

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 17 October 2019

Vision Statement

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

Prayer

God our Father, help us to put forth our best effort, to represent our factions with class, to respect our school mates, and to grow as disciples of your Son, Jesus. Keep us safe from injury and harm through the intercession of Our Lady, the mother of your Son and our mother, too. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

Welcome to Term 4! I suggest you print off a Term Planner because Term 4 is going to be extremely busy and you wouldn't want to miss anything! We had an extremely successful end of Term 3 with classrooms looking fantastic and some interactive activities for Open Night which included the Year 6 students' outstanding Night of the Notables.





On Monday, teachers worked with Jeremy Waters from Best Performance who helped us to analyse our NAPLAN results. Jeremy runs a company called CNAP (Customised NAPLAN Analysis Platform) and his program enables staff to find specific areas in the NAPLAN tests that our students require extra assistance in and provides specific programs of activities to target those areas. We have worked with Jeremy for nearly two years. Jeremy and his team assist about 100 schools across the state.

An Overview of 2019 NAPLAN ScoresComparing St Mary's to the National Average

	Year 3 St Mary's	Year 3 National Average	Year 5 St Mary's	Year 5 National Average
Punctuation and Grammar	453	440	548	499
Numeracy	425	408	543	496
Reading	445	432	550	506
Spelling	428	419	540	501
Writing	436	423	511	474

St Mary's School Survey

A letter is coming home today with students that gives details about a climate survey that parents, staff and students are asked to complete. The survey looks at various aspects of school life and will provide valuable feedback and help guide school improvement. Parents can complete the survey online and it will be open from Friday 25 October to Friday 11 November.

Athletics Carnival

Tomorrow we are trying an exciting new format for our Athletics Carnival with Year 4-6 competing in some of their events at the Bunbury Athletics track before coming back to school for the junior running events and all of the team games and relays. Mr Alberti has put a great deal of time working out a format which provides maximum event participation for students while creating atmosphere. We are planning on setting up the shades for students at school so if you are available from 8am-8.30am, your help would be appreciated. During the school based events, parents are asked not to go into the bays in the middle of our school oval because they are for the students. There will be

no 100 Club this week because of the Athletics Carnival. The oval on Columba St will be open for parking.

Mini Kindy Athletics Carnival

Mrs Skehan has arranged her own events for the Kindy students that will happen Monday 21 October on the school oval starting at 2pm.

Canteen Help Required

Mrs Jenelle O'Reilly is desperate for help in the canteen for Term 4. If you are available on a Monday or Wednesday morning for a couple of hours your time will be greatly appreciated.

A Chance for Free Skin Checks

The statistics on skin cancer in Australia are frightening. According to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare website, in 2013–14, there were 23,437 melanoma-related hospitalisations in Australia, a 63% rise from 2002–03 (14,348) and 114,722 skin cancer related hospitalisations in Australia, a 39% rise from 2002–03 (82,431). I have spoken to Dr Ale Olgiati and she has been able to arrange bulk billed skin checks at Brecken Health, Vasse St South Bunbury, for St Mary's school families. The two dates are Thursday 31 October and Tuesday 5 November from 3-8pm. Bookings can be made through Mrs Evans in our front office. The offer is open to students, parents and grandparents and even former St Mary's families. If you can't make either of these dates, leave your details at the office and an alternative may be arranged.

Camp Quality Puppet Play

On Tuesday 29 October, students at St Mary's will have the opportunity to watch a puppet play by Camp Quality. The plays are designed for primary school students and answers all the difficult questions kids have about cancer, dispels common myths and teaches students how to be supportive and understanding of kids impacted by cancer – all of which prevents bullying and exclusion. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. The show for Pre-Primary and Year 1 starts at 1.15pm and Year 2-6 at 2pm in our hall.

A Very Special Opportunity for Second Visiting Author – Martin Chatterton

Martin Chatterton will be visiting on Wednesday 23 October from 2-3pm to speak with our students about his journey illustrating and writing novels. Martin was born in Liverpool, England, and has been successfully writing and illustrating books for over thirty years. He has written dozens of books for children and illustrated many more, collaborating with a number of illustrious authors along the way, including multiple British Children's Laureates. His work

has been published in fourteen languages and has won or been shortlisted for numerous awards in Australia, the US and the UK. As Ed Chatterton, Martin writes crime fiction, screenplays and historical fiction and several of his books are in development with various TV and film producers. Martin is also well known as a children's performer and tours globally. When he's not writing and illustrating, Martin is an in-demand public performer, touring schools and festivals around the world. Parents are welcome to attend.

