St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES

September	
Fri 15	St Mary's Athletics Carnival PP—6 9am - 2.20pm
Mon 18	Book Week - Escape to Everywhere
Tue 19	Visiting Author/Illustrator Years 1 - 6
Wed 20	**Pre Primary - Year 2 Liturgy 9am**
Thur 21	Kindy Sports Carnival 2pm
Fri 22	Year 4 Assembly
	Last Day of Term
	Book Week Dress Up Day
October	
Mon 9	First Day **Staff Only**
Tue 10	First Day Students

Vision Statement

A welcoming faith community

We value relationships

We pursue excellence in learning

We live the Gospel message of love

Oh Mary, Mother of Love, Mother of Sorrows and Mother of mercy!
We beg you to unite your petition with ours so that your Divine Son, Jesus,
To Whom we now turn in the name of your Motherly Tears,
Answers our prayers and, with the graces we ask for,
Grants us the kingdom of eternal life.
Amen

New Date for Junior Primary Liturgy
The Junior Primary Liturgy for Pre Primary to Year 2 will be held on Wednesday 20 September at 9am in the Chapel. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Please note that there will be NO 100 CLUB THIS FRIDAY DUE TO THE RUNNING OF THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL. Thank you.

Principal's Welcome

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

It would seem I was a little early in saying that we were over the worst of the ailments in last week's newsletter, with many students away at various times this week as well. You can be reassured that schools in surrounding suburbs have faced similar issues so we are not alone! To help reduce the risk of others being infected, students in the lower year levels have been shown how to minimise the spreading of germs when coughing and anti bacterial sanitiser was purchased for each classroom. Parents have also been actively encouraged to keep their children home if they were sick.

Congratulations to students and staff on the presentation of classrooms for Open Night. The work on display highlighted the diverse range of educational opportunities offered to students at St Mary's.

Wednesday's Grandparents Morning Tea was a wonderful celebration with more than 120 grandparents entertained by our Junior and Senior Choirs, before classroom tours with their grandchildren, a thought provoking Liturgy that highlighted the special love between grandchildren and their grandparents and a sumptuous morning tea. Special thanks to our dynamic team of Year 3 parents who set up the hall and coordinated morning tea.

Tomorrow is our annual St Mary's Athletics Carnival at Hay Park involving students from Pre Primary to Year 6. Parents who are carnival regulars will notice a slight change in the program that will give students the chance to do some cheering from the bays to build some atmosphere which was a suggestion from parent feedback. We look forward to seeing you there!

God bless

Paul Cronin

STUDENT AWARDS

YEAR 1	Lucas Kilpatrick	Margaux Ramsay		
YEAR 2	Ruby Maratea	Angus Brown		
YEAR 3	James Whitcher	Taylor McNamara		
YEAR 4	Abigail Hynes	Paige Hebbend	Harry Piacentini	Mia Ivey
YEAR 5	Natalia Dillon	Alexis Donovan		
YEAR 6	Max Sarre	Flynn Smith		
A.R. 75%	Maddison Cream	Henley O'Reilly	Cadel Bele	Adrianna Minnella
	Lucas Pedrochi	Aidan Hall	Aurora Postma	Zachary Bemrose
	Emmi Cahill	Adam Mainstone		
A.R. 100%	Jacob Coulson	Leo Pemberton	Lily Kilpatrick	

SCHOOL NEWS

ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES

During a recent outbreak in Bunbury the Health Department sent out media releases referencing these guidelines: http://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Communicable-disease-guidelines. Please read for your information.

ST MARY'S ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our annual Athletics Carnival for Pre Primary to Year 6 will be held at the Athletics Centre, Hay Park, on Friday 15 September. We will be looking at a revised format to promote that 'carnival atmosphere.' Students are asked to wear their faction coloured shirts on the day. Marcellin - Blue, Ursula - Red and McAuley - Green.
The 2017 SWPSA Interschool Sports Carnival for Years 4 – 6 students who make the team will be held on Thursday 19 October at Hay Park from 9.30am to 2pm.

