

St Mary's School Newsletter

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St Mary's Catholic School is a community that walks in the footsteps of Jesus and works in partnership with families in the Josephite tradition, to develop and educate the whole child.

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St Mary's School is committed to child safety and to the inclusion of all students.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



St Mary's acknowledges the Taungurung people, the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is situated. We commit to working in partnership with Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Let us really love one another

15.9.1890

VALUES OF THE WEEK

Reverence & Awe

Reflection for last Sunday's Readings (Matthew 28:16-20)

Mathematical Mystery - Three from One?

This past weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity and the Gospel brings Matthew's writing to its conclusion. Jesus is with the eleven disciples in Galilee. Galilee was the place where Jesus' ministry had all begun. It was by the sea of Galilee that Jesus had called his first disciples. Jesus had instructed his disciples to travel to the mountain and here, Jesus appeared to them.

Realizing that it was Jesus, they "prostrated themselves, though some doubted." (Matt. 28:17) John McKinnon notes that, "The two responses of prostrating and doubting expressed the ongoing reality of Christian experience." Worship and doubt would be the reality of the early Christian communities. Sensing this hesitation, Jesus speaks to the disciples and gives them the great commission. "Go now and make disciples of all the nations, baptising people into the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 28:19)

Jesus tells them how it will be; they will baptise in the name of the Triune God. One of the most basic doctrines of our Christian faith is the Trinity. When we come into the Church through Baptism, it is "in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit". The Trinity is not mentioned as such in the New Testament but there are numerous references in St Paul's writings to Father, Son and Spirit. In the early centuries of the Church there was much discussion about the belief that God is three-in-one. It formed part of the very earliest teaching of the Church. Fr Richard Leonard SJ writes that, "Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one." The Trinity will always be a mystery and cause us some doubtful thinking but, in our everyday lives, the Trinity is the Father of all our life and being, the Son as Lord and Saviour and the Spirit as Guide and Teacher. So next time we sign ourselves with the cross, perhaps we can remember the presence of the mysterious Triune God who dwells within us.

*Reflection from Maria Weatherill
Consultant: Catholic Identity
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Regards,
Catherine Fraser
PRINCIPAL





Mondays	<u>Breakfast Club</u>
Thursdays	<u>Bluearth</u> (Runners to be worn)
8 Jun (Fri)	<u>National Reconciliation Mass</u> St Mary's Church @ 10:00am
11 Jun (Mon)	<u>Queens Birthday Public holiday</u> NO SCHOOL
12 Jun (Tue)	<u>Kyabram Club</u> Ms Ras to drive selected students
14 Jun (Thu)	<u>P&F Pie Drive</u> Orders & money due
15 Jun (Fri)	<u>Whole School Excursion</u> Sovereign Hill, Ballarat
27 Jun (Wed)	<u>P&F Pie Drive - Collection</u> Pick up orders from the hall. Time TBA
29 Jun (Fri)	<u>Last day of Term 2</u> Dismissal @ 2:20pm
22 Jul (Sun)	<u>Christmas in July</u> St Mary's school hall
24 & 25 Jul (Tue & Wed)	<u>Learning Conversations</u> Forms will be sent home in Term 3
4 Sep (Tue)	<u>Sandhurst Arts on Show</u> Years 3 - 6 only

FOOTY TIPPING 2018

Don't forget to pick up your footy tipping sheets from the school office, Perrys Meats, Colbinabbin General Store, Stanhope Post Office or Rushworth IGA.



SCHOOL FEES & FEE RELIEF

School fee accounts (Statements) were sent home two weeks ago.

School fee relief is available to assist families to pay fees. Please make an appointment with Mrs Fraser to discuss this further. School fees can be paid in instalments or via Centrepay.

THANKS- MESSAGE FROM ROB DONOVAN

"Tammy, Patrick and I would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us during our time of need. It was fantastic and the food was delicious. We are so grateful for everyone's help, support, & wishes. Many Thanks from the Donovans."

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

27 MAY - 3 JUNE

"Don't Keep History A Mystery"

This year during National Reconciliation Week, Reconciliation Australia invites all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and histories, to share that knowledge and help us grow as a nation.

"Don't Keep History A Mystery: Learn. Share. Grow" explores history hidden just beneath the surface, ready and waiting to be uncovered. This National Reconciliation Week learn more about the Australian story.

St Mary's School community will attend a National Reconciliation Week Mass on Friday, 8 June at 10:00am. This Mass is being prepared by Miss Nippres and her F/1/2 class. All are welcome to attend.

