



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 1 - Friday 3 February, 2023

PBIS Expectations: Expectations in Our Learning Spaces

Dear Families,

Welcome Back!!!

Welcome back to another exciting school year and finally with a COVID free start!!! All the students returned with big smiling faces and were eager to catch up with their classmates and teachers. Our new Foundation students have had a fantastic start to the year and settled in very quickly and smoothly.



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Our school newsletter will once again be produced weekly on a Friday and available via our web page or PAM usually after 2pm

Opening School Mass

We celebrated a beautiful opening school mass with Fr. Carey. The Foundation students did a wonderful job processing into the church with their buddies.

As part of the mass our Year 6 students were presented with their **2023 Leadership Badges**. I'm sure they will wear them proudly & responsibly during the year.



Welcome

Opening School BBQ

When: Thursday 9th February

Time: 5-7pm

Where: Schools Grounds

BYO: Drinks & a Salad to share

Rutherglen Butcher's

Snags & Hamburgers
supplied by the school.

Bread and sauces supplied by the school.

All families including grandparents are welcome.



Looking forward to seeing you all there!!

School Staffing 2023

We welcome three new staff members this year, **Sarah Grogan** in F/1, **Michael Ratcliffe** in Yr. 4 and **Judy Fah** in the front office. We also warmly welcome back **Hannah Kelly** who will be in the Yr. 6 room on a Friday and specialist PE on Tuesdays.

St. Mary's School Staff 2023

Fr. Brian Carey	Parish Priest
Mr Matt Attwater	Principal
Mrs Libby Dickinson	Deputy Principal
Mrs Nicole O'Mahony	Learning Diversity Leader (Mon - Wed)
TEACHING STAFF SENIOR SCHOOL	
Mrs Libby Dickinson	Year. 5 & 6 (Mon - Thurs)
Mrs Hannah Kelly	Year. 5 & 6 (Fri)
Mr Michael Ratcliffe	Year. 4
Mrs Emily Morris	Year. 3
TEACHING STAFF JUNIOR SCHOOL	
Mr Chris Lamb	Year. 2 (Mon - Thurs)
Mrs Jane van Zanten	Year. 2 (Fri)
Mrs Sarah Grogan	F & 1 (Mon, Tues & Wed)
Mrs Nicole O'Mahony	F & 1 (Thurs & Fri)
Specialist Staff Tuesday	
Gina Nero	L.O.T.E. (Italian)
Jane van Zanten	Visual Arts
Hannah Kelly	Sport / Health
Learning Support Officers	
Mrs Denise Coman	Senior LSO (M, W, T & F)
Mr Wayne Milthorpe	Senior LSO (M, W, T & F)
Mrs Kate Lee	Senior LSO (M, W, T & F)
Mrs Rhi Cracknell	Junior LSO & Library (M, T, W, Th & F)
Ms Jos McNamara	Junior LSO (M, W,T & F)
Mrs Kathi Looker	Junior LSO (M, W,T & F)
Administration	
Ms Amanda Arnot	Business Manager (Mon - Fri : 8.00 - 4pm)
Mrs Judy Fah	Office Duties (Mon Fri - 8.30 : 12.30 pm)

School Information Book 2023:

Next week all families will receive the **2023 School Information Book**. The book will outline all the day-to-day runnings of the school. Please read the book and keep it in a safe place.



PHOTO DAY COMING SOON!

Friday, 17th February 2023

Head to our website to view the available packages and to place your order
Online orders cannot be placed until
AFTER Jan 1st 2023

VISIT OUR WEBSITE & ENTER THIS CODE:
X3508ECO52S




St Mary's School Rutherglen

www.theschoolphotographer.com.au

School Photo day—Friday 17 February 23:

Our School Photos will be taken on Friday 17th February after 12noon.

Order forms/envelopes have been handed to students. These envelopes should be completed and returned to Judy in the front office on or before photo day.

Book Club 2023

The Book Club catalogue looks a bit different in 2023. 2 issues per Term will be handed out to all students. Issue 1 catalogue has been handed to all students so that orders may be placed. The preferred method of ordering is online via LOOP.

Please use this link:-

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/login.aspx>

We also accept orders along with a cash payment at the front office.

Orders due by next Friday 10th February for Issue 1



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS EDITION 1 2023

ORDERS DUE BACK BY: 10 FEB 2023

FREE BOOKS ON THIS NEW BIGGER & BETTER EDITION. SEE BACK FOR DETAILS

SAVE 20% \$13 **SAVE 30% \$13** **SAVE 40% \$9**

001 NEW! Mary Anne's Bad Luck Mystery 144 pp. AGES 8+ \$17.99

002 NEW! Cat Kid Comic Club Collaborations The baby frogs learn to work together! 224 pp hardcover. AGES 7+ \$18.99

003 NEW! Ninja Artists! Nelson and Kenny accidentally travel back in time! 192 pp. AGES 7+ \$15.99

004 NEW! Burgundy Dragon Diary 192 pp hardcover. AGES 8+ \$23.98 \$17.00

DRAGONS RULE THE SKIES!

