

## St Mary's School

Faith - Respect - Challenge - Teamwork

## From Mr Love...

#### Dear Community Members,

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful Easter with your families and loved ones. I trust that the holiday break was a restful one and that everyone is now looking forward to what looks like another jam-packed term. As always, my door is always open. Feel free to pop in or book an appointment, even if it is to simply discuss the plight of the West Coast Eagles.

Our core values at St Mary's School, *Faith, Respect, Challenge* and *Teamwork* were in full flight each and every day of Term One. I look forward to once again witnessing these cornerstones of our school being reflected in Term Two.

#### **Alleluia Day**

Today, St Mary's School celebrated 'Alleluia Day'. As a community of faith, we rejoiced in the miracle of Jesus' resurrection which occurred on Easter Sunday.

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" (John 20: 18)

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is a victory over death and sin, paving the way for all followers to live love-filled lives on earth and in Heaven.

Today, students and staff all wore white in recognition of Jesus' resurrection. The day commenced with a morning prayer led by the Staff. In the middle block, students undertook a variety of Alleluia Day activities. In the afternoon, the students participated in a colour fun run coordinated by our wonderful P&F. A huge thank you to all community members who assisted. The spirit of the risen Lord was most definitely alive today!

#### **NSI - Parent and Carer School Climate Survey**

The school climate plays a pivotal role in facilitating, supporting, and promoting school improvement efforts. Part of the school climate is the crucial partnership between parents and the school. In order to gauge how parents and carers perceive the St Mary's School climate to be, I am asking all families to complete a school climate survey. The data from this survey will be pivotal in assessing the school culture, areas of strength and areas of growth.

A formal letter will be sent to all families in the coming days providing further information and the web link to conduct this survey. It is recommended, at minimum, 80% of families undertake the survey in order to gain an accurate school climate 'pulse check'. I am hoping St Mary's School can reach the 100% uptake.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Week 2

Fri 5 May Assembly

2.45pm

Week 3

Mon 8 May School Photo

Day

Wed 10 May Confirmation

Parent Meeting

3.15pm

School Advisory Council Meeting

6pm

Fri 12 May Mother's Day

Afternoon Tea

2pm

Sun 14 May Mother's Day

Week 4

Wed 17 May Book Fair

Begins

Week 5

Fri 26 May K/PP Assembly

2.30pm

Sat 27 May Sacrament of

Confirmation

5pm

REMINDER
Online LUNCH
ORDERS need
to be in by
10AM please.

### From Mr Love cont...

#### **ANZAC Day 2023**

On Tuesday, Sunnie and Bella, represented St Mary's School at the 2023 ANZAC Day Service at the Northampton RSL, laying a wreath on behalf of the school community. Bella and Sunnie represented our school in the most fitting manner, and I was very proud of the way they conducted themselves. I would like to thank their Mum, Elizabeth Rae, for supporting her children and the school.

#### **ANZAC Day Prayer Assembly**

Yesterday, the school community gathered to commemorate the fallen at an ANZAC Day Prayer Observance. Select Year Six students led this commemoration and should be acknowledged for their reverent and respectful manner in doing so.

#### **Project Compassion Boxes 2023**

Thank you to the children and families who have returned their Project Compassion Mission Box. The money raised was greatly appreciated by Caritas Missions and will enable them to further support their good work throughout the world.

If you have not yet brought back your Project Compassion Mission Box, please feel free to send it to school with your child as soon as possible.

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

This term, select students in Year Six, will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please take note of the following dates:

The Confirmation Parent Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10 May 3.15pm**. This will be an opportunity to learn more about this Sacrament and what is expected of you, during this time of preparation for the children. Please ensure you attend this meeting, as many important items will be covered. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held **Saturday 27 May at 5.00pm**. Please note, all Confirmation candidates will come together to cut the cake, in the Undercover Area at the school, once mass has finished.

#### Fruit of the Spirit - Peace

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!". After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." (John 20: 19-21)

#### **School Photographs**

School photographs are due to take place on **Monday 8 May**. Students are requested to wear their full School Uniform on this day.

School Photograph Order forms have been sent home. If you did not receive one, please make contact with the office.

#### **Good News Story**

The good news story for this week is for the staff at St Mary's School who participated in professional development on Monday. The morning session saw the staff explore the CEWA School Response and Planning Guidelines for Students with Suicidal Behaviour and Non-Suicidal Self-Injury. While this, understandably, was a very heavy topic, the staff exhibited professionalism throughout. I thank all our staff for their ongoing support of our school and for the safety of all our students.

