



St Mary's School

19 March 2021

NEWSLETTER

Faith - Respect - Challenge - Teamwork

From Mr Will...

Dear Community Members,

Well, we are almost at the end of the Term and just like that 25% of the year has been and gone. The next time I write my newsletter piece, it will be April Fool's Day....a sign of things to come?

Week 7.....

At this stage of the term, in most schools, each class is a very busy place. Teachers are working incredibly hard to improve student understanding, engagement and achievement. It is go,go,go and it can become quite tiring, for everyone. It is a time when perspective on the larger goal is key. We have a supportive and resilient staff group, who are able to see the great impact that we have on our kids. In saying this, if your children are tired you know why. The end is in sight, but we have a few races to run before the end of term.

Growth

At the end of the day, student growth the most important measure of a school and how effective the teaching staff are. Growth comes in many forms, the high-flying student extending themselves and child improving their reading comprehension or fluency or nailing a set of times tables. Children learning to work in a team, to communicate effectively or problem solve.

The growth of the student from January to December, should be at least 12 months. If that growth slows, stagnates or stops, there should be a reason.

Schools have a measure for this, it is called Effect Sizes and essentially is measures the difference between a pre and post-test, the average and the spread of data. You then plug in a formula and the final number is a figure that we can align to meta-data and measure growth.

School Plan for Improvement

Throughout this time in the term, I meet with teachers, and EA's soon, to discuss their planning and professional goals. This is a very important aspect of our teacher's development. We have completed a lot of work in the last 12 months to build consistency around how we aspire to teach (Our Vision for Learning) and how the content and skills will be taught, through our Literacy and Numeracy Plan.

The focus is now on putting this into practice and this will involve; multiple staff viewing lessons, staff collaborating over programming, staff modelling for others, maybe some filming of lessons and providing continuous feedback. A big part of my role moving forward will be working in classes alongside our teachers to ensure that we are implementing our schools' major changes successfully.

What I saw just this week in our all classes are teachers and students who are working on individual learning journey's, engaged in the learning process, understanding what is being taught and how they can succeed. What I have seen in our student data is incredibly growth, with an average effect size growth in Place Value of over 2 years. Absolutely incredible!

Now, we are not all the way there and we still have plenty of work to do...in fact it actually never ends....(don't tell anyone) but it is so important to celebrate the little wins along the way. If you see your child's teacher, give them a pat on the back, they are all working incredibly hard.

Dates to Remember

Week 8

- Mon 22 Mar Harmony Day
- Wed 24 Mar Mass of the Oils, Geraldton, Yr 5/6 5.00pm
- Thurs 25 Mar NCVISSA SWIM CARNIVAL
- Fri 26 Mar Sacrament of Reconciliation 9.00am
Palm Sunday Liturgy KPP Class 2.00pm

Week 9

- Tues 30 Mar Washing of the Feet Liturgy 9.00am
Yr 1 2 Class
- Wed 31 Mar Last Supper Liturgy 9.00am
Yr 3 4 Class
- Thurs 1 April HOLY THURSDAY Stations of the Cross Liturgy Yr 5 6 Class 9.00am
FINAL DAY TERM 1
- Fri 2 April Good Friday
- Sun 4 April Easter Sunday
- Sat 10 April Parish Stall at the Markets

TERM 2

- Week 1
- Mon 19 April SCHOOL COMMENCES

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World's Greatest Shave

I am so thankful for the overwhelming support of the World's Greatest Shave last week. We ended up raising \$1685, which is enough money to fund lab costs focussed on key prevention/cure research for a month! A huge effort and a real community contribution. St Mary's for the win!

#gocats

It would be great if this hashtag could really catch on this year. If you're looking for a team, you can't go past the Cats, great club, good supporters and the potential of a flag this year.....maybe.

