



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

Thursday 6 December 2018

### Vision Statement

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

## Prayer

God of Wisdom, we thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year. We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people. As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school. We ask you to bless them in your love and give them refreshment and peace. We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

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## From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

On Wednesday of this week we held two of our newly formatted end of year events. It was Fr Abraham's last Mass with the St Mary's community and we farewelled him during the awards ceremony.

Following the Mass, students from Years 4 - 6 were recognised for outstanding achievement across subject areas, as well as endeavour. A full list of students acknowledged can be seen below.

As part of the ceremony, 2019 leadership badges were passed on by this year's student leaders.

Don't forget your chairs and picnic blankets for tonight's Christmas Concert.

While the rain overnight caused a few nightmares, we were happy to see the

weather fine up. Students are asked to be in their classrooms by 5.15pm ready to start at 5.30pm.

At tomorrow's final assembly, Choose Respect Awards will be given out to worthy recipients, along with the 100 Club T shirts. Donations of food for Christmas hampers will be presented to Mike Dixon from St Vincent de Paul. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of our St Mary's family a happy and holy Christmas and look forward to seeing most of you back next year.

### **Farewell to Mrs Maureen Tully**

Mrs Maureen Tully's four and a half years as principal of St Mary's was acknowledged at Wednesday's End of Year Mass. Ms Helen Brown read out a tribute to Maureen, thanking her for her outstanding leadership and she presented Maureen with a gift from the school community.

### **Vacancies in 2019**

Since last week's newsletter, the place in Year 6 has been filled so we still have vacancies in Kindergarten, Year 3 and Year 5 for next year. With parents being our best form of advertising, if you come across any families who are interested in becoming part of our community, you can email me over the holidays.

### **Spelling Bee**

St Mary's Annual Spelling Bee was held this week with finalists from Years 3 - 6 battling it out to uncover spelling champions in each year level. Mr Priest played the role of game show host 'Eddie Maguire' and students in the crowd were on the edge of their seats watching the intense battles that unfolded. Congratulations to all of the students who made the final and our overall winners were: Aaron Joseph, Lauren Dillon, Christian Spinelli and Natalia Dillon.

### **Before and After School Care**

St Mary's students will be able to continue to access Before and After School Care next year. The program will operate out of South Bunbury Primary School. See the attached flyer for details. Bookings can be made through the Camp Australia website.

### **Fabulous Fundraising Amounts**

During the year, several fundraising activities were held to raise money for Caritas and Catholic Missions, including free dress days, classroom mission boxes and the very successful Walk for Water held back in March. As a result, St Mary's is able to donate \$2,627 to both Caritas and the Catholic Missions. Thank you again for your incredible support.

God bless  
Paul Cronin

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# Year 6 Leaders 2019

## Head Boy

Thomas Bouzada-Olgiati

## Head Girl

Adrianna Minnella

## Deputy Head Boy

Christian Spinelli

## Deputy Head Girl

Neha Bobby

[click here for photo](#)

## End of Year Award Recipients

### Year 4

*Excellence in a Specific Learning*

*Area: English - Writing*

Lauren Dillon

*Excellence in a Specific Learning*

*Area: Visual Arts*

Kody Hopley

*Christian Living Award*

Toby McGee

*Academic Excellence*

Grace Emerson

*Science*

Finn Drage-Edwards

*Health and Physical Education*

Nicholas Bouzada-Olgiati

### Year 5

*Excellence in a Specific Learning*

*Area: Humanities and Social*

*Sciences*

Paige Hebbend

*Excellence in Creative Writing*

Lily Kilpatrick

*Christian Living Award*

Adrianna Minnella

*Endeavour Award*

### Year 6

*Excellence in a Specific Learning*

*Area: Religious Education*

Lance Santos

*Endeavour Award*

Jessica Kennedy

*Christian Living Award*

Kade Lubcke

*Science*

Amy Hunter

*Health and Physical Education*

Harry Jones

*Citizenship Award*

Nick O'Brien

*Academic Excellence*

Jasmin Tan

*Principal's Award*

Harry Jones

*Indonesian*

Year 4 - Emmi Cahill

Year 5 - Charlotte Brasher

Year 6 - Natalia Dillon

[Photo 1](#)

Harry Piacentini

[Photo 2](#)

Science

[Photo 3](#)