Take care,

**Brett** 

## Term Dates 2023

#### Term 2

Wed 26 Apr Commences
Fri 30 June Finishes

Term 3

Tues 18 July Commences

Thurs 21 Sept Finishes

Term 4

Tues 10 Oct Commences

Fri 8 Dec Finishes - Students

## **Pupil Free Days 2023**

Friday June 2 Catholic Day

Mon July 17 Staff PD Day

Friday Sep 22 Staff PD Day (TBC)

Mon Oct 9 Staff PD Day

## **Public Holidays 2023**

Mon June 5 WA Day

Mon Sept 25 Monarch's Official Birthday TBC

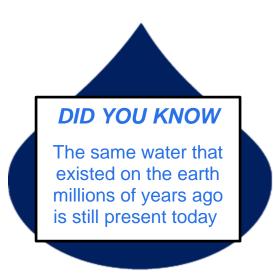
Mon Dec 25 Christmas Day
Tues Dec 26 Boxing Day

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

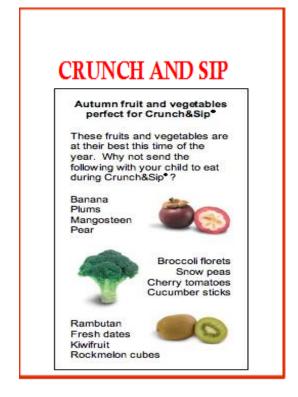
9 May Harry (Year One)

12 May Kai

11 May Mrs Teakle







#### **TERM PLANNER - TERM 2**

Please find the planner for Term 2 attached at the end of this newsletter.

#### **COVID TESTS**

We still have plenty of COVID Tests available in the office. Please come and see our office staff or phone the school if you would like some.

#### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED - BOOK COVERING**

We have some new books in the library and require some helpers to cover them in contact before they can be used by the children. If you can assist with the covering of these books, please contact the office.

#### **MERIT CERTIFICATES Term 1 Week 9**

Congratulations to the following winners!

#### Year K/PP Easton

Easton, you have been putting in a huge effort with your reading and writing! I love the way you have been really focusing on what you are learning during our mat sessions and trying to apply it. You are working hard at hearing sounds, and on writing your letters clearly and correctly, and are showing great improvement. I am very impressed, keep up the great learning!

#### Tait

Tait, I love the way you approach your learning! You always try your best and are constantly looking for new things to learn

I have enjoyed listening to you reading to me and am looking forward to doing lots more reading and writing with you. Your lovely, polite manners and great attitude make you a fabulous class member and we are all glad you are in our class.

#### Year 1/2 Tyson

Tyson, congratulations on your hard work so far this year. It has been such a pleasure to be your teacher. You are a gentle and kind friend, and you always look out for others. We have been so impressed with your improvement in your sight words and reading skills so far this year. Keep up your efforts, Tyson!

#### Harvey

Congratulations, Harvey, on a great Term One. You are an absolute delight to teach, with your beautiful manners and kind personality. You make an excellent role model for the other students in the class. I look forward to watching you grow over the next three terms. Congratulations, Harvey! Keep up your hard work and enthusiasm to learn.

#### Year 3/4 Asha

The fantastic way you have approached all learning tasks this term. Asha, you have tackled every learning task with determination and focus. You have learnt a host of new skills on the iPad to assist with your learning, such as, speech to text, read alouds and new word processing apps to use. It is fantastic to see you shine in the classroom using these tools to display your learning. Keep up this tremendous work, Asha!

#### Harry C

For working hard on your reading and achieving fantastic results. Harry, you have been making the most of the Lexile home reading program already reading 30 books this year! You are constantly whipping out books to read in your spare time which is delightful to see. Keep up this amazing effort, Harry, and keep shining!

#### Lavla

The tremendous effort and work done during Maths this year. Layla, I love how you are always watching and learning throughout the lesson, following along with all examples, and trying the skills out on your own. You have soaked up every bit of information in our math lessons on place value, including odd and even. You are able to read, write, order and classify numbers into the hundreds of thousands. You are smashing it, Layla. Keep it up!

#### Year 5/6 William S

For working hard in all Maths lessons this term. You can identify regular and irregular polygons of 2D shapes. William, you are also able to identify properties of a square based pyramid, including faces, vertices and edge. Your persuasive letter to The Shearing Shed gave good reasons why your Energy Smashing Smoothie should be on their menu. Each reason included evidence to support your opinion. You should be very proud of your letter. Keep up this great work ethic in all areas, William!

#### Clancy

For writing a letter to The Shearing Shed persuading them to sell your smoothie. Your reasons were very convincing and you used high modality words to reinforce why your smoothie would be the best to sell at the café. Clancy, you are in control of your own learning, pushing through tasks that are challenging. I see this evidently during our Maths lessons. You recognise different types of triangles and know that the angle sum of a triangle is 180°. Clancy, keep doing what you are doing. Fantastic work!

