



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

March

Fri 24 Earth Hour Schools Day
Sun 26 4th Sunday Lent
Mon 27 Parent Teacher Interview Week
Wed 29 Reconciliation Year 5
Thur 30 SWPSA Year 5/6 T20 Blast, Forrest Park, 10am - 2pm

April

Sun 2 5th Sunday Lent
Mon 3 Parent Teacher Interview Week
Tue 4 Year 6 Night of the Notables 6pm

Vision Statement

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

Father, help me to see this holy season of Lent as a time of spiritual renewal, rather than a time of deprivation. Motivate me to reach a new level of experiencing your grace.

Walk in the light of the Lord
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Dear Parents, Students and Friends

Principal's Welcome

It's been another exciting week filled with a variety of learning opportunities for students. Twenty two of our Year 6 students, along with an enthusiastic band of teacher and parent helpers, travelled to Perth last Thursday to watch the opening day of the Sheffield Shield clash with NSW. They had the opportunity to collect autographs from past Australian players including Justin Langer and Mitchell Johnson before entertaining the crowd during the lunch break playing games on the hallowed WACA turf. Last Friday's Swimming Carnival was an outstanding success. There was a great deal of faction chanting from the students and colour in the grandstand with everyone wearing their new faction shirts. We were inundated with parent helpers and the students competed well with some very fast times. Thank you to students, parents and staff for making it a memorable day. Special thanks to Mr Alberti for his organisation and for training the students before school leading up to the carnival.

We had a fantastic turnout for the Ride to School Day. Thank you to parents who joined us for the ride around the Big Swamp and to school.

A huge thank you for the wonderful response we have had so far to the request for donations of Easter eggs for the Easter Raffle. Please keep those coming in.

The fun continues today with a Kindy Picnic for families at lunchtime and our Interschool Swimming team are competing at the SWSC this morning.

God bless

Paul Cronin

STUDENT AWARDS

YEAR 1	Isla Italiano	Eva Spinelli	Kaitlyn Pitts
YEAR 2	Eva Edmondson	Myra Patterson	Elena Gibbs
YEAR 3	Emmi Cahill	Cooper Clark	Ashton Spinelli
YEARS 4 - 6	NO AWARDS - SWIMMING CARNIVAL		





Week four of Lent:
Nguyet, Vietnam

PROJECT
COMPASSION

A severe disability kept young Nguyet behind closed doors: inhibited by her condition, her family had little connection with their neighbours. But their confidence and skill grew when they participated in the Catholic Relief Services' program, Capacity Building for Parent Associations Supporting Children with Disabilities, supported by Caritas Australia. The program offered Nguyet home-based education, and as her skills have grown she is increasingly engaging with her community.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2017 and help children with disabilities in Vietnam to learn new skills and connect with their communities. You can donate through School boxes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion

EASTER RAFFLE & COLOURING IN COMPETITION

All Easter raffle tickets sold or unsold are to be returned to school by **Friday 24 March**. Final Easter Donations to be placed in the boxes located in each classroom, no later than **Monday 27 March**. Entries close for the Colouring In Competition on **Monday 27 March**. Please make sure you have your entry back to the teachers by this date to be in the running to win a prize. The Easter Raffle & Colouring In Competition winners will be announced and prizes presented at assembly on **Friday 7 April**. On behalf of Year One, we would like to thank all the families for their generosity in donating all the fabulous Easter goodies.



LENTEN PROGRAM

The Lenten program will be run on Wednesday mornings at 9am in the St Mary's Chapel. Ms Brown will facilitate this one hour opportunity to gather, pray and discuss the readings during Lent. Parents and friends of St Mary's are warmly invited to attend. If you are available please let Ms Brown know.



South Bunbury Dental Therapy Centre Opening Hours during the School Holidays,

Open Monday 10 April to Friday 14 April
AND

Open Wednesday 9 and Thursday 20 April
on Friday 21 April for emergencies between the hours of 8am and 4 pm
Please ring 97981768.

