

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

September

Tue 15 Sept Open Night

Open Morning Kindy

Wed 16 Sept Grandparents Mass and Morning

Tea 9am

Thur 17 Sept St Mary's Athletics Carnival

Fri 18 Sept Year 1 Assembly
Thur 24 Sept Back up day Athletics
Fri 25 Sept Last Day of Term

Pre Primary Assembly

Vision Statement

A welcoming faith community

We value relationships

We pursue excellence in learning

We live the Gospel message of love

Life is an Empty Bottle

A woman went to her doctor with a catalogue of complaints about her health. The physician examined her thoroughly and became convinced that there was nothing wrong with her. He suspected it was her negative outlook on life—her bitterness and resentment - that was the key to her feeling the way she did.

The wise physician took the woman into a room in his office where he kept some medicine. He showed her a shelf filled with empty bottles. He said to her: "See those bottles? Notice that they are all empty. Though they are shaped differently from one another, basically they are alike. Most importantly, they have nothing in them. Now I can take one of these bottles and fill it with poison - enough poison to kill a human being. Or I can fill it with enough medicine to bring down a fever, or ease a bad headache, or fight bacteria in one part of the body. The most important thing is that I make the choice. I can fill it with whatever I choose."

The doctor looked her in the eye and said, "Each day that we are given is basically like one of these empty bottles. We can choose to fill it with love and life-affirming thoughts and attitudes, or we can fill it with destructive, poisonous thoughts. The choice is ours."

And what will you choose? Life-affirming, positive, healing thoughts? Or the seething poisons of anger, bitterness and prejudice?

The choice is yours!

Giving God, we thank you for filling our world with so many good things: for the joy of living each day, our families, students and community. We praise you for showing us just how much you love us.

Amen

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

What a wonderful community and family event last Friday's Father's Day Breakfast was. It was great to see the big attendance of fathers, grandfathers, big brothers and male role models who accompanied the children. Breakfast was served from 7.00am followed by 'the big footy game'. Scott Sarre did a terrific job at umpiring and all who played (the big kids and little kids) had a most enjoyable game. They were cheered on by all the spectators on the verandahs. The younger students enjoyed the games and activities set up by the Year 6 Committee.

Congratulations, well done and thank you to Year 4 Reps, Janelle Norrish and Kate Kelly, and the Year 4 parents for the planning, organisation and work in catering for breakfast. The bacon and egg rolls were delicious and enjoyed

by all. It is events like this, when the community comes together, that has us appreciate what a happy, friendly and family oriented school community St Mary's is and how lucky we are to be a part of this.

We now look forward to Open Night for Pre Primary to Year 6 families next Tuesday evening. This is an opportunity for parents to come to school in the evening and be escorted around the classroom by their children. Families are invited to come along from 5.45pm to 7pm when students will act as a guide to showcase their learning to parents. The objective of Open Night is not one of 'exhibition' style of presentation, but rather a look at every day learning - "How do we learn and what do we do in our classroom?" The Hall will not be open as we now have the Science Room where student work and activities are on display. The P & F Executive will also have a display.

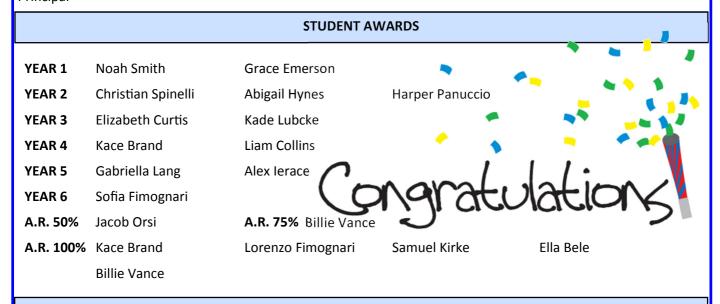
Parents are asked to be ready to leave classrooms at 7pm so that teachers are able to lock up classrooms and go home. Keep in mind that staff will have been at school since 8.00am or before and we would like to be able to lock up and leave just after 7pm.

