



# St Mary's School

## NEWSLETTER

### Vision Statement

*St Mary's School provides an education that endeavours to equip each child with the Christian values and life skills necessary to meet the challenges of a changing world.*

## From the Principal...

### Hello and Thank you

Here we are in Term 3, half the year already done and dusted, I can't quite believe it! As you may be aware my family, my wife Amy, 6-year-old Zac and 18-month-old Isabella and I have moved from Perth, to start the term at St Mary's. It was an enormous decision to leave our life in Perth behind, but I tell you what, as I drove past Geraldton and saw the rolling green hills I said (over and over, out loud, to the annoyance of my family) what a great decision this has been.

Since then we have been overwhelmed by the generosity, friendliness and warm welcomes that have greeted us. I have come to know St Mary's as a truly special community. I have felt so welcomed since joining the staff and I sing the praises of Mrs Marquis and Mrs Erskine who have led this school so professionally.

My focus for this term is to really get to know your children and their interests, they have been brilliant and are a true credit to you. Thank you once again for all your warm welcomes and kind words, it is truly appreciated.

### Term 3!

Another term is at our doorstep, I don't know about you but I always find that each term comes and goes with the blink of an eye. I have reflected on why this is and I think it has to do with our children. As soon as children are born, our focus changes. Sometimes this focus change takes a little while, I know it did for me. Our lives stop being about ourselves and more about the little ones running around our feet. This running around, infiltrates our lives, we become busier and busier, we no longer have moments for rest or reflection and before we know it, the years start repeating themselves.

With always looking forward, sometimes I have to force myself to stop and reflect on where the time has gone, what has been achieved. Usually it's an internet photo memory that bring this to mind, recalling where life was 5 or 10 years ago. Does this happen to you, time just seeming to accelerate? I think it is so important to be mindful of this and factor in some time to sit back and reflect, if just for a moment I think the Fruit of the Spirit below, is a great way for us to focus this reflection.

### Our Fruit of the Spirit: Joy

At St Mary's we use the Fruits of the Spirit to find real examples of living our faith. For the first few weeks we are focussing on Joy, which I love. I feel it just focuses us to find the joy in the little things, and I have noticed examples of Joy all around since the start of the term. At the Cross-country carnival there was pain, grit determination and finally joy, followed by sausages! It may seem a little cruel, but I love seeing this journey in our kids throughout running events, you can literally see resilience developing. The Year 5/6 students brought so much joy to this event, cheering younger students on, running with those who found it difficult. Our whole school cheering each person on by name, getting them over the finish line, Amazing!

## Dates to Remember

### WEEK TWO

Sat 3 Aug      Sacrament of Confirmation 5pm

### WEEK THREE

Mon 5 Aug      Brookview Bookworms Year 6

Wed 7 Aug      Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment Year 5

Thurs 8 Aug      Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment Year 3 and 5

Fri 9 Aug      NCVISSA Cross Country Greenough MUSIC WORKSHOP St Lawrence's Bluff Point

### WEEK FOUR

Mon 12 Aug      Brookview Bookworms Year 5

Wed 14 Aug      BOARD MEETING 6PM

Fri 16 Aug      Newsletter

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# From the Principal cont...

Yesterday Bishop Michael visited to the students to speak about Confirmation, which happens this Saturday at 5pm. Literally joy, joy, joy all over the place. The way they spoke, their understanding of their chosen saint was excellent and warmed my heart. Finally, the nature of our students around the school. Children holding open doors for teachers to walk through, using their manners and helping each other in the playground. You can't wipe the smile of my face!

Try and give it a go throughout the rest of the year, to follow along with our Fruit of the Spirit focus. It is amazing when you have a word in your head, how to start to see it in your life. Where have you found joy in your day today?

## **Final word**

As the first few weeks of the term are behind us I hope I have had the chance to meet you and have a chat. If not, please feel free to give me a call or drop in at the school. If you have any questions at all about what is happening, please just ask, I have come to know our teachers as highly skilled and passionate educators who are truly here for the betterment of our students.

Finally, you may not know, but I am a pretty passionate Geelong Cats supporter. Don't hold it against me, I started barracking for them, because of my wife. So, I played the long game in that decision. As they take on Fremantle this Saturday I expect some good banter to be flying around.....especially if Geelong win!

