

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

"Always remember to love one another"

12.7.1888

VALUES OF THE WEEK

Respect & Responsibility

MODERATION

Can you remember your parents or perhaps your grandparents saying to you "The golden rule is: moderation in all things."

Hopefully your children are hearing it from you as it is advice that can be applied to all facets of life and for the duration of life. Moderation is being accountable to ourselves for ourselves and not being controlled by our desires. When we choose moderation, we bring balance into our lives and we maintain our connection to our inner peace. As parents, we need to practice what we preach, for our children will learn to apply and live what we teach them only if they see us doing the same.

What we hold true in our lives should be demonstrated by the everyday example of our lives. Do we show moderation in the way we speak, the amount of food we consume, the outdoors exercise we take, or our use of alcohol.

Eventually, when our children leave the boundaries of our influence and enter new areas and are confronted with other value systems, will our example of moderation have been sufficiently clear for them to act moderately?

The way in which we respond to needs, the attitude we take in accomplishing our chores, the tone of voice we use in answering questions are all opportunities to teach moderation.

Stephen Covey reminds us: "If we do not teach our children, society will. And they, and we, will live with the results."

From L Bourke

"Watch your thoughts, your thoughts become your words.

Watch your words, your words become your actions.

Watch your actions, your actions become your habits.

Watch your habits, your habits become your character.

Watch your character, your character becomes your destiny."

Author unknown

Regards,
Catherine Fraser
PRINCIPAL





Mondays	<u>Breakfast Club</u>
Thursdays	<u>Bluearth</u> (Runners to be worn)
3 May (Thu)	<u>Scholastic BookClub Orders Due</u>
4 May (Fri)	<u>First Friday Mother's Day Mass</u> 10:00am @ the Church <u>Mother's Day stall for Yr 5/6</u> 1 st break
6 May (Sun)	<u>Parish Working Bee</u>
8 May (Tue)	<u>Mother's Day stall for Yr F/1/2/3/4</u> 1 st break
7 -11 May (Mon-Fri)	<u>Year 5/6 School Camp</u> DOXA Melbourne
23 May (Wed)	<u>St Mary's School Open Day</u> Family & friends invited, BBQ



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.

GRADE 3/4 CLASSROOM HELPERS TUESDAY MORNINGS

Helpers are invited to come and listen to morning reading on Tuesday mornings between 9 am & 9.30am

A Working With Childrens Check is required.

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

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| • 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

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

Sports Uniform

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

While the weather remains warm many students are still wearing summer uniform. As of May 14 all students will be expected to be wearing winter uniform.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Wed May 2nd- Complispace Master class –Peta and Mrs Fraser

Thur & Fri May 3rd & 4th – Graduate Conference – Miss Nippres – (Mrs Morse F/1/2TN)

Thurs & Fri May 3rd & 4th – RE Accreditation – Mrs Jamieson – (Mrs Fredricksen -F/1/2KJ)

Mon May 7th – Special Ed PD – Mrs Jamieson – (Mrs Fredricksen -F/1/2KJ)

Wed May 9 - FBT PD – Georgia and Peta

ANZAC DAY

Last Wednesday, 25 April, our students gathered to pay tribute to and remember those who served in the Australian Forces. Students had been learning about ANZAC Day, making the wreaths that were laid during the March and baking ANZAC biscuits. Thank you to Jennie for making the delicious ANZAC biscuits with the students, Mrs Ryan and Jennie for the beautiful wreaths, and to our fantastic students and families for their participation in the ANZAC Day March.



Emma, Madalen, Zhi & Isobel with a fresh batch of their Anzac biscuits.

God of Life,
In this season of Easter,
We rejoice in the New Life your Son the Risen
Jesus gives us. You offer us hope. You offer us
peace.

We thank you for this treasured land of ours,
Australia.

We remember the ANZAC soldiers who fought to
protect our country, Help us to strive for peace in
all we do.

We make our prayer in the name of our Risen
Lord.
Amen.

LEST WE FORGET



Some of our students after the Anzac day march.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

ORDERS DUE BY: THURSDAY, 3 MAY

Bookclub issue 3 orders and payment need to be returned by this Thursday. Please use the LOOP order system if able. Thank you

FIRST FRIDAY MOTHERS DAY MASS

FRIDAY, 4 MAY

Miss Rasmussen and her class have prepared a Mother's Day Mass for this Friday. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Joseph in the Church at 10:00am. There will be a morning tea, provided by staff, in the staffroom after Mass. All are welcome to attend.