60 MINUTE CHALLENGE 2017

Well done to all competitors in this year's 60 Minute Challenge. 81 runners had their laps recorded. These runners ran a collective total of 540.8kms. This equates to 1,082 100 Club Laps! Wow! A big thank you to Alejandra Olgiati for organising a free donation of the sausages for our sausage sizzle. Thank you parent markers. Special mention to Brooke Brand for helping set up the BBQs, cutting the onions, etc., and our master chef Ben de Chanéet.

IRONKIDS BUSSELTON

Calling all kids aged 7 - 13! Become an IRONKIDS Champion on Saturday 2 December 2017 when you complete the kid's only version of the SunSmart IRONMAN Western Australia. Each finisher will receive a medal and an IRONKIDS Tshirt. Get the whole family involved with the IRONKIDS Family Wave; with an emphasis on safety, fitness and fun. A great day out for all, with a random prize draw afterwards. More Information at:
http://ap.ironman.com/triathlon/events/asiapac/ironman/western-australia/events/ironkids-busselton.aspx#ixzz4rO2AV5kH

FOOTBALL

It was remiss of me to not make mention of the football games that took place between St Mary's CPS and South Bunbury PS a fortnight ago ay Hands Oval. We had 2 boys teams and 1 girls team competing from Years 5 and 6. Students acquitted themselves well and enjoyed the opportunity. Thanks to Mr Mike Kelly and Mr Priest for coaching one of our football teams, Mr Cronin for umpiring and Mrs Sarre for assisting with our girls team!
Mr T Alberti
HPE and Music/Drama teacher.

MURAL UNDER WAY TOMORROW

Artist Mr Andrew Fraser will begin paining his mural on the wall near the flag pole tomorrow while we are at the Athletics Carnival. Students will have the opportunity to watch his work take shape over the course of next week with the aim of having it completed by the last day of term. Special thanks to the P & F for paying for Andrew to transform the wall.

Time	Yr. 3	Yr.2	Yr. 1	PP	Yr. 4	Yr. 5	Yr. 6
9.20	50m ®	50m®	50m®	50m®	100m	100m	100m
9.50	Vortex®	Vortex®	Egg 'n' Spoon Relay	Egg 'n' Spoon Relay	Triple Jump	Shot Put	Turbo Javelin
10.20	Flag Races®	Flag Races®	Flag Races®	Flag Races®	200m	200m	200m
10.50	Egg 'n' Spoon Relay	Egg 'n' Spoon Relay	Vortex®	Vortex®	Turbo Javelin	Triple Jump	Long Jump
11.20	Stone Bridge Tree®	Stone Bridge Tree®	Stone Bridge Tree®	Stone Bridge Tree®	Leader Ball	Leader Ball	Leader Ball
11.50	Sack Race	Sack Race	Sack Race	Sack Race	Shot Put	Long Jump	Triple Jump
12.20	Rob the Nest	Rob the Nest.	Rob the Nest	Rob the Nest.	Pass ball/Tunnel Ball	Pass ball/Tunnel Ball	Pass ball/Tunnel Ball
12.40	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1.10	Bus back to school	Bus back to school	Bus back to school	Bus back to school	400m	400m	400m
1.40					Long Jump	Turbo Javelin	Shot Put
1.55					4 x 100 Relay	4 x 100 Relay	4 x 100 Relay

® = Ribbon Event. Blue Type = Students in bays unless competing on the Track!

St Mary's Athletics Carnival Schedule 2017. Parents use this copy for Carnival Day. Times are indications only and can v

2.15 Presentation **2.30 Bus back to St Mary's.**

Announcer	**Paula Lubcke**
Recorders	**Janelle Norrish and Anna Guzzi**
Starter	**Martin Hynes**
Starter's Marshall	**Daniel Marshall**
Finish Judge	**Mr Priest**
First Place	**Brenda Hall**
Second Place	**Kate Turner**
Third Place	**Jenelle O'Reilly**
Fourth Place	**Ashley Ramsay**
Time Keepers	**Medrica Di Lallo & Chloe Fiori**
Long Jump	**Pit 1. Mrs Turpin & Brenda Hall. Pit 2 Kate Turner and Jenelle O'Reilly**
Triple Jump	**Pit 1. Mr Alberti and Medrica Di Lallo, Pit 2. Mr Priest and Mrs Scasserra**
Shot Put	**Pit 1. Mr Cronin & Jason Lubcke, Pit 2. Mrs Toia and Chloe Fiori**
Turbo Javelin	**Pit 1. Mrs Webb and Daniel Marshall. Pit 2. Mrs Illman and Greg Murray**
Junior Primary activities	**Mrs Torrisi, Mrs Anderson, Mrs Villani, Mrs Mountford, Ms Blechynden, Ms Brown, Alejandra Olgiati, Catherine Menzie.**

St Mary's Book Week is

Monday 18th September to Friday 22nd September

WEEK 10!

