

## 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 4 - Week 10 - Friday 10 December, 2021

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Tuesday 14 December Corowa Pool Fun Day

Wednesday 15
December 2021
Casual Clothes (gold coin donation)
Students finish at
3.25pm

**PBIS Expectations: Whole School** 

Dear Parents/ Carers,

## **ADVENT**

This Sunday is the Second Sunday of Advent.



**Nativity Play** 



## Christmas Mass Times St Mary's Rutherglen

Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass 7.00pm Christmas Day Mass 9.00am Sunday 26th December 9.00am

## St Mary's Chiltern

Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass 5.30pm Sunday 26th December 10.30am

### Sacred Heart Wahgunyah

Christmas Day 10.30am Sunday 26th December - No Mass

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#### Well done

A big well done to the students, particularly our Junior school, who put on a wonderful Nativity Play on Wednesday evening. It was our first time staging it in the school grounds and was a great success. It was wonderful to see many families stay back for a family picnic and catch up. Something we haven't been able to do for quite a while as a school community.



Students Awards:

Congratulations to our Student Award winners for 2021

The Arts Rutherglen

**Arts Senior -** Gemma Delost **Arts Senior -** Jed Goudie

Catholic Women's League

Most Improved - Jaylen Cracknell Most Improved - Molly Colman Academic - Matilda Colwell

Mary MacKillop Award - Arthur Morris

**Knights of the Southern Cross** 

Most Improved Senior - Brodie Upton Most Improved Junior - Seve Cottam

Commitment & Service to St. Mary's - Tash Doolan
Commitment & Service to St. Mary's - Holly O'Donoghue

**Indigo Shire** 

Academic Junior - Freya Kay Academic Junior - Maiya Lea



#### **Final Newsletter**

This will be our last newsletter of the year. Once again it has been another COVID challenging year for the entire school community. I would like to thank all families who worked so positively with the staff during home learning as this certainly made every teacher and teacher aide's job a little easier.

A big well done to all of our students who once again rose to the challenges thrown at them during the year. They certainly are a very resilient group of children.

Thank you to my staff for another year of wonderful supporting their students. It hasn't been easy but they have jumped every hurdle put in front of them to ensure every child improved during the year.

A huge thanks to Amanda for the outstanding and professional manner in the way she runs the administration of the school. We are very lucky to have Amanda on staff at St. Mary's.

A special thanks to Fr. Carey for all the support he has again given me behind the scenes throughout the entire year. It is much appreciated.

I hope every family has a very Happy and Holy Christmas together and can find time to spend some "real" family time together.

## **School Council**

Thank you to the School Council for their support and guidance this year. I would particularly like to thank outgoing Chair, Rachelle Enever-Cooper, for her commitment, support and prudent advice she has given me throughout a tough COVID year. It was very much appreciated. We welcome Emily Morris as our new School Chair in 2022.

#### **Good luck Year 6**

Good luck to everyone of our leaving nineteen Year 6 students as they venture into the world of secondary school in 2022. They have been a great bunch and I'm sure they will uphold the St. Mary's way of always trying to be your best in their new schools.

## **Breakup**

Last day for students is next Wednesday 15th December @ 3.25pm

## 2022 School Returns

All students return on Monday 31st January 2022





Above left: Thanks to Matilda, Faith and Milligan who put up and decorated our Christmas Tree this year.

Above right: Our Junior Indigo Council representatives, Holly and Elijah, who organised our Christmas dress up day and raised \$300.55 for the Atauro Island Friendship group.



## **Frosty Friday**

The Yr 6 Catholic Identity Team will be running Frosty Friday today. Zooper Doopers are 50c.
All money raised will go to the Missions.



## **Christmas Hamper Raffle & Donations:**

There's still time to send in items for the Hampers.

## The Christmas Raffle will be drawn next Wednesday at 3.00pm.

The more items we receive the more Christmas hampers we can make up as prizes. All families will be automatically entered into the raffle at no cost.

## All school families will be automatically in the hamper draws at NO COST.







## **Class of 2021 Graduation**



Faith

Ryan

Jackson

Matilda

Gemma

**Patty** 

Murray

Maddy

Adelyn Hannah

Maiya Brodie

Arthur Flynn

Milligan Paddy

Hamish

Declan

Callum





We send our best wishes to
Those students who are celebrating their
Birthdays in December and January.





Tanisha



Milligan



Holly



Lilly































Callum

Jed

Antonio

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Matilda

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Elsie Harper Liara Charlotte

# **Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners**

## The Whole School



Have a great Christmas and Summer holiday break! Matt







Get into the festive spirit with a Christmas Crafternoon.

along and make some Christmas decorations to take home.

Beechworth: Monday, Dec 6, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Rutherglen: Thursday, Dec 9, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Yackandandah: Thursday, Dec 9, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Chiltern: Friday, Dec 10, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

To book your spot visit https://www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au/Community/Libraries





School Bucket hats available at the front office - only \$12 each Adjustable cord to fit all head sizes.





## Help us spread the word and increase our social media followers!







#### **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited (CES Ltd) are seeking applications from passionate artists experienced in Media, Visual Arts or Performing Arts to become part of our preferred suppliers for the Artist in Residence Program in our schools.

inspire students to engage in processes of art-thinking and art-making

develop the capacity of school based Arts teachers foster a generation of art makers and consumers

share artmaking skills and techniques

#### As a contractor:

- you will be engaged directly by the school to work with our students as required have experience working with children and demonstrate an understanding of child safety obligations
- demonstrate exceptional communication skills
- hold or be willing to acquire a Working with Children Check demonstrate a commitment to promoting the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children
- have their own ABN and ability to invoice
- hold professional indemnity and public liability insurance

Contractors will be paid a generous daily amount to compensate artists for their class time, accommodation, transport and

The artist will collaborate with the school prior to attending to ensure the relevant materials are provided for the project.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please provide a copy of your CV with examples of your artistic work to applications@ceosand.catholic.edu.au by Friday 25 February 2022

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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# Important Calendar Dates - 2021 Term 4

Friday 10 December End of Year School Mass - 9.30am

Tuesday 14 December Fun Pool Day - Corowa Pool

Wednesday 15 December Last Day Term 4 for Students

(Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 3.25pm finish

# Important Calendar Dates - 2022 Term 1

Monday 31 January 1st day Term 1 Students Return

Friday 8 April Last Day Term 1 for Students

(Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) 3.30pm finish

Friday 15 April Good Friday

Term 2

Tuesday 26 April 1st day Term 2

Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday Holiday

Friday 24 June Last Day Term 2 for Students

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