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Newsletter Issue 2 - Term 1 - Wednesday 13 February, 2019

Gospel Summary

In this coming Sunday's gospel, Lk 6:17, 20-26, Jesus taught his listeners that some values in God's Kingdom will be the opposite of what they are in our earthly society. Those with no power or material possessions, but who trust completely in God will be first in the Kingdom of God. But people who value the luxuries of this world will be last in the Kingdom.

Reflection for parents

Children trust their parents to take good care of them and give them direction. That's a lot of responsibility for a parent. Similarly, we all are challenged by these beatitudes to trust completely in God. When we trust and serve God, we know clearly from this reading that God will take care of us in the Kingdom.

Weekend Mass Times:

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 13 February

6.30pm - Board Meeting

Friday 15 February

9.30am - Senior Mass

School Photos

Tuesday 19 February

District Swimming (date

changed from 13/2)

Friday 22 February

School Closure - Student Free

Day

Dear Parents/Carers,

Meals on Wheels: We Need Some Drivers

As part of our local community service program, our senior students have always participated in the Rutherglen Meals on Wheels program. At the moment we have had only two families volunteer to drive our students on our rostered week, 12th - 15th of March. The commitment is only about 2 hours where you drive the students to various houses in Rutherglen, and the students deliver meals to the residents with a smile and a friendly chat. Please let Amanda know if you are able to help out

School Photos: This Friday 15th of February: Summer Uniform to be Worn

This Friday is our school photo day. All students need to be in full summer school uniform. I realise that Fridays are sports uniform days, but for school photo day they need to be in summer uniform.

2019 School Information Book

All families will have received the 2019 School Information Book last week. Please take the time to read it carefully. The book outlines all the practical things families need to know about the day to day running of the school. The booklet also contains the Senior and Junior school Term 1 newsletter. *If you haven't seen the booklet yet please check your child's school bag.*

School Uniform & Hats

Can all families **PLEASE** ensure that all uniforms and hats are clearly labelled with names. Also there are free second hand uniforms available in the office. See Amanda.

School Closure Day: Friday 22nd February

Friday 22nd of February is a school closure day for all students. Staff will be participating in a spelling professional development on that day.

PBIS Awards (Positive Behaviour in Schools):This week's Focus: Expectations in Classrooms and Learning Spaces

Classrooms and learning spaces	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
RESPECT	 Listen to the person speaking Do your best work Have a go at new things Listen and follow instructions Be organised Join in and participate Be in correct uniform Be organised Enter and exit rooms calmly and correctly Exiting people go first 	 Listen to the person speaking Encourage others Be inclusive of others Offer help to others Take turns Share equipment Don't sit in front of them Be kind to others Be patient with others Value differences Respect people's personal space Walk Use your 'inside voice' 	 Clean up your workspace when you've finished Use resources correctly Put rubbish into the correct bins Use equipment for the correct purpose

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

Ailysh Walsh F/1 HK, Zoe Buscall F/1 HK & Codie Johnson-Wood 1/2 LD



Assembly

Assembly this year on every 2nd Tuesday afternoon at 3pm beginning yesterday. This time is a great opportunity for parents picking up students at the end of the day to arrive a little earlier and join us for assembly. Our next assembly is on Tuesday 19th February at 3pm.

Frosty Friday is Back

Frosty Friday is back this term and is run by the Yr. 6 Catholic Identity Team. For 50c students can buy a frozen Zooper Dooper on Fridays at lunch time. Money raised goes to CARITAS.

Have a great week,

Matt

Principal



From the Administration Office

For your calendars

Grades 3 & 4 Camp

Borambola - Thursday 31st October (overnight), returning Friday 1st November, 2019

Grades 5 & 6 Camp

Canberra - Wednesday 30th October (2 nights), returning Friday 1st November, 2019

Bye for now Amanda

St Mary's Parent Team 2019

We would love to see more parents/carers join our Parent Team this year.

For more information, please contact Sally, Briony or Emily via email (or in person before/after school).

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Important Calendar Dates - 2019

Term 1

Wednesday 13 February Board Meeting - 6.30pm Friday 15 February 9.30am - Senior Mass

School Photos

Tuesday 19th February District Swimming (date changed from 13/2)

Friday 22 February School Closure - Student Free Day

Staff Professional Development Day

Friday 1 March 9.30am - Junior Mass

Schools Clean Up Australia Day

Monday 4 March Swimming
Tuesday 5 March Swimming

Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday 6 March Swimming

Ash Wednesday Regional Swimming

Thursday 7 March Swimming

Friday 8 March Swimming Carnival

Monday 11 March Labour Day Public Holiday - School Closure

Tuesday 12 March Meals On Wheels Wednesday 13 March Meals On Wheels Thursday 14 March Meals On Wheels

Friday 15 March 9.30am - Senior Mass

Meals On Wheels

National Day of Action against Bullying

Sporting Schools Gymnastics Program (during school hours)

Thursday 21 March Pinocchio Performance (LOTE)
Friday 22 March National Ride 2 School Day

