

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

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Weekend Mass Times:

Chiltern Saturday 6pm

Rutherglen Sunday 9am

Wahgunyah Sunday 10.30am



Newsletter *Issue 22 - Term 3 - Wednesday 7 August, 2019*

PBIS Focus of the Week Expectations in the Church

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Mary MacKillop - Feast Day - Thursday, August 8th

Tomorrow we will celebrate the Feast Day of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first canonised Saint, with a paraliturgy lead by our students in the hall at 12.00 pm. All parents are welcome to join us.

On this Feast Day, we're celebrating the vision of Australia's first Saint and of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, being realised. Mary MacKillop's influence in Australia today, and beyond, is palpable.

Mary and the Sisters were committed to serving the poor – to going to where the need was and living amongst those in need.



Mary faced fierce opposition throughout her life. In the face of trial, Mary was a model of forgiveness, insisting no ill be spoken of those who wronged her, while also remaining resolute in her convictions. Mary was remarkable as a strong female leader in 19th century Australia. **Education in this country is what it is today thanks to her dedication and determination.**



School Feast Day and Feast of the Assumption Thursday, 15th August

Next Thursday, 15th of August, we will celebrate our school's Feast Day with a mass and then some fun activities for the students during the day.

All families are welcome to join us for mass at 9.30 am and then a cuppa after mass.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 7 August 9.30 am - 1.00pm - Country Buddies visit (transition program)

Tuesday 13 August Stage Door Performance at Victory Lutheran College (whole school)

Friday 16 August Curriculum Development day (School Closed)

KIDS on STAGE:

Next Tuesday, all students will be travelling to Victory Lutheran College, Wodonga, to perform as part of this year's Kids on Stage performance. This year's theme is music and dance from the 1970s. You are all invited to get out your flares and platform shoes and come and join us.

Our students will be performing in the 11am - 1pm time slot.

Child Safe Signage:

You will notice some new signage around St. Mary's school this week promoting our school as a Child Safe School and a school that welcomes the inclusion of all families. All our Child Safe policies and procedures are available on our website under the Child Safe tab.



No Tuckshop Lunch Orders for 2 Weeks

As there has been a change of ownership at the Rutherglen Bakery this week, we will not have a Tuckshop delivery on Friday 9th August and Friday 16th August (School closure day). Tuckshop lunch orders will start up again Friday, 23rd of August. We will publish the new Tuckshop menu in the newsletter next week. The process will still be the same with lunch orders to be at school by the Wednesday before the Friday tuckshop day.

Remember School Closure Day:

Friday 16th August

Friday 16th of August will be a school closure day. All staff will be participating in a practical PD on how iPads are best used to support the curriculum.



Friday 6th of September



Yes, the biggest night of the year is back and I'm currently writing the questions and dreaming up a few fun little surprises as we speak. Lock the date into your diary and book in your friends as well. It was a great night last year and fully booked out!!

The cost is \$10 per person. Tables of 6 and 8 are available.

I am also looking for a few helpers to source some prizes and setting up on the night.

Rotary

Last Wednesday Mrs Kelly, Molly and Patrick Colman attended the Rotary meeting. During the meeting they were given a cheque for \$6,000.00 for participating in the Rotary Country Fair on the June long weekend. This money was gratefully accepted and will be used to help beautify our school.



Congratulations to our Student Award winners this week:-

Back row: Maiya Lea 3/4ST, Matilda Colwell 3/4ST, Sonny Enever-Coooper 5/6JM, Lucas Zani 3/4JS, Holly McMahon 5/6JM

Front row: Clementine Colwell F/1HK, Sienna McFarlane F/1HK, Zoe Buscall F/1HK and Cody O'Donoghue F/1HK



Congratulations to our Principal's Award winners this week:-

Alexandra O'Meara 5/6JM, Faith O'Donoghue 5/6JM and Lucas Zani 3/4JS



PBIS Awards (Positive Behaviour in Schools):

This week's Focus: Expectations in the Church

Church	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Participate * Follow routines * Sit, stand and kneel appropriately * Bless yourself when entering and leaving the church * Enter and exit calmly and correctly. * Exiting people go first - wait for them to leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Keep your hands to yourself (personal space) * Listen to the person speaking * Be quiet * Participate * Offer peace quietly and calmly to others * Listen to the person speaking * Enter and exit the pews correctly during communion and blessings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Respect the sacred space * Be quiet * Use Mass book correctly * Enter and exit correctly * Keep your feet on the floor

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

(pictured below):