A reminder that, as previously advised in the newsletter, supper will not be provided for families. Students must remain with their parents, under their supervision at all times. Skate boards, scooters and other sporting equipment are not to be brought to school on Open Night. This directive is in the best interests of safety and care for all.

Open Night is an aspect of our Reporting Policy. I thank staff for facilitating this night and thank both staff and students for their preparations in readiness for Open Night. Please remember that Open Night is not an opportunity to discuss your child's individual progress or other concerns with the teacher. Should you wish to have this discussion, you are welcome to make an appointment at a mutually suitable time.

Maureen Tully

Principal



SCHOOL NEWS

ST MARY'S ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Students are looking forward to Athletics Carnival next Thursday, 17 September. All students from Pre Primary to Year 6 will travel across to the Athletics Arena by bus. Years 4 - 6 carnival is from 9am to 2.30pm and Pre Primary to Year 3 carnival runs from 10.00am to 1.30pm. Thank you to parents who have returned permission notes. Parents taking their child/children home at the end of the carnival were asked to indicate this on the reply form. Teachers have recorded this on a checklist as our Duty of Care requires we have this record and signed parental permission. The use of faction coloured zinc is allowed for the carnival. Please apply the zinc at home, and to the face only, as applying zinc to arms and legs causes concern re damage to seats of the buses. Thank you to Mr Alberti for his planning and coordination and his work with the students. Thanks to staff for their support with practice for team games. Thanks and appreciation to parents who have volunteered to assist with the many roles that are part of running a successful carnival.

Thanks to Year 6 P & F Reps, Clare Kirke and Catherine Dorant, and Year 6 parents for running the sausage sizzle lunch. They will also run a cakes/slices stall and have arranged for a coffee/tea van to attend. We look forward to a successful carnival and an enjoyable day.

FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST - THANK YOU

The Year 4 reps, Kate Kelly and Janelle Norrish, would like to thank the following people who contributed to make the Father's Day Breakfast last Friday so successful.

- All Year 4 parents who helped by donating money, ingredients or supplies, baking muffins and/or helping on the day.
- Year 6 Community group (Matthew, Eva, Sofia, Macie, Samuel, Isabella, Georgia and Ciara) for organising the obstacle course/soccer match for younger kids.
- Scott Sarre for umpiring the footy match.
- Mr Beauglehole, Mr Alberti and Mrs Evans for helping with all our queries.
- Mrs Berndt in the canteen for freezer/fridge space, ordering food, use of canteen to cook/serve on the day.
- Veronica Marley for loan of the chafing dishes.
- Bunbury Parish for the loan of the urn and Father Ed for coming.
- We would also like to thank the following businesses:
 - Bunbury Farmers Market
 - Coles South Bunbury
 - HS Commercial Plumbing
 - Norm Hart Settlements



MAGGIE DENT

In this week's clip, Maggie discusses how we can help our children make friends. She highlights the importance of simple, unstructured opportunities for children to socialise together as being invaluable in assisting children form strong relationships with others. To view the clip, please paste this in your browser: http://www.maggiedent.com/content/vblog/helping-children-make-friends

IT MATTERS

Teen and adolescent screen time affects their sleep patterns. This article is very interesting and worth a read. http://au.educationhq.com/news/32524/teen-creatures-of-the-night/

HPE NEWS

Interm Swimming

Swimming notes (went home in week 7) need to be returned by Friday 18 September

Athletics Carnival Schedule

We are in need of more parent helpers, especially Years 4 - 6, for events such as Long and Triple Jump, and Turbo Javelin and Shot Put. Please email me (Mr A) if you can assist.

Tino Alberti alberti.tino@cathednet.wa.edu.au

HPE Teacher

SAFE TRAVELS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Safe travels and happy holidays to Mrs Berndt who will be on leave for the remainder of term. Mrs Catherine Dorant will manage the Canteen during this time. Mrs Berndt returns in Term 4.

