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 5 Friday 12th August

PBIS: Sharing and Responding to Each Other.

Dear Families,

Feast of the Assumption

This Monday, 15th of August, the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this Feast, Catholics traditionally celebrate Mary going to heaven. The tradition is that 'God took Mary, body and soul, to heaven after her life on earth had come to an end'.



All families are welcome to join the whole school in the church for mass on Monday, the 15th of August at 10.00am, to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption with Fr. Carey.

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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 students test 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.



First
Reconciliation
Congratulations to
Cody, Teddy and
Will who made the
Sacrament of
Reconciliation in
the church this
morning with Fr.
Carey.



NO Happy Birthdays this Week



PRODUCTION 2022!!!!!

This year we are thinking right outside the square with our school production. At this stage you need to put Wednesday 14th of September at 6.30pm into your diaries.









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

Sharing and responding to each other.	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
RESPECT	 Listen to the person speaking Learn from making mistakes Persist and keep trying 	 Listen to the person speaking Encourage others to have a go and persist Be inclusive of others Take turns Give positive feedback. 	 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.

Athletics

Well done to all the students yesterday who all did a great job at the Athletic Sports. We had a great day and thankfully dodged the rain and got right through the whole program. A big thanks to Taylor Dickinson for all her organisation of the day and a huge thanks to all our parent helpers and to all those who were able to make it along and cheers the students on.

Also well done to our senior champions on the day Dusty and Penny.













Amelia Ayla Emme Lilly Pyper Indi Natasha Noah Matilda Jaylen Dusty Penny

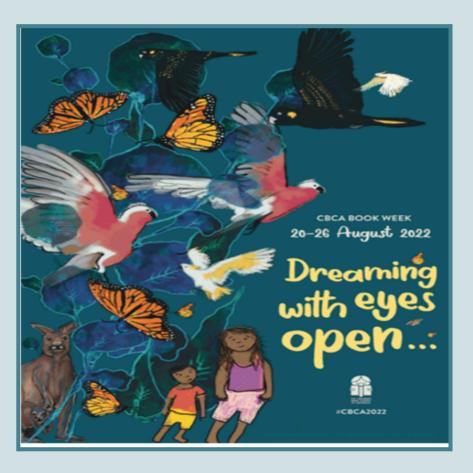
Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

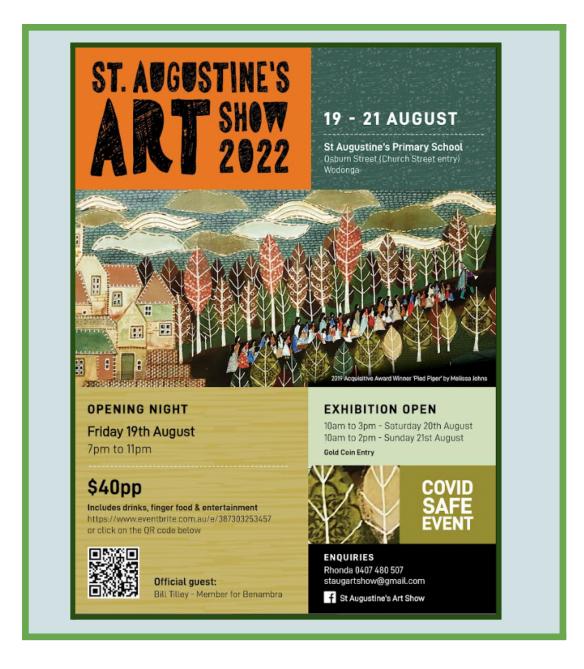


Milla Polly Noah Lachlan Nelson Tash

BOOK WEEK PARADE

Thursday 25th of August at 9:15am. Everyone is Welcome to join us.





Rutherglen Debutante Balls

Friday 12th August and Saturday 13th August.

The St Mary's School flower girl and page boy, Ivy Kay and Lachlan Wilson are partaking in Deb ball 1 happening this Friday night.

If any members of the school community, families or friends of the two St Mary's School students participating would like to come along to watch, balcony viewing tickets are available on the night for \$5.

Doors open at 7pm and debs are presented at 730pm. Ivy and Lachlan are presented first.

Deb ball 2 on Saturday 13th August, has accompanying flower girls representing Rutherglen primary school, Ruby Rasmussen and Amelia Colvin. Balcony viewing tickets available for \$5 with doors opening at 7pm and debs presented at 730pm.

Ruby and Amelia are presented first.

Annual Rutherglen Debutante Ball Committee.



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.

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Indigo North Health Inc Rutherglen OSHC PH: 0419439286

BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE BY FRIDAY 9™ SEPTEMBER 2022

Vacation Care −2022 MONDAY 19[™] September – FRIDAY 30[™] September

\$70 per day BEFORE REBATES are applied

WEEK 1	WEEK 2
EMU EGGS	PUPPETS Lots of different ways to play
ANIMALS GALORE Make, bake, decorate	There's a dinosaur in my garden shed Leave 10am return 2pm Cost extra \$25
Billabong Ranch Indoor Mini Golf with sensor activated noises 30 metre Bouldering (Rock Climbing) Wall Animal Walk with Feed Bag Playground Outdoor Ten Pin Bowling Pony rides Leaving at 8:30am return 4:30pm Cost extra will be \$45 which is subsidized	Loose parts play
Cooking up a treat Some to take home some to eat	FOOTY DAY BBQ SNAGS Come in your teams colours
Paper craft activities	NOT OPEN PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Have a great weekend,

Matt



IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES 2022

TERM 3:

Thursday 25 August Book Week

Thursday 1 Sept Rutherglen Kinder Orientation Visit 9.30am - 11 am

Wednesday 14th August School Production 6.30pm

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)