

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 20 August 2020

Vision Statement

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

Prayer

Father in heaven, hear my prayer. Keep me in your love and care. Be my guide in all I do. Bless all those who love me too. God make my life a little light, within the world to glow. A little flame that burns so bright, wherever I may go. Amen



Confirmation



Reconciliation

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

Our recent Confirmation for Year 6 students was a beautiful celebration and the additional Mass time provided by Bishop Holohan meant that family and friends were able to join us. St Mary's has established a tradition of students in other year levels being part of the choir and we had twenty-seven students from various year levels singing to help make the event even more special. The Year 6 students also enjoyed a special lunch generously catered for by Year 6 parents with the help of the P&F.

Thank you to the P&F who sponsored our HASS incursion and Mrs Webb has provided a write up in today's newsletter with photos of the learning that took place.

Uniform Reminders

I have spoken to a few students this week about uniform concerns relating to the length of fringes and coloured sports shoes being worn. Students' hair needs to be out of eyes by being tied or clipped back. If students' hair is past their collar it needs to be tied up. When shopping for sandshoes for school, please remember that they must be predominantly white.

Staff on Long Service Leave/Staffing Changes

We have several staff on Long Service Leave between now and the end of Term 3. Mr Priest will be on LSL from Thursday 10 September and will then take on the post of Short-Term Principal at St Patrick's in Katanning for Term 4. Mrs Melanie Tan will be teaching Indonesian while Mr Priest is away, including all of Term 4.

Mrs Melissa Coulson is away from 2 September until September 15 and Mrs Megan Turpin will be working extra days in Pre-Primary.

Mr and Mrs Alberti are taking the last two weeks of Term 3 to travel and Mrs Julie Gibson will go into Year 3. Mr Phil Alan will be in Year 5.

Mrs Bec Murray will be full time in Year 6 from 7 September and Ms Helen Brown will have additional administration duties while Mr Priest is away.

Parents in Classrooms

At this point in time we are still discouraging parents from coming into classrooms, unless you need to specifically speak with the teacher and that is best being prearranged if possible. One or two are okay as parent help.

Desperate for Parent Help in the Canteen

Parent assistance is allowed and greatly appreciated in the canteen and there are instructions around hygiene that need to be followed. Mrs O'Reilly has been over-run with close to one hundred lunch orders on Fridays. One and a half hours of your time on a Friday morning and your children will enjoy seeing you in the canteen.

God bless Paul Cronin Principal



Calendar Dates

AUGUST

Sunday 30

First Holy Communion 11.30am

Monday 31

Interm Swimming begins

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 6

Father's Day

Tuesday 8

Board Meeting

Friday 11

Interm Swimming Ends

Friday 18

Yea 4 Assembly

Student Awards

WEEK 3 Term 3

Year 1 Kai Bonilla, Natalia Mazurkiewisz

Year 2 Abbey Woodhouse, Hendrix Panuccio, Dionne Lijo

Year 3 Nyah Twomey, Nuala Hamill-Harling

Year 4 The Year 4 Class

Year 5 Stella Dean, Aaron Joseph

Year 6 Elianna Cross, Zachary Bemrose

A.R. 50% Kaden Hall, Aaron Joseph, Imogen de Chanéet, Emilia Cross, Kody Hopley, Zachary Bemrose, Jacob Coulson, Ayla de Castro

A.R. 75% Elena Gibbs, Abbie Smith, Cassie Turpin, Emmi Cahill, Leo Pemberton

Phys Ed 50km Michael Twomey Phys Ed 100km Crispin Gimmy, Toby McGee, Frances Best, Cooper Clark

WEEK 4 Term 3

Year 1 Hugo Lowe, Mila Franklyn

Year 2 Toby Bemrose, Tayla McGee

Year 3 Milla Richardson, Lachlan Scheffner

Year 4 Cassie Turpin, Bernard Edmondson

Year 5 Seton Do, Flynn Fazey

Year 6 Baylee Brand, Frances Best

A.R. 50% Abigail Bovell, Lauren

Dillon, Eamon Ramsay

A.R. 75% Crispin Gimmy, Kaitlyn Pitts, Aaron Joseph, Rhesty Anne Payapag, Gabriel Gragasin

