# St Mary's School Newsletter



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A Child Safe School

From the Principal - Matt Attwater



# PBIS Focus of the Week Behaviour Expectations in the Toilets

Dear Parents/Carers,



Today is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## **Gospel Summary:**

Today's Gospel contains the account of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth and of Mary's proclamation of the Magnificat. Joy runs through this Gospel reading—the joy as the cousins meet and embrace; the joy as the baby within Elizabeth's womb leaps at the sound of Mary's voice; and the joy expressed in the words of the Magnificat.

#### **Reflection for Parents**

Family schedules are full. It may some days seem as if life is one endless carpool from one practice to the next, from one job to another.

In the middle of the stuff of everyday life, today's Gospel encourages us to find cause to rejoice. Sit still for a few moments today and consider where you have experienced joy in recent days. Think about how you can bring joy to others in the week to come. Consider if, in all the events on the family calendar, there is a need to make more room for joy.

## **School Feast Day**

Today we celebrated our school's Feast Day with a beautiful mass given by Fr. Carey, we enjoyed a Feast Day cake and then some fun activities for the students during the day. Great to see families joining us for the day.

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#### Weekend Mass Times:

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

# **Important Dates**

Wednesday 15th August
Sporting Schools - After school
sporting program
3.40pm to 4.40pm

Monday 20th August
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#### Stage Door:

Our students performed very well at Stage Door yesterday in Wodonga. Thanks to all the parents who were able to come along and support the children and also get a sneak peak at a few songs from our upcoming production. A big thanks to Tracy Whitehead who prepared the children so well. Photos of the day in today's newsletter.

#### Father's Day Soccer Match & Footy Colours Days

**Attention Dad's!!!!** Start working on your soccer skills in preparation for the **Students vs Dads** annual soccer challenge, coming up on Friday 31st August. The day is also our footy colours days where students can dress in their favourite footy colours. There will be a sausage sizzle on that day for all students and families.

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

Toilets	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
RESPECT	<ul> <li>Wash hands after using the toilet</li> <li>Keep food and drink out of toilets</li> <li>Enter cubicle only through the door</li> <li>Exiting people go first</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Walk to toilets without noise</li> <li>Flush toilet after use</li> <li>Boys wait your turn at urinals</li> <li>1 child in cubicle at all times</li> <li>Wait your turn outside if the cubicles are full</li> <li>Walk to toilets without noise</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Paper towels in correct bins</li> <li>Flush toilet after use</li> <li>Turn taps off after use</li> <li>Report any blockages/issues to teachers</li> <li>Use toilet paper sparingly</li> </ul>

# Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners:

Antonio Finnemore and Kasey Rhodes (pictured below)



School Assembly: Thursday 9:10 am

Have a Great Week!

Matt



# **Important Calendar Dates 2018**

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Monday 27th August Parent Teacher Interviews

Sporting Schools - After school sporting program

3.40pm to 4.40pm

Tuesday 28th August Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 29th August Sporting Schools - After school sporting program

3.40pm to 4.40pm

Friday 31st August Father's Day Stall/Sausage Sizzle 1-2pm/Soccer Match 2pm

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)

Students dismissed at 2.30pm

#### TERM 4

Monday 8th October First Day - Term 4

Walk to School Month - 8th October through to 2nd November.

Wednesday 31st October

Thursday 23rd August

Friday 24th August

Grade 6 students—Ancient Societies Day @ Rutherlgen High School

Tuesday 11th December Grade 6 transition day

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We send our best wishes to: Jacob Fuge (17/8) who is celebrating his birthday this week.

# Phonological Awareness Activities for Chatter Matters:

The art of persuasion.

Show your child how to become more aware of the persuasive devices used by advertising companies. As you drive around notice and discuss the ads on various boards and signage. You could also look through the junk mail and catalogues. Focus on the words or images that influence you most. Would you buy this product why or why not?















We are looking for families willing to come in over the weekend to feed our chooks. Please contact Hannah Oberin if you can help out:-

hoberin@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au



Catholic Identity Team: Annie Johnson, Tom Frazier and Milly Cheeseman, cut the Feast Day cake with Matt Attwater and Fr. Carey.





## **CATHOLIC IDENTITY NEWSLETTER**

Today we have celebrated the Assumption of Mary and our school feast day. We attended mass, shared a cake, had a picnic lunch and participated in several multi age activities. See photos on page 5

This year we are also celebrating Nano Nagle, the Founder of the Presentation Sisters (who started our school). It is 300 years since her birth. The students received a special Nano Nagle badge today to commemorate which was blessed by Fr Carey at mass this morning. We have also created a whole school mural to commemorate, be sure to pop by the Room 1 and 2 wet area windows to see the children's work.





TERM THREE					
22.7.18	Grace Milthorpe Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman	2.9.18 Father's Day /First Sunday	Sonny Enever-Cooper Olivia Cheeseman Milly Cheeseman		
29.7.18	Alexandra O'Meara Emily Price Aleisha Price	9.9.18	Alexandra O'Meara Hayley Barkley Grace Milthorpe		
5.8.18 First Sunday	Akira Bonacci-Law Holly McMahon Jacob Fuge	16.9.18	Faith O'Donoghue Campbell Smits Jacob Fuge		
12.8.18	Faith O'Donoghue Hayley Barkley Campbell Smits	23.9.18	Akira Bonacci-Law Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman		
19.8.18	Sonny Enever-Cooper Aleisha Price Emily Price	30.9.18	Sonny Enever-Cooper Jacob Fuge Hayley Barkley		
26.8.18	Grace Milthorpe Holly McMahon Jacob Fuge	7.10.18 First Sunday	Alexandra O'Meara Campbell Smits Brayden Field		

#### Please remember:

- \*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??

