

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 Others - Respect Ourselves - Respect Our Environment

Term 3 Week 3 Friday 5th August

PBIS: Sharing and Responding to Each Other.

Dear Families,

This Monday, 8th of August, we celebrate the Feast Day of Australia's first Saint.

Mary MacKillop

Mary MacKillop was a trail-blazer in her lifetime, leaving a culture of exemplary living for her followers to emulate. Mary paved the way for education of poor children and a variety of ministries which addressed the needs of 19th century Australia.

Her legacy continues today in countless ways. Education in its many facets is still a strong ministry for the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

New ways of living the **charism** have emerged through chaplaincy, pastoral work and a myriad of ways of bringing healing and hope through spirituality, counselling, supervision and mentoring.

Mary MacKillop's legacy holds more for the Sisters of Saint Joseph and followers than the way we minister. She encourages us to be women of justice and ecumenism. Mary inspires us to be courageous and hopeful and to have a deep faith in our God who provides.

Mary MacKillop has shown us how to forgive and how to be compassionate; she teaches us about sanctity and is a saint for all of us today.



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Office Hours - 8.00am - 4 pm

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5 pm - Chiltern (Winter Time)

Sunday 9am - Rutherglen

Sunday 10.30 am - Wahgunyah

Vaccination Requirements

A reminder that changes to vaccination requirements for mainstream schools that came into effect from 11.59pm Friday 24 June, means there are no longer any mandatory vaccination requirements for staff or visitors working or attending mainstream schools.

TRANSPORT OF CHILDREN TO SCHOOL BY POSITIVE CASES

A further change to the pandemic orders is that from 11.59pm on Friday 24 June, parents/carers who are COVID-19 positive can leave self-isolation to transport non-infectious children to or from school or an early childhood service via private vehicle.

The parent/carer must travel directly to and from the school/early childhood service only. They must remain in the vehicle at all times, unless it is reasonably necessary to leave the vehicle to walk the child to and from the entrance of the school/early childhood service safely. They must wear a face mask at all times.

Isolation Requirements for Positive Cases

If a student tests positive:

1. Parents/carers must inform the school immediately.
2. Students who report a positive result must isolate for seven days and not attend school during that period.

3. **NEW: REDUCTION OF TESTING AND ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS**

The period of time when someone is considered a recently confirmed case and therefore exempt from testing and isolation requirements has been reduced from the previous 12 weeks to 4 weeks.

This means that children who are household contacts of people with COVID-19 are not exempt from the testing and isolation requirements after 4 weeks from completing isolation with COVID-19. Previously, this period was 12 weeks.

This means that a student who is a household contact and wishes to attend school must take 5 rapid antigen tests (RATs) over 7 days and receive negative test results and wear a face mask (if over 8 years old) in indoor spaces. This applies from 4 weeks after the end of an isolation period when they were a case.

Families will also have to report being a household contact to their school after this 4-week period.

Rapid Antigen Tests

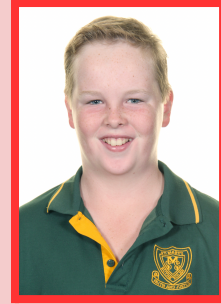
The Victorian Government is providing up to three further deliveries of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) in Term 3 and again in Term 4 to schools. These will be distributed by schools for use by staff and students who are symptomatic or who are household contacts. Schools will receive the first delivery of Term 3 RATs by the end of week 3.

Please contact the school if you require any tests at any time during the term.



**Happy
Birthday**

Norah & Dusty



The Lions Club Junior Public Speaking



Well done to our four contestants, Holly, Eli, Zac & Isabel, who represented our school in the Lions Club Junior Public Speaking competition last Friday night. They certainly made the school and their families proud. On the night Eli won the 5&6 category with Holly runner up and Isobel won the 3&4 category. Eli and Isabel now progress to the regional final this Sunday.



Eating Time



School Athletics Day: The school Athletics sports will be held at Alexandra Park Albury on Thursday 11th August. All parents are welcome to attend and cheer the kids along. We will also need parents to help out on the day. **Please complete the Pam activity sent out this week.**




Condolences

We pass our condolences to the Zani family on the passing of Janine's mother, Isobel. The Zani family has had a long connection to our St. Mary's community over many, many years. Isobel is the great grandmother of Declan, Skye and Lucas, currently students at our school.

School Fees

All families with outstanding balances would have received the new formatted fee statement via email on Monday. If you are having any trouble with fee payments please contact me as soon as possible. Remember there are various and very workable options to help families to manage fee payments.

This Week's PBIS Focus: Sharing and Responding to Each Other

Sharing and responding to each other.	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to the person speaking • Learn from making mistakes • Persist and keep trying 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to the person speaking • Encourage others to have a go and persist • Be inclusive of others • Take turns • Give positive feedback. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect the visual work of others displayed in the classroom. • Respect the visual work of others shared in your group. • Respect our ICT resources when sharing presentations.

Congratulations to this Week's Class Award Winners



Jackson Liara Cody Blair Freya Harry Lauchlan

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners



Lilly Ryan Jack Sienna Zac Isabel

RUTHERGLEN HIGH SCHOOL SUBJECT EXPO

RHS invites parents
and students of
Grades 4 and 5 to
visit our school.