CANTEEN SUPREME NEWS

Please remind your child to place their lunch order in the class lunch basket as soon as they get to school. There has been a lot going on in the mornings lately and our late lunch orders have increased dramatically. A very big thank you to the very beautiful and talented Jodie Scott, Rikki Smith and Jo Spinelli who will be helping in the canteen this Friday and also to Brenda Hall who will be our very wonderful volunteer on Wednesday 16 September.



APPROPRIATE USE OF IMAGES

A reminder to those parents and friends who record or take photos of children other than their own: It is stated in the school's IT Policy that "During off and on campus events, it is permitted to take videos and photographs. However, it is not permitted to upload photos or video clips on social media without prior permission from **ALL** stakeholders. Please ensure that you follow these rules for the safety of every child at St Mary's.

YEAR 1 ASSEMBLY

Please note that the Year 1 Assembly has been rescheduled to Friday 18 September. Year 1 families have been notified about this change of date.

KINDY OPEN MORNING

Kindy Open Morning is also next Tuesday, 15 September. Parents are welcome to visit the classroom and join with the children in their learning. Details have been provided to Kindy families.

FOOTY TIPPING

Congratulations to Toby McGee on winning the final round of the footy tipping with a perfect 9 out of 9. Well done Toby. Some upsets in the final round saw Riles snatch first place in the footy tipping, with Toby McGee clinching second and Nic Nac in third place. Thank you to everyone who participated in the footy tipping. Hopefully you all had some fun and we raised some money for the P & F. Looking forward to everyone having a go next year too.

MOVING THE SAND

Thanks to Mr Murphy, Mrs Dabic, Mr Bemrose, Mr Joseph and Mrs Males for your help with moving the sand into the Kindy/Pre Primary sandpits on Tuesday afternoon. A special thank you to Kim Murphy who organised the Kanga loader to make the job easier. The Pre Primary students were straight into the sandpit with barrows and

shovels on Wednesday morning.









































Breakfast

COMMUNITY NEWS









Join the Bunbury Youth Ministry Office for WYD20161

Dates:

Estimated Cost: \$5200
Includes flights, accommodation, meals, WYD
registration and Days in
the Diocese in Warsaw!
Contact us now to register your interest!

Contact Aaron Faure 9721 0503 or 0425622788 iosouth@bunburscatholic.org.a





Bunbury Youth Ministry Office Presents:

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Our lady of the Bay Parish

Kelly Drive Busselton

Sunday Oct 4th 2PM-5PM

limited Places—RSYP NOW!

Jioyouth@bunburyeatholic.org.au

9721 0500 or 0425 622 788

\$15 to Register

Please RSYP by 28th of September

*BYMO is the Diocesan Office for Youth. All events are fully supervised. All supervisors have a WWCC Card are over 18 and are screened according to the Nationa Professional Standards Office.



Division I—Ages I I-13 Division 2—Ages I 4-17

Division 3—Ages 18-30

Team Challenges

Cool Prizer!









Join us at the 13th LiveLighter Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival

The 2015 Festival theme commemorates the ANZACS and celebrates Dardanup of the Past – Can you imagine what it was like living in Dardanup 100 years ago. Come along to the Festival and find out.

The LiveLighter Dardanup Bull & Barrel Festival is proudly brought to you by the Dardanup Community as a celebration of the diversity and vibrancy of the Region.

When:

Saturday 10 October 2015 10am - 5pm Festival 5pm - 9pm Evening Entertainment

Where:

Dardanup Town Site, 20 minutes from Bunbury *Cost:*

Entry is Free

Kids Free Activity Tent, Animals, Stalls, Art, Music and Fire Sculpture

http://www.bullandbarrel.net.au/



Marist Cricket Club Play cricket - Everyone is welcome

Register now at maristcricketclub.com

All ages – All abilities
Boys and Girls welcome
Tell your friends, invite your mates, we want as
many players as possible

In2Cricket – Pre-primary to Year 2 – held on Saturday mornings

T20 Blast – Years 3 and 4 – held on Wednesday afternoons

Junior Cricket – Years 5 to 12 – matches Saturday morning

Senior cricket - matches Saturday afternoon Season starts in early October.

Register on line at maristcricketclub.com

Further details contact Jeff Wootton 0429 800 090