A.R. 100% Bernard Edmondson, Alex Bemrose, Emily Chapman

Phys Ed 50km Holly Bambrick, Abbie Smith, Anitta Binoy, Stella Dean, Maggie Best, Sophia Karlsen, Louis Shine, Darcy Harrison, Jasmine Leigh, Kai Chapman, Toby Bemrose

Phys Ed 100km Ashton Spinelli, Liam Jones

Principal Eva Jones, Darcy O'Dea

Important Information



Design a Bin Sticker

Earlier this year, Keep Australia Beautiful WA Clean Schools offered students in Western Australian schools, the opportunity to participate in a competition to design stickers for their school's bins. Students from the Year Four and Five classes participated in this competition.

Students were able to look at the different messages available from previous years entries which included slogans, colourful designs and clear messages. They were encouraged to make the message relevant to St Mary's and to keep the message positive and to be about what they wanted people to do who saw the messages.

The students were very creative in their designs and they had a lot of very good messages about keeping the environment clean and healthy.

I think you will agree that the winners did a wonderful job and that their designs look amazing!

Thoughts from some of the winners:

Emma – I wasn't expecting mine to be chosen, but when I saw it being held up at assembly, I was really happy!

Louis – I was shocked to see my poster in such a big size for the bin. It felt really good to be chosen.

Cassie – I had forgotten all about the competition. I was shocked to see my poster being held up. It was even being held by my mum!

Sophia M – I was surprised, and I was not expecting to be one of the winners. Congratulations everyone!

HASS Week Incursion

On Thursday 6 August 2020, the Year Three to Year Six classes were able to be part of an incursion to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of Captain Cook and the Endeavour. This incursion was part of the Museums Without Walls run by Mike Lefroy. Mike is the author of many books (and sometimes in conjunction with his wife Joy) that we have in our school library, including Captain Cook and the Endeavour.

The students were able to listen to, view information and photographs and be actively involved with many artefacts. These included different spices, hard tack biscuits, Dirk Hartog's plate, the Cat-O-Nine-Tails and other items used by early explorers on ships.

Mike was very knowledgeable, and the students were highly engaged in his sessions. It was so good to be part of observing their understanding and engagement with this topic. As you can see from the photographs, it was an enjoyable day.

We thank the P & F for funding this incursion for us to commemorate HASS Week.

Thoughts from the students:

Jack – I was happy to use the lead line and find out how deep the ocean was. Mike told me that I might even win a trip to Bali! I was able to feel the depth of the ocean from the different knots and materials on the line.

Isabelle – When I smelt the cloves, they had a really strong smell but in a nice way. I was surprised to find out that pepper was worth the same amount as gold.

Mia – when I was wearing the nutmeg in a bag around my neck, I found out that people wore it to keep them safe from diseases and that they were able to 'show off' as they were wealthy if they wore this special bag.

Charlotte – I was worried when I was holding the bag with the animal in it. I was a bit scared that it would be something that would bite me. It ended up being the cat-o-nine-tails.



Thank You

The community of St Mary's Catholic Primary School is extremely grateful to Nicole, Jeremy, Ella and Noah Mills, for their kind donation of early childhood books, given in memory of Ella Rose who was born on 12th June 2016, and would have started Kindergarten in 2020.



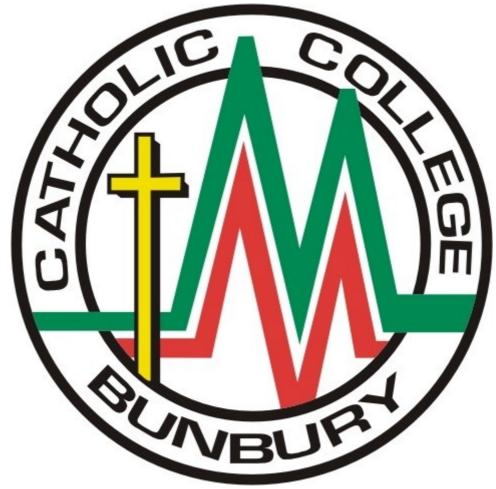
Canteen

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.

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