Sandhurst Switches Off

Glenview Visit

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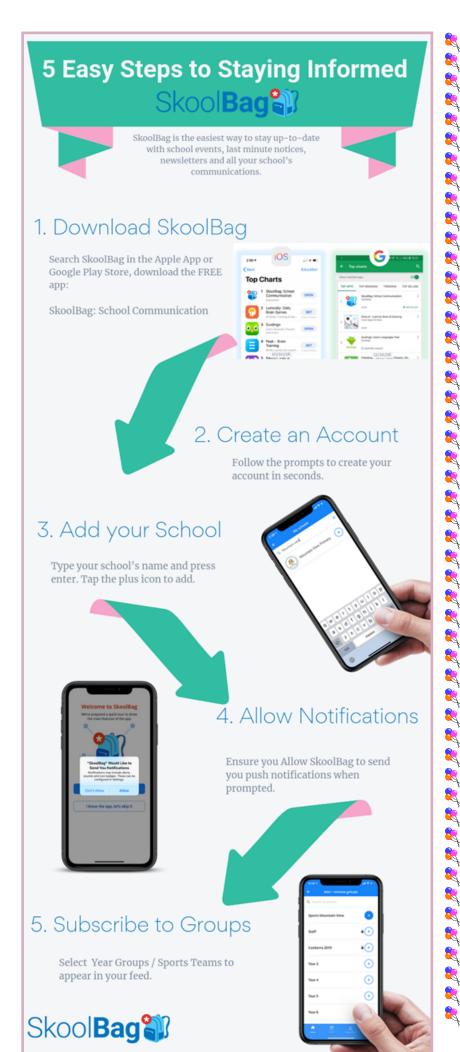
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We send our best wishes to:

Cody O'Donoghue (11/02) &

Sonny Enever-Cooper (13/02)

who will be celebrating their birthdays this week.



CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

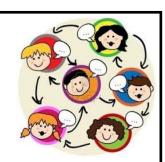
Activity for Week 2

PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

SYLLABIFICATION:

The Longest Word:

Ask the children to think of the longest words they know. Demonstrate the length, clapping out the beats or syllables caterpillar, encyclopaedia. When you notice long or interesting sounding words, have fun with the children, repeating and breaking the words up into their beats. Eg. Cat-a-ma-ran. Be aware that some children will still be thinking that long word refers to the meaning of the word and might suggest train as a long word!



ST MARY'S RUTHERGLEN GLENVIEW NURSING HOME RUTHERGLEN VISIT

Students from St Mary's Primary School Rutherglen replicated the generosity of God in modelling how we relate to each other and our community, when they attended Glenview Nursing Home in Rutherglen. The students engaged with the residents of Glenview through conversation, card games, reading and games such as Yahtzee, Connect Four and Noughts and Crosses. Both the residents and the students grew positively, socially and emotionally from this program. St Mary's Primary school will continue this program throughout the school year.













Friday February 15
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



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



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CHILTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



Board games mornings

Mahjong has arrived and Chess and Scrabble are on their way! We are hoping to start playing weekly board games **every Tuesday from 10am**. There will be a selection of games and for \$2 you can also enjoy a cuppa and some morning tea.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 19th - Come along to the Chiltern Neighbourhood House and join us for an inspection of our new games, bring along some friends and make new ones over a welcoming cuppa and delicious morning tea. You can also hear about the new renovations and programs that we are very excited to offer.

RSA (Responsible Service of Alcohol)

The first course is full so pop your name down for the next one. It will be run by The Centre in Wangaratta at the Chiltern Neighbourhood House in early March. Once renovations are completed, we look forward to hosting The Centre for Food Safety courses.

Cert III in Individual Support & in Education Support

We are very excited to offer these two courses in Chiltern through The Centre. Individual Support commences on Thursday 2 May 2019 and Education Support at a date to be advised. Classes will run Thursday and Friday from 9am to 3.30pm and placement will be in residential aged care at Glenview in Rutherglen and with home care. Take advantage of these opportunities to study close to home.

Cert II in Kitchen Operations

Run by Wodonga TAFE, this 18 week industry-supported Cookery pre-apprenticeship course will be based at the Chiltern Neighbourhood House for class time and TAFE will be bringing along their purpose built mobile kitchen. Some attendance at Wodonga TAFE will be required but what a great opportunity for all budding young (or older) chefs!

Apply First Aid

Dates to be advised – please phone Maree to register your interest.

Toy Library

Our Toy Library will be up and running very shortly and at this stage will be open Wednesdays 2pm – 4pm and Saturdays 9am – 11am. More information regarding memberships, lending procedures etc will be coming soon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON ALL OF THE ABOVE, PLEASE CALL MAREE ON 03 5726 1405 $\,$

Chiltern Neighbourhood House (rear section of Indigo North Health building)

11 Main Street Chiltern Victoria 3683



Corowa Rutherglen United Hockey Club Registration Day

Sunday 17th February

4pm - 8pm

Royal Hotel Corowa

All welcome, new and old to Hockey!!!

We hope to see you all there.

Youth Ballroom Dance Classes

St Stephens Hall 158 High St Rutherglen

Mondays at 4pm
Term 1 special \$35 per
student





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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