Until next time, God Bless,

Ben Will  
PRINCIPAL

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**Aug 2** Mrs Mulgrew

**Aug 6** Miss Miotti

**Aug 4** Blake Simpson

**Aug 16** Reeve Suckling

## **TERM THREE SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS**

The date for the Term Three School Board Meeting is:

- Wed 14 August at 6pm
- Wed 11 September at 6pm

## **TERM THREE ASSEMBLIES**

The dates for the Term Three Assemblies are:

- Week Five 23 August 2.30pm (K/PP Class item)
- Week Eight 13 September 2.30pm (Yr 5/6 Class item)

If your child is receiving a Merit Certificate, you will be advised via a note, an email or a phone call.

## **THE BISHOPS' RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT 2019**

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year 3, Year 5 and Year 9 students in Catholic schools across Western Australia will take part in The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) commencing in Week 3 of Term Three. The assessment will be accessible to students only online.

Students enrolled in Year 3, Year 5 and Year 9 who are following a regular classroom program are expected to participate. Students with disability are also entitled to participate in the assessment. Exemptions may apply.

## **The Nature and Role of the BRLA**

The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment is a large-scale, standardised assessment that consists of a series of Religious Education (RE) tests. The purpose of the BRLA is to measure student learning of the content in the RE curriculum. The test items in the BRLA are developed and marked by the Office of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA). Formal school and student reports are produced by the Office of CEWA and will become available to schools in Term Four.

The BRLA provides a 'point in time' snapshot of student performance in RE. Students' knowledge and understanding of the content of the RE curriculum is assessed using a combination of multiple choice, short and extended response items. Students' faith is not assessed. The use of the BRLA complements the school based assessment programs in RE.

Please contact your child's teacher or myself, if you have any inquiries regarding the administration of The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment.

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Please be advised that the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Saturday 3 August at 5.00pm.

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation and those students who will receive a Special Blessing. All students will have a role during the mass and the Year Five/Six students who are receiving a Special Blessing from Bishop Michael are expected to attend.

#### **Confirmation Candidates**

*Isabella Allen*

*Millicent Allen*

*Caleb Hicks*

*Beau Johnson*

*Lara Mincherton*

*Sienna Mulgrew*

*Jake Pawelski*

*Olivia Teakle*

*Ashlee Suckling*

*Reeve Suckling*

#### **Special Blessing**

*Ella Braithwaite*

*Ellen Hose*

*Ace Maver*

### **NCVISSA CROSS COUNTRY- GREENOUGH**

Our students from Year 3-6 will represent St Marys at the NCVISSA interschool cross country event in Greenough, we wish them well on the day and know that all the students selected will represent the school with passion and pride. Our focus for all interschool events is to perform to the best of our ability and win, lose or draw display ourselves and other competitors with respect and sportsmanship. If our faction Cross country event is anything to go from, I have no doubt I will again be filled with Joy this Friday.

Congratulations to our captains - Sienna Mulgrew and Ace Maver

### **EXCURSION – ANDREW CHINN MUSIC WORKSHOP – ST LAWRENCS SCHOOL, BLUFF POINT**

Andrew Chinn is a musician primarily focused on producing Liturgical music. He is an incredible entertainer and involves the children in a concert type performance. Our K-2 students, along with those Year 3's not attending the interschool cross country, will attend and I am sure be blown away by the performance. If you would like more information you can visit Andrew website:

<http://www.butterflymusic.com.au/>



### **CROSS COUNTRY FACTION CARNIVAL**

The Cross Country Faction Carnival was held on Friday 28 July 2019 at the Northampton Community Centre. Congratulations to Nagle who were victorious with 159 points.

Thank you to all our staff and parent helpers on the day.

