



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Thursday 8 March 2018

Vision Statement

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

Prayer

Fourth Sunday of Lent

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardships as the pathway to peace, taking, as He, did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right. If I surrender to His Will, that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with him forever in the next.

Amen.

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends

Congratulations to our St Mary's community! Last week's newsletter was read by a whopping 60% of families, up from 44% the week before! Keep it up!!

It's the best way to stay informed. Attending Friday assemblies runs a close second.

A huge thank you to all involved in our Walk for Water. The day was a fantastic success in so many ways. Students were given the opportunity to develop an understanding of what so many millions of people have to do every day to get water for their families. We had many parents join in the walk and a very enthusiastic team cook up 15kg of rice in eight rice cookers that fed 200. We had several students who enjoyed the rice so much they suggested it be on the canteen menu so Mrs Gray will be selling fried rice for \$3 a serve on WEDNESDAYS ONLY. Our students were also incredible at collecting sponsorship and families and friends were extremely generous with a total of \$3681 raised for Caritas. Special thanks to the City of Bunbury for allowing us access to water from Hands Oval.

The 2017 Year Book has arrived! Each family from last year will receive a free copy courtesy of the P&F.

NAPLAN Information for Parents

Parents with students in Years 3 and 5 will receive a hard copy today of some background information on NAPLAN testing for this year. St Mary's students will be completing their NAPLAN tests online for the first time. The only test that will be done on paper is the Year 3 Writing test. The handout explains what will be tested, how to help your child prepare and when the tests will take place.

Visit from Bunbury Catholic College Executive Team

Mrs Deborah Garbutt, Deputy Principal of Bunbury Catholic College, will be visiting St Mary's to speak to students in Years 5 and 6 about secondary schooling at BCC on Monday 19 March at 1.30pm in the hall. She will be accompanied by former students of St Mary's. Parents interested in knowing more about the College are welcome to attend.

God bless

Paul Cronin





Student Awards

Year 1 Nyah Twomey, Samuel Gibbs, Ellie Woolhead

Year 2 Levi Pense, Zach Crowley

Year 3 Stella Dean, Flynn Fazey, Bailee Murray

Year 4 Cooper Clark, Jacob Coulson

Year 5 Lily Kilpatrick, Paige Hebbend

Year 6 Nick O'Brien, Sophia Cross

Indonesian Louis Best, Cassie Turpin

Calendar Dates

MARCH

Friday 9

World of Maths Incursion

Sunday 11

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Tuesday 13

St Mary's Swimming Carnival 10am

Wednesday 14

Swimming Training 7am

Thursday 15

Young Writers' Program
First Reconciliation 6pm Cathedral

Sunday 18 March

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Monday 19

Swimming Training 7am
BCC Year 6 Visit 1.30pm

Tuesday 20

Board Meeting 5.45pm

Wednesday 21

Harmony Day Liturgy Pre Primary to Year 2

Thursday 22

SWPSA Swimming Carnival SWSC
10am - 1pm

Friday 23

AFL Colours Day

Sunday 25

Passion (Palm) Sunday

What's Making News

YEAR 7 - BUNBURY CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Parents and caregivers of students in Years 5 and 6 at St Mary's who wish to attend Bunbury Catholic College in 2020 and 2019 respectively, are advised to ensure that their applications for enrolment have been submitted to the College as soon as possible. The College begins its Year 7 interview process while students are in Year 5.

KINDERGARTEN 2018

Current families who have children due to begin Kindergarten at St Mary's in 2019 are advised to ensure that they have submitted their applications for enrolment by the end of Term 1 2018 if they have not already done so.

RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY

The St Mary's CPS Ride to School Day will be held on **Tuesday 20 March**. Students riding must be ready to depart from the Big Swamp Playground car park at 8am. We will ride around the Big Swamp in a clockwise direction before heading to school. We will cross Minninup Road and Spencer Street. Bikes can be left in the Old Hall behind the Chapel. Students must be competent on a bicycle. Parents and friends are welcome to join in. Students participating in Ride to School Day are permitted to wear their sports uniform for the day.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

For our Swimming Carnival which will be held on Tuesday 13 March, students in Years 4 – 6 will wear their sports uniform with their coloured shirts. Students can also change their sports shoes for thongs at school and change back when they return.

AFL COLOURS DAY

Students are permitted to wear the colours of their favourite AFL team on **Friday 23 March**. Year 6 students will run AFL activities at lunch time. Alison will have some AFL coloured treats available in the canteen for recess.

HBF 3 WATERS MARATHON

The Bunbury Runners Club are staging the 3 Waters Marathon on Sunday 8 April. Students can participate in a 5km race. I have registered St Mary's CPS as a team. If students wish to compete they can register under the school's name. Go to bunburyrunnersclub.org for registration and event details and: click on 'I'm a participant.' For registration type, 'Yes.' For Are you part of a team? Type in St Mary's CPS Bunbury and click 'join.' \$25 per competitor. 20% discount for HBF members.

