

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 6 May 2021

Vision Statement

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

Mother's Day Prayer

Loving God, thank you for mums and children and for all the joy of family life. Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother; be close to those who are struggling because they have no children; be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love. Let your love be present in every home, and help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of all who come. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

St Mary's continues to be a hive of activity and an exciting place to work and learn. Our Mother's Day Morning Tea and Mass are highlights on our calendar and both have been memorable experiences this week.

Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students across Australia will be involved in NAPLAN testing from Tuesday to Thursday next week, with Friday being a 'make-up' day. While the tests do provide valuable feedback to classroom teachers and give parents an idea of how their children are going, they are not something that students should be worried about.

Our Year 6 students are counting down the days until their camp at Woodman Point, which runs from 18 May until 21 May. I will be helping on camp and driving the bus and Mrs Pitts will also be attending. Ms Brown will be Acting

Principal while I am away.

There are lots of parts to my job as principal that I love, and one of those is meeting new families during Kindy interviews. It gives me a chance to tell families about all the incredible things that happen at St Mary's. Interviews are scheduled over the next week and we have 20 siblings for next year's Kindy class so we will be introducing ten new families to our community.

Mother's Day Morning Tea

St Mary's tradition of celebrating Mother's Day with a very special morning tea continued. The day was such a success because of the countless hours of preparation put in by our Pre-Primary parents, the generous sponsorship from businesses and the enthusiasm of those who attended. Special thanks to Christine Moffat and Chantal Macri for volunteering as this year's Pre-Primary Reps and for being key drivers of the event. The group enjoyed a delicious morning tea and were entertained by the very talented Charlee Jones. They were also treated to a performance by our Pre-Primary class that was dedicated to our amazing mums.

Declan's Joke at the Mother's Day Morning Tea

After the Pre-Primary's performance, some our students shared with everyone what they love most about their mum. Declan took the opportunity to share one of his jokes and he delivered it like an established comedian, and he had everybody in stitches: What did the shark say to the other shark who was eating a clown fish? This tastes funny.

Thank you to Our Lady of Mercy College

We are very grateful to Mrs Natasha Shields from Our Lady of Mercy College for bringing eight of her Year 11 students who are completing Certificate III in Childcare to assist with the creche for our Mother's Day Morning Tea. The eight girls did an amazing job in helping Mrs Rose Anderson and made it possible for more of our mums to attend. A great time was had by all! We usually have BCC help with MDMT, but their students had an excursion on Tuesday.

Mother's Day Mass

Our Mother's Day Mass was a wonderful celebration. It was our first school Mass with Fr Pierre and he was extremely impressed with the reverence of our children and their singing of the hymns. During Fr Pierre's Homily, in describing the love our mothers have for us and the way we love our mothers, he managed to include a magic trick with a rope that left us on the edge of our seats!

200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia

On Monday 24 May, we will celebrate 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia. There will be Masses held at the same time across the nation to mark the occasion. Bunbury schools have been asked by Bishop Holohan to take students to the cathedral for a 10am Mass. Our Year 5 class will have the opportunity to take part and will be bussed to the cathedral.

Confirmation

Final preparations are in place for the Year 6 students' Confirmation that will

take place on Sunday 23 May at 10am. Bishop Holohan visited the class this week to talk to the students about the day and answer any questions that they had.

Addressing Parents' Concerns

At the end of last term, we had several parents concerned about the number of mosquito bites their children seemed to be getting at school, so I arranged for a pest company to spray inside and out of the junior classrooms at the end of the school holidays. The problem has settled down.

I was contacted by another parent after she saw early morning visitors reversing out of visitor parking bays in the entrance to the car park near Year 2, back over the crosswalk on Mary St. To reduce the hazard, staff have taken to parking in those bays. We are looking at remarking the bays to put the visitor bays closer to the school's entrance.

Annual Tree Prune

We had our annual tree prune and safety check of trees around the school in the April holidays. Sadly, it was decided that the two trees outside the Year 5 classroom were going to grow too big for the area and were likely to damage the brick walls around them so the trees had to be removed.

