



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 10 - Friday September 15 2023

PBIS Expectations: Expectations When Sharing and Responding to each other

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Term 4 begins on Monday 2nd October



Dear Families,

Today is the final day of Term 3 and with weather like today what a great way to start the holiday break!

I hope all families can find some "real" family time to spend together during the break. I will be looking forward to catching up with all students day one of Term 4.

Good Luck if your team is still in the AFL premiership race.

(I know we have one very anxious Carlton supporter on staff!!!)



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Structural Changes for the Remainder of this Year:

As outlined over the last few weeks the exciting refurbishment of the senior school is about to begin. It has been a very hectic week this week in moving both the Junior and Senior school to their new spaces. Well done to all the staff and students for being patient and cooperative in completing the move. The builders officially are on site from Monday October 2nd. The installation of a dividing wall in the hall has been successful and will create two very workable spaces for the Junior School. Again, please be positive with your children about the move as all the staff have been.

One of Stephen Covey's 7 Habits is very apt here:

"Begin with the end in mind", and the end will be a sensational new learning space for our school.



Small Term 4 Staff Changes:

As Hannah Kelly is on maternity leave we have to make some small staff changes for Term 4.

Emma Kerr will take on Hannah's PE role on Tuesday's, Jane van Zanten will replace Hannah in Year 5-6 on Friday, and Taylor Dickinson will be full time in Year 2 for the remainder of this year. This arrangement will cause the least disruption for the students.

Moving Time: Many Hands Make Light Work!!



REMINDERS:-

School Hats - TERM 4 - NO HAT NO PLAY!

Next term is Term 4 meaning the NO HAT NO PLAY Policy is Strictly enforced. All students will need a school hat every Day in Term 4. You might need to hunt out the school hat During the holidays!!



Wanted - 2 Litre Coca Cola Bottles

We are collecting 2 Litre Coca Cola Bottles for a STEM Project. Your help with this would be 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 - - AND
those who will be celebrating
Over the School Holidays!



Annabelle



Declan



Jake



Zoe

Farewell:

Farewell to Fr. Boniface. Thank you for looking after us. Safe trip back home!

Fr. Boniface joined the staff for a morning tea. I'm sure you can guess which staff member chose the cap as a gift for him!?!



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

Have a great break!

Matt



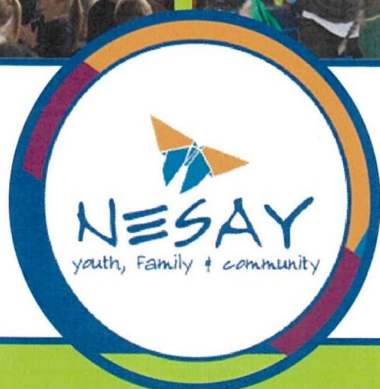


The Creative Lands Festival 2023 is being led by NESAY in partnership with The Royal Children's Hospital Mental Health, Indigo Shire Council, and seven schools in the Rutherglen region.

Our aim is to improve the mental health and wellbeing of young people through arts and culture. During Terms 3 and 4, the children will be working with an artist in their school for 8 weeks to learn new skills, develop confidence and create something awesome to present at the combined schools' event in October.

The children will be doing circus, drumming, song writing, aboriginal arts, videography, spoken word poetry, hip hop, cartooning, and visual arts. Artists will teach through a mental health promoting lens. This year we are focusing on PERSISTENCE. In the program we aim to address this as students learn a new art form and create a performance or presentation to share with others - experiencing the positive benefits of persisting!

Schools will come together for a theatre-style festival event in October to share their creations. The opportunity for children to have a real life experience, performing or presenting in front of others, is where a large part of building courage, resilience and joy happens.



Proudly
partnered
with:



The Royal Children's
Hospital Melbourne



Scan to see last year's
Creative Lands Festival



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JUNIOR GOLF

**THE RUTHERGLEN GOLF CLUB WILL BE RUNNING “LEARN TO
PLAY GOLF” CLASSES FOR 5-15 YEAR OLDS...**

**COME ALONG AND ENJOY A GREAT SPORT. NO EXPERIENCE
NEEDED. CLUBS WILL BE SUPPLIED.**

JUST BRING YOUR ENTHUSIASM WITH YOU.

**WHERE: RUTHERGLEN GOLF CLUB
MURRAY STREET
RUTHERGLEN**

WHEN: SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER

TIME: 9AM

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT

GREG WILLIAMSON ON 0487 173 865

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Amaranth
FOUNDATION
presents

**25-26
SEPTEMBER**

Calm the Farm

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

with Mindfulness Coach, Chris

Come along for 2 great sessions of fun. Chris is a teacher, actor, singer, juggler, Relax kids mindfulness coach. Join Chris for music, juggling, stretching and mindfulness to support your child's mental and emotional health and wellbeing by calming the body and mind and building confidence and self-esteem.

**\$50
FOR BOTH
SESSIONS**

7-10 year olds 9am-10:30am
11-16 year olds 11-12:30pm

Included in the cost is a set of scarves & morning tea.

Venue: Amaranth Foundation,
57-65 Redlands Road Corowa

Secure your spot as places are limited.
**Phone Amaranth on
(02) 60331738**







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FOR 11-16 YEAR OLDS

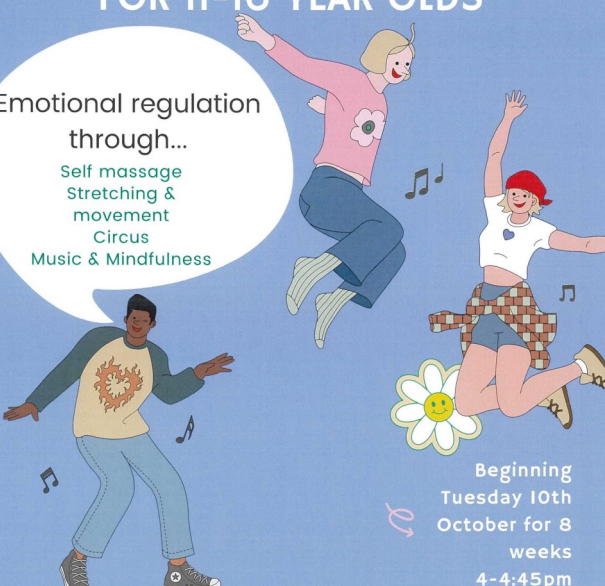

Emotional regulation through...

- Self massage
- Stretching & movement
- Circus
- Music & Mindfulness

Beginning Tuesday 10th October for 8 weeks
4-4:45pm
Cost \$125

Venue: Amaranth Foundation
57-65 Redlands Road, Corowa

To book phone (02)60331738

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- Self-massage & Stretching
- Movement & Music
- Mindfulness

☆ Saturday 14th October for 8 weeks
9:30-10:15am
Cost \$125
Secure your spot 0260331738

Join Chris at Amaranth Foundation
57-65 Redlands Road, Corowa




Important Calendar Dates - 2023

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
Monday 19 February	School Photography Day
Thursday 21 March	Harmony Day
Thursday 28 March	Last Day of Term
Friday 29th March	Good Friday
Sunday 31 March	Easter Sunday

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