

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 4 April 2019

Vision Statement

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

Prayer

Loving God, You have heard my complaints, my impatience. Sometimes I become frightened when I move away from you. Guide my heart back to you. Help me to think beyond my own wants and to desire only to do your will. Thank you for the many blessings in my life and for the ways I feel your presence.

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

I will be away from next Tuesday and will not be returning to school until Week 4 next term. I need to have an operation on my hip and have been having trouble walking for some time. Ms Helen Brown will be Acting Principal while I am away.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for the incredible support you have demonstrated in so many ways during first term, thank staff for creating such a variety of learning opportunities and students for being so positive and working hard, and wish everyone a Holy and safe Easter break.

Parent Meetings

Communication between teachers and parents is a very important factor in assisting children's development. Parent meetings are a key to that

relationship and I thank all parents and teachers for making the time to meet over the coming week.

Car Rally a Hit

A huge thank you to Kim Fildes, Jenelle O'Reilly, Ale Olgiati, Lana Ivey and our team of Year 6 helpers for their assistance with the recent <u>Car Rally</u>. We had 27 cars involved. Teams needed to drive around Bunbury and beyond while answering questions and collecting odd items along the way, and while being dressed in some fancy costumes. Finding a beer coaster proved a challenge at 10.30am and we had varying amounts of beach sand handed in at the finish line. Congratulations to Pedrochi's Pirates for taking out first place. Thank you also to Woolworths for donating sausages and Bakers Delight for the buns.

Reconciliation

Congratulations to our students in Years 3 and 4 who made their First Reconciliation last week. Thank you to Fr Gerald and his three assisting priests. Reconciliation is an important step on the children's faith journey. We are grateful to the parents who assisted with a shared lunch for the group last Friday.

Distributing Photos of Other People's Children on Social Media without their Consent is Illegal

I have had several complaints from parents recently about photographs of their children being placed on social media without their consent by parents at St Mary's. It is a topic I have spoken about at parent meetings and in the newsletter before. You cannot take photos of other people's children and put them on the internet because this is in breach of Commonwealth Privacy Laws which state that: "images of children that would enable them to be identified for example, in a school uniform, outside their house, or showing their name should not be published on the Internet without the consent of both the child and their parent or guardian."

https://aifs.gov.au/cfca/publications/images-children-and-young-people-online

Condolences

Our sincere condolences are extended to Medrica, Vince, Jack, Max and Emma Di Lallo on the recent loss of Medrica's father. We are sorry for your loss, and pray for strength, peace and comfort for you all at this sad time.

Baby News

Congratulations to Jacob, Chloe and Lyla Young on the safe arrival of baby Lucinda Love.

Thank You

My sincere thanks to everyone in the St Mary's community who has offered their condolences on the recent loss of my sister's husband. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

God bless Paul Cronin



Calendar Dates

APRIL

Thursday 4

SWPSA T20 Years 5/6 Student Mindfulness and Meditation Sessions 3.15pm & 4.30pm

Sunday 7

5th Week Lent

Monday 8

Parent Interviews begin

Wednesday 10

Reconciliation Year 6
Science and Engineering Day SWSC

Thursday 11

Easter Raffle Draw

Friday 12

ANZAC Day Service 8.45am
Easter Liturgy 2pm
Term ends for Staff and Students

Tuesday 30 April

Term begins for Students

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

Link to Term Planners

Link to 2019 Term Dates

St Mary's Sports Dates 2019

Student Awards

WEEK 7

WEEK 8

Year 1 Oscar Depiazzi, Shelby Krikke, Jasmine Leigh

Year 1 Darcy Harrison, Sophia Karlsen, Noah Buswell

Year 2 Sonny Dean, Mila Freiberger

Year 3 Liam Jones, Kaitlyn Pitts

Year 4 Brianna Spinelli, Seton Do

Year 5 Emmi Cahill, Elianna Cross

Year 6 Harper Panuccio, Paige Hebbend

Principal Evan Crowley, Mia Ivey

A.R. 50% Holly Bambrick

Year 2 Nuala Hamill-Harling, Lachlan Scheffner

Year 3 Sophia Clark, Ayla Mighall

Year 4 Holly Bambrick, Oliver

Stewart

Year 5 Keira Pitts, Noah smith

Year 6 Cadel Bele, Jasmine Turner

A.R. 50% Lewis Evans, Elena Gibbs

Principal Archie Lowe, Raine Potter

RE News

Lenten Program

Parents and friends of St Mary's are warmly invited to share in a time of prayer, reflection and discussion based on the Parish Lenten Program. The theme this year is 'Journey into New Life' and is a collaboration between the Bunbury Pastoral Office, Bunbury Liturgy Office and the L.J Goody Bioethics Centre in Perth. Gatherings commenced on Thursday 7 March at 9am in the School Chapel and run for and hour and continue through to Holy Week.