All week - Shared Reading

Younger students will have the opportunity to listen to stories read by older students.

Tuesday 19th Sept - Visiting Illustrator Gabriel Evans

Students will participate in a workshop with a talented local artist and see him work his magic in front of their eyes! Due to the support of the P&F the full cost of this experience is covered.

Friday 22nd Sept —Book Week Dress Up Day

Following the Year 4 Assembly and Merit Awards we will all have a chance to show off our costumes to the school community during a Book Week Parade!

Note - Year 4 students will be given time to change out of their assembly costume and into their Book Week costume while the rest of the school receives their Merit Awards. *

Government of **Western Australia**
WA Country Health Service

29 August 2017

Dear Parent/Caregiver

Re: Influenza and Influenza-like Illness at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Bunbury

The Health Department has been contacted by the St Mary's Catholic Primary School, due to concern about the rising number of students experiencing respiratory illnesses. The Health Department can confirm there are increasing numbers of cases of influenza and influenza-like illnesses in the South West.

These highly contagious illnesses are mainly spread by droplets made when an infected person coughs or sneezes and can also be spread through touching surfaces where infected droplets have landed.

Symptoms of influenza include fever, cough, sore throat, headache, chills, muscle aches, tiredness and vomiting. It is generally more severe than the common cold and lasts much longer. Some people are at more risk of serious disease and can develop serious complications such as bronchitis, pneumonia, or in severe cases, death. People experiencing moderate to severe symptoms should see their GP.

Children and staff who are sick with the symptoms listed above should stay away from school until the symptoms have resolved. This is recommended so they don't pass the illness onto other people, and so they can get proper rest and recover more quickly from the illness.

Simple steps to stop the spread of flu include:

- Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze
- Throw used tissues in a rubbish bin
- Wash your hands thoroughly and often – for at least 10 seconds - especially after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose, or use an alcohol-based hand rub
- Stay home until you are well, to avoid infecting others

For further information please contact the South West Population Health Unit and ask to speak to a Public Health Nurse – 97812350

South West Population Health Team
WA Country Health Service

Floor 4, Bunbury Tower, 61 Victoria Street, Bunbury WA 6230
Tel: (08) 9781 2350 Facsimile: (08) 9781 2381
http://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au

Grandparents' Liturgy and Morning Tea

Many thanks to all the wonderful Year 3 Parents who contributed their time and/or supplied food for our annual Grandparents Morning Tea. The school hall was filled with over 120 smiling Grandparents. Thank you to Mr Mills and the choirs that entertained us with their beautiful voices. A big shout out also to the Year 6's that helped us set up and clean up. You are an extremely capable and helpful bunch – thank you. Many thanks also go to the Piacentini family who donated the beautiful flowers from their garden.

Rikki & Kate
Year 3 Reps

Open Night

Spare Parts Puppet Theatre

Students from Kindy to Year 6 were treated to a visit from the Spare Parts Puppet Theatre last week with a version of Roald Dahl's 'The Twits.' A huge thank you to the P & F for sponsoring the performance and puppet making sessions for Years 1 - 6.

Reference guide for parental involvement in Catholic schools – an accompaniment to Factsheet 4: The Parent Volunteer Exemption*

Parental involvement in their child's school life has benefits for all concerned: the parent, the child and the school community.

There are many ways that parents can be involved in their child's education such as:

- helping in the classroom
- assisting in the canteen and uniform shop
- attending assemblies
- enjoying sport carnivals
- celebrating festivals and special events like Mothers' Day
- supporting religious sacraments
- joining the Parents and Friends Association

and lots of other activities.