The results of the events are shown below:

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
<b>KINDY Girls</b>	Asha Simpson	-	-
<b>KINDY Boys</b>	Xavier Triscari	Finn Mulgrew	-
<b>PREPRIMARY Girls</b>	Layla Simpson	Hattie Maver	Mardi Suckling
<b>PREPRIMARY Boys</b>	Harry Cripps	Patrick Davis	-
<b>Year 1 Girls</b>	-	-	-
<b>Year 1 Boys</b>	Blake Simpson	Zac Will	-
<b>Year 2 Girls</b>	Isla Cripps	Lola Maver	Olivia Triscari
<b>Year 2 Boys</b>	Grady Simpson	Jaden Zappia	Rawley Pellicaan
<b>Year 3 Girls</b>	Taylor Mincherton	Torah Simpson	Savannah Pellicaan
<b>Year 3 Boys</b>	Tait Suckling	Billy Glass	-
<b>Year 4 Girls</b>	Evie Maver	Mahaylah Tarchini	-
<b>Year 4 Boys</b>	Ben Briers	-	-
<b>Year 5 Girls</b>	Olivia Teakle	Ashlee Suckling	Ella Braithwaite
<b>Year 5 Boys</b>	Caleb Hicks	Beau Johnson	-
<b>Year 6 Girls</b>	Sienna Mulgrew	Lara Mincherton	Ellen Hose
<b>Year 6 Boys</b>	Ace Maver	Reeve Suckling	-

**REMINDER:  
COLOURED  
FACTION T-  
SHIRTS**

Please return the coloured faction T-shirts to the class teachers as soon as possible.

**ST MARY'S SCHOOL P&F FOOTY TIPPING RESULTS**

<i>Round Fifteen</i>	<i>Round Sixteen</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shae's Nan</li> <li>• Miranda R</li> <li>• Mitch B</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chriso</li> <li>• Kristy &amp; Timm</li> <li>• Betty Smith</li> </ul>

<i>Round Seventeen</i>	<i>Round Eighteen</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ross Drage</li> <li>• Bomber51</li> <li>• Greg/Raelene</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anna Cripps</li> <li>• Chris</li> <li>• Teakle</li> </ul>

## JOIN NAGLE IN YEAR SEVEN 2021

During Term Two, the Principal from Nagle Catholic College will distribute Enrolment Packs to all Year Five students at St Mary's School.

Please see below for the enrolment schedule:

1. Application for Enrolments forms to be submitted to the College on or before Wednesday 3 July 2019.
2. Optional tours of the College are scheduled for:
  - Tuesday 25 June 2019
  - Wednesday 26 June 2019
  - Wednesday 24 July 2019
  - Thursday 25 July 2019

To book one of the above mentioned, please visit the Nagle website, [www.ncc.wa.edu.au](http://www.ncc.wa.edu.au)

3. An Information Evening will be held on Thursday 25 July 2019, commencing at 5:00pm in the College Gymnasium. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents.
4. Parents/Guardians need to contact the College Reception between Monday 29 July and Friday 9 August 2019 to confirm an interview time.
5. Interviews will take place from Monday 19 August to Thursday 5 September 2019. Parents are required to bring the student's Year Five Semester One Report (if not previously supplied), Year Three NAPLAN (if not previously supplied) and Year Five NAPLAN (if released by that date).
6. Offers of places will be mailed on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

If you would like further information, please contact the Enrolment Officer on 9920 0500 or email [NagleEnrolments@cewa.edu.au](mailto:NagleEnrolments@cewa.edu.au)

## SAINT'S BAKE IS BACK

The Year 5/6 Class is again selling food at recess time on the following Wednesdays for Term Three.  
Cost is \$1 per serve.



# SAINTS BAKE

# \$1

August 7	Pizza
August 14	Grilled Toasties
August 21	Pizza
August 28	Grilled Toasties
September 4	Nutella / Butter Fairy Bread
September 11	Nutella / Butter Fairy Bread
September 18	Nutella / Butter Fairy Bread



# MERIT CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

**Congratulations to the Merit Certificate recipients for Term Two, Week 10.**

**Year K/PP D'Mara**

*For the wonderful enthusiasm that you bring to all learning tasks. It has been great to see you sounding out words in your reading and writing and putting so much detail in drawings. Well done!*

**Patrick**

*For your amazing recount of the energy, oxygen and water cycles. You included so much detail. Well done!*

**Year 3/4 Savannah**

*For settling so well and with such enthusiasm into St Mary's School. Savannah, you always display a positive attitude towards your peers, and you are generous and kind at all times. I have been impressed with the way you start all tasks quickly and quietly. You are truly a role model for your peers. Keep up this amazing effort, Savannah!*