2020 Kindy Orientation Morning

This will be held on on Tuesday 12 November from 9am - 11am in the Kindergarten classroom.

Some Firewood Available

A tree in the school grounds came down recently in a storm. It means there is some firewood available! Please see Mrs Yvonne Smith if you would like to collect it.

Book Lists for 2020

The book lists for 2020 are currently being finalised and will be sent home next week. We will be using Central News again this year.

God bless

Paul Cronin

Principal

Calendar Dates

OCTOBER

Friday 18

St Mary's Athletics Carnival 9.20am - 3pm

Monday 21

Numero Challenge Year 5/6

Wednesday 23

Martin Chatterton Author Visit 2pm

Thursday 24

SWPSA Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 30

Whole School Mass - All Saints Day

NOVEMBER

Friday 1

School Disco Year 1 2020 Uniform Fitting, Kindergarten Classroom 8.30am -9.30am

Monday 4

Pre Primary 2020 Uniform Fitting, 3 Year Old Classroom 8.30am -9.30am

Wednesday 6

Year 5 Zoo Camp

Thursday 7

Year 5 Zoo Camp

<u>Link to Term Planners</u> <u>Link to 2019 Term Dates</u>

Student Awards

WEEK 9 Term 3

Year 1 Toby Bemrose, Shelby Krikke

Year 2 Nuala Hamill-Harling, Samuel Gibbs

Year 3 Sophia Clark, Sophia

Machado

Year 4 Elena Gibbs, Imogen de Chanéet

Year 5 Baylee Brand, Harper Brasher

Year 6 Olivia Bambrick, Lucas Maratea

A.R. 75% Harper Panuccio, Samuel Pedley, Phoenix Panuccio, Eamon Ramsay, Jacob Coulson

A.R. 100% Charlotte Brasher, Ashton Spinelli, Kody Hopley, Alek Liaros

Phys Ed 50km Milla Richardson, Amber Millar, Ellie Woolhead Phys Ed 100km Bernard Edmondson, Stefan Cavallaro

WEEK 10 Term 3

Year 1 Blake Verduci, Darcy Harrison, Georgie Kelly

Year 2 Amber Millar, Jayden Smith

Year 3 Ayla Mighall, Charlotte Cross

Year 4 Georgia Rodgers, Abbie

Smith, Aaron Joseph

Year 5 Toby McGee, Zachary

Bemrose

Year 6 Cleo Pense, Lucas Pedrochi

A.R. 75% Lily Kilpatrick, Nicholas

Bouzada-Olgiati

A.R. 100% Harlyn Fiori

Phys Ed 50km Elianna Cross, Grace Richardson, Tayla McGee, Ebony Woodhouse, Hugo Lowe, Mila

Franklyn, Eva Jones

Phys Ed 100km Baylee Brand, Cooper Clark, Eamon Ramsay, Ruby Maratea, Kaden Hall

Phys Ed 150km Zachary Bemrose, Toby McGee

Principal Harlyn Fiori

Important Information

Grandparents' Mass and Morning Tea

A BIG thank you to Woolworths Plaza, who once again provided a substantial donation towards our Grandparents Morning Tea.

School Fees

A reminder that school fees for the year need to be finalised before the end of term. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Depiazzi in the office. Please notify the school in writing if your child/ren are not returning to St Mary's in 2020, and ensure that school fees are fully paid before the end of the year. Thank you.

KIDS ASKED - WE LISTENED!

Look at all of our new books in the Library! We have recently purchased many books for both AR and general borrowing from Dymocks, Busselton. Students have been excited to venture into the Library to see our range of new and interesting titles.



Book Fair 2019



Book Fair is upon us again and it's a fantastic opportunity to raise funds for the school while doing some Christmas shopping at the same time! We had wonderful support from families last year and we look forward to holding

another great event this year. If you are available to come along and help during the allocated time slots below please send me an email at melanie.toia@cewa.edu.au to let me know.

