

# 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

"Work on with constancy and courage"

4.7.1876

## VALUES OF THE WEEK

Reverence and Awe

## Holy Week

As we remember the events of Holy week we are aware of the symbols that dominate the celebration of Christ's Passion: the palms, the cross and the light of the candle. The palms symbolize Christ's triumph as his people greeted him and waved their palms and shouted 'Hosanna'. The cross is the means by which that triumph is achieved, a symbol of hope for many people over the past two thousand years. The Easter Candle is a symbol of 'Christ the light of the world; Christ present in our lives'.

The Easter Triduum is at the end of the school holidays and is spread over three days beginning with the celebration of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday including the washing of the feet. On Good Friday we remember the suffering and death of Christ and on Easter Sunday we celebrate Christ's glorified new life and wait with optimism for the coming of the spirit.

*"Lord, in you I put my trust.*

*Help me to see beyond the difficulties in my life.*

*Help me to understand these difficulties and my limitations*

*to deal with them in the same way You dealt with your difficulties  
– as a prelude to sharing in the glory of resurrection.  
Amen."*

It is hard to believe that the first term of the 2019 school year is almost finished. It has been a productive term with many programs and activities undertaken. Thank you to our students and parents for working co-operatively with each other and with our teachers to reach goals and improve learning outcomes. We wish each and every one of you a safe holiday and a very happy and holy Easter Triduum.



Wishing our families a safe and happy Easter. See you all for the start of Term 2 on Tuesday 23 April.

Cate Fraser  
PRINCIPAL





<b>Mon &amp; Wed</b>	<b><u>Breakfast Club</u></b> 8:30am
<b>Thu</b>	<b><u>Bluearth</u></b> (Runners to be worn)
<b>5 Apr (Fri)</b>	<b><u>Last Day of Term 1/2019</u></b> Students dismissed @ 2:20pm
<b>20 Apr (Sat)</b>	<b><u>Rushworth Easter Heritage Festival</u></b> Donations & Helpers Required
<b>22 Apr (Mon)</b>	<b><u>Easter Monday</u></b> Public holiday
<b>23 Apr (Tue)</b>	<b><u>Term 2/2019 begins</u></b>
<b>25 Apr (Thu)</b>	<b><u>ANZAC Day</u></b> Public holiday
<b>28 Apr (Sun)</b>	<b><u>Confirmation &amp; First Eucharist</u></b> St Mary's Church @ 10:00am
<b>3 May (Fri)</b>	<b><u>Athletic Sports, Shepparton</u></b> Parent volunteers required
<b>8-10 May (Wed-Fri)</b>	<b><u>Grade 5/6 Camp</u></b> Info to be sent out in Term 2
<b>30 May (Thu)</b>	<b><u>School photos</u></b> Watch this space



### FOOTYS BACK!! FOOTY TIPPING 2019

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

## GARDENING

### April Families

Kathy & Mark BARLOW  
Jayde YOUNG  
Trish McILROY & Aaron WILKINSON  
Chanelle & Terry OLNEY  
Rachel & Michael FORDE



The gardening group is asked to please weed, sweep and dust cobwebs around the school gardens/grounds. Thank you for your assistance.

## CONGRATULATIONS

I have overlooked sending our congratulations to Errin Lockwood and John Long on the January birth of Matilda Anna-belle (Tilly) a little sister for Willow, Murphy and Elli. Congratulations are also due to Willow's sister Elli and Mitch on the March birth of Koen Mitchell. This makes Willow a big sister to Tilly and an aunt to Koen. She will be a busy little girl. Congratulations to everyone.

## ECSI SURVEY

Thank you to the parents who were asked to complete the ECSI survey which is due this Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>. This survey, Enhancing Catholic School Identity was completed by staff, senior students, Board and P & F members and asked participants for their thoughts on whether the Catholicity of our school was evident and practiced.

