



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 1 - Week 3 - Friday 12 February, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 16 February

Board Meeting

**Wednesday 17
February**

Ash Wednesday

**Friday 19 February
School Photo Day**

PBIS Focus of the Week - Expectations in the Playground

Dear Parents/Carers,

Lent

Next Wednesday is **Ash Wednesday** and marks the beginning of Lent.



Ash Wednesday begins **Lent**, a season of fasting, almsgiving and prayer. Ash Wednesday takes place 40 days before Easter Sunday, and is chiefly observed by Catholics, although many other Christians observe it too. Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolise the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words:
"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."
Alternatively, the priest may speak the words,
"Repent and believe in the Gospel"

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Weekend Mass Times

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

Swimming Sports:

A great day at the sports. Look out for plenty of photos in next week's newsletter. Well done to the winning House, Donaghy (blue) and well done to our YR. 6 May Baring winner, Faith Barkley.



IMPORTANT:

School Photos This Friday:

Remember all students are to be dressed in their

FULL Summer School Uniform

and not their sports uniform.

Frosty Friday's:

The Catholic Identity Team will be selling Zoopers Doopers for 50c each. Fr
All money raised will go to Caritas.



School Attendance

Schooling is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6-17 years unless an exemption from attendance or enrolment has been granted.

Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school have better health outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

Every Day Counts





Patrick Walsh and Hamish Neil (*pictured left*) received their Year 6 Leadership badges earlier this week.

To our 2020 students who celebrated their birthday over the holidays.



Harper Potter 16/01

We also send our best wishes to students who are celebrating their birthdays this week.



Matilda Colwell 7/02



Matilda Doolan 8/02



Cody O'Donoghue 11/02



Natasha Doolan 12/2



JOIN THE INDIGO COMMUNITY ACCESS COMMITTEE (ICAC)

We are looking for four new community members to join the committee.

ICAC is made up of community members and Council staff from across the Shire who are passionate about access and inclusion. Your voice can help shape an inclusive future for everyone.

**Contact: Ageing Well Officer
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Galen Catholic College

Year 7 2022 Enrolment Information

Enrolment at Galen - 4 easy steps

Step 1	Attend our Information Evening	Date: Wednesday 3 rd March Time: 7.00pm Location: Galen Catholic College Stadium	We invite Parents and guardians to attend our information evening
Step 2	School Tours: see Galen in action	Available dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th March 9.15am & 1.50pm • 5th March 9.15am & 1.50pm • 9th March 9.15am, 1.50pm & 5.00pm • 10th March 9.15am, 1.50pm & 5.00pm • 11th March 9.15am, 1.50pm & 5.00pm 	For all bookings and enrolment information please visit our website www.galen.vic.edu.au/enrolments
Step 3	Submit your application	Applications available from: www.galen.vic.edu.au/enrolments Due date: 12th March	
Step 4	Attend an interview	Interview dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March: 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th • April: 20th, 21st, 22nd, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th 	

Galen, my place of opportunity.

Phone: 03 5721 6322

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Galen
Catholic College

PBIS Focus this week - Expectations in the Playground

Playground	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	Use kind words Be a good self umpire Keep hands and feet to myself Respond to the bell immediately (drink, toilet) Tell, not do Be active	Share with others Take turns in games Good Sportsmanship with others Be inclusive Be a good role model with others Be tolerant towards others	Use equipment appropriately Pack away sports equipment Pick up my belongings, eg. drink bottle, jumper. Put our rubbish in the bin

PBIS Winners

Well done to this week's PBIS winners:

Ivy Kay (F-HK), Molly Colman (5 JS&JV), Jack Welsh (1/2 LD), Harry McFarlane (F-HK), Luca Goudie (F-HK) and Elijah McFarlane (5 JS&JV)



Child Safe:

St. Mary's is a Child Safe School which means that we have policies and strategies in place to ensure all students feel and are safe at school. Please take time to familiarise and read our child safe section on the school's website under the **Child Safe Tab**.

Have a great weekend,



Matt



Important Calendar Dates - 2021

Term 1

Tuesday 16 February	Board Meeting
Wednesday 17 February	Ash Wednesday
Friday 19 February	School Photo Day
Friday 26 February	Sporting Schools - Flyaway Gymnastics
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

Term 2

Monday 19 April	First Day Term 2
Monday 26 April	Anzac Day Holiday
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Friday 25 June	Last Day Term 2

Term 4

Thursday 21—Friday 22 October	Borambola Camp (Grades 3/4)
Wednesday 27—Friday 29 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6)

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