

# St Mary's School Newsletter



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**A Child Safe School**

From the Principal - Matt Attwater



## **PBIS Focus of the Week: Expectations in the Office Area**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**This Sunday is the 2nd Sunday of Advent**

**BE ON THE ALERT FOR SYMPTOMS OF INNER HOPE,  
LOVE, JOY AND PEACE this Advent Season.**

The hearts of a great many have already been exposed to this virus and it is possible that people everywhere could come down with it in epidemic proportions. This could pose a serious threat to what has, up to now, been a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world.

Some signs and symptoms of **The Advent Virus:**



- A tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences.
- An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
- A loss of interest in judging other people.
- A loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others.
- A loss of interest in conflict.
- A loss of the ability to worry. (This is a very serious symptom.)
- Frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation.
- Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature.
- Frequent attacks of smiling.
- An increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen.
- An increased susceptibility to the love extended by others as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it. Please send this warning out to all your friends. This virus can and has affected many systems. Some systems have been completely cleaned out because of it.

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### **Weekend Mass Times:**

Chiltern Saturday 6pm

Rutherglen Sunday 9am

Wahgunyah Sunday 10.30am

## **Important Dates**

### **Monday 10th December**

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Junior Fun Afternoon F/1 & 2 - 3.30pm until 6.30pm

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Christmas Nativity 6.00pm

### **Friday 14th December**

End of Year Mass  
Reports released 4pm  
Rutherglen Christmas Carols

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## Remember We Have Moved

Due to the upcoming refurbishment of the Office/Admin area Amanda and myself are now operating out of Room 4 until the end of Term 1 next year.

## School Board AGM

Last night we had the School Board AGM. At the meeting we welcomed three new members to the Board for 2019: Emily Morris, Kellie Delacy and Sally Colwell. I would like to thank the outgoing members for their contribution: Liz Fisher, Rob Smits (Parish Rep), Stacy Price, Bert Cheesman, Lisa Steel and Briony Taylor.

### Executive Positions for 2019

1. **Chair** - Paul Somerville
2. **Deputy Chair** - Rachelle Enever

**Regular Board Members:** Fr. Carey, Matt Attwater, Libby Dickinson, Mel Field, Emily Morris, Kellie Delacy and Sally Colwell


## BUSY BUSY BUSY

This is an extremely busy time of the year for teachers, parents, students and schools. There are many, many things happening at the school in the final 3 weeks of the school year. Please keep up to date with what is happening via the newsletter.

## Year 6 Assembly

Next week will be the final assembly for the year, run by year 6 students as their final farewell to the school.

**PBIS Classroom Matrix:** As a school we will be focusing on expectations when in the office area.

Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use inside voice</li><li>• Be patient and polite. Eg. Please, Thank you, Excuse me</li><li>• Knock before entering and wait</li><li>• Respect all staff</li><li>• Smile to others</li><li>• Watch where you're walking</li><li>• Enter and exit rooms calmly and correctly</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Smile to visitors in the school and say hello</li><li>• Follow adult instructions</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>

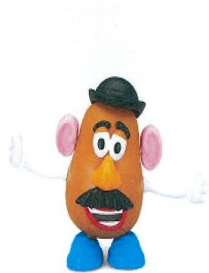
### Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners (pictured left):

Teddy Giason, Seve Cottam  
and Sienna Park-Osborne

Have a great week,  
Matt







# **ST MARY'S** **TOY SWAP &** **SELL**

**Support those in need this Christmas!**

St Mary's is having a toy swap and sell to raise money to support St Vincent De Paul this Christmas and we would love your help!

**It will be held on Thursday the 6th of December!**

## **How can you help?**

Bring in one item to donate...**a toy that you have grown out of, a book, a board game**...please make sure that it is still in good condition and has all of the parts.

(You can bring this in as soon as possible)



On the 6th of December bring \$2 to school and buy yourself a new, preloved toy!

*All money and left over toys will be donated to St Vincent de Paul for their Christmas Appeal.*



## **CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS**

Encourage your child to order their own drink or food from a café. They will need to greet the waiter/ waitress, request their items and end the exchange appropriately with thank you.



**Christmas Hamper raffle tickets have been issued to all families. Like last year, we would like all families to donate an item for our hamper/hampers.....**

**Please bring your donations to the front office anytime from now until the draw on Tuesday 18th December.**

**Money raised from the sale of tickets will be donated to St Vincent De Paul**

**Tickets - \$1ea - \$2 for 3 - \$10 for a book of 15  
Extra tickets available :-)**





**RUTHERGLEN  
COMMUNITY  
CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

**Friday 14th December**

**At the “*The Big Red Shed*”  
Rutherglen Primary School -  
Entry Church Street**

**7PM**

Sausage Sizzle

Children's Choirs

Visiting Artists

Santa's Visit

Reserved Seating for Seniors/Elderly

BYO chairs, rugs and best singing voices

**Everyone Welcome!**

Reminders

Graduation night numbers  
and payment

Junior Fun Afternoon

permission slips (new date  
12th December, 2018)

Rutherglen Community Carols  
(indication of numbers)



**Community Calendar  
Roll up time!!**

We are looking for helpers to roll  
up 2000 calendars in the hall....