**Johnadene**

*For the amazing progress you have made this term. Johnadene, Mrs B, Mrs S and I have been so impressed with the way you come into class in the morning, greeting everyone as you go. You have been learning our morning routines and have been getting out your name tracing and writing, tracing your name neatly and independently most mornings. Johnadene you blew us away when you independently wrote the letters J,O,M and N from your name. You are a star Johnadene, keep up this fantastic progress!*

**Year 5/6 Ace**

*For your excellent skills in researching facts on the History of Sport in Australia. You worked extremely hard and on task throughout this activity. I am looking forward to your PowerPoint presentation. Ace, thank you for your persistence in learning the different strategies in Maths to solve number sentences. What a way to end the semester, Ace!*

**Ellen**

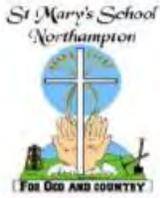
*For your perseverance in all activities and pushing through challenges that you may find difficult, with great success. Ellen, you have shown much improvement in all learning areas, which you should be very proud of. I know I am! You researched well, writing a wonderful report on Saint Rosa of Lima. Looking forward to more successes in Semester Two, Ellen!*

**PRINCIPAL AWARDS KPP Class, Ace Maver, Marissa Drage, Rawley Pellicaan**

**LEXILE AWARDS Sienna, Reeve, Beau, Torah, Leah**



Rinse your dishes in a container then empty container into garden



# ST MARY'S SCHOOL



## 2020 KINDY ENROLMENTS

- Children born on or after 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016
- Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
- Option to attend four or five days/week
- Yearly fees capped at \$390 per child
- Enquire about obligation free tours

## ST MARY'S SCHOOL

Enrolment Applications available from

School Office

[www.smsn.wa.edu.au](http://www.smsn.wa.edu.au)

## PARISH NEWS

### Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year C

Today we reflect on the call we all have to love God by sharing what we have with others. The rich man in today's Gospel chooses foolishly to hoard his possessions. If we are prepared to risk putting what we have at the service of others, we may find ourselves poor in material terms but rich in the eyes of God. A treasure awaits us in heaven, along with many blessings in this life.

**A very warm “Welcome”** to Bishop Michael who has taken time out of his very busy schedule to spend quality time with us this weekend to join us in the Confirmation of our young people last night and the celebration of Mass today. Please join Bishop Michael for morning tea, in the Nagle Centre, after Mass.

**Congratulations** to Isabella Allen, Millicent Allen, Dean Caulfield, Jack Gray, Caleb Hicks, Beau Johnson, Lara Mincherton, Sienna Mulgrew, Jake Pawelski, Olivia Teakle, Ashlee Suckling & Reeve Suckling who received the sacrament of Confirmation last night. Also we acknowledge Ella Braithwaite, Ellen Hose & Ace Maver who have supported their classmates during their preparation for Confirmation and who received a special blessing. We pray these young people will continue to profess their faith as they progress through life's journey.

**Morning Tea** will be held next Sunday, after Mass, in the Nagle Centre. Ladies please bring a plate.

**Our Sick;** Pray for Ines Miotti, Fr Brian Ahern, Patricia Casey, Col Constantine, Jean Williams, Paul Leeson, Jo Mattens, Maud Brown, Betty Thompson, Cliff Dyer, Jim Thompson, Sue Gravranish, Hazel Bunter, and all the residents of Brookview

**Our Dead:** Please remember in your prayers the soul of Viv Simpson whose anniversaries occurs on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Prayer for Rain:** God of compassion, we wait and watch for your gift of rain to water the soil and make the barren land come alive again. We wait and watch for the gift of salvation to free us all from hatred, greed and fear so that we may live again as people of faith, hope and love. We make this prayer in the name of our Saviour who comes to be with us. Amen

**Right to Life Australia** has published a special brochure drawing to our attention the proposed legislation by the McGowan Government to legalize euthanasia or physician assisted suicide in Western Australia. Copies of the brochure are located at the back of the church. Please take one, have a read, and then make your voice heard.

**80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima Church** occurs next Sunday in Nanson. If you wish to attend the church celebration, commencing at 10:00am to be followed by a picnic lunch, please contact Susanne Warr on 0428317299.