Until next time,

Ben



Birthdays

Mar 6	Olivia T
Mar 6	Jaxon R
Mar 27	William S
April 7	Mahaylah T
April 15	Ollie M
April 18	Anna D
April 19	Mason B
April 19	Kayden C
April 23	Layla S

MERIT CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the Merit Certificate recipients for Term One, Week 6

Year KPP Charlie T

For the confidence you display in speaking to your peers and adults in and out of the classroom. From day one, you have breezed into our room with an inquisitive nature, asking lots of questions. You have shown just how friendly you are by asking known and unknown people what their name is and what they are doing. You are willing to have a go at anything and seek independence often to try things out on your own. What a fabulous way to start Kindy, Charlie. We expect great things from you this year!

Alice

For creating a bubble of happiness around yourself that is infectious to others. There would not be a day goes by that I cannot hear your excited voice or happy singing as you go your merry way completing activities or playing dress-ups in the home corner. You are an absolute joy to be around and you are making some wonderful friendships. Thank you for bringing your sparkle and sunshine to our days, Alice. We feel blessed to have you in our class.

Ollie M

For the way you are arriving at school happy, confident and ready to learn each day. Seeing you walk through the door smiling, makes us smile also. Throughout the school day, you attempt all tasks with eagerness and care, while displaying pleasing knowledge of the concepts taught. You always use beautiful manners and are a helpful and caring friend to your peers. You prove each and every day, to us and to yourself, what you absolutely CAN do hard things. Keep it up Ollie!

Year 1/2 Brianna

For your fantastic start to 2021! Brianna, I have been so impressed with your dedication to improving your reading and writing so far this term. It is great to see you becoming more confident as a Year 2 student. Thank you for always being so kind to those around you and making everyone laugh! Keep up the amazing work.

Mardi

For your kindness and perseverance. Wow Mardi, what an amazing start to the year you have had! Thank you for always being an extremely helpful member of Year 1/2. Whenever someone needs help, you are the first person to lend a hand where you can. I have also been so impressed with your quality of work so far this term, frequently finishing work first and to a high standard. Keep up the amazing work!

Year 3/4 Zac

For your work during our unit on place value and numbers. Zac, I was very impressed with the way you conducted yourself during each Math lesson. You were always ready for the lesson, ruling up quickly and you followed along with all the steps on how to solve each problem. Zac, you were then able to apply all the learning to new problems, often helping your classmates when they were stuck. What a fantastic start to Year 3, Zac!

Jaxon

For what a start to the year! Jaxon, I have been super impressed with your behaviour and attitude towards your learning this year. You have really stepped up into being a year four by completing all the work to a high standard. Keep up this amazing work ethic, Jaxon!

Year 5/6 James

For making a wonderful start to the term. I appreciate your diligent attitude towards your learning, your classroom focus, and your hard work. James, you like to challenge yourself with our Maths Grids and one day you might just beat me! You enjoyed our Technology lesson on Tuesday as you used your mathematical knowledge to work out binary codes. Keep up the great work, James!

Rylei

*For your enthusiasm and willingness to give everything a go, giving your best effort in class. I love your friendly nature and the way you always help your peers!
Thank you for working hard to maintain a high standard of work thus far and for the extra detail you put into the presentation of your work. Rylie, you brighten up our room with your gorgeous smile every day. Well done, Rylei!*

Savannah

For diving into learning tasks with enthusiasm and energy. You are always ready to challenge yourself and I saw this with the skill you showed when convincing why schools should visit the Geraldton Camp School for Leadership Day in your persuasive text writing, this week! Savannah, thank you for being a quiet independent worker. You always listen carefully to instructions, then work steadily to complete tasks. Way to go, Miss Pellicaan!

Specialist Class Awards

Rawley

For your sensational efforts in Media Arts this term. Rawley, your creativity and computer knowledge has enabled you to create an excellent advertisement as part of our first project. You are always positive in the classroom and you show great leadership when helping fellow classmates with computer questions. Keep up the excellent work!

Tait

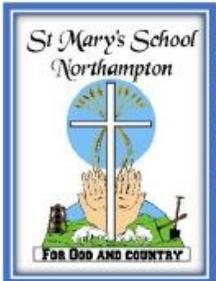
For your fantastic efforts in Media Arts this term. Tait, you are very talented when it comes to drama and media arts. You came up with a fantastic script idea about recycling, which was part of the original inspiration behind our assembly item. Keep up the excellent work!

