

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 10 - Thursday 1 April, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 1 April

Last Day Term 1
(Casual Clothes Day -
gold coin donation)
Finish at 2.30pm

Monday 19 April

First Day Term 2

PBIS Focus of the Week - Sharing and Responding to each other

This Sunday is
Easter Sunday



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6pm
Chiltern

Sunday 9am
Rutherglen

Sunday 10.30am
Wahgunyah

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Dear Families and Carers,

Well today sees the end of Term One. With a little mini lock down and still some covid restrictions in place it has been all in all a very pleasing and productive term. Our Foundation students have made a wonderful start to their schooling life and all staff have worked together as a team to ensure all students are receiving a quality education.

I hope all families and staff are able to really enjoy a family Easter break together and experience some “real” family time.

I am sure some families will remember at this time last year the staff were driving around dropping off chocolates to each family as we were in lock down. How times have changed and let’s hope they continue to keep changing for the better.



Term Restrictions 2

At this stage the current parent drop off and pick up COVID routines are still in place but this may change at any time. If any changes occur over the school holidays I will email each family.

COVID Restrictions: On School Grounds During Drop Off and Pick up:

Just a reminder that if parents/visitors are on school grounds for more than 15 minutes contact details need to be taken by the school. Please stick to the 15 minutes. Particularly at pick up parents should remain in their cars and not congregate outside the school hall. Hopefully this may change as the year progresses.

Easter Ceremonies Rutherglen/Chiltern

Our Lady of the Rosary Chiltern
Holy Thursday Mass 6.00pm
Good Friday Stations of the Cross 11.00am
Holy Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm

St Mary's Rutherglen
Good Friday Celebration of the Passion 3.00pm
Easter Sunday Mass 9.00am

Sacred Heart Wahgunyah
Easter Sunday Mass 10.30am (BYO Chair)

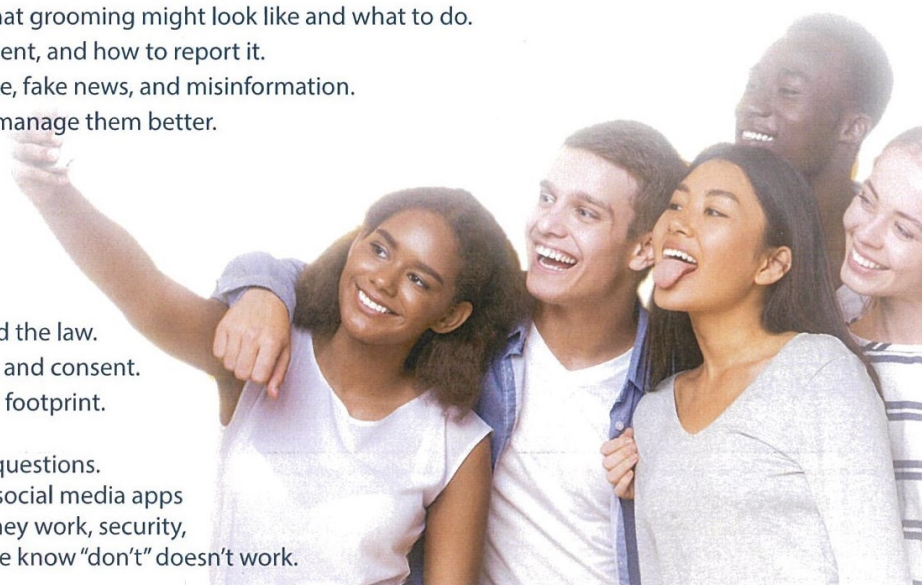


Concerned about your children's safety on social media? Looking for the answers but not sure where to turn? The Safe on Social Media presentation and Q&A session delivers real life case studies and strategies to help parents support their children.

Topics covered but not limited to:

- Online safety and using social media with awareness.
- What you signed up for – we explain terms and conditions of use and what they mean.
- Keeping your personal information private.
- Sexting and image-based abuse and the law. (age-appropriate).
- Online stranger danger and what grooming might look like and what to do.
- Cyber-bullying, online harassment, and how to report it.
- Known scams, hoaxes, deepfake, fake news, and misinformation.
- Group Chats and strategies to manage them better.
- Identity theft.
- Legal responsibilities.
- Privacy settings.
- Online gaming safety.
- Strategies to build resilience
- Posting and sharing photos and the law.
- Respectful online relationships and consent.
- How to create a positive digital footprint.

We also leave plenty of time for questions. We also cover the most popular social media apps and trends what they are, how they work, security, and privacy tips for safe use as we know "don't" doesn't work.



DATE: Monday 3rd May 2021

TIME: 7-8pm (to be confirmed)

Please note this presentation is for ages 18+



After a 20+ year career in Cyber Security and IT Business Consulting, in 2014 Kirra Pendergast founded Safe on Social Media Pty Ltd after experiencing serious and relentless cyberbullying and trolling herself.

Kirra is a leading expert on the topic of Cyber Safety and speaks about the topic and her own experience with serious cyber bullying, to 1000's of people each week. Kirra presents to students K-12, teachers and parents at schools across Australia and New Zealand. She is also regularly asked to speak at legal seminars, government and business events, conferences and consults too, and advises organisations in Australia, the United Kingdom, Europe and the United States.

Kirra is a regular media commentator on the subject of Cyber Safety.

6 Internet Safety Tips Every Kid Should Know

1 Keep Your Passwords Secret

Except from Parents.

