



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Thursday 22 November 2018

Vision Statement

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

Prayer

Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You King of the universe. All that has been created has been made for You. Make full use of Your rights over me. I renew the promises I made in Baptism, when I renounced Satan and all his pomps and works, and I promise to live a good Christian life and to do all in my power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer you my efforts in order to obtain that all hearts may acknowledge your Sacred Royalty, and that thus the Kingdom of Your peace may be established throughout the universe. Amen.

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,
We had a fantastic attendance at Tuesday night's Annual Community Meeting. Our guest presenter was Abbey Piggott who spoke about the health benefits of mindfulness and you will find information about the mindfulness sessions that she is planning to run for our students after school next year in the following links:

[Mindfulness Technique](#)

[St Mary's Mindfulness and Meditation](#)

Suzie Liaros and Suzanne Cross in the positions of Board Chairperson and P&F

President gave heartfelt presentations thanking members of the Board, P&F and staff for their commitment over the year with both stepping down from their roles. Suzie has been on the Board for four years and Suzanne will be ending an eleven year association with St Mary's with Raneer heading to high school next year.

Kim Piacentini and Ces Spinelli are also concluding their time on the Board after four years, and Medrica is retiring after holding the position of Vice President.

I took the opportunity to thank Suzie, Suzanne, Ces, Kim and Medrica for their dedication and service over time and for their assistance in helping to make St Mary's a great school.

The retirements have opened the chances for others to join the ranks.

Congratulations to Scott Smith, Denise Depiazzi and Chris Gibbs for filling the void. Chris has previously been on the Board as the P&F Representative and Denise was a co-opted member in 2018.

The P&F Executive have two new faces with Kate Wright putting her name forward to take on the role of President and Gemma Miller, Vice President. We are blessed at St Mary's to have so many parents willing to get involved in school life. All of the Parent Representative positions have been filled. Next year we will even have a representative for the 3 Year Old Program!

Vacancies at St Mary's for 2019 – Kindergarten, Year 5 and 6

We know that our parents are our best form of advertising! Often when I am interviewing new families, I hear about the excellent reputation that St Mary's has in the community. We currently have limited places in Kindergarten, Year 5 and Year 6 for next year. If you have any friends who you think might be interested, please let them know that they can contact the office to arrange an interview.

Farewell to Father Abraham

Traditionally, every six years Bishop Holohan moves Parish Priests around to give them the chance to serve in a number of Catholic communities. Fr Abraham has been a priest at the Cathedral and assisting with Masses and the Sacramental Program for several years. With the Bishop's reshuffle, Fr Abraham is moving to Lake Grace. Fr Abraham is looking forward to the chance of leading a Parish community and he will also service Ravensthorpe and Kukerin. We wish Fr Abraham well for his move and are grateful for his spiritual leadership.

God bless

Paul Cronin

Board Nominees 2019

Returning Members

Jo Pitts, Wayne Evans and Denise Depiazzi

Continuing Members

Janine Stewart and Kim Fildes (P & F Representative)

New Members

Scott Smith and Chris Gibbs

Retiring Members

Kim Piacentini, Ces Spinelli and Suzie Liaros

P & F Nominees 2019

President: Kate Wright

Vice President: Gemma Millar

Treasurer: Renae Ursino

Secretary: Jo Spinelli

Retiring Members: Suzanne Cross and Medrica Di Lallo

Class Representatives 2019

3 Year Old Liaison: Katie Hesson

Kindergarten: Grace Buswell and Sarah Harrison

Pre Primary: Katherine Baldock and Crystal Smith

Year 1: Erin Devereux and Katie Hesson

Year 2: Anika Skehan and Zoe Marwick

Year 3: Tennille Panuccio and Medrica Di Lallo

Year 4: Shannon Atherton and Amanda Panuccio

Year 5: Kelly Bemrose and Elizabeth McGee

Year 6: Jenelle O'Reilly and Belinda Males

Footy Tipping: Jenelle O'Reilly

Scholastic Book Club: Denica Gibbs

Thanksgiving Mass and Awards Ceremony

Dear Families and Friends,

You are invited to join us for our end of year Thanksgiving Mass and Awards Ceremony. The awards ceremony is for students in Years 4-6. It is to acknowledge academic endeavour and achievement in learning areas. The 2019 Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputy Head Boy and Head Girl will also be announced during this ceremony.