Monday 11th November: 8:45 – 10:30 (setting up the fair)

Tuesday 12^{th} November: 8:00 - 8:45 and 1:00 - 1:30

Wednesday 13th November: 8:00 – 8:45

Thursday 14th November: 2:30 - 3:30

Friday 15th November: 2:30 – 3:30 (packing up the fair)

Many thanks for your anticipated support, Mel Toia

Back to School Appeal



In the following weeks, as part of helping students develop their faith and give back to the wider community, each class would like to make 3 school backpacks to give to the In town Lunch Centre. These school backpacks will be given out next year to children to help them get back to school with the essential tools. Outside each classroom there is a list of items where students or parents can place their name next to one item they will purchase to help fill a backpack.

P & F

Please see below current vacancies for the P&F positions for 2020. If you have

any further questions, please see Gemma Millar, Zoe Marwick, Renae Ursino or

Jo Spinelli. Many thanks.

Executive Positions:

P&F President: Gemma Millar
P&F Vice President: Zoe Marwick

Treasurer: Renae Ursino P & F Secretary: VACANT

3 Year Old Program: Catherine De Castro Kindergarten: Stacie Bekle and Nicole O'Dea

Pre Primary: Sarah Harrison and Sherie Chapman

Year 1: Eboney Franklyn and Kelly Bastow Year 2: Cassandra Shine and Grace Buswell Year 3: Anita Logiudice and Lacey Brown

Year 4: VACANT

Year 5: Denica Gibbs and Diana Dean Year 6: Rikki Smith and Alejandra Olgiati



Please click <u>here</u> to access the link to the Sausage Sizzle, Juice & Disco Entry Form.

Health & Physical Education

Athletics Carnival

St Mary's CPS will host the Annual Athletics Carnival on Friday 18 October. Please note we have made some changes to last year's format. Years 4 – 6 will take the bus to the SWSC for their track and field events in the morning. At 12:20pm they will return to St Mary's CPS for lunch. Pre Primary – Year 6 will then combine for the afternoon to complete the rest of the carnival! A schedule detailing events and times can be downloaded here.

The Years 4 – 6 400m races will now be held today on South Bunbury PS oval, Thursday 17 October. This is an optional race and students nominate to participate.

On Friday 18 October the Canteen will operate a normal lunch time menu only. All lunch orders are to be placed in class canteen basket prior to 9am. Please note: **there is no canteen available at recess**.

Any parent who is able to assist with the setting up of the marquées at St Mary's School on Friday 18 October at 8:15am please let Mrs Coulson know on Melissa.Coulson@cewa.edu.au

Fun Fitness Friday

There will be no Fun Fitness Friday this week due to the Athletics Carnival!

SWPSA Interschool Sport Athletics

The SWPSA Interschool Sport Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 24 October at the SWSC Athletics Track. Start time is 9.30am and the carnival will be completed by 2pm. Permission notes will be sent home for students selected on Monday 21 October

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.

Tino Alberti Physical Education Teacher tino.alberti@cewa.edu.au

Canteen

The canteen requires volunteers on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9am to 11.15am for Term 4. Please put your name on the roster available in the office or see Jenelle O'Reilly in the canteen on Wednesdays and Fridays, or contact her on 0407912701. Thank you in advance, your time is very valuable to us!!

PLEASE NOTE THAT NEAPOLITAN MILK IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE.

Canteen Volunteer Roster Term 4 2019

Canteen Menu 2019

Community



Royal Life Saving Western Australia

Spooky new app that kids love

A new app, called *Something Eerie*, has been released and teaches kids important water safety skills in a fun and interactive way. It follows a group of friends in the small town of Eerie Creek and the adventures they get up to while trying to solve a mystery! With relatable characters and an eye-catching

look, the app is making waves in water safety education! Learn more and download the app at the link above.



VacSwim 2019-20

Enrol now for VacSwim summer holiday swimming lessons! With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's essential that your children learn how to swim and stay safe in the water. VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers. Your children can start as young as five years old. There are over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia, so wherever your family is spending these summer holidays, there will be lessons near you. Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming

Bridget Hennen L.L.A.M.

Term 4 Acting Classes for Kids

Triple P - Positive Parenting Program

Term 4 Seminars and Discussion Groups

Anglicare WA

Term 4 - Free South West Parenting Programs 2019

Bunbury Children's Health Community Café

Wednesday 30 October 2019

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