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St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

Sept

Fri 16 Athletics Carnival Pre Primary to Year 6

Tue 20 Open Night 5.45pm - 7pm

Kindergarten Open Day

Wed 21 Grandparents Mass and Morning Tea

Fri 23 Last Day of Term Staff and Students

Oct

Mon 10 First Day Staff and Students

Vision Statement

A welcoming faith
community

We value
relationships

We pursue excellence
in learning

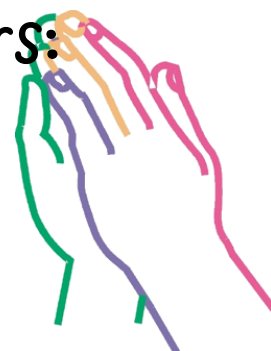
We live the Gospel
message of love

God's three answers to your prayers:

1. Yes

2. Not yet

3. I have something better in mind



Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

I was amazed on Friday after school by the number of students and parents who braved the bleak weather to walk, run and push prams around the 800m track as part of the annual '60 Minute Challenge'. The competition between students was strong with some students running more than ten kilometres in the hour. The Year 5 class took out the prize for the combined class effort with almost 140km. Thank you to all those who supported the community building event.

Congratulations to Skye and Reagan Carr in Year 6 who have received Indigenous Bursary Awards to assist them with their study at Bunbury Catholic College in 2017.

Playgroup next term will run under a different format with Mrs Rose Anderson, who is one of our Education Assistants, organising the activities based in the Kindy room. Sessions will be on Wednesday mornings from 9am until 11am, starting on 12 October with parents still responsible for their own children. The cost will be \$50 per term. Places will be limited so you can register your interest at the office.

Next year's Kindergarten families are currently being surveyed to find out their preference for four half days or three full days for 2017. A final decision will be made in the coming weeks.

Please keep fingers and toes crossed that the weather improves for tomorrow's Athletics Carnival at Hay Park. Students in Years 4 - 6 will be transported to the carnival by bus at 9am, with the first event starting at 9.20am.

Next week is another full of exciting events with Kindy Open Day on Tuesday, some running events on the agenda, Open Night Tuesday evening from 5.45pm and Grandparents' Mass and Morning Tea on Wednesday morning.

Paul Cronin
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	Grace Richardson	Imogen de Chanéet	Brianna Spinelli
YEAR 2	Nicholas Bouzada-Olgati	Toby McGee	Adam Mainstone
YEAR 3	Taneisha Scott	Adrianna Minnella	
YEAR 4	Jessica Kennedy	Kade Lubcke	Jedd Patterson
YEAR 5	Ned Pemberton	Maddison Lord	
YEAR 6	Skye Carr	Jarrad Italiano	
A.R. 75%	Jessica Kennedy	Lani Cahill	Max Sarre
A.R. 100%	Ranee Cross	Alexis Donovan	Elizabeth Curtis
OTHER	Certificate of Appreciation	Vince Di Lallo	Anoushka Heble



SCHOOL NEWS

SPORTS CARNIVAL ABSENTEES

Please note that the Kindergarten class will run as normal on Athletics Carnival Day tomorrow, and all children are expected to be in attendance. Students who will not be attending school are required to provide a note to the school, that is signed by their parent/caregiver BEFORE the day of the carnival.

HPE NEWS

St Mary's CPS 60 Minute Challenge

What a great turn up for our second 60 Minute Challenge. Well done to all our competitors. Results will be posted on the Hall windows. Thanks to parent helpers and Emma Norrish for all your good work and support.

Athletics

The schedule for 2016 was sent home on Tuesday with the eldest in each family. Please bring this as your copy for the day. A coffee van will be present. We would appreciate parent help for the Junior Primary events, including Vortex throwing.

The SWPSA Interschool Sports Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 20 October at the Hay Park athletics track.

Relay For Life

A flyer will be sent home with the eldest in each family with information on Relay for Life. If you are interested in being a part of Relay for Life please let me know.

Mr Alberti

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BOOK CLUB

Issue 6 orders have arrived and were distributed yesterday.

UNIFORM NOTES

A reminder that the Uniform Shop will be closed tomorrow for the Athletics Carnival. Surplus second hand uniform items are available for a gold coin donation. These are on sale for the duration of this week in the Hall. Proceeds will go to Caritas. Items could be used for patches, spare buttons or future uniform requirements.

For the first two weeks of Term 4, students are permitted to wear either full winter uniform or full summer uniform. From Week 3 onwards, only summer uniform is to be worn. Summer uniforms are available from the Uniform Shop.

