



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

Thursday 15 October 2020

### 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 and our school with class, to respect our opponents, and to grow as disciples of your Son, Jesus. Keep us safe from injury and harm. Help us to conduct ourselves as you would, with grace and kindness. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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## From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,  
Welcome to Term 4! It promises to be one of the most exciting terms on record. On Wednesday we had a Science incursion with Marion and Fiona from Earth Science WA, that involved our students in a variety of experiments that included soil sampling, ultraviolet beads and lava flow viscosity. Today we have a group from the Undalup Association in Busselton, running an Aboriginal Cultural Day and our students will get the chance to taste some traditional bush tucker and hear about bush medicine. Then tomorrow we are holding our Athletics Carnival.

### **Athletics Carnival**

All is in readiness for tomorrow's Athletics Carnival. Special thanks to Mrs Toia who is our organiser, and she has been doing a brilliant job. Mrs Toia has been

overwhelmed with offers of assistance from parents to help with the different roles. We are also very grateful to Mrs Kelly Bastow for arranging six Bunbury Catholic College students to help tomorrow. Students have been working on their chants at school and it promises to be a fantastic day.

### **Parking for Friday's Athletics Carnival**

With the road works still happening on Columba St, it has magnified our parking problems at school. For Friday's Athletics Carnival, particularly for the afternoon session, parents are asked to use parking at the Scout Hall, Hands Oval and Forrest Park if you cannot find a bay.

### **Football Tipping**

Football fans were incredibly fortunate to have the chance to tip this season with the AFL overcoming what seemed like an endless number of issues around Covid. Football tipping this season proved to be challenging with the hectic schedule of games and tippers had to be on their toes because some rounds only lasted a few days before tipping was required again. Several handled the pressure better than others, and we had some standouts! Congratulations to our following winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Jon Krikke \$1000

2<sup>nd</sup> The McLarens \$500

3<sup>rd</sup> Brian Best \$250

2<sup>nd</sup> Last Emma Hastie \$50

Special thanks to Jenelle O'Reilly for coordinating the tipping this year and to everyone who was involved.

### **100 Club Returning to Normal**

I am happy to announce that 100 Club will return to its usual 8am Friday timeslot from 23 October. Most awards will still be given at Monday assemblies until we move to Stage 5 COVID restrictions.

### **St Mary's Super Scientists**

At St Mary's, we encourage students to show initiative and accept challenges and we have several students do just that when they entered the Sleek Geeks Science competition out of Sydney University. Students were given the theme of 'water' to make their 90 second films on, communicating scientific concepts in accessible and engaging ways. Congratulations to Grace Richardson, Imogen de Chaneet and Elena Gibbs for accepting the challenge and entering the competition. Elena's entry received a highly commended recommendation. If you click the link below, it will take you to the Eureka prize winners' page on the University of Sydney website. Scroll right down to the primary school highly commended and you will see Elena G from St Marys Catholic Primary School. There is a link to her entry on YouTube.

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/science/news-and-events/2020/09/29/finalists-in-our-sleek-geeks-science-eureka-prize.html>

Grace's entry can be found at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/s7u5abfxce47g4l/Video%2022-4->

[20%2C%206%2003%2055%20pm.mov?dl=0](#)

We have had some technical difficulties posting Imogen's entry but hope to have that for you for our next edition of the newsletter.

### **Booklists for 2021**

We will be using Ziggies for our booklist orders for next year. Order forms will go home on Monday 16 November. Parents can then go online and place their orders and stationery will be posted out by Ziggies and delivered to your door a few days after ordering. Some parts of the booklists like tissues and laminating sheets will be dropped off at school.

### **New Flag**

Thank you to Nola Marino for providing the school with a new Australian flag to replace our previous one which was well worn.

### **Baby News**

Congratulations to Jith, Gilse and Ryan Vithayathil on the recent birth of Adam - welcome the St Mary's Bunbury community!

God bless  
Paul Cronin  
Principal

## **Calendar Dates**

### **OCTOBER**

#### **Thursday 15**

Bush Tucker Incursion

#### **Friday 16 October**

Athletics Carnival  
4-6 Hay Park AM  
PP-6 St Mary's Oval PM

#### **Monday 19**

Número Competition (Bunbury Primary School)  
Merit Award Presentations  
Kindergarten Athletics Carnival

