



St. Mary's School Newsletter

Always faithful to God, ourselves and others in the spirit of the Presentation tradition.

St. Mary's is committed to Child Safety and the inclusion of all children.

Respect Ourselves - Respect Others - Respect our Environment

Term 4 - Week 4 - Friday 30th October, 2020

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 2 November

Report Writing Day

Student Free Day

Tuesday 3 November

Melbourne Cup

Public Holiday

Wednesday 4 November

Blueearth Sport

Thursday 5 November

Athletics Day

Rutherglen Showgrounds

Wednesday 11 November

Remembrance Day

Wednesday 18 November

Blueearth Sport

PBIS Focus of the Week - Expectations in the Toilets



OCTOBER is World Mission Month

Dear Parents/Carers,

This Sunday is All Saints Day



All Saints Day is this Sunday November 1st. All Saints Day is a special feast day on which we celebrate all the saints, known and unknown. While most saints have a particular feast day on the Catholic calendar (usually, though not always, the date of their death), not all of those feast days are observed. And saints who have not been canonized — those who are in Heaven, but whose sainthood is known only to God — have no particular feast day. In a special way, All Saints Day is their feast.

Reflection for Parents

Many of the saints whose lives we celebrate on this day honored the Beatitudes through their humility, meekness, sense of justice, and efforts to bring about peace. Think of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Saint Francis, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, and Blessed Solanus Casey. And who are the saints in your own life—the holy women and men you know or have known—who lived in the way of the Beatitudes and now enjoy eternal life with Jesus, Mary, and the angels and saints.

School Sign:

Have a peak at our school sign for a nice little weekly Wellbeing message!



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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6pm Chiltern

Sunday 9am Rutherglen

Sunday 10.30am Wahgunyah

All suspended for now



Student Wellbeing Focus

Conscious that the year so far has been traumatic for many of our students, we will see be a major focus around Student Wellbeing this term. We aim to structure up many activities and opportunities to boost student wellbeing as we move through the term.



2021 School Board Interest:

The School Board works closely with Fr. Carey and myself both in the short and long term strategic planning for our school. We are always looking for new members who have an interest in this area of school life.

Being a Board member is not an onerous task but a rewarding one.

The school Board meets in Week 2 & 8 of each term.

This year's Board members are Fr. Carey, Rachelle Enever-Copper (Board Chair), Matt Attwater, Libby Dickinson (Staff Rep), Emily Morris, Sally Colwell, Kellie DeLacy and Jim O'Toole (Parish Rep). If you are interested in finding out more information please talk to me or another Board member.

The 2021 Board nomination forms can be obtained from the school office so put up your hand!

Athletics Sports Thursday November 5th:

Every year we travel into Alexandra Park, Albury to give the students the experience of participating in our school Athletic Sports on a professional Athletic track. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, this is not possible this year.

So instead, this year we will be having our Athletics Sports at the **Rutherglen Showgrounds on Thursday 5th of November**. A big thanks to the Rutherglen Little Athletics Club who are kindly letting us use their track and facilities for the day.

As COVID restrictions stand for regional schools at the moment
"spectators are to be discouraged or be within public gathering limits"

However and hopefully this could possibly change for regional Victoria after this Sunday's announcements from Daniel Andrews about the further easing of restrictions. I will provide updated spectator information closer to the day.



Term 4 Events:

As I have previously outlined to you, some school events this term may look somewhat different and be conducted in unusual and imaginative ways as we work with and alongside COVID restrictions at the time.

Frosty Friday is Back:

Frosty Friday Zooper Doopers is back. A Zooper Dooper will cost 50c and all money raised will go to the missions.



Late Signing in:

As all students are back at school now if a child is late to school they must report to the office to be signed in before going to their classroom.

School Closure Day: Monday 2nd November

Monday, 2nd November is a school closure day for Report Writing Monday.



We send our best wishes to Isabel Neil (25/10) who celebrated her birthday this week.



IMPORTANT

All principals have been asked by the Director of Education to **REMINDE PARENTS OF CHANGED PROTOCOLS** outlined below via upcoming Newsletters.

Thank-you:

Over the last few weeks you have been made very aware of the changes at St. Mary's and thank you for adapting to and following the new protocols faultlessly. It is appreciated by all staff.