SWOOPING MAGPIES DURING BREEDING SEASON

The Department of Parks and Wildlife would like to remind you that the magpie breeding season is approaching. It is not uncommon for magpies to defend their nests and young during spring, by swooping intruders. The season may last for six to eight weeks during late August to December. Magpies swoop to protect eggs and young from attack during the nesting season from August to October. They rely largely on intimidation to deter human

intruders by flying low and fast, often clacking their bill as they pass overhead. The sound of their wings whistling past and the movement of air can be alarming. However, by confidently continuing on your way, the bird will often retreat to the safety of a tree and watch you until you leave the territory. Like dogs, magpies seem to sense fear and may capitalise on this by pressing on with an attack. A threatening gesture with a hat, stick or umbrella will usually make the bird retreat. Occasionally, a magpie will strike an intruder on the head with its bill but such strikes are rare. Magpies only swoop during the relatively short period of the nesting season and for the majority of birds, it is merely bluff. Never provoke a magpie by drawing attention to yourself or throwing stones, because Magpies have a good memory and may continuously attack a potential aggressor. If the bird is in an area on the way to and from school or work, it would be a good idea to use a different route during the short period the magpie is aggressive.

The following steps can be followed to avoid or reduce the impact of a swooping magpie:

- Never deliberately provoke or harass a magpie. Throwing sticks or stones at magpies usually makes them more defensive.
- Avoid areas where magpies are known to swoop. Remember, magpie aggression lasts only a few weeks and they usually only defend a small area of about 100 metre radius around their nest.
- Locate the bird and keep watching it when entering a magpie territory. If it swoops, don't crouch in fear or stop, move on quickly but don't run.
- If you are riding a bike dismount and walk through nesting magpie territory, wear a helmet and fit an orange traffic flag to the bike.
- Wear a hat and sunglasses or carry a stick or umbrella to protect yourself. A magpie will attack from behind initially. When a Magpie is tricked into believing the target is alert, the attack may stop or may not even get started.
- Adopt a confident stance towards the bird as this can have a strong deterrent effect. This response is most commonly used by adults but can easily be taught to children.



Walk to School
Day
2016

St Mary's students joined thousands of students across Australia who participated in the annual Walk to School Day. St Mary's does a very good job of promoting a healthy life style. Thank you to the students, parents and staff who took part this morning.



Spaghetti Bridges

By Aidan Hall

Research:

We researched different types of bridges which were beam bridges, suspension bridges, cable stay bridges and arch bridges. Then we researched the strongest shape. We did this by building various shapes using straws and testing their strength. We discovered that the strongest shape was a triangle.

Planning:

We drew some ideas for our spaghetti bridge and then chose the best one. Then we drew the rear view, the side view, the worm's eye view and the bird's eye view. This was drawn to scale on baking paper.

Building:

We built our bridge with spaghetti and hot glue. We made sure our bridge was strong and it followed all the rules.

Testing:

Once we finished our spaghetti bridge, it was weighed and then tested. Then the weight of the bridge was divided by how much it held and we were told what place we got. Milly, Lochlan, Charlee and I got fifth place. To test the bridge, a bucket was attached to the bridge. Then they slowly filled it with sand. When it broke, the bucket, the wire and the sand was weighed. Ours held one kilogram. I was astounded by how much some of the bridges held.



The winning group was Jacob, Raymond, Elena and Daniel. Their bridge did not hold the most weight, but was light in comparison. The winning team show off their bridge.



Molly, Adam and Jai wait in suspense for the bridge to break under the weight.



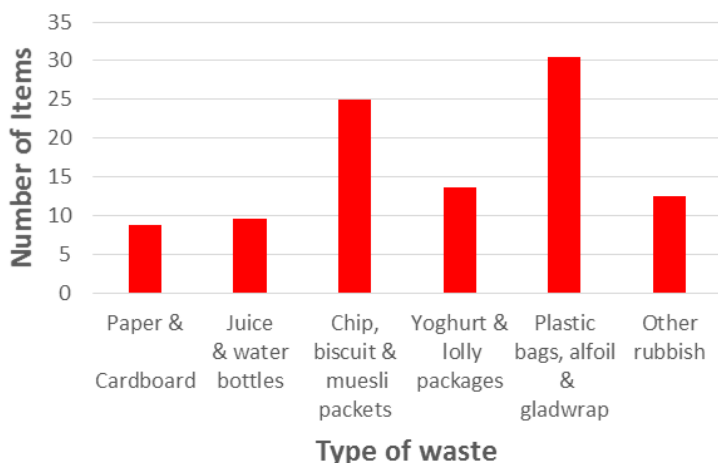
Charlee, Lochlan, Aidan and Milly are proud of their final product



SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

On Tuesday a waste audit of all the school's waste was undertaken by the Year 6 Community Committee. As a school we have already embarked on a number of strategies to reduce our waste including collecting and recycling food scraps for chooks and using more recycling bins throughout the school for paper and plastic. It was great to see an impressive 3kg of fruit and vegetable scraps in our chook bins in one day!

Recess and Lunch Waste Audit Results
for 13/09/16



The graph above shows the results. We had 249 pieces of rubbish on Tuesday which works out to be a massive 46 314 pieces of rubbish in one year!

In Term 4 we will be reintroducing Nude Food Days every Thursday to see if we can minimise our waste.