God bless Paul Cronin Principal

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE ISSUED IN WEEK 6

Calendar Dates

MAY

Thursday 6

MSP School Photo Day

Friday 7

Pre Primary Assembly

Sunday 9

Mother's Day

Tuesday 25

P&F Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 26

Year 6 Science and Engineering Day

Thursday 27

JUNE

Thursday 3

Years 5/6 Winter Sports Carnival 10am - 2pm

Friday 4

Staff Professional Learning Day

Sunday 6

Feast of Corpus Christi

Monday 7

Western Australia Day Holiday

Tuesday 8

School Advisory Council Meeting

Friday 11

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First Holy Communion Workshop 6pm

Thursday 28

Year 4 Assembly

Sunday 30

St Mary's First Holy Communion

Year 3 Assembly

Friday 18

General Assembly

Wednesday 23

School Feast Day Mass 9am Mission Market

Friday 25

Year 5 Assembly

Sunday 27

Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Friday 2

NAIDOC Week Assembly

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Mother's Day Morning Tea Photos

Student Awards

WEEK 8 Term 1

Year 1 Jaxon Barnard, Mila Barreto

Year 2 Kai Bonilla

Year 3 Mark Procopio, Olivia

Devereux

Year 4 Layla Fildes, Nyah Twomey

Year 5 Emilia Cross, Cassie Turpin

Year 6 Max Woolhead, Elena Gibbs,

Flynn Fazey

Principal Max Williams, Ruby

Maratea

WEEK 9 Term 1

Year 1 Hugo Montalvo, Sofia Le

Feuvre Teran

Year 2 Annabel Reynolds, Nash

Grice

Year 3 Noah Buswell, Tayla McGee

Year 4 Darcy Stewart, Sonny Dean

Year 5 Charlotte Spalding,

Charlotte Cross

Year 6 Eva Edmondson, Georgia

Rodgers

A.R. 50% Mila Freiberger, Milla

Richardson

Important Information

CDF Pay

A reminder that:

Canteen orders close on CDF Pay at 8.45am.

Uniform Orders close on CDF Pay at 10.30am.

BOOK CLUB

Issue 3 of Scholastic Book Club was sent home with students in week 1. It is, as always, packed with exciting books at great prices. This is the last week to place an order; Issue 3 will close Friday 7 May. All orders must be done online using Scholastic LOOP

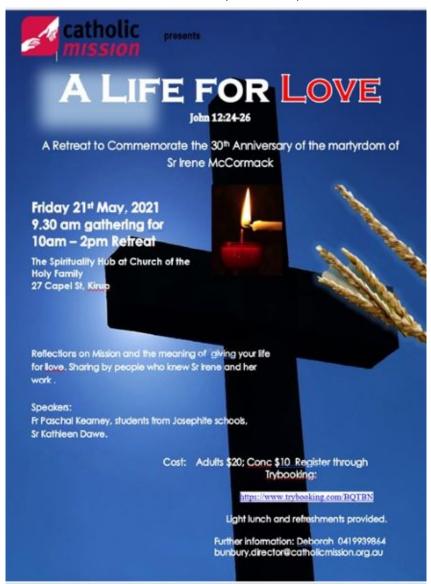
Canteen

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!!



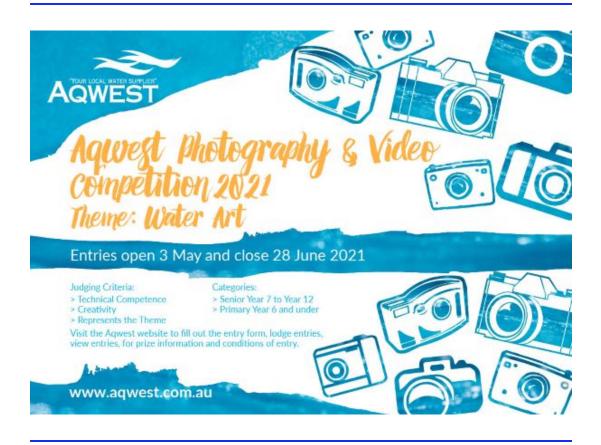
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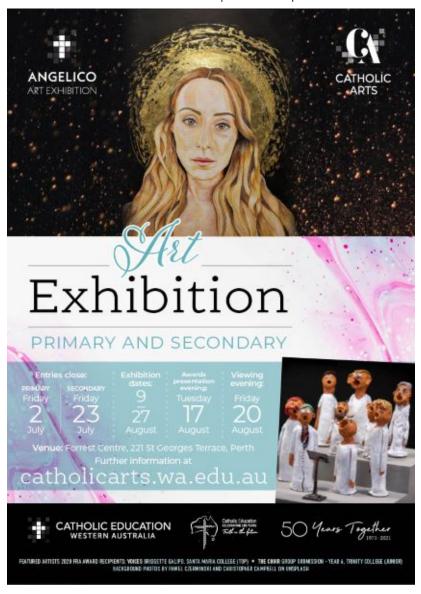
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