### Camino San Francisco

# 2019

## THREE DAY CAMINO (Walk)

- **FRIDAY 9 AUGUST** —24km walk from **Ellendale Pool to St James' Church, Kojarena** (overnight Echidna Park Sporting Complex, Kojarena)
- **SATURDAY 10 AUGUST** —25km walk from **Kojarena to Our Lady of Fatima Church, Nanson** (overnight Nanson Show Grounds)
- **SUNDAY 11 AUGUST** —Join in 80th anniversary celebration of the Hawes designed **Our Lady of Fatima Church, Nanson**, followed by bus to East Yuna & 5km walk to McGauran Memorial and picnic among the wildflowers (arrive back in Geraldton circa 4pm Sunday)

COST: \$250

For more Information & Registration go to  
[www.geraldtondiocese.org.au/heritage/camino-walk](http://www.geraldtondiocese.org.au/heritage/camino-walk)  
or contact  
Fr Robert Cross on 99213221(10am to 4pm only)



# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Northampton Junior Football Club Results

### Round 8

30/06/2019



#### **Under 10's Rovers Red vs Northampton**

**Goal Kickers:** Ben Briers, Hayden Mahony 5, Brock Dale, Jai Diepeveen 4, Tait Suckling 3, Zachary Cragan 2, Phoenix O'Brien, Hamish Reynolds, Justi Smith, Izac Walker 1

**Encouragement awards:** Phoenix O'Brian, Jimmy Simkin, Isaac Price, Jai Diepeveen, Brock Dale

#### **Under 12's Rovers Red vs Northampton**

**Goal Kickers:** Ace Maver 5, Nico Comeagain, Rusty Crickmay, Jett McDougall, Zak Turner 2, Jack Corbett, Jake Cornelius, Beau Johnson. Zak Johnson, Christian Bell 1

**Best Players:** Rusty Crickmay, Jett McDougall, Ace Maver, Zak Johnson, Ryan Leck

#### **Under 14's Towns vs Northampton**

**18/9 117 8/5 53**

**Goal Kickers:** Jake Criddle 4, Jaxon Eastough, Sam Lawson, Alex Stonehouse, Tiani Teakle 1

**Best Players:** Sam Lawson, Tiani Teakle, Tom Berry, Malek Dodd, Cohen Fletcher



## Northampton Junior Football Club Results

### Round 9

28/07/2019



#### **Under 10's Northampton vs Mullewa**

**Goal Kickers:** Digby Bates, Izac walker 3, Jai Diepeveen, Hamish Reynolds 2, Ben Briers, Brock Dale, Hayden Mahony 1

**Encouragement awards:** Digby Bates, Jackson Bryant, William Glass, Hamish Reynolds, Izac Walker

#### **Under 12's Northampton vs Mullewa**

**Goal Kickers:** Ace Maver 3, Nico Comeagain, Christian Bell, Jack Corbett, Finn Crickmay, Riley Dawes, Nate Eastough, Ryan Leck, Zak Turner 1

**Best Players:** Nate Eastough, Fin Dale, Kenji Booker,

#### **Under 14's Northampton vs Railways**

**9-15 (69) 6-3 (39)**

**Well done to 14's on your win!!!!**

**Goal Kickers:** Jaxon Eastough 3, Tom Berry, Jake Criddle, Toby Gerreyn, Darcy Mulgrew, Tiani Teakle, Nico Comeagain 1

**Best Players:** Tom Berry, Jyo Booker, Cohen Fletcher, Jake Criddle, Travis Field

## VacSwim 2019

You can now enrol your children in VacSwim swimming lessons for the October school holidays.

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's important your children are safe in the water.