## CONTACTING TEACHERS

**(Please keep a copy of these email addresses)**

I have listed the teachers' school email addresses below to give you an alternative contact other than telephone. The teachers regularly check their emails during the day and at home and will be able to email you back easily. Often it is difficult to find a suitable time to make an appointment or phone call.

**Mrs Thea Parry:**

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We trust that you will use this information for making contact with your class teacher in a responsible manner. If you have any serious issues it would be wise to make an appointment to discuss the matter face to face with the appropriate teacher or with me.

### **CAMP & EXCURSION FEES NOW DUE**

All camp and excursion components of the school fees are now due. Payment of their camp and excursion fees are required in advance.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss this further, please contact Cate Fraser.



### **SCHOOL DROP OFF/PICK UP**

Presbytery side 8:00am to 5:00pm  
(No Standing)

School side 8:30–9:00am & 3:00–4:00pm (No Standing)

It is important to note that students must be dropped off and collected from the school car park in Hume Street. There are **NO STANDING** signs in Southam St as buses pull up at the front gate of the school.

In the mornings parents/carers are asked to park in the school car park and escort your child across the road (**please cross between the two suggested walkways**), then to the school gate. In the afternoons a teacher will escort all children across the road to the car park and wait by the tennis court fence.

Parents/carers are asked to get out of their car and walk to the fence to collect their child/ren. NO child is permitted to walk in the car park without adult supervision.



### **HOLY WEEK PRAYER SERVICES**

Holy Week is a very sacred time of the year, as it is the time leading up to the great Easter Feast. The season of Lent, has been focused on conversion, fasting, praying and alms-giving, will come to an end. We used this season to prepare and renew ourselves for a deeper relationship with God. The entire period of Lent is a time of personal and spiritual preparation for the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and concludes with the resurrection on Easter Sunday. Each class will prepare a prayer service for Holy Week. All are welcome to attend.

**Friday, 26 April:** Easter Sunday, 5/6LH

### **EASTER MASS TIMES**

**Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00am** –Palm Sunday One Parish Mass at Cornella

**Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm** –Holy Thursday – Rushworth

**Friday April 19<sup>th</sup> 3pm** – Good Friday –Rushworth

**Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm** – Easter Saturday Vigil – Rushworth

**Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>**

8.00am –Easter Sunday - Cornella

9.30am – Easter Sunday – Stanhope

11.00am Easter Sunday –Murchison

### **CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, RUSHWORTH SUNDAY, 28 APRIL @ 10:00AM**

The Sacramental Program, Steps in Faith, has commenced. If you know of any families who may have children wanting to participate in the program please contact the school. The program timeline is with the newsletter.

Please pray for Violet Newlands, Makayla and Matilda Lockwood and their families as they prepare for Confirmation and First Eucharist.

### **ATHLETIC SPORTS FRIDAY, 3 MAY**

The school athletic sports will be held in Shepparton. Please let Mrs Jamieson know if you can volunteer at the sports. We have begun practising and the students are enjoying practising all the different athletics events.

## SCHOOL CAMP (YEARS 5 & 6)

**WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY, 8 TO 10 MAY**

The Grade 5/6 School camp is in Malmsbury at the DOXA camp. Camp information and permission forms will be sent home early in term two.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

**THURSDAY, 30 MAY**

Advanced Life School Photography will be at St Mary's School to take individual, class and family photos. Please have your child/ren dress in full school uniform this day with hair neat and tidy. Ordering and payment options will be provided to you next term.

## P&F FUNDRAISING

The P&F will be managing a cake and drink stall at the Annual Rushworth Easter Fair on Easter Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>. There will also be an Easter Egg raffle. This is always a popular day and our stall is always well supported. A roster has been sent home today. It would be appreciated if you could do your turn so that the committee don't have to work for the whole morning. We ask for your valued support at St Mary's Stall as this is usually a successful fundraiser.



