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St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

July

Fri 29 Year 5 Assembly
Addams Family Drama Workshop Year 6

August

Mon 1 Bishop's Religious Literacy Assessment Year 5
Tue 2 Lunchtime Yoga
P & F Meeting 7pm
Wed 3 Pre Primary/Year 1/Year 2 Liturgy
Fri 5 Pyjamas Dress Up Day
Author Visit
P & F Movie Night Fundraiser

Vision Statement

A welcoming faith
community
We value
relationships
We pursue excellence
in learning
We live the Gospel
message of love

PRAYER

Lord in this world of mixed and changing values, we ask for others, for each other and for ourselves, the wisdom to distinguish between the important and the unimportant, the true and the false, the trivial and the significant.

Sometimes we do not know which way to turn. There are many claims upon our time, so many demands for our attention. Because we cannot do everything, help us to get our priorities right. Help us to know what you want us to do.

Open our ears to hear what your are saying to us in the things that happen and in the people we meet.

Open our hands, to do your work well, when needed.

Open our lips, to tell others the Good News of love and so bring comfort, happiness and laughter to other people.

Open our minds to discover new truths about You and the world.

Open our hearts, to love You and others as You love us.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

It has been a busy week at St Mary's, with a number of extra curricular events on the calendar. On Tuesday we had the first of three lunchtime Yoga classes for students, these being organised and costs covered by the P & F. Thank you to the Executive for organising this new physical activity for the students. Classes will also run next week and in Week 4.

Today, all classes planted a tree as part of Schools National Tree Day. Again, the P & F provided these well established young trees, enhancing the natural landscape at St Mary's. A special word of thanks to Darren Coulson who researched which trees would be most suitable to plant on school grounds, then sourced the trees and came last weekend to dig sizeable holes for the trees, mixing suitable nutrients into the soil. We look forward to the trees establishing themselves into future years and the classes taking care of and interest in their class tree. The P & F also provided sausage sizzle lunch for all students today to celebrate National Tree Day.

Today also saw students from Years 3 - 6 represent St Mary's at Interschool Cross Country. Thank you to Mr Alberti for his work in coordinating extra training for the Interschool Team and to the students themselves for their work and determination to do their very best. We look forward to hearing more about their individual successes when they return this afternoon.

Tomorrow morning, the Year 5 class will present the first Performance Assembly for Term 3.

Maureen Tully
Principal

HOLY YEAR OF MERCY PRAYER

Lord, Jesus Christ,
You have taught us to be merciful
like the heavenly Father,
and have taught us that whoever sees you, sees God.
Show us your face so that we may be saved.
Amen



STUDENT AWARDS

YEAR 1	Myra Patterson	Benjamin Lincoln	Kaden Hall
YEAR 2	Harper Brasher	Milly Sarre	
YEAR 3	Samuel Pedley	Lily Kilpatrick	
YEAR 4	Keira Hall	Ryan Sutton	
YEAR 5	Milly Patterson	Ashleen Moore	
YEAR 6	Tenika Cross	Michela Villani	
A.R. 50%	Lani Cahill	Grace Sarre	Raymond Do
A.R. 75%	Maddison Cream	Sophia Cross	Koby Drage-Edwards
A.R. 100%	Maddison Lord		
OTHER	Toe-by-Toe	Raymond Do	

Congratulations

SCHOOL NEWS

P & F MEETING

All families are invited to come along to next Tuesday evening's P & F Meeting at 7pm in the MPR and hear about/be involved in the work of this dynamic group.

ADDAMS FAMILY PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP

Bunbury Catholic College are presenting the Addams Family as the Musical Performance this year. The drama group and drama teachers will present a workshop for Year 6 students tomorrow from 9.30am to 10.50am.

LUNCHTIME YOGA

66 Students from Years 1 - 6 enjoyed lunchtime yoga on Tuesday with Yogi Kerry.



EARLY CHILDHOOD MATHS WORKSHOP

St Mary's hosted an Early Childhood Educators Maths Workshop, facilitated by Dr Paul Swan, last Friday evening. This was attended by over 40 teachers from local Catholic and Government schools.

VISITING TEACHERS

On Thursday 11 August, we will host teachers from St Bernard's Catholic School, Kojonup, who will visit classrooms to observe our Spelling Mastery lessons and our explicit teaching approach in order to gather ideas for implementing these at St Bernard's.

WEST AUSTRALIAN OPERA

On Tuesday 2 August the West Australian Opera will be performing for students in Years 1 - 6. Students will hear excerpts from both opera and musical theatre - including West Side Story, Romeo and Juliet, La Traviata and The Wizard of Oz. What a fantastic opportunity to hear from such talented and artistic performers.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Issue 5 catalogues have been distributed and orders are due back by Friday 29 July 2016.

UNIFORM NOTES

The Uniform Shop is open Friday mornings between 8.30am and 9.30am for all your uniform requirements. Any families requiring embroidering of the school logo on girls' summer dresses are asked to bring them to the Uniform Shop on Friday. Alternately, they can be left at the office, labelled and accompanied by \$5.50 to cover embroidery costs **BEFORE** Friday 5 August 2016.