Programs are available for children from five to 17 years and cater to all skill levels – from beginners to those doing their Bronze Medallion. They are being offered at pool venues across the State.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at [education.wa.edu.au/swimming](http://education.wa.edu.au/swimming)



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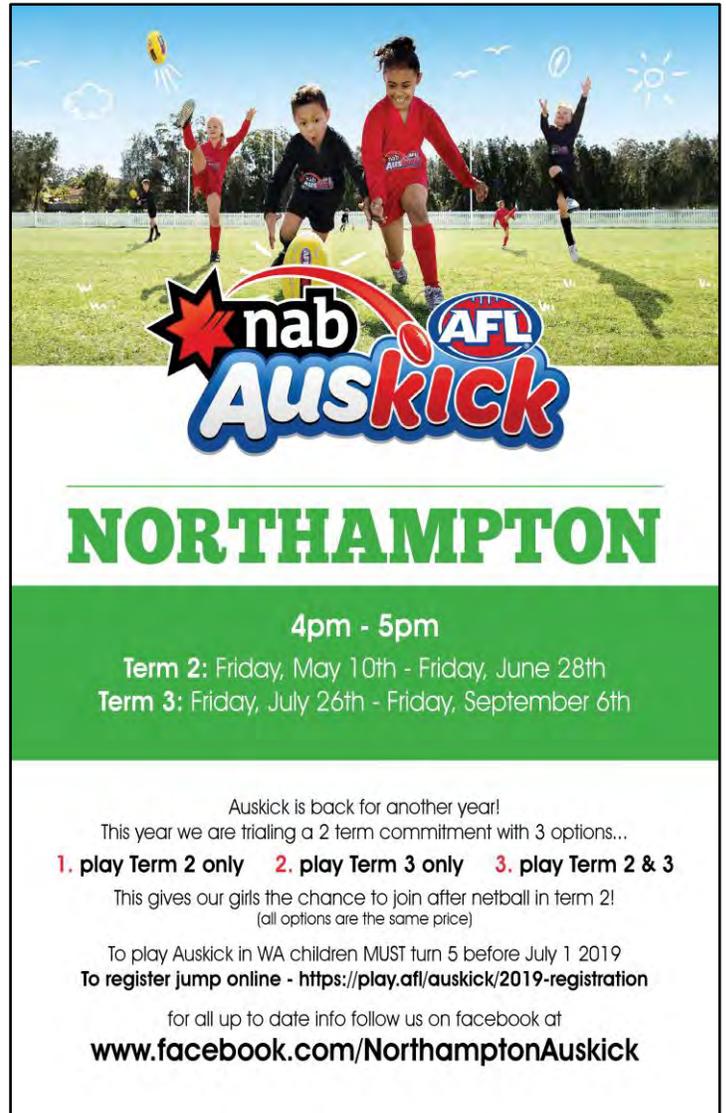
**VACSWIM OCTOBER 2019**

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the October school holidays.

Choose from two programs:

9 Days	5 Days
1 - 11 October 40 minute lessons	7 - 11 October 35 minute lessons
Prices: \$30 per child / \$20 concession \$81 for a family of three or more / \$54 concession (plus pool entry). Enrolments close 25 August.	Prices: \$16 per child / \$10.50 concession \$41 for a family of three or more / \$27.50 concession (plus pool entry). Enrolments close 1 September.

**Enrol now**  
Visit [education.wa.edu.au/swimming](http://education.wa.edu.au/swimming) or call 9402 6412.



**nab AFL Auskick**

**NORTHAMPTON**

4pm - 5pm

Term 2: Friday, May 10th - Friday, June 28th  
Term 3: Friday, July 26th - Friday, September 6th

Auskick is back for another year!  
This year we are trialing a 2 term commitment with 3 options...

1. play Term 2 only
2. play Term 3 only
3. play Term 2 & 3

This gives our girls the chance to join after netball in term 2!  
(all options are the same price)

To play Auskick in WA children MUST turn 5 before July 1 2019  
To register jump online - <https://play.afl/auskick/2019-registration>

for all up to date info follow us on facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/NorthamptonAuskick](http://www.facebook.com/NorthamptonAuskick)



**Northampton Play Group**

School Term Mondays 9-11am  
Edna Bandy Centre, Stephen St  
Contact Cara 0437 030 357  
Or join Facebook page  
**Northampton Playgroup**  
for more info & updates

# NORTHAMPTON—Go Slow **40**

## - Road Safety Awareness Event

Hampton Gardens Carpark—Saturday 10th August—9 to 12am

- Road Safety Awareness Competition (Great Prizes)
- Kids Poster Competition (K-Y2 & Y3-Y6)
- Road Safety Video (SLOMO Campaign)
- Interactive Table Top Exercise
- Ambulance & Fire Truck viewing
- Lions Club Sausage Sizzle

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