## SCIENCE

### ELECTRICITY UNIT - TERM 1/2019

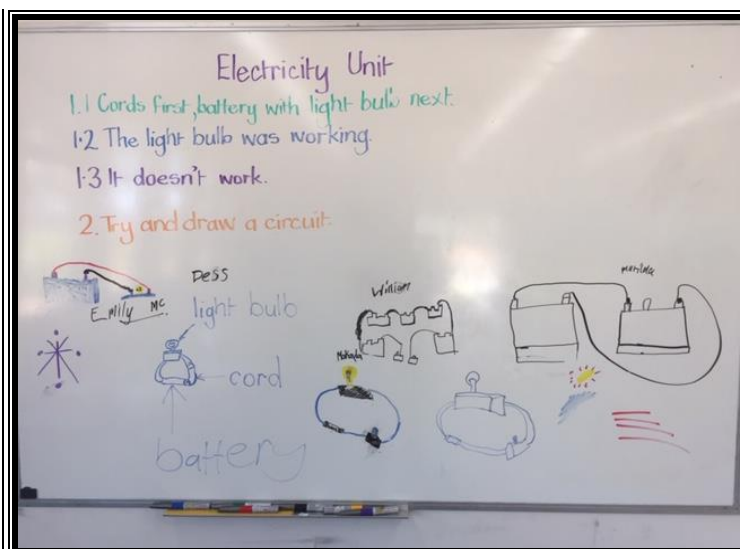
Grades 3 to 6 have been studying a unit on electricity.

We were fortunate to have on loan electricity kits from St Joseph's School, Nagambie. The children have explored how to make a circuit, power up light globes and use switches. Some pupils have been successful with buzzers and helicopter type blades.

I was extremely impressed with how the students approached and attacked this unit. Congratulations to both genders! We could have some budding electricians in our midst.

Here are some of the circuit drawings completed on 27 March. Well done - I am proud of you all.

*Sue Dean, Science Teacher*



## MONDAY LUNCH ORDERS (LUNCH PRICE LIST)

	\$
Meat pie	3.50
Pastie	3.50
Party pie	1.20
Mini pizza (Sup' or Ham & Pine')	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
Big M (small) (Choc/Straw)	2.50
Nippys (small) (Choc/Straw)	2.50
Primas (Orange or Apple)	1.50
<b>Sauce extra</b>	<b>.20c</b>

**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.**



Miss Shanahan

Cooper Gleeson

*Wishing a Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating a birthday in the coming weeks.*



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## **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

### **Term 1/Week 8**



F/1TP:	Manny Robertson
1/2MS:	Logan Howe & Heath Ogden
3/4KJ:	Tayla Laurie
5/6LH:	Ryley Crabtree

### **Term 1/Week 9**



F/1TP:	Pippa Lockwood
1/2MS:	Billie Johnstone
3/4KJ:	Lucas Jones & Cooper Gleeson
5/6LH:	Emily McLean



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**Clinic Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm**

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**Physiotherapist:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

**Mental Health Clinician:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed

**Pathology clinic:** Wednesday  
 9:00am-11.30am (or by appointment)

**Cervical screening nurses:** Every 6 weeks

**DR Joe Swiss** FRACGP, MBBCH, AMC, MSHMM

Practice Manager: Deanne Walker

Practice Nurses: Amy Francis  
 Amanda Williams

**Receptionists:** Angela Moore  
 Wendy Towan

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## White bunny cupcakes

Hop into Easter with these delicious bunny-themed cupcakes that are fun to make and super-easy to eat!

prep: 0:10 | cook 0:15



## ingredients

- 1/2 cup (125g) unsalted butter, softened
- 1 cup (220g) caster sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 cups (225g) plain flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 3/4 cup (180ml) milk
- Icing and decoration: 1/4 cup (50g) unsalted butter
- 2 tbsp milk
- 2 cups (300g) icing sugar
- 1/4 cup (20g) shredded coconut
- white marshmallows
- M&M's Mini
- Allen's Kool Fruits

