



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 5 - Friday 25 February, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 1 March

Shrove Tuesday (gold coin for pancakes)

Wednesday 2 March

Ash Wednesday

**Sporting Schools -
Gymnastics**

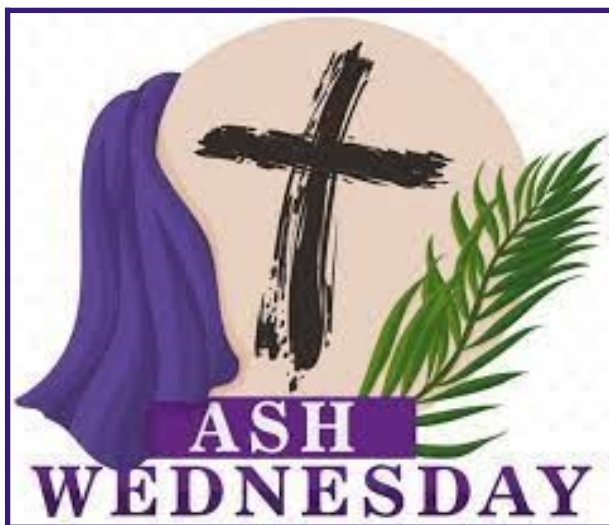
Friday 4 March

**Clean Up Australia
Day activity**

PBIS Expectations: On the Playground

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Gospel Summary:



Ash Wednesday

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the **Season of Lent**. It is a season of **penance, alms giving, reflection, and fasting** which prepares us for the death of Jesus on Good Friday & for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

It is important to remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of prayer and fasting. On Ash Wednesday our foreheads are marked with ashes to humble our hearts and remind us that life passes away on Earth.

We remember this when we are told:

"Remember, Man is dust, and unto dust you shall return."

Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Tuesday):

Shrove Tuesday is a day of celebration as well as penitence, because it's the last day before Lent. Lent is a time of abstinence, of giving things up. So Shrove Tuesday is the last chance to indulge yourself, and to use up the foods that aren't allowed in Lent. Giving up foods: but not wasting them. In the old days there were many foods that observant Christians would not eat during Lent: foods such as meat and fish, fats, eggs, and milky foods. So that no food was wasted, families would have a feast on Shrove Tuesday, and eat up all the foods that wouldn't last the forty days of Lent without going off. Traditionally lots of sweet and savoury pancakes are made on Shrove Tuesday.



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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Chiltern

Sunday 9am

Rutherglen

Sunday 10.30am Wahgunyah

Pancake Tuesday: GOLD Coin Donation

All classes will be making and enjoying pancakes next Tuesday with their teachers and classmates. Could all students bring in a **gold coin** donation for their pancakes. Their donation will go to the missions.



School Assembly: Welcome Back

Good news! We will welcome parents and visitors back to our school weekly assembly from next Friday at 9.10 am. All assemblies will be held outside in the under cover area.

A reminder that all parents and visitors have to be fully vaccinated to be on school grounds.



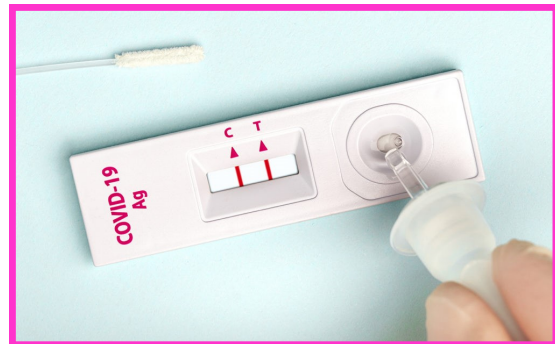
Clean Up Australia Day:

Next Friday we will be participating in **Clean Up Australia Day**. We will be cleaning up along the bike/rail trail and the Water Tower area of Rutherglen.



Rapid antigen testing kits:

Our next supply of RAT kits have arrived and will be handed to students to bring home on Monday.



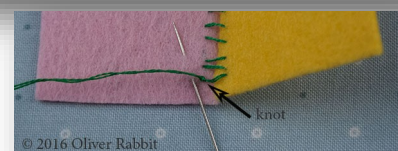
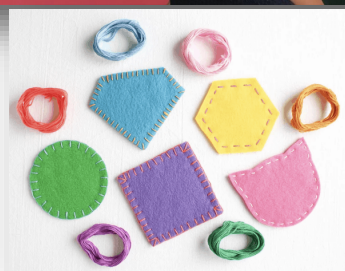
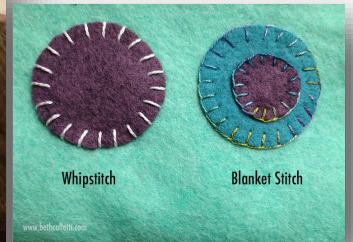
Zone Swimming

On Friday the 18th Jessica and Penny from Year 6 and Matilda and Isabell from Year 4 went to Zone Swimming. Jessica did backstroke and Penny, Matilda and Isabel did Freestyle and Breaststroke. Matilda came first in both her heats and Isabel came second in both of her heats. The diving blocks were very steep but it was overall a very fun day!!! Everyone did really well and tried their best and that was all that mattered. *By Isabel and Matilda*



Art and Craft with Mrs van Zanten

The grade 5/6 art class has been focusing on sewing. This for many has been about learning a new skill, sewing. The students were inspired by Pete Cromer's artwork to design their own Australian soft animal. The students created their own templates of their chosen animal and have been busy sewing on their different shapes and colours. We will keep you updated on their progress.