PARISH WORKING BEE

SUNDAY, 6 MAY

This Sunday there will a working bee in the grounds of the Presbytery and the Convent starting at 10:30am. It would be great to support Fr Joseph and Sr Nellie to tidy up their grounds. Please bring along your gloves, rakes and shovels. Many hands make light work! A BBQ will be provided afterwards.

YEARS 5 & 6 DOXA SCHOOL CAMP

MONDAY to FRIDAY, 7 TO 11 MAY

The Grade 5 & 6 students are all looking forward to their camp next week. Students need to be at the Murchison East Train Station by **6:40am** next Monday, 7 May. Students will return on Friday, 11 May, and need to be collected by their family at the Murchison East Train station at 2:50pm. Students can bring an iPad/iPod with no sim and a camera, however, the school or camp venue takes no responsibility for any lost or damaged devices. Students can bring a maximum \$20 spending money. This should be sealed in a bag with their name on it and given to Mrs Hitchcock before camp. On the last day (Friday) this will be given to students to spend at the Queen Vic Market. All medication should be given to Mrs Hitchcock before the camp along with the completed and signed student medication form.

If you have any questions please let Mrs Hitchcock know.

VRQA – CHILD SAFE STANDARDS TUESDAY, 22 MAY

Ms Jan Hayes, an independent assessor, will be checking our progress with our Child Safe policies, procedures and practices. Our Child Safe policy and policies pertaining to Mandatory reporting, grooming, failure to disclose, failure to protect and working with children are available to read on our website. Our Code of Conduct, which our staff and school board are required to read and sign is also available to read on our web site.

OPEN DAY & BBQ WEDNESDAY, 23 MAY

St Mary's will be holding an Open Day. Classrooms will be open from 11:35am until 1:35pm where parents/carers and visitors can visit each classroom while our students are working, ask questions of the teachers, educational support officers, admin officers or principal. Our student leaders will give school tours for our visitors. If you know of any families who are making decisions regarding their child's education please encourage them to have a look through St Mary's School. Following the Open morning we will have a sausage sizzle at 1:30pm.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY LEADERSHIP TEAM MINI VINNIES

The term two Mini Vinnies have begun their work. They are setting up the Marble Run at break times for students. We have invited the Hostel residents to visit during Catholic Education Week, on Tuesday 22 May. Finally, the Mini Vinnies will begin fundraising by making milos for students on Tuesday 15 May. Milos will cost 50c and will be served at first break. This should be a nice way to warm up on a cold day. Last term the Mini Vinnies raised \$112 selling icy poles. Thank you to everyone for their support.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST

Congratulations to Stephan Sutton, Jackson Morgan, Abigail Ryan, Emily and Charlie McLean who were Confirmed by Bishop Leslie Tomlinson DD and received First Eucharist on Sunday, 22 April at Sacred Heart Church Cornella. The candidates worked well in their group, and had received great support from their families, as

they completed the Steps in Faith program over six weeks in term one.



Sacramental candidates 2018.

SPORTS & OHS LEADERSHIP TEAM

The sports & OHS leadership team have begun the netball sessions at break times for junior - Monday and senior - Wednesday students. They have considered also doing football sessions and will seek an alternative time to trial the sessions this week.



Some of our students at play.

PREMERS' READING CHALLENGE



All reading checklists will need to be returned by the **31st August** to ensure that the reading book titles can be added to each students challenge list online. If you would like your child's name to be included in the online honour roll, please ensure that the permission form is returned to school by the **31st August** (this was attached to the back of the information sheet and checklist). If you need another information note, checklist or Honour Roll permission form, please see Mrs. Jamieson.

F/1/2 CLASSROOM NEWS

It has been a great start to the term in the F/1/2 classrooms, where the students have been actively involved in all areas of their learning. In the two classrooms we have been investigating different areas of our cross-curriculum topic "Our Cultural World" which has a focus on Geography. In F/1/2KJ the students have been looking at the features of the school environment and comparing them to what the school looked like ten years ago. F/1/2TN have been discovering the same ideas, but are comparing the differences between what their houses look like now compared to 2008 when Google Maps last took pictures of their houses. Both of these topics have been interesting for the students as they have noticed how much things have changed in their life time at familiar locations.

In Maths, the students have been developing their knowledge of money. They are becoming very adept at distinguishing between cents and dollars and determining that value and size of a coin are different. The Grade 2 students have been challenging themselves to make money in lots of different ways and to count collections of money.