HPE NEWS

St Mary's CPS 60 Minute Challenge

Friday 9 September 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Athletics

Our annual Athletics Carnival for Pre Primary to Year 6 will be held on Friday 16 September. More information will be provided later in the term.

Eagles Cup

Still no set starting date from Jason Reid who is organising the Eagles Cup. As soon as this information comes to hand I will send a note home.

BISHOP'S RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT

On Monday 1 August the Year 5 class will participate in the BRLA Online for the first time. Year 3 will sit this assessment on Monday 8 August, after a practice on Monday 1 August. The purpose of the assessment is to measure student learning of content in the Religious Education Curriculum. The BRLA provides a 'point in time' snapshot of student performance in Religious Education in Years 3, 5 and 9. The assessment is a combination of multiple choice, short and long response items. Students' faith is not assessed, rather their knowledge and understanding of religious education content. The results of this assessment allow the school to plan and teach Religious Education more effectively.

FROM THE PARISH HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

There have been a number of plates/dishes left after St Mary's Confirmation and First Eucharist events. Please collect your dishes from the kitchen area or storeroom at the Parish Hall as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Rosa Tognela

PARISH COUNCILLORS COMMISSIONING MASS

At this Sunday's 10am Mass at the Cathedral, the 2016 Parish Pastoral Council will be commissioned for the role they undertake within the parish.

You are invited to come along to meet and support them in serving the Parish of Bunbury with integrity and faith.

MOVIE NIGHT

St Mary's Movie Night 'Zootopia' will now be showing on a big screen. This exciting opportunity has been donated free of charge to our school. Pizza orders have now been collected. Popcorn, drinks and snacks are available on the evening. Please see flyer attached for further information.

Year 2 families.



St Mary's Family Night



A fun 'Friendraiser' for Kids and Parents to enjoy!!

Friday 5th August
in the School Hall

Dinner at 5:30pm

with **'Zootopia'**

[PG] to follow ~ 6:15pm

Bring your bean bag or pillow
& join in the dinner and movie fun!

Available to buy on the night:

Lolly bags	Popcorn	Cakes
Drinks	Tea/Coffee	Chocolates

Food order forms will be sent home during Term 3!

This is a smoke and alcohol free event.

Sustainability News

Today each class celebrated the annual **National Tree Planting Day** by planting a tree on the school grounds. As five of the trees are deciduous, it will be wonderful to observe the trees grow and transform throughout the years to come.

Class and area	Tree Species	Photo
Pre Primary ELC grounds	Cercis Canadensis - American Redbud Small deciduous tree with show of pink flowers in Spring and providing shade in Summer before Autumn colour. This is a pretty tree for small gardens or courtyards. Size: 5 m x 4m	
Kindy: ELC grounds Year 6: Teacher courtyard	Catalpa bignoides - Indian Bean Tree A large tree with a broad dome-shaped canopy and large long-stalked leaves. In Summer it carries bell-shaped flowers in white, various pink shades, and soft apricot-orange, followed by clusters of long, pendulous, bean-like seed capsules, hence its common name. Size: 15m x 9m	
Year 1 and Year 2 Assembly grass area	Pyrus calleryana 'Bradford' - Ornamental Pear Small deciduous tree with show of white flowers in Spring and providing shade in Summer months before vibrant Autumn colour. Size: 5 m x 4m	
Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 Soccer oval boundary	Agonis flexuosa - Weeping Peppermint Medium native tree, local to the South West. Grows in a weeping habit and provides habitat for the endangered Western Ringtail Possum and other native species. Size: to 15m x 9m	

How we can care for these trees so they blossom and grow at St Mary's...

- Be mindful, when playing, of the trees growing leaves and branches
- Tipping water from water bottles on the new trees at the end of the day



Tree

Planting



Day!





ST MARY'S PRIMARY
SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO
INVITE YOU TO
CELEBRATE

FATHER'S DAY!

BRING ALONG YOUR DAD, GRANDPA,
UNCLE - ANYONE WITH WHOM YOU
WOULD LIKE TO CELEBRATE FATHER'S
DAY

WHERE: ST MARY'S HALL

**WHEN: FRIDAY 2
SEPTEMBER**

**TIME: BREAKFAST FROM
7AM - 8AM**

**RSVP – please return the
attached form by 25 August
2016**

**'Fathers vs Students' football game and
other activities from 8am**

**All attending fathers/guardians will go into
the draw for a Father's Day hamper of
goodies!**

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Father's Day Breakfast

RSVP

Name of Father/Guardian attending: _____

Name of child attending	Year at St Mary's

Breakfast will be served from 7am until 8am. A 'Fathers vs Students' football match will commence at 8am. This is suitable for children aged 7 years and above. Other tabloid sports will be organised for younger children.

Please return this slip to the front office of St Mary's by Thursday 25 August 2016.