Zachary

For your fantastic efforts in Media Arts and Sport this term! Zach, you have shown excellent leadership helping set up the soccer equipment this week and you are always positive during sport sessions. You always work to your best ability in both class and during sport lessons and you are always positive towards your classmates. Thank you for being a great leader during sport and Media Arts. Keep up the great work!

PRINCIPAL AWARDS: Yr 5/6 Class, Yr 3/4 Class, Yr 1/2 Class, Yr KPP Class.





Kindy & Pre-Primary

WOW! Time flies when your having fun!

We have welcomed a whole new bunch of smiling faces into our classroom this year and they are all super eager to learn.

Our themes have focused around the topics of ME and colour, we even had a Rainbow Day.

Take a look at some of the amazing work we have been doing



PARISH NEWS

Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year B

Jesus was greatly troubled as the hour of his suffering and death approached. He was tempted to ask the Father to save him from this hour. But he knew that his death would be a source of new life for all. Today's liturgy invites us to share in Jesus' self-sacrificing love. For ourselves, as for Jesus, the grain of wheat must die in order to produce a rich harvest.

Project Compassion: Halima is raising two children in a refugee camp in Bangladesh while caring for her mother who has a disability. A Caritas Australia-supported program helped her with shelter, cooking equipment and hygiene training. Halima now earns a small income as a trainer helping to maintain health and cleanliness of her community. Please donate to project Compassion 2021 so the transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children and strengthen the communities around them. You can donate through Parish envelopes, boxes, phone 1800024413 or visit www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

The Raffle at Morning Tea last Sunday was won by Ben Will. \$40.00 was raised and will go towards the upkeep of the Old Convent.

Congratulations to the students & Principal Ben Will of St Mary's school who raised over \$1500 when Mr Will volunteered to have his hair shaved off, by the students, for the Leukaemia Foundation and the World's Greatest Shave.

The Chrism Mass (Mass of the Holy Oils) will take place on Wednesday, March 24th at 5pm at St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Geraldton. All welcome.

Our Aged & Sick; Pray for Fr. Johnny Carpenter, Cliff Dyer, Nell Cripps, Ines Miotti, Patricia Casey, Col Constantine, Jean Williams, Paul Leeson, Jo Mattens, Maud Brown, Betty Thompson, Jim Thompson, Hazel Bunter, and all the residents of Brookview

Expression of Interest for a Casual Caretaker Position of the Old Convent: Duties include: Management of the Old Convent, taking bookings, welcoming guests staying at the Old Convent., cleaning and housekeeping. The successful applicant will be remunerated based on a percentage of income from the Old Convent. If interested, please contact Mary Smith on 0427341941.

PARISH STALL AT THE MARKETS 10 APRIL 2021

The Parish are holding a stall at the Northampton Markets on Saturday 10 April 2021.

Plants, cakes, preserves etc. If you are able to help with supplying any of these please bring to the stall on the day. If you are at the markets, please support our Parish.

ST MARY'S PARISH – NORTHAMPTON

Linking the Catholic Communities of Nanson, Yuna, Northampton, Kalbarri & Shark Bay

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES 2021

Holy Thursday	April 1st	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Northampton	5:00pm
Good Friday	April 2nd	Stations of the Cross	Northampton	9:00am
		Passion Liturgy & Reconciliation	Northampton	3:00pm
		Stations of the Cross	Kalbarri	3:00pm
Easter Sunday	April 4 th	Mass of the Resurrection	Northampton	8:30am
		Mass of the Resurrection	Kalbarri	5:00pm
Easter Monday	April 5th	Mass of the Resurrection	Shark Bay	5:00pm

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What can we recycle here at St Mary's?

- Plastic Lids
- Scrap paper
- Bread clips
- Ring pulls
- Egg cartons
- Cardboard boxes
- Newspaper

Recycling station is in the Flexi room and students are encouraged to bring in these items from home.

