



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 8 - Friday September 1, 2023

PBIS Expectations: Expectations When Sharing and Responding to each other

Dear Families,

Blessings for our Dads

Proverbs 4:11-12: "I will guide you in the way of wisdom and I will lead you in upright paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered, and when you run, you will not stumble."

- Dad, I'm so grateful for everything you do for me. Thank you for your care and your strength that you give me.
- Dad, thank you for your guidance in life's daily and longer challenges.
- Dad, thank you for your leading me to what is right while trusting me to make my own path.
- Dad, thank you for your patience in answering my many questions.
- Dad, thank you for being our rock and for standing firm in everything life brings.
- May His light shine on you today and every day.
- May you feel loved today on Father's Day.



Happy Father's Day

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Father's Day Soccer Match

Great to see so many dads at the soccer match today, especially after our little COVID break in recent years. Well done to the students who took out the match to keep up their unbeaten record. I think we had a few fitness issues with quite a few of our dads. Some very happy players below! More in next week's newsletter!



District Athletics

Well done to all the students who performed so well at the District Athletics on Tuesday.



Classroom Refurbishments Update:



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28/09/2023

Dear Families,

Our **one-million-dollar** refurbishment of Rooms 1-4 will begin in Term 4 and will be completed during Term 1, 2024. This is the current senior area of the school (Years 3 to 6).

This project will see this part of the school transformed into a much needed up to date learning space that has been purpose designed to reflect 21st century learning and teaching.

However, for this to occur, the space must be vacated and fenced off for the entirety of the refurbishment project. This will mean a major disruption to where each class will be located during the construction time.

After much consideration and consultation with the staff that took into account class sizes, junior and senior body sizes and toilet & play access, it has been decided that the **Senior School** will relocate into the **Junior School** space and the **Junior School (F,1 & 2)** will be relocated to the **School Hall** during the project.

To enable a smooth transition for the **juniors** the school hall will have an internal wall installed that will convert the space into a two-classroom space. Class TV's will be mounted and the area will have internet access.

The hall also has internal toilet access, a kitchen area and a grassed playground space at the back of the hall. The staff saw this as **real advantage** for the juniors in this space.

I understand the class relocations are not ideal and some students might feel anxious about relocating, however the interruption has to occur during the time of the refurbishment.

The staff will be keeping a very upbeat attitude with the students about the exciting time and outcome ahead and making the new temporary learning spaces vibrant and positive working areas for both students and staff.

What you can do now is speak with your child/ren about the exciting building project that is about to commence for our school and the fun time that they will have in their new learning space while the project is on.

Regards,

Matt Attwater
(Principal)

Teacher Aide Appreciation Week

Teacher Aides are Totally Awesome

To Our Wonderful Teacher Aides

In recognition of all of the hard work our Teacher Aides do, staff had a special morning tea for them today.



School Uniform:

Lately I'm noticing quite a few students are arriving to school out of uniform. I understand this can happen on the odd occasion for various reasons but on the whole we expect all students to be in the correct uniform whilst at school. We have a very well stocked second hand uniform store that all families can access when needed.

2024 Community Calendar:

Our 2024 Community Calendar is fully subscribed! The support of families and friends, and other local businesses is very much appreciated.

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.

2023 School Closure Days

Monday 6th November - Report Writing



We send our best wishes to all
who celebrated their Birthdays this
week!



Polly


Congratulations to our Class Award Winners:



BACK ROW: Natasha; Zoe; Angus; Jed; Patrick

FRONT ROW: Tanisha; Milla; Hunter; Joseph; Madelyn

PBIS Expectations: Expectations When 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 work of others in the classroom • Respect our ICT resources when sharing presentations

Congratulations to our PBIS Award Winners:



BACK: Emma; Oscar; Harry

FRONT: Ollie; Millie; Declan

Have a great weekend!

Matt



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Sacred Heart College, Yarrawonga

St Mary's families

Due to increased enrolments the College is adding another class at Year 7 for 2024.

The College operates a free daily bus service to Corowa and Rutherglen.