***PICK-UP / DROP OFF:** All pickups and drop off are done in the rear car park.

***IF CHILDREN ARE UNWELL** - Parents must be advised that any child who comes to school feeling unwell or becomes unwell during the school day, they (or the emergency contact person) will be called to collect that child.

***WATER BOTTLES** – drinking fountains are not to be used by students. Each should bring water from home.

****RESTRICTED ACCESS TO SCHOOL BY ADULTS** – The Department of Health insists that no adult- parents, non-enrolled youths, visitors are to enter the school unless necessary or in an emergency. Adults should not be permitted to go beyond the Reception area.

HATS: No Hat No Play:

All students need a school hat during term 4 when playing outside.

The **NO Hat NO Play** is strictly enforced during term 4.

School hats are available for sale from the office or from Brunella School supplies in Corowa.



Achievements Awards

Well done to our Achievement Award winners this week for their outstanding efforts in their classroom.



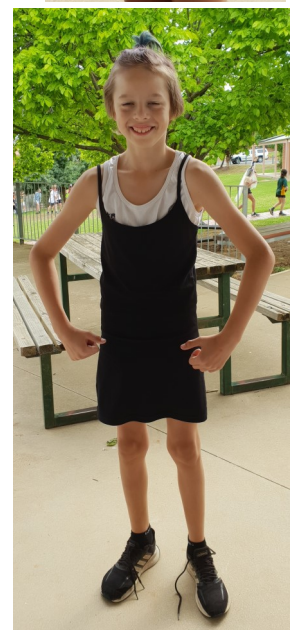
Back row -

Ivy Rosser 3/4BC, Grace Fuge 5/6JM, Alex Kidd-Alam F/1HK, Freya Kay 1/2LD, Matilda Doolan 1/2LD and Acacia Rhodes 4/5ST

Front row -

Ryan Moore 3/4BC, Teddy Giason 4/5ST and Arthur Morris 5/6JM

Crazy Fun Friday



Crazy Friday Sausage Sizzle



Walkathon





Senior grades
excursion
Cultural walk
Wangaratta



Sporting Schools Program

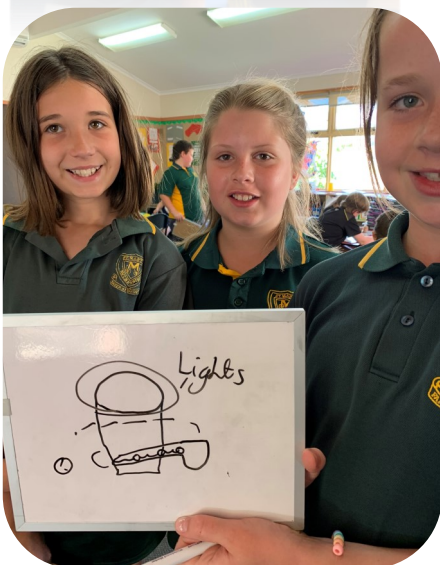
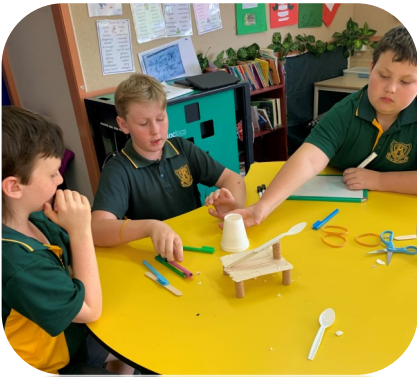


Tennis with Doug






Design Technologies



Walktober



PBIS Focus this week - Expectations in the Toilets

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

Well done to this week's PBIS winners!!!

Jaylen Cracknell 4/5ST, Poppy Ellery 1/2LD, Molly Colman 3/4BC,

Lexie Wilson 3/4BC and Callum Potter 4/5ST



Have a great week,
Matt Attwater
Principal



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Wednesday 2 December	Bluearth Sport with Ross Hill
Wednesday 9 December	Nativity Play (TBC)
Friday 11 December	End of Year Mass 9.30-10.30am (TBC)
Monday 14 December	Graduation Dinner (TBC)
Wednesday 16 December	Last Day Term 4 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

Important Calendar Dates - 2021

Term 1

Wednesday 27 January	Teachers Commence
Thursday 28 January	Students return to school
Friday 19 February	School Photo Day
Monday 8 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thursday 1 April	Last Day Term 1 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish
Friday 2 April	Good Friday

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