Can you spare an hour between  
**9.00am and 10.00am**

Or

**2.30pm and 3.30pm?**

**The more the merrier!!**

**Tea/Coffee supplied**



STM Dux Plus Case for 12.9-inch  
iPad Pro (1st & 2nd Generation)

We have quite a few 2nd hand iPad  
cases we are selling for \$5 each.  
(normally retail for \$79)

All money raised from the sale will be  
donated to St Vincent de Paul.

Available at the office.

## Important Calendar Dates 2018

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### TERM 4

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Monday 17th December	Grade 6 Graduation Dinner - Corowa RSL
Tuesday 18th December	Cinema Day (Wangaratta) - whole school Christmas Hamper raffle draw
Wednesday 19th December	Last Day - Term 4 - Casual Clothes (Gold coin donation) <b>Students dismissed at 3.30pm</b>
Thursday 20th December	Staff - Planning Day
Friday 21st December	Staff only

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## Important Calendar Dates 2019

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### TERM 1

Tuesday 29th January	Teachers 1st day back
Wednesday 30th January	First day for all students
Wednesday 13th February	District Swimming
Friday 15th February	School Photos
Friday 22nd February	Division Swimming

### Staff email addresses

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## CATHOLIC IDENTITY NEWSLETTER

### Upcoming Parish Altar Servers Roster

PARISH ALTAR SERVERS TERM FOUR			
9.12.18	Akira Bonacci-Law Aleisha Price Emily Price	24.12.18 Christmas Eve - 7pm	Holly McMahon Grace Milthorpe Hayley Barkley
16.12.18	Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman Sonny Enever-Cooper	25.12.18 Christmas Day - 9am	<b>Volunteers please</b>
23.12.18	Hayley Barkley Brayden Field Faith O'Donoghue	30.12.18	Milly Cheeseman Olivia Cheeseman



**We will require altar servers for the holiday period. If you are able to volunteer please contact Mel Field**

### **END OF YEAR MASS**

Our end of year mass, a celebration of our year will be held on **Friday 14th Mass at 9:30am**. We welcome our family and friends to come along and share in this celebration with us.

### **CHRISTMAS MASSES:**

*Rutherglen:*  
**Christmas Eve - 7pm**  
**Christmas Day - 9am**



### **Kanga Cricket Carnival** **Friday 30th November, 2018**



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*Last Friday was Kanga Cricket. The 3/4/5/6's went to Willow Park and separated into seven teams. One of our teams were undefeated and some lost 1 or 2 matches. It was a fun day for everyone all round!*

*Writers—Tom and Rory*







# BLUE LIGHT CHRISTMAS DISCO

**COROWA RSL**

**6PM - 8PM**

**FRIDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2018**

**FOR AGES 5 TO 12**

**DRESS UP**

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COLLECTED  
FROM THE RSL CLUB ENTRY TICKETS**

**\$4 PER CHILD**

**LUCKY DOOR PRIZES / DANCE COMPS**

**DRINKS, HOTDOGS**

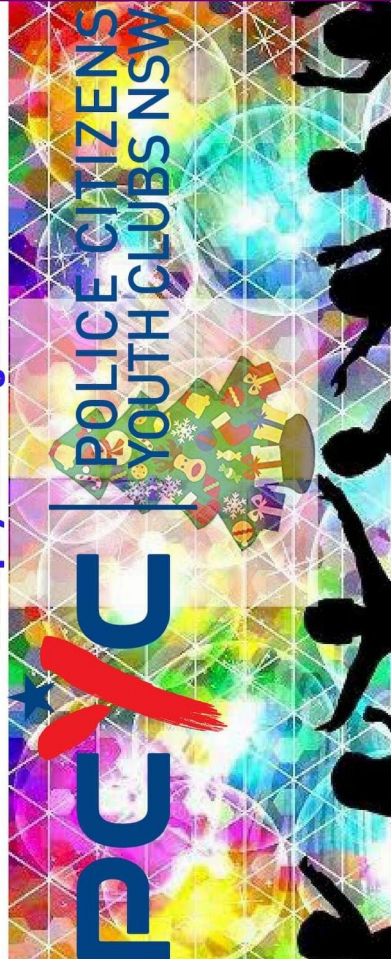
**AND ICE-CREAMS AVAILABLE**

**NO PHOTOS TO BE TAKEN**

**NO DRUGS / NO ALCOHOL / NO PASSOUTS**

**ALL BLUE LIGHT EVENTS ARE DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE  
AND SUPERVISED BY POLICE OFFICERS**

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# FUN AND FAST

**WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST IS A FUN AND FAST  
PROGRAM FOR GIRLS OF ALL ABILITIES TO LEARN THE  
SKILLS AND PLAY AUSTRALIA'S FAVOURITE SPORT.**

**FREE Master Blast "come & try"**

**for all Primary aged girls**

**Wednesday December 19th**

**5:30pm-7:00pm**

**Norieul Park, Albury**

**JOIN THE FUN AT YOUR LOCAL CENTRE  
REGISTER AT [PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU](http://PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU)**

**OFFICIAL KIDS  
PROGRAM**