The students are very excited to continue investigating these topics over the coming weeks.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL - SRC

A student representative from the grade 5 & 6 leadership team is meeting each Friday. Students are discussing, making decisions and actioning the needs of the different areas of the school, as well as passing on and helping to resolve any student raised issues.

KIDS HELPLINE

Kids Helpline is a free, private and confidential 24 hours a day and seven days a week phone and online counselling service for children aged 5 to 25. Professional and specialised counsellors are available for all Australian children no matter who they are, where they live or what they want to talk about.

Kids Helpline can support children to know they are not alone and help is available no matter what the problem.

Involves supporting and working with young people to:

- Develop options for change
- Understand the consequences of particular actions
- Help identify their own resources and inform them about other resources available
- Help develop a sense of control in their life
- Utilise their strengths

A business card with information and contact details has been made available to students. Further cards and flyers are available if students or families would like further copies.

RUSHWORTH EASTER HERITAGE FESTIVAL 2018 ART AWARD WINNERS



Patrick D, Neveah S, Tayla, Emily W & Thomas with their awards from the Easter Festival Committee.

A vertical advertisement for Kids Helpline. On the left, the Kids Helpline logo is displayed with the tagline 'Anytime Anywhere'. Below the logo, it says 'We're here for your kids. If they need support they call...'. In the center, there are three circular icons: a laptop with a speech bubble, an envelope, and a person talking on a phone. To the right of these icons are the labels 'WebChat with us', 'Email us', and 'Call us for FREE 1800 95 1800'. On the far right, the website 'kidshelpline.com.au/parents' is listed. At the bottom, a note says 'Parents! For more information and resources, please check out our Kids Helpline parents section'.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 1/Term 2



F/1/2KJ Tyler Olney

F/1/2TN Alana Zurawski

3/4KR Max Coates

5/6LH Jackie Jones

Principal Award Kaitlyn Garvey

Week 2/Term 2



F/1/2KJ Ruby Griffin

F/1/2TN Lily Klinkert

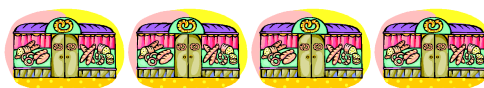
3/4KR Charlie McLean

5/6LH Imogen Robertson



MISS RAS

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



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.

ST AUGUSTINE'S OPEN DAY & INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday 29 May

Tour times - 9.30am, 11.30am and 2.30pm

Wednesday 30 May

Information Evening - 7.00pm held in the Brigidine Centre

Bendigo PiggySaver.

Big features for little savers.

With a big 1.25% it's the perfect account to start your kids saving for the latest computer game, a new bike or for a rainy day.

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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

'Achieving a healthy community is our Mission'



NOTRE DAME COLLEGE OPEN DAY FRIDAY 4 MAY 2018

visitors most welcome

Notre Dame College is a Catholic Co-educational College which aims to impart a sound and well-rounded Christian education through an interesting and varied Secondary curriculum, which is taught within the context of Gospel values and attitudes.

"Grow in Courage, Wisdom and Faith" 2018 College theme

Knight Street Campus 139 Knight Street, Shepparton

Tours commence from the Administration Building at the following times:

9:15am 9:30am 11:30am
1:45pm 2:00pm 3:30pm
3:45pm 4:00pm

Emmaus Campus – Year 9 Programme

Entry via St Luke's Primary School, GV Highway

Tours will commence from the Administration Building between:

2:00pm and 4:00pm

Parents who are unable to visit on our Open Day are welcome to telephone to make arrangements for an inspection of the College at a mutually convenient time.

Notre Dame College

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Children's Chatter Matters!

Language Learning activities to have a go at home.



3. Guess what's inside the bag: Fill a range of items in a cloth or any opaque bag. The children (and adults) are required to feel one of the items and describe it (in relation to its texture, size and shape) before trying to guess what the item may be. Encourage them to use interesting and different words rather than the usual – big, hard, square (considerably large, tough, four-sided figure). This game could be played at home, in the classroom, in the car etc. as long as nobody takes a sneak peek in the bag.

4. Reading: When reading a text with your child, discuss words that have tricky meanings i.e.

words you don't hear or see very often.

Develop a weekly list of tricky words e.g.

exhilarated, frantic, ogre, pessimistic,

ambled. Encourage your child to draw a

picture of each word or find a picture of the

word on google images. Get them to use the

word after watching a TV program each day.

For example, I was so exhilarated after watching my favourite show I couldn't wipe the smile of my face.