## method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C (160°C fan-forced). Place cupcake papers in two 12-hole cupcake trays.
2. In an electric mixer, beat butter for 2 minutes until pale in colour and creamy. Add sugar one third at a time, beating well between each addition. Add the eggs one at a time, beating for about a minute between each addition. Add the vanilla essence and beat until combined.
3. Sift flour and baking powder and add half to butter mixture with half the milk, mix until well combined. Repeat with remaining flour and milk.
4. Fill cupcake papers so that they are three-quarters full. Bake cupcakes for about 15 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the middle of a cupcake comes out clean. Transfer to wire racks and allow to cool completely.
5. Icing
6. Cream butter until pale and smooth. Add the milk and half the sifted icing sugar. Beat until well combined. Add the remaining icing sugar and beat until mixture is light and fluffy.
7. Spread icing thickly across the cupcake and sprinkle generously with coconut.
8. Cut a marshmallow in half and stretch slightly and press into the icing to create bunny ears.
9. Place two M&M's Mini into the icing to create eyes and one Allen's Kool Fruit to create the nose.

## notes

- This cupcake recipe is the perfect plain vanilla cupcake recipe - you can use this as a foundation for all sorts of cute and fancy cupcake decorations.
- If you want to make 12 big muffin-style cupcakes, they will need to be cooked for about 20 mins.
- This recipe was created by the Kidspot Team for Kidspot Kitchen [recipe finder](#).

# Children's Chatter Matters!



Language Learning activities to have a go at home.

## PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

### **FINAL SOUND AWARENESS:**

I Spy: Identify an object in the room and say I spy with my little eye something that ends with the sound /m/ room, bum, plum, ram, etc. (Make sure to use the sound not the letter name).

This activity can be replicated with other sounds.

### **BLENDING/SEGMENTING**

Become a robot leader!

Say this rhyme in a robot voice, sound out simple words, and have your child respond: "I am a robot. Can you help me? Can you tell me what I see? I see a /c/ /a/ /p/."

Encourage your child to repeat the rhyme in "robot talk" and then blend the final word to answer the robot's question.

To make it a segmenting task, the adult says the word and the child breaks it into sounds like a robot.

### **SOUND MANIPULATION**

Sound thief:

The child makes different words by changing or deleting sounds in a word, eg. if you are changing all words to begin with /t/ sound then 'chair' would become 'tair' and 'lot' would become 'tot.' For something a bit harder: Try changing the final sound eg. 'pack' would become 'pat' and 'flag' would become 'flat'.

Ask your child to steal a sound at the start or end of a word and tell you what's left.

For example use names; Say James but steal the j sound = ames. Say James but steal the z sound = Jame. Use words from their readers - b/room, broo/m etc.

## Steps in Faith Sacramental Preparation ~ 2019

Date and Time	Event	Facilitator	Place
Week beg: Tuesday, 23 April 23 (TBC)	<b>Preparation Day at St Mary's Church, Rushworth</b>	Cate and children	St Mary's Church, Rushworth
<b>Sunday, 28 April at 10:00am</b>	<b>Celebration of Confirmation &amp; First Eucharist</b>	<b>Rev Bishop Leslie Tomlinson</b>	<b>St Mary's Church, Rushworth</b>

RUSHWORTH: Makayla Lockwood, Matilda Lockwood and Violet Newlands.

### Some reminders:

1. Remember to sit beside your child when at the meeting and encourage him/her to discuss the questions.
2. Arrange a prayer focus for each meeting i.e. cloth, candle, bible, symbols.
3. Read the chapter for the week before the meeting and be prepared, bringing any items suggested.
4. This is your special time with your child. You are your child's first faith educator.
5. Revise the chapter with your child during the week before the next meeting.
6. Make sure that you enjoy the time meeting other families on the same faith journey.