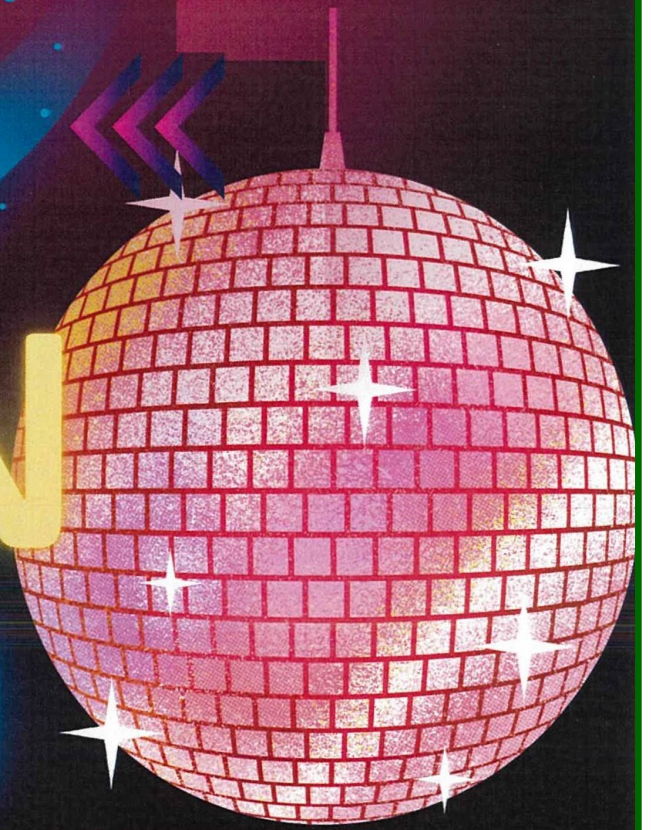
If you would like a tour or have any questions please contact the college on 03 5742 1300.

Sacred Heart College has recently been announced as the winner of the prestigious Schools that Excel series conducted by The Age newspaper.



**Winner of Schools
that Excel 2023**

JUNIOR NEON DISCO



6TH OCTOBER 2023

6PM - 8.30PM

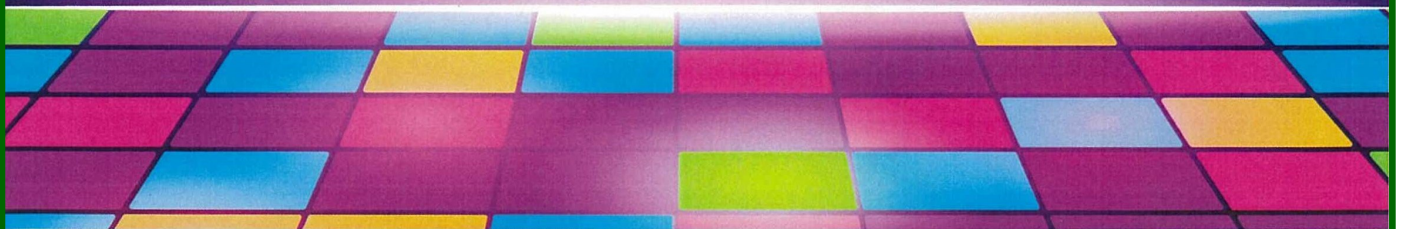


23 Parade Place Corowa

\$10 includes entry, hotdog/sausage roll/party pie and drink

Fairy floss and popcorn also available for \$1.50

ALL PROCEEDS RAISED WILL HELP FUND RICHARD SHIPCOTTS
STAGE 4 BOWEL CANCER MEDICAL COSTS
CONTACT JOSIE 0408 139 480



Rutherglen Little Athletics Centre

FREE Come & Try Days

Tuesday September 5th & 12th

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



New season starts October 3rd
New members always welcome!

Enquiries – Call Erin 0432 093 635

**REGISTRATIONS
OPEN!**



**JOIN LFC
TODAY**

**NOW TAKING
REGISTRATIONS
FOR THE
TERM 3 SCHOOL
HOLIDAY CLINIC!**



International
Academy



AGES 6 - 14 | ALL GENDERS | ALL ABILITIES

WANGARATTA

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

WED 27 SEP - FRI 29 SEP

MORNING CLINIC - AGES 6-11 - 9:00AM - 12:00PM

AFTERNOON CLINIC - AGES 9-14 - 1:00PM - 4:00PM

GALEN CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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Important Calendar Dates - 2023

Term 3

Tuesday 5 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp
Wednesday 6 September	Grade 3/4 Borambola Camp
Wednesday 6 September	Country Buddies Orientation Visit
Friday 8 September	Footy Colours Day
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
Monday 16 October	Italian Performance - St. Joseph's, Chiltern
Wed-Friday 1-3 November	Grade 5/6 Canberra Camp
Monday 6 November	Student Free Day - Report Writing Day.
Tuesday 7 November	Student Free Day - Melbourne Cup 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
Friday 8 December	Christmas Hamper Raffle draw
Monday 11 December	Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
Tuesday 12 December	Fourth Day of Foundation Transition 9.00am - 3.30pm
Last day Term 4 (TBC)	

Important Calendar Dates - 2024

Term 1

Tuesday 30 January	First Day - Term 1
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