

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

June

24 June Year 4 Reconciliation25 June St Mary's Cross Country

28 June First Eucharist 10am Cathedral

July

3 July Last Day of Term Staff and Students

Vision Statement

A welcoming faith community We value relationships Ve pursue excellence

We live the Gospel message of love



Feast of the Birth of St John the Baptist 24 June

There was a man of God, whose name was John.

He came to speak for the light

The voice of one in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord.'

Mountains and hills shall be brought to the ground The winding paths be straightened And all on earth shall give you life, 'Prepare the way of the Lord.'

He's the Lamb of God and you must follow him Who takes the sin of the world And He has come to give you life- 'Prepare the way of the Lord'.

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

What a wonderful community event Sunday's 60 Minute Challenge was. Over 70 students took part and walked or ran laps around St Mary's and South Bunbury ovals between 8.00 and 9.00am. A number of parents also took part. This is the same course that will be used for St Mary's Cross Country run next week Thursday, 25 June.

Thank you to Mr Alberti for his vision in planning and coordinating this event. Thank you to the parent committee, Mrs Kirke, Mrs Pedrochi and Mrs Pedley, for the success of the morning. Thank you to the parents who assisted in so many ways last Sunday—those who came early to cook muffins, start the barbeque, cook sausages, serve, man the tables where year groups registered their laps and help tidy up and pack away at the end of the morning. There has been very positive feedback from both students and parents about the event.

Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 choir will perform tomorrow in the choral section of the Bunbury Eisteddfod. I thank Mr Ian Mills for his work with the St Mary's choirs this year. Being part of a choir requires not only singing, but working together as one group, having the presence and discipline to focus on the conductor and sing in harmony and unison. I wish our choirs success tomorrow as they represent St Mary's.

There have been a number of students who have performed in the Eisteddfod over the past few weeks—singing, dance and playing instruments. Congratulations to all who have taken part, having put in the time, practice and effort to reach the required standard.

On Tuesday evening we had the First Eucharist Parent/Student evening for Year 4 students. Thank you to Ms Brown and Mrs Webb who coordinated the meeting. The students are now into their final week of preparation. This is an exciting time in the lives of these 29 young students and their families. We wish them joy and every

blessing at this special time in their faith journeys. I ask all in our community to pray for them over the coming week. We look forward to celebrating First Eucharist on Sunday 28 June.

Maureen Tully

Principal

STUDENT AWARDS

YEAR 1	Milly Sarre	Zachary Bemrose	Emmi Cahill		
YEAR 2	Cleo Pense	Jorja O'Reilly			
YEAR 3	Catherine Pham	Kade Lubcke			
YEAR 4	Daniel Norrish	James Donovan	*	*	
YEAR 5	Austin Forrester	Zak Ivey			
YEAR 6	Ashley Scasserra	Sophie MacNeill		*	
A.R. 50%	Jayden Kelly	Flynn Smith	Lorenzo Fimognari	Max Sarre	
	Charlee Sidebottom	Thomas Buckley	Skye Carre	Zak Ivey	
A.R. 75%	Jayden Kelly				
PHYS ED	Jai Cahill 50km	Nicholas Bouzada Olgiati 50km			
OTHER	Science—Aurora Postma				

SCHOOL NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to Fr Ed who will celebrate his 65th birthday on Saturday. We thank him for his spiritual guidance, support and friendship at St Mary's and we wish him health, happiness and every blessing into the years ahead.

REWARD YOUR SCHOOL PROMOTION

CONGRATULATIONS! We won the Reward your School Promotion! Thanks to your support and the support of your families and friends we have won for the second year in a row. Bunbury Forum will present the P&F with a cheque for **\$2500** today. This will greatly assist the P&F in supporting the school with purchases that will benefit all of our children. Please pass on our thanks to everyone who supported us over the past few weeks and thank you also to Bunbury Forum. Great work!

P&F Executive

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the P & F Executive on their coordination of St Mary's participation in the Bunbury Forum Reward Your School Promotion. Thanks to our families and friends, St Mary's has come first place in the promotion, winning \$2,500. As indicated at last week's P & F Meeting, this money will be allocated to the planned upgrade of the basketball courts later this year. Well done to all.

Maureen Tully, Principal

P & F COMPETITION

Entry forms were handed to students in all classes from Kindy to Year 6 last week. Students were asked to either draw or write (depending on the age of the student) about the role of the P & F at St Mary's. Entry forms should be placed in the wooden box in the entrance foyer to the library.

At the end of term, a winning entry will be drawn and the winner will receive a family pass to the Grand Cinemas.

P & F MINUTES

Please note that minutes of the P & F Meeting held on Tuesday 9 June are available to view on the school website at: http://www.stmarysbnby.wa.edu.au/?page_id=433

CANTEEN SUPREME NEWS

A very big thank you to Carmela Spinelli and Jo Spinelli who are our beautiful volunteers in the canteen on Friday. We could do with an extra set of hands, so if you could spare an hour or two please drop in. On Wednesday 24 June, Carol Kennedy and Kate Wright are our wonderful helpers.



HPE NEWS

60 Minute Challenge

The 60 Minute Challenge was held at St Mary's CPS on Sunday 14 June. 70 Students from Kindy to Year 6 competed and covered a total of 469.2 km, a great effort! We had ex-students, parents and friends, and some staff compete as well. A big thank you to all parent helpers and especially to Mrs Kirke, Mrs Hebbend and Mrs Pedrochi. It is definitely happening again next year.