Come and see:

- What subjects we offer
- Talk to teachers
- Look at our facilities

**Wednesday 10th
August
5:00pm - 5:45pm**



ST. AUGUSTINE'S ART SHOW 2022

19 - 21 AUGUST

St Augustine's Primary School
Osburn Street (Church Street entry)
Wodonga



2019 Acquisitive Award Winner 'Pied Piper' by Melissa Johns

OPENING NIGHT

Friday 19th August
7pm to 11pm

\$40pp

Includes drinks, finger food & entertainment
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/387303253457>
or click on the QR code below



Official guest:
Bill Tilley - Member for Benambra

EXHIBITION OPEN

10am to 3pm - Saturday 20th August
10am to 2pm - Sunday 21st August
Gold Coin Entry



**COVID
SAFE
EVENT**

ENQUIRIES

Rhonda 0407 480 507
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St Augustine's Art Show

FREE FIRST AID TRAINING

SUPPORTING BUSHFIRE AFFECTED COMMUNITIES

REDCROSS.ORG/LEARN





Australian Red Cross

Being trained in First Aid could help you to save the life of a family member, employees, co-workers, neighbours or visitor until emergency services arrive.

TRAINING IS FREE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF BUSHFIRE AFFECTED COMMUNITIES

LEARN FIRST AID SKILLS TO PROVIDE SUPPORT IN AN EMERGENCY

Develop skills and improve home and workplace safety by enrolling in a nationally accredited Red Cross First Aid course delivered by a highly trained and experienced Red Cross First Aid trainer. Participants are provided with the knowledge and skills to assist themselves, and others, to cope with accidents and injury both from a physical and mental wellbeing perspective.

On completion of the course, participants receive a Statement of Attainment in Provide Basic Emergency Life Support (HLTAID002) – often required for insurance and employment.
FOR A CERTIFICATE: Bring your Unique Student Identifier (USI.gov.au)

UPCOMING SESSIONS

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

ALL SESSIONS RUN FROM 9AM - 5PM

LUNCH, MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEA ARE INCLUDED

STANLEY - Soldiers Memorial Hall, 6-12 Myrtleford-Stanley Road - 15 August, 2022

INDIGO VALLEY - CFA Shed Indigo Valley, Indigo Creek Road, Indigo Valley - 16 August, 2022

CHILTERN - Memorial Hall, Connor Street, Chiltern - 17 August, 2022

RUTHERGLEN - Senior Citizens Centre, Douglas Street, Rutherglen - 18 August, 2022



TOPICS COVERED

- Basic Life Support (DRABCD)
- Perform CPR
- Breathing Difficulties
- Allergic Reactions / Anaphylaxis
- Cardiac Emergencies
- Severe Bleeding and Wound Care
- Fractures and Dislocations
- Shock Management
- Envenomation
- Wellbeing and Mental Health Support and Assistance
- Environmental Impacts
- Reporting
- Legal Requirements
- Recovery and Resilience

For more information or to arrange a First Aid course for your community, contact:
 Jessica Davison | ph: 0439 634 601 | email: jdavison@redcross.org.au



Baby News: Congratulations to the Oberin family, Claire, Alex ,Ollie & Maeve with the safe arrival of Ellie. Big brother Ollie is very proud!!



Welcome: Today we warmly welcomed the Watson family to our St. Mary's community, Ava in Year 3 and Archie in Grade 1 and their parents Chloe and Stephen.

CREATIVE LANDS FESTIVAL



Information for Families

Make Art! Feel Good!!

Dear Families, your child/relative is a participant in the **Creative Lands Festival** - congratulations!

The Festival is an initiative of the Royal Children's Hospital Mental Health, in partnership with six schools, Indigo Shire Council and Upper Murray Family Care. Our aim is to improve the mental health and wellbeing of young people through the arts.

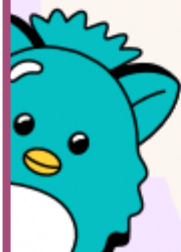
Your child/relative is currently working with an artist, or two, in school for 8 weeks to learn new skills, develop confidence and create something awesome to present at the festival. Some children are doing circus, others are cartooning, digital storytelling, hip-hop dancing, exploring Aboriginal culture or singing in a choir.

IMPORTANT DATE: Creative Lands Festival will be held on **Thursday September 15th 2022** at Rutherglen Primary School (in the afternoon and after school). All participants in the program are highly encouraged to attend. Families and friends are also welcome to come to the festival, to watch performances, enjoy exhibitions, take part in workshops and spend time together in a safe, uplifting way!

More Creative Lands Festival news to come in the next few weeks!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL'S PRINCIPAL.

Kindly funded by the Victorian Department of Health
and Indigo Shire Council



Have a great weekend,
Matt



IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES 2022

TERM 3:

Wednesday 10 August	Country Buddies Orientation Visit 9.30am - 11 am
Thursday 11 August	School Athletics Day at Alexandra Park
Thursday 1 Sept	Rutherglen Kinder Orientation Visit 9.30am - 11 am
Thursday 15th Sept	Creative Hands Festival Community Festival- RPS @ 4pm
Friday 16th Sept	Last Day Term (Casual Clothes)

TERM 4:

Monday 3 October	1st Day of Term 4
Monday 24th October	Student Free Day (Staff PD)
Monday 24th October	Student Free Day - Report Writing
Monday 1 November	Melbourne Cup Day
Thursday 1 December	Student Free day (Staff PD)