Acacia Rhodes 3/4JS, Lukas Moore 5/6JM, Ryan Moore 1/2LD and Harry Saunders 3/4JS



Have a great week,

Matt
Principal




CATHOLIC COLLEGE WODONGA | LIFE IN JESUS
proudly presents

VIP TICKET

Annie

22 . 23 . 24 August

**Catherine McAuley Arts Centre
Catholic College Wodonga**

7:30PM

Adults \$10 | Children \$5 | Families \$25
Tickets at TryBooking.com or at the door

Book by THOMAS MEEHAN	Music by CHARLES STROUSE	Lyrics by MARTIN CHARNIN
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Original Broadway Production Directed by
MARTIN CHARNIN

Based on "Little Orphan Annie"®
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CATHOLIC COLLEGE WODONGA | LIFE IN JESUS

*would like to invite you & guest/s
to our 2019 school production of*

Annie

Opening Night

7.30pm, Thursday 22 August

**Catherine McAuley Arts Centre
Doors open at 7.20pm**

This invitation can be used on Friday 23
or Saturday 24 August if preferred.

Please RSVP by Wednesday 14 August
hayley.neves@ccw.vic.edu.au

Parent Access Module (PAM)



Check your inbox for Activity Notifications

Current Activities released onto PAM for Permission:-

1. Glenview visit - Grades F/1/2 - This Friday 9 August
2. Stage Door Performance - Whole school - Tuesday 13th August
3. Borambola Camp - Grades 3/4 - Thursday 31st October - Friday 1st November, 2019 (we have been asked to supply confirmed numbers)



IMPORTANT:

Please use this platform to notify the school of your child's absence.

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

Pragmatics and Social skills

Focus: Developing resilience;

Many children have difficulty adapting to changes or difficult situations that arise throughout life. For example; Starting a new school, making new friends, completing homework on time etc. Providing children with the tools to succeed during these situations will not only build resilience but may prevent those awful melt-downs.



Providing **Visual schedules and timetables** for your child will let them know ahead of time what's happening and what is expected of them. They relieve the child's anxiety as surprises or changes can be timetabled in.

The following link outlines the benefits of visual schedules and provides excellent examples.

[https://ahrc.eq.edu.au/services/fba-tool/help/visual-schedule\)](https://ahrc.eq.edu.au/services/fba-tool/help/visual-schedule)

Social stories also helps the child to go through the steps involved in order to complete a task successfully. Go to this link for good examples of social stories and how to use them to guide your child's behaviour and/or social skills.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/learningneeds/Pages/supportmaterials.aspx#link35>

Books that focus on resilience in children include 'Oh the places you'll go' by Dr. Seuss and 'The little engine that could' by Watty Piper



Each year, schools and public libraries across Australia spend a week celebrating books, Australian authors and illustrators. Teachers and librarians conduct activities relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading.

We at St Mary's will be celebrating throughout Book Week, but our dress up day will be on Thursday the 22nd of August. The theme is Reading is my Secret Power. So get your thinking caps on and start getting organised because we love Book Week!!!

Important Calendar Dates - 2019

Term 3

Wed 7 August	9.30 am - 1.00pm - Country Buddies visit (transition program)
Tuesday 13 August	Stage Door Performance at Victory Lutheran College (whole school)
Friday 16 August	Curriculum Development day (School Closed)
19—23 August	Book Week
Tuesday 20 August	9.30am - 11.00am - Kinder visit (transition program)
Thursday 22 August	Book Week Dress Up day
Thursday 29 August	Athletics Day
Friday 30 August	Father's Day Stall
Friday 6 September	Trivia Night (Parish Hall)
Monday 9 September	Parent/Teacher interviews
Tuesday 10 September	Parent/Teacher interviews
Friday 20 September	Last Day Term 3 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) School finishes at 2.30pm

Term 4

Monday 7 October	First Day Term 4
Wed 30 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6)
Thur 31 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6) Borambola Camp (Grades 3 & 4)
Fri 1 November	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6) Borambola Camp (Grades 3 & 4)
Mon 4 November	Report Writing Day (School closed)
Tue 5 November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (School closed)
Tues 19 November	9.00am - 11.00am Kinder/Foundation Transition day
Tues 26 November	9.00am - 11.00am Kinder/Foundation Transition day
Fri 29 November	Bishop's Holiday (School closed)
Tues 3 December	9.00am - 12.45pm Kinder/Foundation Transition day
Wed 18 December	Last Day Term 4 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) School finishes at 3.30pm

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