Project Compassion

Can Project Compassion boxes please be returned to the school office by Tuesday 9 April. Thank you.

Important Information

Kiss and Drive Protocols

In the interests of the safety of our students, the School outlines the following directions for parents and students when using the Kiss and Drive area, either before or after school.

- 1. Students are to make their way to Kiss and Drive using the pathway between Year 3 and the Office. Please do not use the oval or pathway next to Year 2 to access Kiss and Drive.
- 2. Students are to stand with their siblings under the bus shelter facing Mary St. They are to watch for their car and move to the duty teacher when necessary.
- 3. Students may only exit or enter the car when the car is stationary

in either of the yellow bays at the exit end of the drive through area. If a parent needs to get out of the car to assist a child/children with bags, then please do not use Kiss and Drive, but park your vehicle instead.

- 4. When stopping and waiting in the Kiss and Drive area, please put on **handbrake while car is idling**. This may be inconvenient but the driver can become easily or momentarily distracted, causing the car to move forward into the vehicle in front.
- 5. Children are **not to use the boot for schoolbags.** Again, this may be inconvenient, but we are concerned with safety of children and would not wish for children to be pinned between their vehicle and the one behind.
- 6. Children need to **exit and enter the car from the left hand side**, thus avoiding the need to walk between two "idling" vehicles. We acknowledge that some families have baby seats, making it difficult for older children to get out. Children who need to exit or enter from the right hand side of the vehicle must walk in front of their own car. In this way, the parent can ensure their own child has crossed safely before the car moves on.
- 7. Parents/visitors who park in the diagonal bays in the carpark at the front of the school are **not permitted to reverse out of these bays into the flow of traffic between 8.30am and 8.45am and 3pm and 3.30pm.** The driver/car will need to wait until traffic has ceased.
- 8. Please advise grandparents/friends/family members who may occasionally pick up children from school about this regulation.

 Signs with these directions are installed in the Kiss and Drive area. These directions are made in the interests of safety for our students. **All users** of the Kiss and Drive area **use these guidelines**, regardless of momentary inconvenience.

Mother's Day Morning Tea - Sponsors Needed

Preparations for the Mother's Day Morning Tea are in full swing. The Pre Primary families are seeking sponsorship and donations for the event. If you have a business that would like to contribute in some way can you please contact Stacie at stacie@asbrealty.com.au or Mel at mnmclaren8@gmail.com from our sponsorship team. Please click here for more information about the event.

Thank you for your support.

Easter Raffle

With Easter fast approaching, we are asking for St Mary's families to donate towards our annual Easter Raffle. Easter eggs, baskets, paper stuffing for the baskets, gift bags, cellophane, packets of small solid eggs, etc., would be greatly appreciated. There will be a collection box in Pre Primary and in the school office that you can leave it in. Alternatively if you would prefer to give a cash donation, this can be handed into the office in a sealed envelope, so we

can purchase supplies. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 11 April at 8.45am.

Colouring In Competition - The Easter posters were distributed to students last week and we have already received some amazing entries. Keep them coming! The competition closes next Monday 8th April 2019. Please note that there was an error with the closing date on the back of the poster. It should have read Monday 8th not the 9th. Winners from each year group will be announced on Thursday 11th April coinciding with the Easter raffle draw. Good luck. Hot Cross Buns - This year we have partnered once again with Bakers Delight Park Centre to provide us with the opportunity to order hot cross buns for Easter. Please consider ordering through us as we get \$2.50 donated to the school for every pack you order. There will be instructions on how to use the order form attached but if you are confused at all please don't hesitate to call Erin on 0400872711. Orders are due back by Monday 8 April. Year 1 Class Reps, Katie and Erin

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Health & Physical Education

T20 Cricket Carnival

Year 5 and 6 Students are attending a T20 Blast Cricket Competition today at Hay Park from 10am to 2pm. There are 4 boys' teams and 3 girls' teams representing the school.

Ride2School Day

What a fantastic turn out for <u>National Ride2School Day</u>. Many thanks to staff and parents who offered their assistance on the day to ensure everyone was kept safe and had some fun. Keep a look out for Walk2School Day!

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Ursula on winning the 2019 Swimming Shield with a score of 234 points. McAuley finished second with 148 points and Marcellin third on 122. Individual medallion winners are listed below!