CANTEEN

From Wednesday 14 March, Fried Rice/White Rice with soy sauce sachets will be available for \$3. This special is available on WEDNESDAYS ONLY.

CANTEEN ROSTER

9 March - Cherrie Woolhead
 14 March - Denica Gibbs
 16 March - Sandra Smith, Annaleisha de Chan  t
 21 March - Laura Maratea
 23 March - Jo Spinelli, Jenelle O'Reilly
 28 March - Janine Stewart
 Parent helpers are please asked to wear closed in shoes and sleeved shirts.
 Thank you.

EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle Tickets will be sent home this week, a booklet of 10 tickets at 50 cents per ticket will be allocated to each family with more available at the front office if required. Please make sure that you put your name and year on the raffle tickets and we kindly ask that all tickets - sold or unsold be returned with monies by Friday 23rd March ready for the big draw on Thursday 29th March at 8.45am. Keep those donations coming, you will find a box in each classroom to place these in.
 Thank you

Sandra & Diana (Year 1 Reps)

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

If shopping online with Coles, instructions are fairly simple to have your online vouchers allocated to the school of your choice. Remember, you'll earn one voucher for every \$10 you spend with Coles online, plus bonus vouchers for participating products. Physical vouchers won't be delivered in your online order. Instead, they'll be automatically allocated to your nominated school. At the end of the race, you'll be sent an email with a tally of how many vouchers you've earned and donated.

Happy shopping!

The Coles Online team.

For more information and full T&Cs please visit coles.com.au/sportsforschools

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop **WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW, FRIDAY 9 MARCH**. Any urgent orders can left (with payment) at the office to be filled next week. Please take the time over the next week to place orders for any Winter Uniform items you may require in Term 2.

Mother's Day Morning Tea

TUESDAY MAY 8th

Tickets for the 2018 Mother's Day Morning Tea will be on sale for Kindy parents on Wednesday 7th of March outside the Kindy room. Tickets will then go on sale for the rest of the school from Friday 9th of March outside Admin.

Tickets are \$15 each, with a limit of 2 per family. If you wish to sit with particular people, please purchase your tickets all together. Please have the correct cash if you can. Crèche slips will also be available to make your crèche booking. Please note, crèche is limited to 30 children.

Raffle tickets will be sent home with your child in week 7 and tickets are due back by Tuesday 3rd April. Please ensure you send back all tickets – sold or unsold.

The sponsorship co-ordinators are seeking donations of goods and vouchers as well as Table Sponsorship - \$100 per table. If your family owns a business and would like to be a part of this amazing day, please contact:

Tennille Panuccio 0427 251 044 : gtpanuccio@westnet.com.au

or

Karen Twomey 0439 712 220 : kaz.twomey@gmail.com

Likewise if you know of a business that would like to donate.

We would also like to request donations of old cookbooks, baked goods, jams, preserves and any other home-made items.

ALL DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

St Mary's Footy Tipping Competition

2018

Please follow the link below for more information on this year's St Mary's P & F Footy Tipping Competition:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/51198f03b5f227ae598993b8e/files/93c7513c-d3f2-4d86-a765-34bff8579e5f/footy_tipping_flyer_18.pdf

ST MARY'S P&F FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION

Share in up to \$1,500 of prizemoney!

Footy Tipping is Back!, bigger and better for 2018!

\$50 entry fee—\$20 to P & F remainder to prize pool

\$20 + 'Full of Beanz' coffee voucher weekly prize and overall winners (1-2-3) will share the major prize pool

REGISTER AT: http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/ST_MARYS_CPS

Step 1 - register online at http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/ST_MARYS_CPS (follow the prompts)

Step 2 - Complete Entry Form , return to school or email details (as below) to darrencoulson4@bigpond.com

Step 3 - Payment via EFT into the following account BSB—016560 ACC 300953583. Or return to School office with entry form

Step 4 - Start tipping!

Registration and payment to be received prior to AFL season 22nd March

All tips to be done on line before each game. The site will display the current round fixtures for you to make your selection, your tips they will be automatically recorded.

Results can be viewed online and winners will be announced in the school newsletter each week.

ENTRY FORM

NAME
 MOBILE
 EMAIL
 REGISTERED NAME

 Please email above details to darrencoulson4@bigpond.com or complete and return to school office with payment

Community News

50 QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR KIDS AFTER SCHOOL INSTEAD OF “HOW WAS YOUR DAY?”

- What made you smile today?
- Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?
- What did you do that was creative?
- Who did you sit with at lunch?
- Was anyone in your class gone today?
- Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.
- Did you like your lunch?
- What was the hardest rule to follow today?
- If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be?
- What made your teacher smile?
What made her frown?
- If you could switch seats with anyone in class, who would it be? And why?
- What kind of person were you today?

See full list at HerViewFromHome.com



REGO DAY

WHERE: Bunbury Catholic College Pavilion,
Rodsted Street

WHEN: Sunday, 25 March 2018

TIME: 3pm – 5pm

JUNIORS: School Grades 2 and under, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8
and 9/12. All **new players** welcome, no
experience required.

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EFTPOS available at Rego Day



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