National Reconciliation Prayer

Creator Spirit,
All creation once declared your glory,
Your laws were honoured and trusted,
Forgive us our neglect as our country approaches
the most critical moment in its history.
Listen to our prayer as we turn to you,
Hear the cry of our land and its people,
Just as you heard the cry of Jesus,
your Son, on the Cross.
Help us to replace our national shame.
With true national pride by restoring the dignity
of our First People whose antiquity is
unsurpassed.
May our faith and trust in you increase.

Only then will our nation grow strong and be a worthy place for all who wish to make their home in our land. Amen.

Wontulp Bi-Buya Indigenous Theology Working Group 13 March 1997 Brisbane, Qld.

**CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
FRIDAY, 8 JUNE TO FRIDAY, 29 JUNE**

Mrs Fraser has been accepted to join with 10 other Sandhurst principals to study theology in Chicago. She will leave on Friday, 8 June for 3 weeks in the Chicago, USA. Please see Miss Rasmussen if you have any concerns during my absence. Miss Rasmussen will be in the office Tuesdays and Mr Chant will teach 3/4.

**KYABRAM CLUB SPONSORSHIP
TUESDAY, 12 JUNE**

On Tuesday, 12 June we have been invited to attend the Sponsorship evening at Kyabram Club. Every year the Board of Directors generously support the schools in the Kyabram district. Each year I have attended with some students to give an overview of how we use the money and to accept the cheque. This year Miss Rasmussen will take some students over to Kyabram.

**P&F PIE DRIVE
ORDERS & MONEY DUE THURSDAY, 14 JUNE**
Order forms were sent out to all families two weeks ago. All orders and money must be returned by the above date. Orders will then be handed out on Wednesday, 27 June.

**WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION
SOVEREIGN HILL, BALLARAT
FRIDAY, 15 JUNE**

Our whole school excursion is to Sovereign Hill. The excursion links in with our Cross Curriculum units on Geography and History. All classes will undertake Education Programs that address a specific learning focus, a gold pouring demonstration as well as another age-specific activity. They will also have time to explore the surrounds of Sovereign Hill and participate in gold panning and visit the old-fashioned games arcade and buildings.

Students need to be at school at **7:30am** (please not before) for a 7:45am departure.

As the learning experiences for the F-2 students is different from the 3-6, the F-2 students will

arrive back at school earlier. They are anticipated to arrive back at St Mary's at 5:00pm. The 3-6 students will arrive at 6:30pm. Facebook will give more accurate times of arrival on the day.

Permission forms have been sent home today.

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY
SUNDAY, 22 JULY**

The Parish Council is once again proposing a fundraiser for Fr Joseph's Indian school. This year on 22 July at St Mary's School Hall, there will be a chance to celebrate "Christmas in July" with members of the Parish and school.

Last year there was very little support from the school for this parish/school event. When we plan for our school fete we always hope that that members of the wider parish and local community will support our efforts.

I am strongly encouraging our whole school community to get behind this event, to enjoy the company of each other and the parish community. I will be attending the planning meetings and will be encouraging some support from the school to join me at these meetings.

If any parent would like to join the organising committee for the Christmas in July function, the first meeting is on Wednesday May 30th at 2 pm at the Presbytery.

**LEARNING CONVERSATIONS
TUESDAY, 24 & WEDNESDAY 25 JULY**
Forms will be sent out for appointment times early in Term 3.

**SANDHURST ARTS ON SHOW
TUESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER**

This will be held at the Mercy Centennial Stadium, Shepparton. The year 3 to 6 students are all practising their dance and learning their song with great flair!

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
Thursday May 24 & Friday May 25 Principal meeting; I attended a GV principal meeting last Thursday and Friday which addressed Principal wellbeing, our Pastoral Wellbeing and Stewardship of Resources reviews and support for each other in our school settings.
Tuesday May 29 -Leadership Review
Validation Panel St Joseph's PS Rochester -Miss

Rasmussen. (Miss Rijs 3/4)
Wednesday May 30 –SMART Spelling PL
 Wangaratta – Miss Rasmussen (Miss Rijs3/4) and
 Mrs Hitchcock (Mr Chant 5/6).

LSL LEAVE

Jennie Hayes will take Long Service Leave from Friday June 1st to visit her new granddaughter Juniper Rose (Juni) and her grandson Alby, in Perth WA.

Mrs Ryan will take LSL from Monday June 4 until Friday June 15th and Mrs Fredricksen will take Italian and the Intervention program.

BOARD

Last night Mrs Pauline Fisher facilitated our Board meeting and led us through the Review documentation for our Stewardship of Resources review to be held on 31 July.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Respectful Relationships is about tackling family violence through education.