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



# Centrepay

# School Fee Payments through Centrepay

Families who receive Centrelink benefits can pay their School Fees through Centrepay.

# What is Centrepay?

Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service that is free for Centrelink customers. Through Centrepay, a Customer can authorise Centrelink to deduct regular amounts from their Centrelink payments to pay their bills and expenses to a School or Business.

## Centrepay deductions of \$20 or more per fortnight per child can be used to pay for:

Fees and charges for Book packs and Essential Items and any related educational expenses including equipment, incursions and excursions, camps and swimming.

#### **Benefit to parents:**

The money is debited from their Centrelink payments and sent to the school *before* being deposited into their bank account. The school receipts and allocates to outstanding charges in consultation with the parent. This eliminates the need for parents to 'put money aside' or use a credit card and there is no requirement for them to come to the school to pay their account.

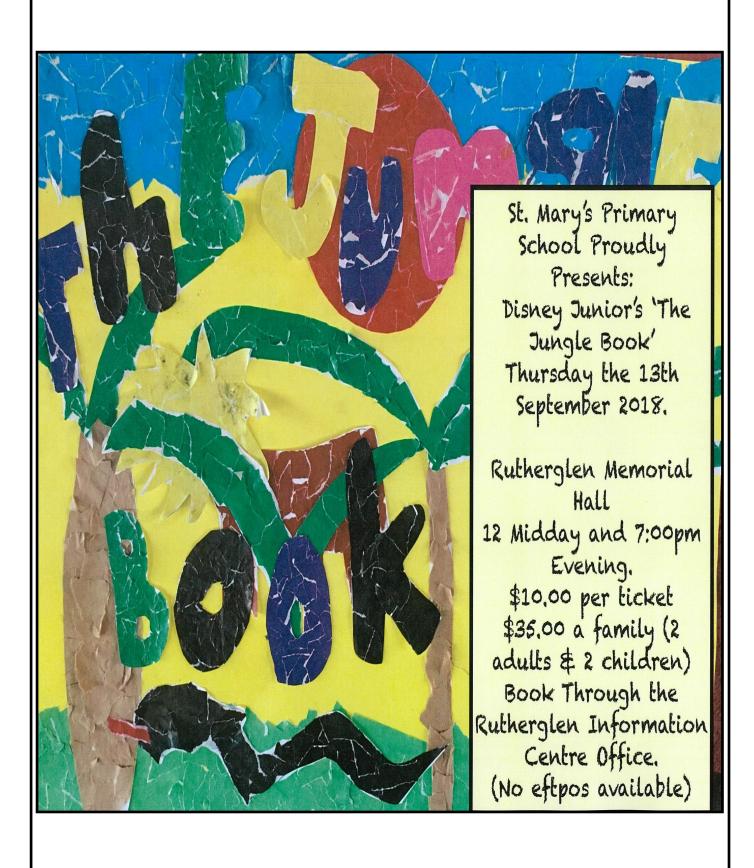
Parents can include an end date, a target amount or keep it open-ended. The deduction can be amended or cancelled at any time by contacting the school.

#### What next?

Please contact the school office 02 6032 9284 or email Amanda Arnot <u>aar-not@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au</u> for a form to be sent home or to answer any questions you may have. Please return the completed form to the office and your application will be processed through Centrepay. Your deductions can start immediately or a date of your choosing.

Please don't send your application directly to Centrelink as your unique account number is required for identification when the school receives the fortnightly reports from Centrepay.

# Performing Arts





Excitement mounts as the bus leaves for Stage Door



Spencer and Thomas

Matilda and Darcie

Action shots from Stage Door, held yesterday at Victory Lutheran College, Wodonga.











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## IT AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP NEWSLETTER

# Fortnite - What do Parents Need to Know??

Commonsense Media age recommendation - 13+ years old
Parents need to know that while the original strategy-focused, singleplayer version of Fortnite (also known as Save the World) is a survival
action game for PlayStation 4, Xbox One, Windows, and Mac, it's the
wildly popular last-player-standing mode known as Fortnite: Battle
Royale that's taken off and become a huge hit.

# FORTNITE

#### For more information:

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/game-reviews/fortnite

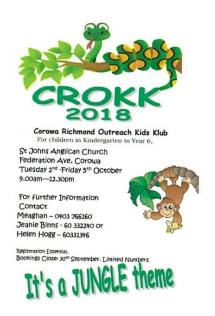


# **ARK - What do Parents Need to Know??**

Commonsense Media age recommendation - 14+ years old Parents need to know that *Ark: Survival Evolved is a down-loadable survival game. Players arrive on an island called Ark with nothing and must learn to survive but also discover that the landmass is full of dinosaurs and other primeval creatures.* 

For more information: https://www.commonsensemedia.org/game-reviews/ark-survival-evolved





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