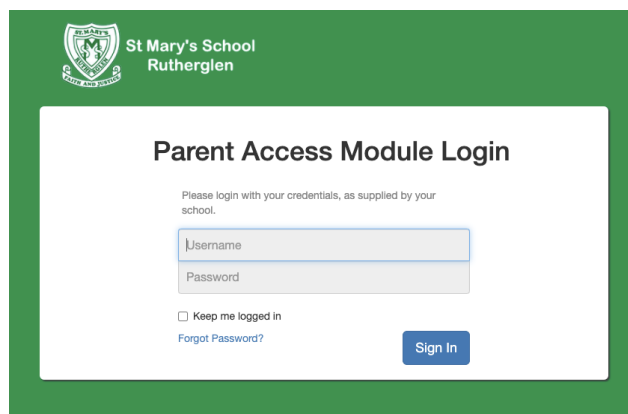
COVID Management: Important

If your child returns a positive result, your child has COVID-19, you must:

Quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quarantine your child for seven daysEveryone in your household is a close contact and must isolate for 7 days.Your child must stay home until their symptoms have resolved and they are wellA negative test is not required to return to school following completion of 7 days of isolationStudents who have recovered from COVID-19 do not need to participate in surveillance testing for 30 days after their isolation period has ended.
Notification	<p>Contact the school office on 0260329284 or email Matt Attwater (principal@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au) on the same day of the positive test.</p> <p>You must also report your child's positive test to the Department of Health via the <u>COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form</u> or call the hotline on 1800 675 398.</p>

Reminder: Use PAM for Daily Absences

Just a reminder if your child is going to be absent on any school day please use **PAM (Parent Access Module)** to notify the school as the notification will go directly into the class teacher's morning roll. There is a **PAM TAB** on the school Website. If you are unsure on how to use **PAM** please contact myself or Amanda.



Lunch Orders;

Lunch orders are to be placed by Wednesday.

The process is outlined in the School Information Book.

LEGO LEGO LEGO

If any family has any lego that is just gathering dust we would love to use it at school!!



Congratulations to this week's class room award winners

Back row: Bailey and Henry

Middle row: Oliver, Freya, Sienna and Acacia

Front row: Ryan, Melody, Ivy, Zoe and Oliver



2022 Swimming

Carnival

Another successful swimming carnival was held today at the Rutherglen Pool.


Congratulations to this year's May Baring Champion, Holly O'Donoghue. Frank Baring presented the trophy.



This year's winning house is:-

NAGLE!!

PBIS Focus of the Week - Expectations in the Playground

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

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

All of Mr Lamb and Mrs O'Mahony's students in 1/2 LO



Have a great weekend!

Matt



COVID-19 Vaccination clinics for children aged 5-12 years





Corowa Medical Centre will be running COVID-19 vaccination clinics for children aged 5-12 years commencing 10th January 2022.

Appointments can be booked through our website www.corowamed.com.au or by phoning the Clinic on 02 6030 5500.

All patients MUST have a Vaccination Consent Form completed prior to their vaccination. We ask that you please complete this form (located on our website or available from Reception staff) and bring with you to your appointment on the day.

Should you have any queries please refer to our website or contact the practice on 02 6030 5500.



 **Catholic College Wodonga**
Life in Jesus

Virtual View

AVAILABLE FROM TUESDAY 8 MARCH

Explore our facilities virtually via ccw.vic.edu.au/enrol2023

Enrolment applications are to be submitted by 28 March 2022 to be considered for a round 1 interview and offer.

Enrolment packs available from 1 March



Monster AUCTION Starts at 6PM

Come Along and Join us at our
St John's Anglican Church
Twilight Fete, Friday 18th March 2022
Federation Avenue Corowa 2646
Fete-Starts at 5-8 pm

Live Music
Raffles
Plenty of Stalls
Plant/Cake's
Barbeque
Drinks
Books and much more

Lots of games for the Children
Show bags

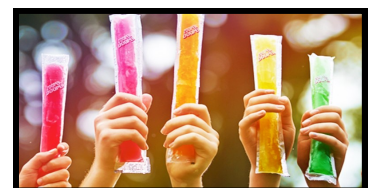
Face Painting

Any Donations are most welcome



Frosty Friday

The Yr 6 Catholic Identity Team will be selling Zooper Doopers on Frosty Friday for the rest of the Term One.
Zooper Doopers are 50c.
All money raised will go to the Missions.



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Term 1

Tuesday 1 March	Shrove Tuesday (gold coin for pancakes)
Wednesday 2 March	Ash Wednesday
	Sporting Schools - Gymnastics
Friday 4 March	Clean Up Australia Day activity
Wednesday 9 March	Bluearth Sports
Monday 14 March	Labour Day Public Holiday - No School
Wednesday 16 March	Sporting Schools - Gymnastics
Wednesday 23 March	Bluearth Sports
Friday 8 April	Last Day Term 1 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish
Friday 15 April	Good Friday

Term 2

Tuesday 26 April	1st day Term 2
Friday 20 May	School Closure Day (Staff Professional Development)
Monday 13 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Friday 24 June	Last Day Term 2 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

Staff email addresses

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