The diagram shows various items being recycled: plastic lids, scrap paper, bread clips, ring pulls, egg cartons, cardboard boxes, and newspaper. It also features a recycling bin with labels for 'EWINKI', 'Clothes', and 'GLASS', and a recycling symbol.

CRUNCH AND SIP

**Don't Forget Crunch&Sip®
WATERMELON**

We belong to the melon family and can be round, soccer ball-size or an elongated, egg shape with smooth, hard, thick, green or yellow skin or rind. Kids love eating watermelon because of its sweet flavour and juicy texture – perfect for the lunch box or Crunch&Sip®. Watermelons are rich in carotenoids which are good for maintaining healthy eyes. There are many different types of watermelon. The most popular is the Red Tiger but other varieties include: Viking, All sweet, Sugar Baby and Champagne.



Wash your car with a bucket on the lawn. You will give your lawn a nutrient boost as car shampoos use phosphates which can benefit grassy areas in a similar way to many fertilizers.

It would take a million years before a glass bottle decomposes.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Northampton PLAYGROUP

We would love to invite all new and existing members to join us at our fabulous centre. Enjoy a cuppa and chat while our kids play.

All Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Caregivers are welcome to attend.

Edna Bandy Centre
 » Stephen Street, Northampton
 » 9am-11am every Monday of the school term
 » Children aged from 0-5years

Contact: President Paula Wilson 0418 471 714 or find us on facebook!



NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE TERM 1 2021 SPORTS AND FITNESS TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MORNING				
9 AM METAFIT \$10 THE SHED	9 AM METAPOWERS \$10 THE SHED	9 AM PILATES \$10		9 AM METAPOWERS \$10 THE SHED
			10 AM KINDY GYM/ACRO \$25 (WEEK 2-6) AGES 2-4 INDOOR COURT	
AFTERNOON				
3.30-5.00 PM JUNIOR BASKETBALL (SKILLS SESSIONS WEEK 2-5) (MINI COMP WEEK 6-9) AGES 7-12 \$30		4.00-4.45 PM ACRO DANCE (WEEK 2-9) AGES 4-6 INDOOR COURT \$45	NEW 2PM GROUP FITNESS SUMMER BOOTY CAMP! \$10 NCC	3.30-6PM TENNIS LESSONS (WEEK 2-6) AGES 3-12
	4.30 PM BOXFIT \$10 NCC OVAL	4.45-5.30 PM ACRO DANCE (WEEK 2-8) AGES 7-12 INDOOR COURT		
5.15PM PILATES \$10	6 PM MENS SQUASH	6 PM LADIES SQUASH		6.00 PM SOCIAL TENNIS

TO ATTEND CLASSES ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT ANNUAL NCC MEMBERSHIP: SEN \$77/ JUN \$15
 CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ALL THE CLASSES WITH PARENTS SUPERVISION

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

ADULTS

METAFIT INSTRUCTOR LED 30 MIN CLASS CARDIO AND BODY WEIGHT EXERCISES- WORK AT YOUR OWN PACE
METAPOWERS: INSTRUCTOR LED 30 MIN CLASS USING KETTLE BELLS, POWER BAGS AND SLAM BALLS- WORK AT YOUR OWN PACE
PILATES INSTRUCTOR LED BUILDING CORE STRENGTH AND FLEXIBILITY
SUMMER BOOTY CAMP: GET YOUR BODY BACK IN SHAPE, 45 MIN GROUP WORK OUT, LOTS OF FUN, ALL FITNESS LEVELS
BOX FIT INSTRUCTOR LED FITNESS THROUGH BOXING

CHILDREN

BASKETBALL: INITIAL SKILLS SESSIONS LEADING INTO A MINI COMPETITION- FUN AND ALL LEVELS
ACRO DANCE: IMPROVE FLEXIBILITY AND STRENGTH, HAVE FUN, CATERERS FOR ALL LEVELS, PERFORM AT THE NR SHOW!
TENNIS: CONTACT NORTHAMPTON TENNIS CLUB

ENROLMENTS: COME ALONG TO ALL CLASSES TO ENROL OR EMAIL Carisa Mincherton (Sports Administrator) nttncgym@bigpond.com

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 THAT'S IN YOUR
 CONTAINERS TO
 NORTHAMPTON
 LIONS CLUB**

We'll get 10 cents for each one.
 With your help, we can make a change.