2 Don't Talk to Strangers

Only talk to people you've met in person.

3 Don't Give out Your Phone

Unless a parent says it's okay.

4 Close and Tell an Adult

When you see something bad online.

5 Ask Before you Download

Or Your Computer Could get Sick.

6 Only Say/Share Nice Things

Always Be Kind!

PlanningPlaytime.com

Happy Birthday

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



Sienna McFarlane



Lucas Zani



The looks say it all!

Thanks also to the Easter Bunny who visited the school and gave an Easter Egg to each child!



Easter Hampers

A big thank you to Josie Taylor for kindly volunteering her time to prepare our 25 Easter Hampers.

Thanks again to all families who sold raffle tickets and donated Easter goodies.

Thanks to the Parent Team who raised \$397.00

PBIS Focus this week - Sharing and Responding to each other

Sharing and responding to each other.	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<p>Listen to the person speaking.</p> <p>Learn from making mistakes.</p> <p>Persist and keep trying.</p>	<p>Listen to the person speaking.</p> <p>Encourage others to have a go and persist.</p> <p>Be inclusive of others. Take turns.</p> <p>Give positive feedback.</p>	<p>Respect the work of others in the classroom.</p> <p>Respect our ICT resources when sharing presentations.</p>

Well done to this week's PBIS winners:

Back row:- Patrick Colman 1/2LD, Sam Morris 5JS&JV, Harper Potter 3/4BC&NO, Matilda Doolan 3/4BC&NO and Elijah McFarlane 5JS&JV

Front row:- Ivy Kay F HK, Charlee Welsh F HK and Annabelle Finnemore 1/2LD



Have a great Easter Break,

Matt





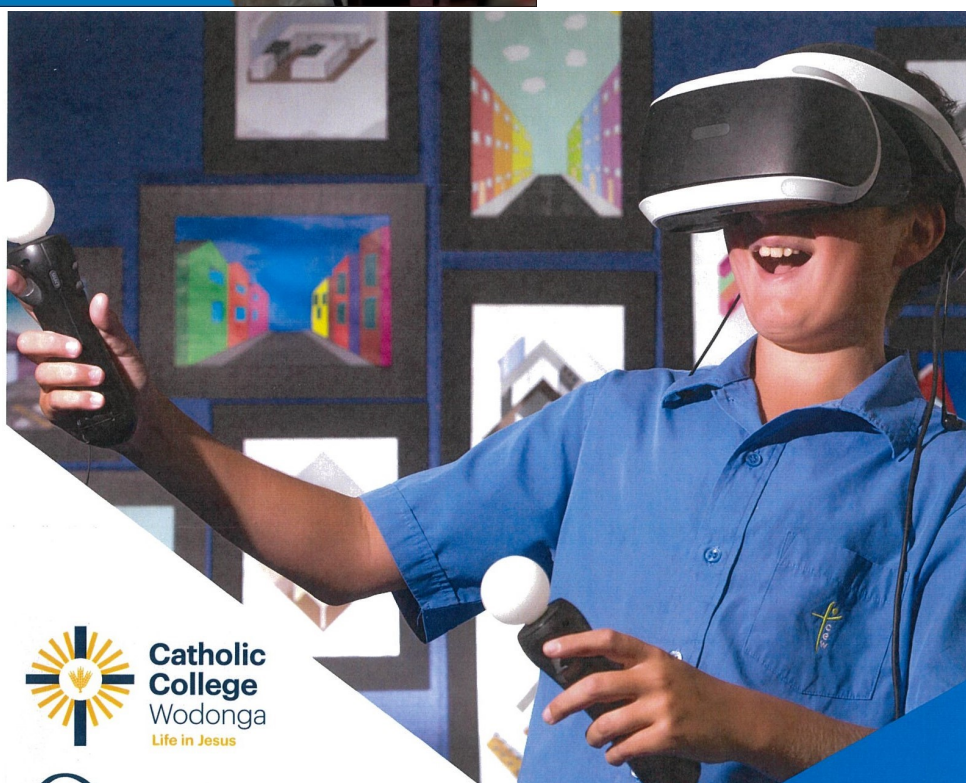
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SCHOOL VISITS

Year 6 students at St Mary's are meeting with the College Principal at our primary school on

WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL AT 9AM

They can ask questions about Year 7 and will be given an enrolment pack to take home.



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Open Day

TUESDAY 4 MAY

Information Video

Available on the CCW website

WEDNESDAY 5 MAY 4-6PM

Tours & hands on activities

Families can tour our facilities and students can get a taste of what college life is like at CCW by taking part in one of the many hands on activities.

Enrolments Open
Tuesday 27 April

Important Calendar Dates - 2021

Term 1

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
Tuesday 20 April	Whole school parent sacramental meeting
Wednesday 21 April	Upper Murray State Swimming
Monday 3 May	School Closure Day (Staff PD) Kirra Prendergast (for parents/guardians) - Safe on Social 7-8pm
Friday 7 May	Cross Country
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Friday 25 June	Last Day Term 2

Term 3

Monday 12 July	First Day Term 3
Friday 17 September	Last Day Term 3 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

Term 4

Monday 4 October	First Day Term 4
Thursday 21—Friday 22 October	Borambola Camp (Grades 3/4)
Wednesday 27—Friday 29 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6)
Tuesday 2 November	Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
Wednesday 15 December	Nativity Play & Awards Last Day Term 4 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 3.30pm finish

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