Thanksgiving Mass

Date: Wednesday 5th December

Time: 9:00am

Venue: School Chapel

Awards Ceremony - Years 4, 5 and 6

Date: Wednesday 5th December

Time: 10:30am - 11:30am

Venue: School Hall

PLEASE NOTE NEW START TIME FOR AWARD'S CEREMONY

Calendar Dates

NOVEMBER

Thursday 29

BCC Year 7 2019 Orientation Day
Year 6 Graduation Mass and Supper

Friday 30

Year 6 Excursion

DECEMBER

Sunday 2

First Sunday of Advent

Wednesday 5

Thanksgiving Mass 9am
End of Year Awards 10am

Thursday 6

St Mary's Christmas Celebration
(further details to follow)

Friday 7

Last Day Students

Monday 10 - Friday 14

Staff Professional Development Days

St Mary's Christmas Celebration

St Mary's Catholic Primary School would like to invite you to a night of Christmas Carols. The students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will lead you in song to celebrate another wonderful year together.

Venue: School Oval

Date: Thursday 6th December

Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Each class will perform a song on the night. You are all encouraged and welcome to join in the singing of some of the well known songs. The students will be seated with their class throughout the Christmas Concert.

More information to follow in the upcoming weeks.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS AN ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

St Mary's Sacramental Dates 2019

TERM 1**Reconciliation**

24 February - Enrolment Mass 10am, St Patrick's Cathedral

21 March - Reconciliation Workshop (Parents and Candidates) 6pm, Parish Hall
Cathedral Precinct

28 March - First Reconciliation 6pm, St Patrick's Cathedral

TERM 2**First Holy Communion**

19 May - Enrolment Mass, St Patrick's Cathedral

13 June - First Holy Communion Workshop 6pm

23 June First Holy Communion (to be confirmed)

Confirmation

5 May - Enrolment Mass 10am

30 May - Confirmation Workshop 6pm

9 June - Confirmation 10am, St Patrick's Cathedral

Student Awards

Year 1 Tate Skehan, Stefan
Cavallaro

Year 2 Eva Spinelli, Kaitlyn Pitts

Year 3 Imogen de Chanéet, Stella
Dean, Elena Gibbs

Year 4 Keira Pitts, Finn Drage-
Edwards

Year 5 Evan Crowley, Trent Roberts

Year 6 Bridie Kelly, Jedd Patterson

A.R. 50% James Witcher,

A.R. 75% Grace Sarre, Calla Bott

A.R. 100% Noah Smith, Jorja
O'Reilly

A.R. 100% (2nd Goal) Lily
Kilpatrick

Phys Ed 50km Kody Hopley,
Marcus Smargiassi, Lance Santos,
Grace Richardson

Phys Ed 100km Koby Drage-
Edwards, Oliver Stewart

Year 6 Helpers in Year 1 Jedd
Patterson, Finn Marshall

Principal Charlotte Brasher, Louis
Best

Important Information

Piano and Vocal lessons 2019

Enrolments are now open for 2019. Please contact Ian Mills

millsmusic@bigpond.com for more information.

Ccela Orphanage Donations

Thank you everyone for the donations made for the Ccela Orphanage in Ethiopia. We have been given heaps of donations to take with us, and no more donations are required. Thank you so much, we really appreciate the kindness shown by so many families.