When do parents need a WWC Check? In most of these cases they don't! Western Australia, like other states, considers that involvement by parents to support their children in school related activities should not be regulated by legislation and instead other safeguards should be implemented. This is a view supported by the *Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse*.

There are however a handful of exceptions where parents must obtain a WWC Check for example:

- any paid work in the school with students
- any coaching activity which does not involve their own child
- any mentoring program which does not involve their own child
- any student camp where the parent is volunteering as a helper
- any billeting arrangement where the parent/s act as a host family

In the situation where a school hosts a family camp or father/son camp or father/daughter camp or any other variation then the following applies:

- if the parent is simply attending with their child/children and has no other role in the camp then a WWC Check is **not** required
- if the parent is volunteering as a helper beyond supervising their own children then a WWC Check **is** required.

While some school activities, such as overnight camps, pose a higher risk than others over reliance on the WWC Check will not necessarily make these environments safer for children. The WWC Check is only one of the strategies that should be used to ensure schools are safe and friendly places for students. It is important that other child safeguarding strategies such as policies and procedures, codes of conduct and adequate supervision of children are considered. If parent volunteers are ineligible for a WWC Check under the parent volunteer exemption, an organisation can have their own policy that requires parent volunteers for particular activities to have either a National Police Check for Volunteers or a National Police Certificate.

For more information please refer to the WWC Check website or contact Kirstyn O'Shea, Project Officer on phone number (08) 6217 8121 or email Kirstyn.OShea@communities.wa.gov.au.

* This guide is intended to be read in conjunction with Factsheet 4: The Parent Volunteer Exemption. This and other resources are available on the WWC Check website www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au. The parent volunteer exemption **does not** extend to grandparents or other close relatives unless they have a court order to care for the child.

FAIRBRIDGE

JUNIOR CHEF

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2017

Book now for a fun packed day with our Chef at Fairbridge! You'll spend the morning perfecting cheese & ham pastry twists, make your own yummy pizza from scratch for lunch AND bake some tasty double choc chip cookies to take home for the family to enjoy!!

After lunch you'll have some fun in our adventure area with indoor rocking climbing and the giant swing…

8am – 4pm
$50.00 per person

Option for late pickup up to 5pm (must be arranged prior)
Suitable for ages 6+
Closing date: 26th September, Limited spaces available

For more information for this or future events at Fairbridge contact Steph on 9531 1177, functions@fairbridge.asn.au or follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/FairbridgeWA/

South West Highway, Pinjarra WA 6208 **Phone: (08) 9531 1177**
Email: functions@fairbridge.asn.au **Website: www.fairbridge.asn.au**

OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Outdoor Adventure Activities

at Fairbridge Village, Pinjarra.

Wednesday 27th September: High Ropes, Walk the Plank & Climbing Challenges

Thursday 28th September: Archery, Damper Making & Team Games

Friday 29th September: Flying Fox, Giant Swing & Indoor Rock-Climbing

8.00am - 4.00pm
option for late pickup – up to 5.30pm
(must be booked in advanced)
Ages 7-14 years
$50 per day or $140 for 3 days
Deadline to book in 20th September

For more information call Scott on:
9531 7916
or email: activities@fairbridge.asn.au
Web: www.fairbridge.asn.au/outdoor-recreation
(minimum numbers of 10 will be required to run each day)

FAIRBRIDGE
South West Highway, Pinjarra
Tel: (08) 9531 1177 Web: www.fairbridge.asn.au
Email: activities@fairbridge.asn.au

Fairbridge Village is 100% non-profit. All surplus income goes towards programs for young people in need.

CITY OF BUNBURY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC

Postal: PO Box 81, Bunbury, W.A. 6231 Phone: 08 9721 3633 ABN: 49 959 694 957
Email: surfclub@bunburyslsc.com.au Website: www.bunburyslsc.com.au

MAKING YOUR LIFE ON THE BEACH SAFER THIS SUMMER

Surf to Surf 2km Primary School Challenge

Who: Open to all Primary Students (5 to 12 yrs).

What: 2km Run or Walk.

Where: Part of the Bunbury Surf to Surf Fun Run, Ocean Dr Bunbury.

When: Sunday 15th October 2017 @ 8.00 Briefing, 08.40 start time.