Rosie Batty, CEO of the Luke Batty Foundation:

The school community is an essential part of social reform by modelling a culture of respect through the whole school, not just by teaching respect in the classroom.

In 2017, respectful relationships education was mandated to be taught as part of the Victorian curriculum. The Victorian Government is supporting schools to model respectful relationships across the whole school community as part of its commitment to respectful relationships education.

The Government is providing Victorian schools with a range of extra supports and resources including, new Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials.

In the classroom, children will learn problem-solving skills, to develop empathy, support their own wellbeing and build healthy relationships with others. The initiative will also provide resources to best support children and staff who are affected by family violence.

When children build positive relationships with their teachers and peers they feel safer and happier at school, are more resilient and have

positive social attitudes. Positive relationships also increase a child's sense of social connectedness and belonging which can result in better health and academic outcomes.

Further information about Respectful Relationships is available on the Department of Education and Training website:

www.education.vic.gov.au/respectfulrelationships
 Katherine Jamieson has worked on a Scope and Sequence for our school which takes into account the lessons that Maree Sexton presents to our students. Our Respectful Relationships Program will commence in term 2.

PASTORAL WELLBEING REVIEW

St Mary's will welcome Mr John Mitchell, Pastoral Wellbeing officer CEO Sandhurst, Mrs Liz Trewick Principal of OLSH Elmore, Shaun O'Brien from St Monica's Kangaroo Flat. This panel will validate our Pastoral Wellbeing self-review which staff have worked on over the past few weeks. Board Chairperson Renea Cruz will be part of the Review day.

UNIFORM

As the weather has turned cooler please ensure that your child/ren have their school windcheater or jacket with them. The winter uniform is outlined below:

Girls Winter Uniform

• Navy slacks (pull on pants acceptable) or checked skirt	• Light blue school polo
• School windcheater	• Navy tights/socks
• Black school shoes	• School jacket

Boys Winter Uniform

• Navy trousers (pull on pants acceptable)	• Light blue school polo
• School windcheater	• Black school shoes/boots
• School jacket	

Sports Uniform

• Navy shorts (winter – track pants optional)	• Light blue school polo
• School windcheater	• Runners (black leather runners are acceptable)

Students are expected to wear school uniform (including the correct shoes) every day. If circumstances are such that a child is unable to wear school uniform, a note explaining the situation should be sent to school.

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that your child's jacket and jumper is labeled. There have been several cases of lost items.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY LEADERSHIP TEAM MINI VINNIES

Milos will be served at first break every Tuesday and Friday at a cost of .50cents.

They are making lots of Milos on a Tuesday and Friday, and they are working on the Feast of the Sacred Heart collection of non-perishable goods, e.g. tinned food, pasta, pasta sauce, jam, vegemite, sauce, tea or coffee.



Ella, Zahley & Amber making Milos.

The Mini Vinnies have also been working very hard this term. They did a great job with Jennie with the hostel visit.

Thanks to Jennie, Christine, Rob and all the residents for a great visit!!!



Imogen with Hostel resident, Kath.

NEWS FROM F/1/2 KJ

ENGLISH

This week, students in F/1/2KJ have been investigating what a digraph is. We have discussed that a digraph is when two letters come together and produce one sound. Students have practiced the th, sh, ch and wh digraphs and identified words on the THRASS chart and free choice words that have these sound in them. Students have worked hard at identifying these sounds in the books that they read during Independent Reading time and also with the Whole Class Big Book.

Sofia, Ruby & Aliveah have worked hard on /th/ digraph and identified that the word "teacher" contains the /ch/ digraph as well as the word "chair" and "chicken". The students then split the word up into sounds and used their phoneme fist to work out the sounds (followed by the letters that generally make up the sounds). We also investigated that the letters /o/ and /u/ can produce the same sound. Students came up with the words some, come, plus, bus and dust. A great effort for Foundation students!

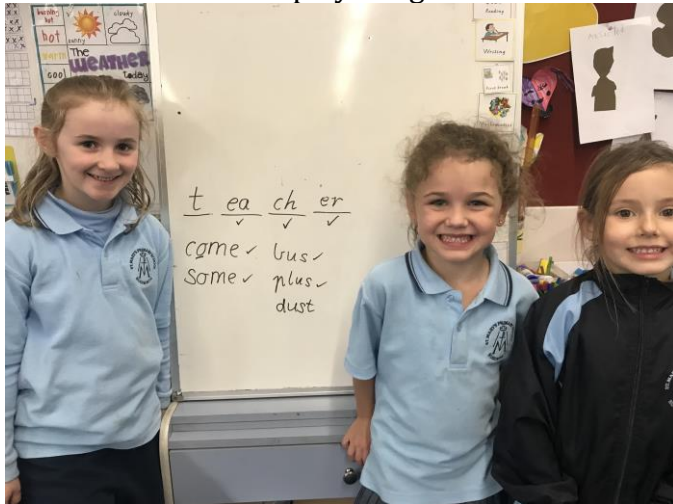
All students have enjoyed doing some free choice writing, particularly using mini books to write their information in and also creating felt board stories to then write about. This has helped the students to work on their oral language as they have shared their story ideas with their peers.