005 NEW! Stells the Starlight Dragon The Dragon Girls must prevent night-time from disappearing! 144 pp. AGES 7+ \$14.99

006 NEW! Moon Rising The war is over and the dragonets have a plan for lasting peace. 224 pp. AGES 10+ \$18.99 \$15.00

007 NEW! Wings of Fire The Dragonet Prophecy Five baby dragons are kidnapped! 336 pp. AGES 10+ \$17.99

008 New Girl Ella starts high school at Eden College. 192 pp. AGES 8+ \$15.99

009 Amina the Gold Gitter Dragon Three friends discover they are Dragon Girls. 144 pp. AGES 7+ \$14.99

010 We Are All Kind Celebrating all the ways we care for each other. 24 pp. AGES 3+ \$14.99

ONLY \$3 EACH **SAVE UP TO 80% READ ALL ABOUT IT!**



We send our best wishes to
all who are celebrating their
birthdays this week



Angus



Ben

Well done to this week's Class Award Winners:



Well done Oliver

On Saturday 28th January, Oliver along with 12 other Junior golfers, received a Hilton Nicholas Foundation Junior Golf Scholarship at Howlong Golf Resort. As part of the scholarship, recipients received free junior membership, a golf ball bag and golf cap. A little profile was also read at the presentation. Here is Oliver's.

Oliver is nine years old and is going into grade 4 at St. Mary's in Rutherglen.

His favourite things to do is go camping and fishing with his family.


Oliver also enjoys playing football and tennis as well as golf on weekends.

Oliver loves going down to Melbourne with his pop and uncle to cheer on the Saints and his favourite footballer is Jack Steele.

When Oliver grows up his dream is to become a builder and build himself a big house!!

At home Oliver loves to play with his dog Tully, his new puppy Ozzy and all of the chooks.

PBIS: Expectations in Our Learning Spaces

Classrooms and Learning spaces	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<p>Listen to the person Speaking</p> <p>Do your best work</p> <p>Have a go at new Things</p> <p>Listen and follow Instructions</p> <p>Be organised</p> <p>Join in and participate</p> <p>Be in correct uniform</p> <p>Be organised</p> <p>Enter and exit rooms calmly and correctly</p> <p>Exiting people go first</p>	<p>Listen to the person speaking</p> <p>Encourage others</p> <p>Be inclusive of others</p> <p>Offer help to others</p> <p>Take turns</p> <p>Share equipment</p> <p>Don't sit in front of them</p> <p>Be kind to others</p> <p>Be patient with others</p> <p>Value differences</p> <p>Respect people's personal Space</p> <p>Walk</p> <p>Use your 'inside voice'</p>	<p>Clean up your workspace when you've finished</p> <p>Use resources correctly</p> <p>Put rubbish into the correct bins</p> <p>Use equipment for the correct purpose</p>

Well done to this week's PBIS winners:



Have a great weekend

Matt



Important Calendar Dates - 2023

Term 1

Wednesday 8 February	Foundation Rest Day
Thursday 9 February	Welcome Opening school BBQ (5-7pm)
Wednesday 15 February	Foundation Rest Day
Friday 17 February	School Photos
Monday 20 February	Student Free Day—Staff PD
Tuesday 21 February	Swimming Program - Rutherglen Pool
Wednesday 22 February	Swimming Program - Rutherglen Pool
	Foundation Rest Day
Thursday 23 February	Swimming Program - Rutherglen Pool
Monday 27 February	Swim Carnival - Rutherglen Pool
Monday 13 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Friday 24 March	Reconciliation Grade 3
Friday 31 March	Student Free Day—Staff PD
Thursday 6 April	Last Day Term 1 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - Gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

Term 2

Monday 24 April	First Day - Term 2
Friday 23 June	Last Day Term 2 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - Gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

Term 3

Tuesday 5 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp
Wednesday 6 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp



Frosty Friday Term 1 & 4:

Every Friday our **Senior Catholic Identity Team** will be selling frozen Zooper Doopers for 50c. The money raised goes to support our sponsor child in the Philippines and to CARITAS.

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Hannah Kelly (Gr 5/6 teacher) - hkelly@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au
Sarah Grogan (Foundation/1 teacher) - sgrogan@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au
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Jane van Zanten (Art/Grade 2) - jvanzanten@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au (Tuesday/Friday)
Gina Nero (Italian teacher) - gnero@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au (Tuesday)
Amanda Arnot (Business Manager) - aarnot@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au
Judy Fah (Reception/Administration) - jfah@smrutherglen.catholic.edu.au