog and his cop companion are injured on the job, a life-saving surgery changes the course of history, and Dog Man is born. With the head of a dog and the body of a human, this heroic hound has a real nose for justice.

## AGES 10 +

## The story of my life!

One day Greg will be rich and famous, and everyone will want to know his life's story. But is Rowley really the right person to be writing Greg's biography? What could go wrong?

MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR ORDERS BACK TO SCHOOL BY:

## Important Calendar Dates - 2019

## Term 2

| Friday 3 May | Glenview visit - 5/6JM |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Sporting Schools (Touch Football) during school hours |
| Mon 6 - Fri 10 May | Catholic Education Week |
| Tuesday 7 May | Grade 5 Transition Day-Rutherglen High School (Full day) |
| Wednesday 8 May | from 7.30am - School Breakfast in the Hall |
|  | 9.30am - CEW Mass |
|  | 10.30am - Morning Tea to celebrate the opening of the refurbished |
|  | Administration Building |
|  | 6.30pm - Board Meeting |
| Thursday 9 May | Mother's Day Stall |
| Friday 10 May | 10.00 am - Mother's Day Morning Tea |
|  | 12.00noon - 2.30pm Annual St Mary's/St Joseph's Cross Country Event |
| Tuesday 14 May | 3.00pm - Assembly |
| Friday 17 May | District Cross Country |
| Friday 24 May | 9.30am - Junior Mass |
| Tuesday 28 May | 3.00pm - Assembly |
| Friday 31 May | Glenview Visit - 3/4ST |
| Friday 7 June | Senior Mass |
| Monday 10 June | Queen's Birthday Public Holiday (School closed) |
| Tue 11 - Fri 14 June | Meals On Wheels duty |
| Friday 21 June | Glenview Visit - Juniors |
| Thursday 27 June | 4.00pm - Reports released |
| Friday 28 June | Last Day Term 2 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) |
|  | School finishes at 2.30pm |

## Term 3

Monday 15 July
Wed 30 October
Thur 31 October

First Day Term 3
Canberra Camp (Grades 5 \& 6)
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