Christian Spinelli

[Photo 4](#)

*Health and Physical Education*

Evan Crowley

## Year 6 Families Leaving St Mary's at the End of 2018

We farewell the following Year 6 families at the end of this year and wish them all the best in their future endeavours:

Ben and Brooke Bott  
Scott Cream and Marissa Italiano  
Ian and Suzanne Cross  
Damon and Jen Curtis  
Russell and Karen Donovan  
Guy and Brenda Hall  
Derek Hunter and Kim Doyle  
Michael and Kate Kelly  
Shaun and Carol Kennedy  
Jason and Paula Lubcke  
Cameron and Rebecca MacNeill  
Daniel Marshall and Justine Bow  
Darryn and Jill O'Brien  
Keiran and Bu O'Brien  
Kenny Pham and Chau Nguyen  
Richard and Maria Smargiassi  
David and Carmel Sutton  
Victor and Natascha Tan

## Calendar Dates

[Link to 2019 Term Planners](#)

### **DECEMBER**

[Link to 2019 Term Dates](#)

#### **Friday 7**

Last Day Students

#### **Monday 10 - Friday 14**

Staff Professional Development Days

## Staffing at St Mary's Bunbury for 2019

**Principal**

Mr Paul Cronin

**Assistant Principals**

Ms Helen Brown, Mr Ben Priest

**Administration**

Mrs Karen Depiazzi, Mrs Aurelia Evans

**3 Year Old Program**

Mrs Bianca Torrissi

**Play Café**

Mrs Rosetta Anderson

**Kindergarten**

Mrs Elizabeth Harper, Mrs Bianca Torrissi

**Pre Primary**

Mrs Melissa Coulson, Mrs Anika Skehan

**Year 1**

Mrs Cathy Mountford, Mrs Megan Turpin

**Year 2**

Mrs Carly Gellard

**Year 3**

Mrs Melanie Toia, Mr Tino Alberti

**Year 4**

Mrs Nikki Webb

**Year 5**

Mrs Gillian Alberti

**Year 6**

Mrs Rebecca Murray, Ms Helen Brown

**Indonesian**

Mr Ben Priest

**Science**

Mrs Emma Hastie

**Physical Education**

Mr Tino Alberti

**Music/Drama**

Mr Tino Alberti

**Digital Technology**

Mr Ben Priest

**Library**

Mrs Sue Palumbo

**Education Assistants**

Mrs Joan Zolnier, Mrs Philippa O'Dea, Mrs Loredana Villani, Mrs Rosetta Anderson, Mrs Sue Palumbo, Mrs Kerry Bonser, Mrs Sharyn Illman, Mrs Kim Fildes

**Canteen**

Mrs Jenelle O'Reilly

**Grounds/Maintenance**

Mr Darren Beauglehole

**Music/Choir**

Mr Ian Mills

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**Student Awards****Year 1** Milla Richardson, Nyah Twomey**Year 2** Charlotte Cross, Margaux Ramsay**Year 3** Emily Chapman, Kobi Atherton**Year 4** Alek Liaros, Nicholas Bouzada-Olgiati**Year 5** Adrianna Minnella, Amahli Lowe**A.R. 100%** Henley O'Reilly, Jedd Patterson, Natalia Dillon, Cooper Clark, Amahli Lowe (2nd), Harper Panuccio, Abigail Hynes, Frances Best**Phys Ed 100km** Charlotte Spalding, Cassie Turpin**Principal** Emilia Cross, Harper Panuccio

## Play Café Picnic in the Park

[Picnic Photo 1](#)

[Picnic Photo 2](#)

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## Year 6 Graduation Class

[click here for photo](#)

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## Spelling Bee

[Spelling\\_Bee Photo 1](#)

[Spelling\\_Bee Photo 2](#)

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## Important Information

### Uniform Shop

This Friday morning will be your last chance to purchase uniforms before **Wednesday 30 January from 8.30am to 10am** when Mrs Bonser will open the Uniform Shop for those last minute uniform requirements. As we will be stocktaking in the uniform shop next week, **we will not be accepting donations or consignment 2nd hand uniforms until next year.**

## Community News

[Camp Australia Outside School Hours Care](#)

[Lunar Circus Summer School](#)

[Bunbury Dance Studio Kidsport](#)

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