MATHS

Students have enjoyed investigating a range of 2D and 3D shapes in Maths, using both small scale shapes and also shapes within the environment around them. We have learnt that the corners of shapes are known as vertices and the lines that join to the corners are called edges. One of our favourite shapes to investigate is the cube, which students identified as having a square for each face.

In our number work, we have used the Hundreds Charts to investigate a range of number patterns, starting at a range of different starting points. Students have enjoyed using a range of maths manipulatives to visually see the numbers patterns as they move up and down the Hundreds Chart.

Our favourite game to play in Maths is the 1, 1 2, 1 2 3 number game, where students use a range of strategies to decide on how many numbers to say each turn. Ask your child/ren to show you how to play the game!



Ruby, Sofia & Aliveah enjoying their English.

The students and staff participated in a solidarity walk on Monday, 28 May. National Sorry Day is on 26 May each year to recognise members of the Stolen Generation. Our solidarity walk was a commitment to be a part of the healing and to show that we are sorry for all that happened to the Stolen Generation.



Joseph Swiss
Aliveah Garvey

Wishing a very Happy Birthday to all who are celebrating their birthday in the coming weeks and months.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK Week 5/Term 2



F/1/2KJ: Roy Gleeson

F/1/2TN: Maddison Olney & Elvie Wright

3/4KR: Matilda Lockwood

5/6LH: Kaleb McIlroy & Ryley Crabtree

WEEK 6/Term 2



F/1/2KJ: Amber Coates & Pippa Lockwood

F/1/2TN: Oliver Walker

3/4 KR: Thomas Ralph

5/6LH: Ella Johnstone



MONDAY LUNCH ORDERS LUNCH PRICE LIST

	\$
Meat pie	3.50
Pastie	3.50
Party pie	1.20
Mini pizza (Supreme or /Ham & Pineapple)	3.00
Sausage roll (large)	3.00
Sausage roll (small)	.80
Cheese & bacon roll	1.20
3 filling sandwich	3.50
3 filling roll	4.00
4 filling sandwich	4.00
4 filling roll	4.50
Sandwich with the lot	5.00
Roll with the lot	6.00
Sml Big M	2.50
Sml Nippys	2.50
Primas - Orange or Apple	1.50
Sauce extra	.20c

Remember: Children will need to hand in their orders, in a paper bag, early on Monday morning as a staff member from the Rushworth Bakery will arrive to collect the orders at 9.30am.

OPEN DAY

RUSHWORTH P-12 COLLEGE Thursday 31 May - 9am-11am

Our staff & Students would like to welcome prospective students, their parents or carers and members of the community to observe and interact with the engaging and personalised learning environment of Rushworth P-12 College.

Students will be leading tours of the College from 9am, followed by staff presentations and some light refreshments.

All are welcome on the day, though an RSVP on 5856 1230 would be appreciated.

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Opening Hours:

Monday to Friday
9am - 5pm

Pathology Clinic:

Wednesdays 9am - 11.30am

Psychologist:

Rachael Masiboy
Every second Monday

Pap Nurse Provider:

Nicole Brereton, Monthly

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Children's Chatter Matters!

Language Learning activities to have a go at home.



6. Find the Roots: Teach the concept of root words to your child. You might say, "A root word is the 'main' word in a longer word." Give examples and then have your child practice identifying the root words.

Ask your child to highlight the root words in following complex words.

1. mouthy
2. hopeful
3. sleepless
4. carefully
5. childish
6. workable
7. sawed
8. trembling
9. growing
10. unhelpful

7. Affixes: Tell your child that affixes are extra parts that are "fixed on" to the root word. The affixes at the beginning of words are called "prefixes" because "pre-" means before, and a "suffix" comes at the end of a root word. Ask your child to "fix" the broken root words with the correct "affix."

- Love -ful
- Treat -ly
- Grate -less
- Mood -able
- Do -ing
- Sad -tion
- Pink -y
- Tempt -ish
- Move -ed
- Aggravate -ment