Runner Up Champions

Year 4 Girls Elena Gibbs

Year 4 Boys Oliver Stewart

Year 5 Girls Milly Sarre

Year 5 Boys Ashton Spinelli

Year 6 Girls Cleo Pense, Gemelia Fiori

Year 6 Boys Lucas Pedrochi

Champions

Year 4 Girls Ruby Maratea

Year 4 Boys Phoenix Panuccio

Year 5 Girls Lauren Dillon

Year 5 Boys Nicholas Bouzada-Olgiati

Year 6 Girls Taneisha Scott

Year 6 Boys Thomas Bouzada-Olgiati

A big thank you to staff and parent helpers on the day for ensuring everything went smoothly. I would also like to thank Mr Chris Gibbs for his skill as a swimming coach and the manner in which he prepared and delivered his instructions to our swimmers during swimming training. Please click here for photos.

Interschool Swimming Carnival

30 students from Years 4 – 6 represented St Mary's CPS at the annual SWSPA Interschool Swimming Carnival on Thursday 28 March! A big thank you to all those students for the manner in which you represented our school!

Tennis

Congratulations to Thomas and Nicholas Bouzada-Olgiati, Jorja O'Reilly and Margaux Ramsay who competed in the Country State Tennis Tournament in Perth at the State Tennis Centre. St Mary's placed second overall.

Carnivals and PE Events for 2019

Click <u>here</u> for the link on our website which lists all our PE carnivals and activities for 2019.

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Waste Audit

On Wednesday, 20 March, we were lucky enough to have Carmen Kowal from the City of Bunbury come back to St Mary's to help conduct a waste audit. The Year 5 class managed to sort out our bins and evaluate our school's waste production. Our major finding was that a lot of our 'General Waste' rubbish was incorrectly placed in the bins. It could, in fact, go in the Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) bin if the opportunity was available. This made us think how

we could improve our recycling at home and hopefully, use our FOGO bin more effectively to avoid the unnecessary waste going to landfill. Another factor that we are now hoping to change at St Mary's to limit our input to landfill, is to work with our cleaners to place all of our paper hand towels into the FOGO bin rather than in general waste. The City of Bunbuy has confirmed that St Mary's is doing great things in looking after our planet and I am certain it will continue. Keep bringing in all of those recyclable items and thank you for all of your support! Click here for photos.

Emma Hastie

Skills for Life

Life Saving Tips from Mia (Year 6)

Last Wednesday, we had two life savers from Skills for Life visit. They taught us about what to do if you see someone unconscious, and the Year 6 students had the opportunity to try <u>CPR</u> on some dummies.

How to do CPR:

Grab the person's chin and forehead and slightly open their mouth. Take one big breath then look at their chest to see if they are breathing. Then do it again. Once you've done that start doing compressions to the song Row Row Row Your Boat.

We also learnt what to do when someone is bleeding. We also learnt if someone is lying down you have to clap in their face softly. Then if that doesn't wake them up you kick their feet softly. Then you press gently on their neck. Then, if that doesn't work put them in the recovery position and put one hand on their forehead and your other hand on their chin and open their mouth and if there's anything stuck in there scoop it out with two fingers.

Urgent Help Needed

Dear St Mary's Community,

An old school friend and a wonderful father of three young children needs our help. Gennaro has a rare form of adult Leukaemia and is in desperate need of a bone marrow transplant. To be a potential life saver, and not just for him, all it takes is a blood donation and your name to be put on the registry. His best match are those of Scottish/Italian heritage so please spread the word as far

as you can. For those of you who are petrified of needles, I am too but rest assured, if I can do it I think you can too! The experience is totally better than I expected and I am even booked in for another donation in a couple of months. Please read the attached flyer and join G's Army on social media. Thank you so much in advance for your much needed support! Click here for more information

Emma Hastie

Canteen

<u>Canteen Roster Term 1 2019</u> Canteen Menu 2019

Granola and Trifle Cups are available at Recess for \$1.00

Community News

WA Country Health Service Better Health Program

Free, Fun Program for Kids

PPP Seminar Series May 2019 Australind

PPP Discussion Group MANAGING FIGHTING & AGGRESSION 2019 Term 2

CIRCLE OF SECURITY Bunbury Term 2 2019 -SWSC

PPP Discussion Group DEALING WITH DISOBEDIENCE 2019 T2 Donnybrook

June

Marist Junior Football

Click <u>here</u> for registration information.

Marist Junior Hockey

Click here for registration Information.

Bunbury Dance Studio

New Class starting Term 2
Boys & Girls Thursday
5-7 years old Doors open 3.30pm collect 4.15pm
8-16 years old New enrolments 5-6pm
Kidsport Approved

34 Lockwood Cres Ph: 0438913791

Enrol on the website

www.bunburydancestudio.com.au

Aces Aussie Hoops Program

click here for more information.

Volley by the Bay

Click here for more information.

Tennis Excellence School Holiday Programs

Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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