For after hour emergencies please ring: 08 9325 3452

P & F FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION

The 2017 footy season is nearly here and so too is the St Mary's Footy Tipping Competition. Please see the flyer attached to the newsletter for details on how to be involved with this fund raising event. You can also register at http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/ST_MARYS_CPS.

BOOK CLUB

Issue 2 orders have been received from Scholastic and will be distributed shortly.

UNIFORM NOTES

Please place any Winter Uniform orders by tomorrow (Friday) so that they can be sent to the manufacturers next week and distributed before the holidays. Thank you for your cooperation.

GUITAR LESSONS STARTING AT ST MARY'S IN TERM 2

Parents will have the opportunity to enrol their children in guitar lessons that will commence in Term 2 at St Mary's. Individual lessons will run for 30 minutes, starting at 9.20am on a Monday in the Science Room. Ms Vicky Newman/Cornford is AMEB accredited and has been teaching music for over 25 years. If you would like to find out more, please contact Vicky directly on 0408902943. Note: A student cannot enrol for piano lessons and guitar during school time.

A Day at the WACA





Basketball Superstars!



St Mary's CPS is proud to celebrate the achievements of its students who have just completed the current season of junior basketball. Well done to all students who participated.

Eaton Bunbury Association
U12 Girls - A Grade
The girls won their Grand Final.
The Swishes 15
Dolphins 12
MVP (Season) Alexis Donovan
St Mary's was represented by Alexis and Jessica Kennedy

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Girls - A Grade
Aces Blue Bombers came 5th on the ladder and were represented by Maddison Lord, Aleesha Zaccagnini and Alexis Donovan.

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Girls - B Grade
Aces Angels were runners up on the ladder after having unfortunately lost the grand final. The team consisted of Amy Hunter, Keira Hall, Catherine Pham, Maddison Cream, Jasmin Tan, Grace Sarre and Lani Cahill.

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Boys - A Grade
Aces Lightning - This team remained undefeated all season, winning their Grand Final 45 - 10. St Mary's was represented by Jai Cahill and Max Sarre, with Jai being awarded MVP for the Grand Final.

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Boys - A Grade
Aces Spurs unfortunately did not manage to make it to the Grand Final, but St Mary's was very solidly represented by James Donovan.

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Boys - B Grade
MVP (Season) Flynn Smith
Runner Up MVP (Season) Jayden Kelly
Tornadoes Tigers finished a respectable fourth on the ladder and the team was made up of Koby Drage-Edwards, Jayden Kelly, Kace Brand, Ned Pemberton, Flynn Smith, Aidan Hall, Aidin Williams and Jacob Orsi.

Bunbury Basketball Association
U12 Boys - B Grade
The boys won their Grand Final
Aces Thunderbolts 24
Tornadoes Thunder 8
MVP (Grand Final) Harry Jones
MVP (Association) Max Di Lallo
Runner Up MVP (Association) Harry Jones
St Mary's was represented by Nick O'Brien, Max Di Lallo, Calla Bott, Harry Jones, Ranee Cross, Kade Lubcke, and Marcus Smargiassi

From Dr Ale...

St Mary's Swimming Training - It was a pleasure to help Mr Alberti every Monday and Wednesday morning at swimming training. Over the course of the 10 sessions, we have seen huge improvements in the students' swimming ability. You have all worked very hard, and did your "Best" at the School Swimming Carnival.
"Congratulations to all of you!" To all the students who are going to represent St Mary's Catholic Primary School at the Interschool Carnival, I wish you all the "Best." Do your best! But please have fun and smile all the time. Thanks for my gift and all the students signatures, it looks very nice!!
Dr Ale Olgianti



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Year 5 students will be enacting the Stations of the Cross in the hall at 2pm on Friday 7 April. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

HPE NEWS

Swimming



Well done to our Years 4 – 6 students who competed in the St Mary's 2017 Swimming Carnival last Friday. McAuley won the carnival with a score of 174. Ursula finished with 157 and Marcellin 132. A big thank you to all our parent helpers, you were outstanding! Also, to Mr Priest, Mrs Alberti, Mr Cronin and Mrs Toia, a big thanks for your efforts on the day to ensure all went well.