#### **Thursday 22**

SWPSA Athletics Carnival Years 4-6  
9.30am - 2pm

#### **Friday 23**

Year 3 Assembly

#### **Monday 26**

### **NOVEMBER**

#### **Monday 9**

Merit Award Presentations

#### **Tuesday 10**

P & F Meeting

#### **Wednesday 11**

Remembrance Day Service

#### **Thursday 12**

Slammers Basketball Clinic  
Years 4 - 6

#### **Friday 13**

Year 6 Assembly

#### **Monday 16**

Merit Award Presentations

#### **Friday 20**

Year 5 Assembly

#### **Monday 23**

Merit Award Presentations

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**Tuesday 27**

Board Meeting

**Wednesday 28**

All Saints/All Souls Mass 9am

Mission Market 1.30pm

**Friday 30**

Pre Primary Assembly

**NOVEMBER**

**Monday 2**

Merit Award Presentations

**Wednesday 4**

Year 5 Zoo Camp

Slammers Basketball Clinic

Years 1 - 3

**Thursday 5**

Year 5 Back from Zoo Camp

**Friday 6**

Year 1 Assembly

School Disco

**Tuesday 24**

ACM 7pm

**Wednesday 2**

Spelling Bee Years 3-6

**Friday 27**

General Assembly

**Sunday 29**

First Sunday Advent

**Monday 30**

Merit Award Presentations

**DECEMBER**

**Wednesday 2**

Thanksgiving Mass 9am

St Mary's Award Ceremony 2pm

**Thursday 3**

Year 6 Graduation Mass and Supper  
6pm

**Friday 4**

General Assembly

Year 6 Graduation Excursion

**Sunday 6**

Second Sunday Advent

**Monday 7**

Merit Award Presentations

**Wednesday 9**

St Mary's School Concert 6.30pm

**Friday 11**

End of Year Assembly (Choose  
Respect Awards, St Vincent de Paul  
Presentation)

Last Day Students

**Sunday 13**

Third Sunday Advent

**Friday 18**

Last Day Staff

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## Student Awards

### WEEK 9 Term 3

**Year 1** Cinnamon Curo Hobby

**Year 2** Alecia Wheeler, Jasmine Leigh

**Year 3** Sara Bovell

**Year 4** Amelie Wright, Levi Grice

**Year 5** Eva Edmondson, Lewis Evans

**Year 6** Jacob Coulson, Cooper Clark

**A.R. 50%** Isla Italiano, Ayla Mighall, Mia Panuccio

**A.R. 75%** Elianna Cross, Grace Emerson. Keira Pitts

**A.R. 100%** Cassie Turpin, Abbie Smith, Aaron Joseph, Leo Pemberton

**Phys Ed 50km** Eleanor Emerson, Tayla McGee

**Phys Ed 100km** Abigail Bovell, Kesh Fildes, Keirra Pitts, Godwin Gimmy, Alek Liaros, Angus Brown, Emmi Cahill, Kody Hopley

**Principal** Annabel Reynolds, Leo Pemberton

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## Important Information

### Disco 2020

The annual St Mary's school disco is fast approaching. So please put Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Nov in your dairies as you are invited to a 'Beach Party' style school disco. The school hall will be transformed into a dance floor by 'Rock N Roo DJ.' There will be prizes for best dancers and best dressed. There will also be stalls for students to buy goodies such as cupcakes, chips and glow sticks. So start practising your dance moves and get your outfit ready! Cost will be \$3 entry or \$5 entry including sausage sizzle & juice box (additional sausages can be purchased for \$1). Please see the attached [CDF pay link](#) for payment.




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### **Mission Market Day 28 October**

Year One will be running the 'Lucky Dip' stall on Mission Market Day, 28<sup>th</sup> October. Any donations of unwanted toys, trinkets, games, books, hair accessories etc. will be gratefully accepted. So spread the word and encourage others to have a clean out on the holidays. Please send in donations by the 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

Thanks,

Cathy, Megan, Kerry and Deb.

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### **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Please take note of the following important dates:

#### **Thursday 5 November 2020**

- Students currently in Kindergarten, and who will be progressing to Pre Primary in 2021, will have their uniform fit out from 2.30pm - 3.15pm
- Students currently in Pre Primary, and who will be progressing to Year 1 in 2021, will have their uniform fit out from 8.15am - 9.15am

#### **Friday 6 November 2020**

The Uniform Shop will be closed so that the previous day's orders can be processed, and will reopen as normal the following Friday (13 November 2020).



**Back to school 2021 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 2 school backpacks to give to the Intown 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 an item, they will purchase to help fill a backpack. If these items can be brought into school by the end of week 5, that would be greatly appreciated.



### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING TO ST MARY'S!!!**

In what has been a difficult year for the P&F to fundraise, here is an opportunity to support St Mary's. Book Fair will be happening in Week 5 of this term. All books purchased go towards earning Scholastic Dollars for us to purchase new resources for classrooms and the library. It is a fantastic time to buy some Christmas presents or for students to spend their hard-earned pocket money. The great success of past Book Fairs has come down to the wonderful volunteers that have been willing to help me run it. I will put out a timetable in the coming weeks asking for help on specific days. Please keep your eye out for that and help out if you can. Many thanks and happy reading!

Mel Toia

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## **Canteen**

**The canteen requires volunteers on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9.30am to 10.30am. Please contact Jenelle O'Reilly on 0407912701 if you are able to assist. Thank you in advance, your time is very valuable to us!!**



**Please click the link above for access to online**



## Canteen and Uniform Shop Orders.

# Community

[South West Calendar of Free Parent Workshops](#)

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