



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 5 - Friday 5th November, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 8—

Wednesday 10

November

Grade 5/6

Beechworth Camp

Sunday 14 November

Confirmation Mass

10.30am

Tuesday 16 November

**First Day of Kinder to
Foundation Transition**

Tuesday 23 November

**Second Day of Kinder
to Foundation
Transition**

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Chiltern

Sunday 9am

Rutherglen

Sunday 10.30am

Wahgunyah

PBIS Expectations: Expectations in the Toilets

Dear Parents/ Carers,



The local charity centres will appreciate donations of food, clothes & blankets. Include your children in these many opportunities to be generous givers.

Gospel Summary

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus observes people putting money into the treasury.

Many rich people put in large sums, but this was no sacrifice for them as they had great wealth.

A poor widow, however, caught his attention because she put in what he knew to be all that she had.

Her donation was but two small coins worth a few cents, but her generosity and sacrifice were well beyond what the wealthy had contributed.

Reflection for Parents

It is important to set for your children an example of generosity and of responding to others in need.

You do not have to look far to find opportunities to give what you have. A neighbour who is ill will appreciate a container of homemade soup or a get well card. A family member who lives alone will appreciate a visit or a phone call.

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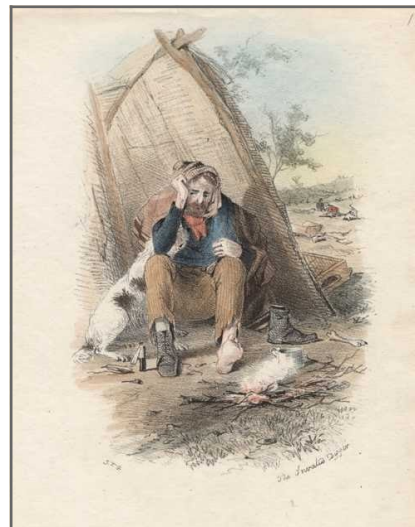
Pupil Free Days This term

There are a few pupil free days this term in our important dates so please make sure you mark these on your calendar.

Thursday 2nd December & Friday the 3rd December for a virtual Maths Conference.

School Camp:

We hope our Yr. 5 & 6 students all enjoy their Gold Rush experience at the Wangaratta/Beechworth Camp next Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.



Welcome:

Welcome to Sarah Riches, a student teacher from Charles Sturt University, who will be working in the Junior area for the next two weeks.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE Still Be Cautious

A bit more freedom in Victoria today with many restrictions being eased and more freedoms available to us which is good news. However we still all need to be cautious and very mindful that there are many cases of COVID in our local surrounding NE areas and all families still need to strictly follow the community & school COVID protocols that remain in place.

It is very important that no student is sent to school with any COVID symptoms.

Students, even with the mildest symptoms, of a cold, running nose, cough etc are not to be at school. If a student does present to school with these symptoms we will have to send them home. Thanks to all families who have been vigilant in this area.

Excerpt from School Operations Guidelines:

"Stay home when unwell and get tested:

The most important action school communities can take to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19, is to ensure that any unwell staff and students remain at home and get tested, even with the mildest of symptoms.

Everyone should consider their health before they start work or attend school and ensure that they are free from coronavirus symptoms and have not had contact in the past 14 days with a person confirmed to have coronavirus or a person suspected to have coronavirus."

Face Masks Change:

All staff and students in Yr3-6 are required to wear a face mask inside classrooms however under the new School Operation guide released this week it is now not necessary for staff to wear a mask outside if they choose that option.

Drop Off & Pick up:

All parents and carers have been great in this area. Please just drop off and pick up your child from the rear car park. This system is working well. Only enter the school grounds if absolutely necessary.

Confirmation Date Change:

Sunday 14th October at 10.30 am Mass

Confirmation now will be celebrated on Sunday 14th of November at 10.30am in the church. Under the projected Victorian COVID roadmap this date will allow for many more family members, friends & staff to attend to celebrate this occasion with our 16 Confirmation candidates.

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Frosty Friday & Now Wednesday

The Yr 6 Catholic Identity Team will be running Frosty Friday on Wednesday's as well as a Friday's for the rest of the Term. Zooper Doopers are 50c. All money raised will go to the Missions.



Congratulations to our grade 5 students who received their Pen Licence at assembly this morning.



Congratulations to this week's class room award winners

Back row: **Callum, Ryan & Patty**

Middle row: **Zoe, Harry, Travis & Stevie**

Front row: **Carvyn, Pyper & Lilly**




**Term 4 - No Hat No
Play**
**\$12 St. Mary's Bucket
hats available from
the school office.**



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 the cubicle only through the door.</p> <p>Exiting people go first.</p>	<p>Walk to the toilets quietly.</p> <p>Flush toilet after use.</p> <p>Boys wait your turn at urinals quietly and patiently.</p> <p>1 child in cubicle at all times.</p> <p>If the toilets are busy, wait patiently.</p> <p>Walk to toilets without noise.</p>	<p>Place paper towels in bins.</p> <p>Flush toilet after use.</p> <p>Report any blockages/issues to the office.</p> <p>Use toilet paper sparingly.</p>

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

Bailey, Seve, Henry, Carvyn, Harper, Isabel and Lilly



Have a great weekend

Matt



Important Calendar Dates - 2021

Term 4

Monday 8 November	Grade 5/6 Beechworth Camp
Tuesday 9 November	Grade 5/6 Beechworth Camp
Wednesday 10 November	Grade 5/6 Beechworth Camp
Sunday 14 November	Confirmation Mass 10.30am (date change)
Tuesday 16 November	First Day of Kinder to Foundation Transition
Tuesday 23 November	Second Day of Kinder to Foundation Transition
Tuesday 30 November	Third Day of Kinder to Foundation Transition
Thursday 2 December	PD for Staff (Maths Conference)
Friday 3 December	PD for Staff (Maths Conference)
Tuesday 7 December	State Transition Day
	Fourth Day of Kinder to Foundation Transition
Wednesday 8 December	Nativity Play & Awards
Friday 10 December	End of Year School Mass/ Graduation
Tuesday 14 December	Fun Pool Day (TBC)
Wednesday 15 December	Last Day Term 4 for Students
	(Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 3.30pm finish

Important Calendar Dates - 2022

Term 1

Monday 31 January	1st day Term 1 Students Return
Friday 8 April	Last Day Term 1 for Students
	(Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 3.30pm finish
Friday 15 April	Good Friday

Term 2

Tuesday 26 April	1st day Term 2
Monday 13 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Friday 24 June	Last Day Term 2 for Students

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