Catherine, Jeff and Emmanuel Menzie

Uniform Shop

Most uniform orders will be delivered within the next week, I am just awaiting delivery of school bags. Any families still wanting to place orders, please do so as soon as possible.

Girls dresses needing the school crest embroidered on them can be left at the Uniform Shop on Friday morning this week between 8.30am and 9.30am or alternately at the office, clearly labelled along with the cost of \$5.50.

The Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday 30 January 2019 between 8.30am and 10am for any last minute uniform requirements.

Gastropod Cup Year 1

Winner of the Gastropod Cup: "Fifi Lightning," Trainer: Sara Bovell

Winner - Fashions on the Field: Molly Toia

1st: Sara - Fifi Lightning, **2nd:** Mila - Tough Girl, **3rd:** Beth - Dash, **4th:** Molly - Violet, **5th:** Samuel - Lightning Bolt, **6th:** Maxton - Killer, **7th:** Tate - Teeny, **8th:** Nyah - Popcorn, **9th:** Layla - Chocolate



Canteen

Help Required

Parent help in the canteen is vital for it's continued success. If there are any parents who have time to spare on a Wednesday or Friday morning, your assistance would be most appreciated. A copy of this term's Canteen Roster is available [here](#).

Thank you!

Jenelle O'Reilly

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 **School Rewards**

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(08) 9721 5844

Community News



The Leukaemia Foundation is looking for amazing volunteers to help wrap Christmas Gifts!
 Apply with friends, family or colleagues and help spread some festive cheer by using your gift wrapping talents and support the Leukaemia Foundation's important work.

EATON FAIR

Mon 26 Nov / 3 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Tues 27 Nov 10am - 2pm
 Wed 28 Nov / 5 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Thur 29 Nov / 6 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Fri 30 Nov / 7 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Sat 1 Dec / 8 Dec 10am - 3pm
 Sun 2 Dec / 9 Dec 11am - 3pm

BUNBURY FORUM

Sat 8 Dec 10am - 1pm / 1pm - 4pm
 Sun 9 Dec 10am - 1pm / 1pm - 4pm
 Mon 10 Dec 1pm - 4pm
 Wed 12 Dec 1pm - 4pm
 Thur 13 Dec 10am - 1.30pm
 1.30pm - 5pm
 5pm - 8pm
 Fri 14 Dec 10am - 1pm / 1pm - 4pm

To apply please email leukwa@leukaemia.org.au



A Vulnerable Girl

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT
 IN WORD AND MUSIC

A beautiful and inspiring evening of readings and sacred music with Lumina (choir), Dominic Perishallo (organ), and a host of other Sacred Music specialists.

THURSDAY, 6 DECEMBER 2018
 7.00PM - 8.30PM
 ST PATRICK'S BASILICA
 47 ADELAIDE ST, FREMANTLE

Tickets: \$40
 Concession: \$25
 12yrs and under: FREE

Purchase a ticket for a refugee or asylum seeker to attend with you for an extra \$10.

For more information e-mail: director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au

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 Reach out. Give life

Proceeds to go towards Catholic Mission's work supporting Girl-Child education and protection projects in Myanmar, Cambodia, Uganda, Ethiopia and the Philippines.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Parenting Connection Southwest OFFERS FREE SUPPORT, WORKSHOPS AND INFORMATION TO PARENTS AND CARERS WITH CHILDREN FROM PRE-BIRTH TO 18 YEARS.

OUR SERVICE INCLUDES:

- Group Workshops: Circle of Security, Tuning in to Kids, Tuning in to Teens, Bringing Up Great Kids and Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop.
- Short Topical Workshops: On a range of parenting topics as requested.
- Seminars/Events: Parenting support/presentation/seminars as requested.

Local parents, schools, community groups and service providers are encouraged to contact the Southwest team on 9720 9209 or email southwest.PCWA@anglicarewa.org.au to register your interest for a particular program or discuss how we can support you in your local community.

Please note this is not a crisis service.



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