Cost: $15 donation to The City of Bunbury SLSC.

Register with your organising School Teacher or online:
https://secure.onreg.com/onreg2/front/step1.php?id=3798

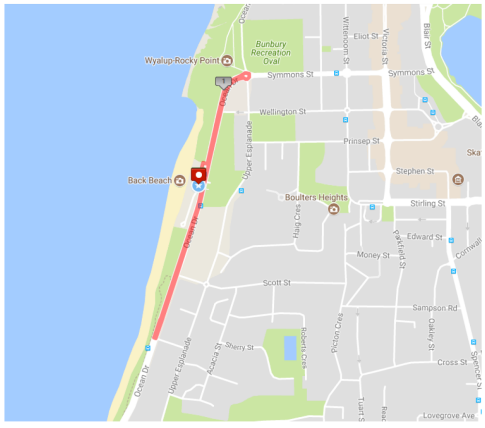
Prizes:

Winning Primary School - $200 + $250 Retravision voucher
All competitors will receive a participation medal

Competitors must wear their primary school sports uniform. Prize will be awarded to the Primary school with the highest no of entries in this event per student enrolment.

Note road closures are in place along Ocean Dr from 7.30am. Please plan accordingly.

https://www.bunburyslsc.com.au/fun-run



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SURF TO SURF

SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2017

21.1KM HALF MARATHON RUN • **10KM** RUN • **5KM** RUN • **5KM** WALK

2KM WALK/RUN - PRIMARY SCHOOL CHALLENGE

ENTRIES NOW OPEN

Early Bird Specials until **12th September** · Entries close **12pm 13th October 2017**

To enter go to **www.bunburyslsc.com.au/fun-run**

Contact: **funrun@bunburyslsc.com.au**

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

CITY OF BUNBURY · SURF LIFE SAVING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots
at Saint Mary's Primary School

Years 1-3
Monday Mornings 7:30 - 8:30am

Years 4-6
Wednesday Mornings 7:30 - 8:30am

$15 per session / $135 for term
Term 4 programs start week of 16th October, 2017
Term 1 programs start week of 5th February, 2018

Contact: Andrew Woodward | bunbury@tennisexcellence.com.au | 1300 424 544
Payments can be made via EFT to Tennis Excellence – Bunbury:
BSB: 306066 A/C: 2599362. Please include player name as reference.
www.tennisexcellence.com.au

Putting the FUN back into FUNdamentals

Government of Western Australia
WA Country Health Service

"Health Links to Early Learning"
Talk for Parents of 3 - 4 year olds.
(Kindergarten 2018.)

Presentation by Community School Nurse Jean Friend
Guest Paediatrician Attending

Is your Child ready for Kindergarten?
Learn about what to expect and how to get support early to prevent problems once they start school.

Date: Thursday 12 October 2017

Time: 7 - 8 pm

Where: Grace Christian School Auditorium
(Next door to Bunbury Farmers Market)
22 Vittoria Road
Glen Iris
Bunbury 6230

Free Gift pack on the night.

Email interest to attend before 10 October 2017
jean.friend@health.wa.gov.au

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YOUR LOCAL SUNCORP NETSETGO CENTRE!

Suncorp NetSetGO is Australia's only recognised junior netball program for children ages 5-10 years old that is nationally branded and endorsed, providing a great introduction to Netball, the program incorporates skills and modified games in a fun, safe, quality controlled environment. Suncorp NetSetGO provides proven sporting pathways for clubs, schools and recreation centres.

Your Local Suncorp NetSetGO Centre: Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School
Program Start: October 19, 2017 (8 week program)
Time: 3.30pm - 4.30pm on Thursday nights
Price: $80 per participant

REGISTER NOW!

SUMMER HOCKEY
TERM 4

Never played hockey before? Then this is where to start!

For all year 4's, 5's and 6's

Focused on fun and enjoyment and having a go.

When – Monday afternoons, 5-6pm

Where – Bunbury Hockey Stadium, Parade Road

Contact:

Scott – 0437 902 307

maristjuniorhockeyclub@outlook.com

Play all 8 weeks, or just a few, it's your choice

Haven't got any equipment? Let us know and we will help you out!