To Dr Ale Olgiati for your support and guidance with our swimming training in 2017. Your efforts are much appreciated by the student swimmers, their parents and myself. Thanks Ale! Below are the medal winners for 2017.

Year 4 Runner Up Girl Champion	Gemelia Fiori Paige Hebbend	Year 4 Girl Champion	Cleo Pense
Year 4 Runner Up Boy Champion	Lucas Pedrochi	Year 4 Boy Champion	Thomas Bouzada Olgiati
Year 5 Runner Up Girl Champion	Elizabeth Curtis	Year 5 Girl Champion	Grace Sarre
Year 5 Runner Up Boy Champion	Sanjan O'Brien	Year 5 Boy Champion	Harry Jones
Year 6 Runner Up Girl Champion	Aurora Postma	Year 6 Girl Champion	Caitlyn Hebbend
Year 6 Runner Up Boy Champion	Max Sarre	Year 6 Boy Champion	Jai Cahill

The Year 6 McAuley 4 x 50m Freestyle relay team broke the record with a time of 3:09:28, beating the previous 2014 record by nearly a second! Well done Sarah Gibbs, Jai Cahill, Molly Turner and Jayden Kelly!

Ride 2 School

Well done to students, parents, friends and staff who participated in National Ride 2 school day on Tuesday. Over 70 bikes!! A great effort and a great way to get around.

SWPSA T 20 Blast

Once again St Mary's will compete in the annual T20 Cricket Blast to be held at Forrest Park on Thursday 30 March from 10am to 2pm. Students in Years 5 and 6 will compete. A copy of the teams will be included with this newsletter. Permission notes were sent home on Monday. Please let me know if you can help as a team manager on the day.

Mr Tino Alberti

HPE and Music/Drama Teacher

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2017 St Mary's CPS T20 Blast teams.

Year 5/6 Boys St Mary's 1	Year 5/6 Boys St Mary's 2	Year 5/6 Boys St Mary's 3	Year 5/6 Boys St Mary's 4	Year 5/6 Girls St Mary's 1	Year 5/6 Girls St Mary's 2	Year 5/6 Girls St Mary's 3
Jai Cahill	Daniel Norrish	Jacob Orsi	Max Sarre	Alexis Gianfrancesco	Sarah Gibbs	Elena Mazza
Jayden Kelly	Kace Brand	Flynn Smith	Ned Pemberton	Maddison Lord	Milly Patterson	Gabrielle Hopley
Adam Warnock	Lorenzo Fimognari	James Donovan	Elijah De Coppi	Molly Turner	Aurora Postma	Caitlyn Hebbend
Aidin Williams	Lochlan Moore	Aidan Hall	Raymond Do	Charlee Sidebottom	Aleesha Zaccagnini	Ashleen Moore
Archie Pemberton	Lance Santos	Jedd Patterson	Marcus Smargiassi	Grace Sarre	Jasmin Tan	Catherine Pham
Kade Lubcke	Finn Marshall	Henley O'Reilly	Ryan Sutton	Jessica Kennedy	Chloe MacNeill	Bridie Kelly
Ranee Cross	Harry Jones	Nick O'Brien	Calla Bott	Amy Hunter	Keira Hall	Alexis Donovan
Sanjan O'Brien	Brady Emerson	Koby Drage-Edwards	Max Di Lallo	Natalia Dillon	Elizabeth Curtis	Sophia Cross
				Lani Cahill	Maddison Cream	

SWPSA T20 Blast. Forrest Park Bunbury. Thursday 30 March 2017 10am to 2pm.