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 Drop off anytime in the staff car park.



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Most glass, plastic, aluminum, steel and paper-based cartons between 150mL and 3L.



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 FOR THE GAME!**

Northampton Auskick

2021

will run on Fridays 4pm till 4.45pm for 8 sessions

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 Northampton Auskick Facebook page

play.afl/auskick



NORTHAMPTON NET SET GO

\$80 Net Set Go fee
\$15 NCC Junior membership fee

TO REGISTER:

[HTTPS://NETBALL.RESULTSVAULT.COM/COMMON/PAGES/REG/WELCOME.ASPX?TYPE=6&ID=94317&ENTITYID=42351](https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?type=6&id=94317&entityid=42351)

NET- FOR KIDS TURNING 5 OR 6 IN 2021
SET- FOR KIDS TURNING 7 OR 8 IN 2021
GO- FOR KIDS TURNING 9 OR 10 IN 2021

REGISTRATIONS OPEN 15TH MARCH

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WAFFA
WEST AUSTRALIAN FEMALE FOOTBALL ACADEMY

Future Stars Super Clinic

April School Holidays

Ages from 8 -15yo



- Coaching from AFLW coaches & players
- Learn AFL skills and techniques
- Drills preparing girls for games
- Brief info & learning sessions

Program Details

- Dates: April 8th & 9th
- Location: MRP Eagles training ovals
- Time: 10am -2pm

Cost: \$155

waffa.com.au



HAVE YOU GOT WHAT
IT TAKES TO BECOME THE
**2021 NFC
SURVIVOR?!**

SATURDAY 27th March

Are you the ultimate Survivor!? Come join the Northampton Football Club in a family friendly fun day out. Test your physical and mental strength with our challenges sure to make some quiver in fear. There can only be one survivor, will it be you??

*what you
need to
know*

- >> 2pm onwards
- >> Northampton Community Centre
- >> \$20 online signup fee, \$25 on the day
- >> 12years and up
- >> Under 12years event at "Half time"
- >> \$2 entry on the day
- >> Bar open
- >> Dinner available

PRIZE \$500 CASH
THANKS TO CITY IN COLOUR

Registrations online at: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/141933004437
Please note minimal registrations will be accepted on the day, so please register beforehand



For A Better Chapman Valley (FABCV) Incorporated would like to invite you to the inaugural **CHAPMAN VALLEY RAINMAKERS DANCE** for a night of fun, laughter and memories.

The idea was born from an overwhelmingly strong community desire to have a social event return to Chapman Valley and in the midst of declining mental health in rural communities and amongst the COVID blues we need, now, more than ever, networking and social events to bring a little bit of positivity back into our lives and what better way to do that than with a dance, a few beverages and a night out with some good mates!

Put it in your diaries and get purchasing your tickets, the date is set for **SATURDAY, 27TH MARCH 2021**. Let's celebrate the start of another growing season ahead. There will be a bar to purchase drinks from, live music from our very own local talent Johnny David and later on in the evening to C4 and lastly, we will be kept well fed by the crew at Burnt Barrell who will join us with their famous smoker and doughnut wall! Eftpos will be available on the evening.

Tickets will be \$75 plus booking fee per adult and are on sale via Eventbrite, scan the QR code below to access tickets, get in quick as there will be limited tickets available. There will also be a buss leaving and returning to Geraldton on the evening as well. The dress code is very simple "dress as fancy as you wish" the only thing we do ask is that you leave your board shorts, thongs/ double pluggers, tank tops and stubbies at home.

Please accept this as your formal invitation for you, your friends, family, neighbours and colleagues to attend. For any queries please do not hesitate to email fabcv20@gmail.com or Megan on 0421 644 416. We cannot wait to see you there!



