



# 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 3 - Week 6 - Friday August 18, 2023**

## PBIS Expectations: When In The Office Building

Dear Families,

# Confirmation

**This Sunday 20th August at 9.00 am Mass**

We keep in our prayers Zoe, Matilda, Will, Harper, Ben, George and Ivy who will be celebrating the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this Sunday at the 9.00 am mass.



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# **BOOK WEEK PARADE**

**this coming Monday**

**August 21st at 9.00 am - All Welcome!**

**PLUS**

**All Student Awards from this current week will be presented to the students during the Book Week Parade.**

**READ, GROW, INSPIRE**

**is the theme for book week for 2023.**

**Children and staff will be dressing up - Can't wait to see what everyone will be wearing!**

**We have great activities planned for during the day, and the Colouring Competition winners will be announced.**



## Reminders:-

### 2024 Foundation Enrolments:

Could all families with existing siblings at school, and wanting to register another child for 2024 Foundation enrolments, please ensure you have your enrolments in as soon as possible. Enrolment packs are available from the office.



### After School/Pick Up: Please Wait Outside

It's great to see parents back on school grounds, now we're over COVID restrictions, at pick up time. As you can appreciate, the last 5-10 minutes of the school day is always a very busy time for teachers ending the day and packing up the students. To enable all teachers to end the day smoothly, parents/carers should be waiting outside in the undercover area or in the school grounds and not in the classrooms or doorways of classrooms at pick up time.

### Classroom Refurbishments:

As many of you would be aware rooms 1-4 (Senior Classes) are being refurbished this year. The tendering process has now started and the building process is expected to start in the coming months.

### 2023 School Closure Days

Monday 6th November - Report Writing



### BOOK CLUB - ISSUE 6 IS OPEN NOW

BE SURE TO GET YOUR ORDERS IN NICE AND EARLY SO THAT YOU GET THEM DELIVERED BEFORE END OF TERM!



### Father's Day Volunteers Needed

Father's Day is not far away.

We would very much appreciate some more volunteers for the gift wrapping prior to the stall, and to assist with the stall on the Day - Friday, September 1.

Please call Judy in the office if you can help out.





# CREATIVE LANDS FESTIVAL

Grades 5 and 6 are having a great time training and preparing for the Creative Lands Festival later in the year. We are learning to do a variety of circus acts and having lots of fun as we learn to be persistent.






# TENNIS ANYONE?!

Our Tennis Coach, Doug, is back and he believes there are some budding Roger Federer's and Serena Williams' amongst us!



## PBIS Expectations: When in the Office Building

Office Building	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use your inside voice</li> <li>• Be patient and polite eg: Please, Thank you, Excuse me</li> <li>• Respect all staff</li> <li>• Smile to others</li> <li>• Watch where you're walking</li> <li>• Enter and exit rooms calmly and correctly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smile at visitors in the school and say hello</li> <li>• Follow adult instructions</li> <li>• Accept differences</li> <li>• Use respectful and inclusive language</li> <li>• Speak kindly to others</li> <li>• Consider how your actions impact others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Close the doors</li> <li>• Push in chairs when you have used them</li> <li>• Wipe your feet on the mat before coming in</li> <li>• Use furniture correctly</li> </ul>

**Please Note: All Student Awards will be presented to the students during our Book Week Parade on Monday.**

**Have a great weekend!**

**Matt**





# Rutherglen Little Athletics Centre FREE Come & Try Days

Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>

4:15pm

Rutherglen Showgrounds  
5 – 16 year olds welcome

**WE ARE**  
**COMMUNITY**  
*Come & try athletics!*



Ever wanted to **give athletics a go?** Meet new friends, spend quality time with family, have fun and achieve your personal best?

Participate in a variety of running, throwing and jumping events whilst being surrounded by a supportive community!

What are you waiting for?

REGISTER TODAY AT  
[lavic.com.au](http://lavic.com.au)



**New season starts October 3rd**  
**New members always welcome!**

**Enquiries – Call Erin 0432 093 635**



# Important Calendar Dates - 2023

## Term 3

Sunday 20 August	Confirmation - St Mary's Church 9.00 am
Mon-Fri 21-25 August	Book Week
Monday 21st August	Book Week Dress Up Parade
Tuesday 29 August	District Athletics
Thursday 31 August	Orientation visit - Rutherglen Kinder to visit 9.30-11.00am
Friday 1 September	Father's Day Stall - in the am, Sausage Sizzle 1-2pm followed by a Soccer Match
Tuesday 5 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp
Wednesday 6 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp
Wednesday 6 September	Country Buddies Orientation Visit
Friday 15 September	Last Day Term 3 for Students (Casual Clothes Day - Gold coin donation) 2.30pm finish

## Term 4

Monday 2 October	First Day - Term 4
Wed-Friday 1-3 November	Grade 5/6 Canberra Camp
Monday 6 November	Student Free Day - Report Writing Day
Tuesday 21 November	First Day of Foundation Transition 9.00-11.00am
Tuesday 28 November	Second Day of Foundation Transition 9.00-11.00am
Tuesday 5 December	Third Day of Foundation Transition 9.00am - 12.45pm
Monday 11 December	Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
Tuesday 12 December	Fourth Day of Foundation Transition 9.00am - 3.30pm

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