CANTEEN SUPREME

A reminder that the canteen will not open tomorrow due to the running of the Athletics Carnival. Canteen volunteers for Friday 23 September are Kristy Richardson and Janelle O'Reilly. Thank you to Janelle for assisting last Friday. I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday. Thank you to all parent volunteers for their time and effort in the canteen which is greatly appreciated. **Please note that the canteen menu will remain unchanged for Term 4.** Our volunteers on Wednesday 12 October are Susan Mainstone and Janine Stewart. Parent volunteers are invited to check the Term 4 roster in the canteen and confirm their availability on their rostered days. Thank you.



A reminder that Grandparents' Mass and Morning Tea will celebrated on Wednesday 21 September, with entertainment provided by the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Choirs. Grandparents are then invited to view their grandchildren's work in the classrooms. Please note that extra parking will be available on the school oval for the morning.



2017 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS, P & F BURSARIES AND INDIGENOUS BURSARIES

The Principal and Bunbury Catholic College Community congratulate these students on their achievements and welcome them to our **MARIST CAMPUS in Bunbury and MERCY CAMPUS in Australind.**

Year 7 2017

Academic Scholarships

Michael Yates	-	Leschenault Catholic PS AUSTRALIND
Mia Nandapi	-	Leschenault Catholic PS AUSTRALIND
Nicholas Wilson	-	Leschenault Catholic PS AUSTRALIND
Jessica Marzano	-	St Anne's School HARVEY
Zakary Sutherland	-	Leschenault Catholic PS AUSTRALIND
Declan Wilts	-	South Bunbury PS

P & F Bursaries

Elijah Birrell	-	Our Lady of Lourdes DARDANUP
Jacob Gillett	-	St Michael's School BRUNSWICK
Jasmine Pelusey	-	Our Lady of Lourdes DARDANUP
Dempsey Shepherd	-	St Brigid's School COLLIE

Indigenous Bursaries

Kehaan Lange-McGuire	-	Tuart Forest School DALYELLUP
Tanai Shedley	-	Kingston School AUSTRALIND
Jayden Ugle	-	St Mary's School DONNYBROOK
Skye Carr	-	St Mary's School BUNBURY
Raegan Carr	-	St Mary's School BUNBURY
Tiaa May	-	Kingston School AUSTRALIND
Dana Whatford	-	EATON Primary School

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South West Phoenix FC Academy

Skill Acquisition Program

The Skill Acquisition Program (SAP) focuses on teaching players functional game skills.

Striking the Ball, First Touch, 1v1, Running with the Ball.

These are the technical skills required to perform effectively during a game.



Register at: myfootballclub.com.au

Age: 9- 12 years boys and girls

Training: Thursday 4-5pm OR/BOTH
Saturday 9-10am

Cost: \$ 80.00 (10 sessions) Returning Player
\$120.00(10 sessions) New player - includes kit

STARTS: October 13th & 15th 2016.

Contact: Jen Curtis 0438900704
juniordoordinator@swpfc.com.au

Positive Body Image

Presentation by
Heather Lowndes :

A local Registered

Psychologist



"I am normal" "I am unique" "I accept myself"

Date: Tuesday October 11th

Time: 7.00-8.00pm

Who is invited: Adult women and men

Venue: Backbeach Café

\$25 a person, booking essential

**Ph 97 913350 for more information,
payment and bookings**

enjoy Disney Classics at BREC these school holidays



The Lion King (G)
Tuesday 27 Sept, 11am



Frozen (G)
Wednesday 28 Sept, 11am



Toy Story (G)
Friday 30 Sept, 11am

**TICKETS
\$10
EACH**

www.bunburyentertainment.com | 1300 661 272

Just a reminder that registrations are open for Junior Cricket this season. The Marist Head Junior Coach is Chris Laker, our English professional player. Chris has just spent the season playing for Lancashire 2nd XI in England.

All ages - Boys and Girls welcome

In2Cricket: Pre Primary - Year 2

Thursday afternoons

T20 Blast: Years 3 and 4

Wednesday afternoons

Junior Cricket: Years 5 - 12

matches Saturday morning

Season starts in early October (Term 4)

Register on line at maristcricketclub.com

Further details contact Jeff Wootton 0429 800 090



WA
**Youth
AWARDS**
est. 1999

A CELEBRATION OF OUTSTANDING
West Australian young people



Giving young people, youth workers and youth organisations get the recognition they deserve.

The WA Youth Awards were established in 1999 to recognise young Western Australians aged 12 to 25 years for their achievements and contributions to the community. The Awards also reward outstanding youth groups and organisations that serve and support young people in WA. If you know an outstanding young person, youth worker or youth organisation,

nominate them in one of eight categories.

The Awards will be presented at a gala ceremony at Crown Perth on

Friday, 25 November 2016.

To find out more about the **WA Youth Awards**, the eight categories, the key dates or to nominate, go to

www.yacwa.org.au



The Astronomical Society of the South West (Inc) will be holding open astronomy nights for the public at their Observatory, Keble Heights, College Grove, Bunbury, during the middle weekend of the October School Holidays. The Observatory will be open on Friday 30 September, Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 October each night from 7.00pm to 10.00pm, weather permitting. Cost: - Adults \$12.00; Children \$8.00; Family - \$35.00. For further Information, Phone: Cameron on 9795 8204