Cross Country Carnival

St Mary's will hold its annual Cross Country Carnival on Thursday 25 June at St Mary's CPS. The carnival commences at 9am. Year 1 will start first. I have decided to use our 60 Minute Challenge track, which is 800 metres long. Year 1 and 2 will run 1 lap, Year 3 and 4 will complete 2 laps and Year 5 and 6 will complete 3 laps. Students who place 6 or higher (6 boys and 6 girls each from Year 3 – 6) will have the opportunity to compete at the SWPSA Interschool Cross Country Carnival.

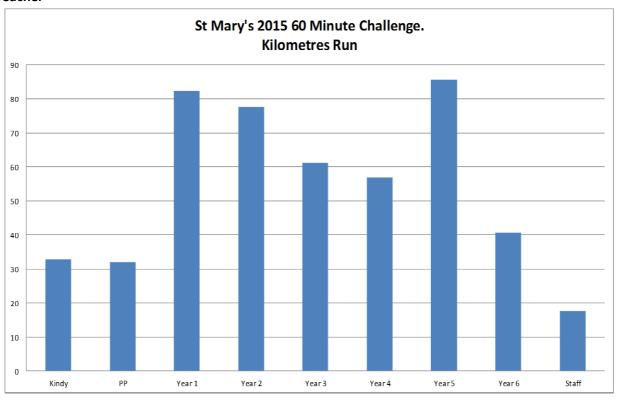
If you can assist at our Cross Country Carnival on Thursday 25 June please let me know. My email address is listed below. No set times have been allocated for the start of each race. Starting times are dependent on a number of factors including: how long it will take for all competitors to complete the course and the possibility of rain.

Eagles Cup & Dockers Cup

The Eagles and Dockers Cup is a football competition for Year 5 and 6 students and commences Monday 27 July and will run on 3 and 10 August. Boys play in the Eagles Cup, girls play in the Dockers Cup. Games are played at Hay Park with a 4pm start and 5pm finish. Parents are to organise transport for their child to and from the venue. A note was made available to all Year 5 and 6 students earlier in the week..

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HPE Teacher



BOOK CLUB

Issue 4 Book Club orders have been sent to Scholastic and should arrive back shortly.

UNIFORM SHOP

From Term 3 the Uniform Shop will be open Friday mornings between 8.30 and 9.30am for all your uniform requirements.

FOOTY TIPPING

Congratulations to 'Sullivan' for correctly tipping 6 winners this week with a points margin of only 8. The prize money (\$25) can be collected from the school office. 'NicNac' has extended the gap at the top of the overall leader board with 71 correct tips in total. Good luck to everyone with their tips for round 12.



From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015, when parents and staff shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box at St Mary's front office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Enrolment Form for Baptismal Preparation for Children 6 years of Age and Older in the Catholic Church of St Patrick Cathedral of Bunbury.

The parish is arranging baptismal instructions 3 times a year for children who wish to be baptised that are 6 years of age and older. Parents will be required to participate with their child in these instructions, because they are the first teachers of faith. Instructions will comprise of 4 meetings, conducted by Fr Vittorio Ricciardi in the parish hall of St Patrick Cathedral. The parish is providing these baptismal instructions as baptism is the first sacrament of Christian Initiation. Once children are baptised they can be enrolled for instruction to receive the other sacraments of Christian Initiation in the following years. Children can receive only one sacrament for each year: i.e. Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation.

The baptism policy of the Bunbury Catholic Diocese states that at least one parent should be catholic. There are however certain cases where the parents are not Catholic but Christian, or they are unbaptised, but wish to have their children baptised in the Catholic faith. These parents are invited to speak with Fr Vittorio to assess their situation and discuss the best way to approach the baptism of their children. Together it may be possible to find a way by promising that the child will embrace and be supported in growth in the Catholic faith. There may also be children, of Catholic parents or non-Catholic parents, who have been baptised in other Christian denominations, for various reasons, and they wish to be accepted into fully communion in the Catholic Church. In this case, the parents are also invited to see Fr Vittorio to discuss their situation. The four meetings are necessary to refresh the understanding of baptism and to commit themselves for the rite of acceptance into full communion in the Catholic Church. The parish can arrange this rite to be conducted at Sunday mass.

The dates of the instructions are as follows:

Wed 12 August 2015 at 4.00 to 5.30 (the first meeting is longer for the general details)

Wed 19 August 2015 at 4.00 to 5.00

Wed 26 August 2015 at 4.00 to 5.00

Tues 01 September 2015 at 4.00 to 5.00

Once instructions have been completed, parents are requested to contact the parish office to arrange the baptism of their child with a priest or deacon of their choice.

Please enrol your child by completing the details below, as early as possible, as the deadline will be the 31st July 2015.

For further information contact: Catholic Parish Office 11 Money St Bunbury Fax 9791 3257

Email: parishadmin1@bunburycatholic.org.au

2015 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME FOR BAPTISIM OF 6 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER Parents Name..... Phone..... Please prepare my child/children for Baptism as follows: Child's Name **School Year School Name**

Age

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH OFFICE

⇒ Postal address: PO Box 2005 BUNBURY 6231 ⇒Street address: **11 Money Street, Bunbury**