#### Grady

For recognising that the angle sum of a triangle is 180° and using this knowledge to construct a triangle. You can also describe similarities and differences between pyramids and prisms. After reading a comprehension text about Harmony Week, you were able to use the knowledge in the text to explain clearly why you think multiculturalism is important in Australia. Grady, I can't wait to taste your Mango Madness Smoothie that might be sold at The Shearing Shed Café. Your reasons were convincing to me, giving facts to back your reasons and using high modality words. Well done, Grady.

#### Art Award Year 3/4

Congratulations Years 3 and 4, for being so conscientious with your artworks, showing marvelous manners and working wonderfully as a terrific team! Your ability to listen and follow all instructions for different art processes has improved greatly, well done!

I appreciate the way you support each other and give kind feedback to each other's work. Keep up the fantastic work!

Principal Certificates

D'Mara, Peyton









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Champion Year 6 Girl	Grady Simpson	Runner Up	Riley Box
Champion	Isla Cripps	Runner Up	Tayva Quick and Sunnie Rae
Year 5 Boy			·
Champion	Blake Simpson	Runner Up	Mason Box
Year 4 Boy Champion	Harry Cripps	Runner Up	Patrick Davis
Year 4 Girl	папу спррз	Ruillei Op	r attick Davis
Champion	Layla Simpson	Runner Up	Mardi Suckling
Year 3 Boy			•
Champion	Hudson Teakle	Runner Up	Zavier Triscari
Year 3 Girl Champion	Asha Simpson	Runner Up	Oakley Quick
Spirit Award	William Thorpe	ixuillel Op	Carley Quick
	to Kelly House for tak	king home the shield for	or 2023!

#### **PARISH NEWS**

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)- Year A

At times is can be hard to recognise the voice of Jesus as there are many who claim to speak in his name. A useful guide is to look at people's actions. We can listen to those whose lives reveal the qualities of Jesus: love, compassion, justice, self-sacrifice. They are the good shepherds in our midst.

#### **Lifting of Covid Restrictions**

As of today, Covid restrictions are being lifted. This means:

- 1. Sunday obligation is restored.
- 2. Normal manner for Collections
- 3. Resume the Offertory procession
- 4. No requirements to use hand sanitizer but it will be available for people if they still wish to use it.
- 5. If you are recovering from the flu or covid it will be appropriate for you to wear a mask. If you do get the flu or covid PLEASE STAY HOME until you have recovered.

**Church Cleaners:** We are still **desperately** looking for at least **1 more person** to go on the cleaning roster. The more people we can get (you will be working in pairs) the less frequent your turn will come up. If you can help, please contact Mary Smith on 0427341941 or email manory@westnet.com.au.

**Our Aged and Sick;** Pray for Fr. Robert O'Bryan, Fr. Brian Ahern, Fr. Larry Rodillas, Win & Ray Bowman, Nell Cripps, Col Constantine, Jean Williams, Paul Leeson, Jo Mattens, Betty Thompson and all the residents of Brookview

**Our Dead:** Please remember in your prayers the soul of Jessie (Billy) Morris whose funeral was held here on Thursday.

#### Palms Australia - Mission: Transform Lives-theirs...and yours

Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills and knowledge with those who have few other chances for training. Build enduring global relationships while assisting sustainable, self-reliant, community development. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand. Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know:

RING: 02 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567. Visit: <a href="www.palms.org.au">www.palms.org.au</a>
Pilgrimage to Spain, Portugal - Lisbon - WYD 2023 & France

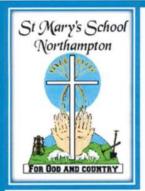
Departing: 26 July 2023 - Returning: 10 August 2023

Destinations: Spain, Portugal - Including 1st to 5th Aug - World Youth Day 2023 & France. (Covering 2 Places

of Marian Apparition: Fátima - Portugal & Lourdes - France)

Flight cost: AUD \$2600 Land Cost: € 2600 (Approx in Total: AUD\$ 6700) Limited seats available For Registration Contact Fr Bernard on 0427005610 or

email: frbernard@westnet.com.au



## WAY TO GO, YEAR 5/6!

One of our core values at St Mary's School is Teamwork. The senior students typified this value with a car wash organised by the Christian Council, to support the people effected by the tragic events in Turkey and Syria. While the car wash was a cool relief from the warmer weather, and a lot of fun, the purpose of the event was not forgotten by our students. Thank you to the community who dropped their cars off for a wash and to the students and Miss Miotti for their thoughtful and compassionate attitude to those who are suffering. The students raised an impressive total of \$238!

















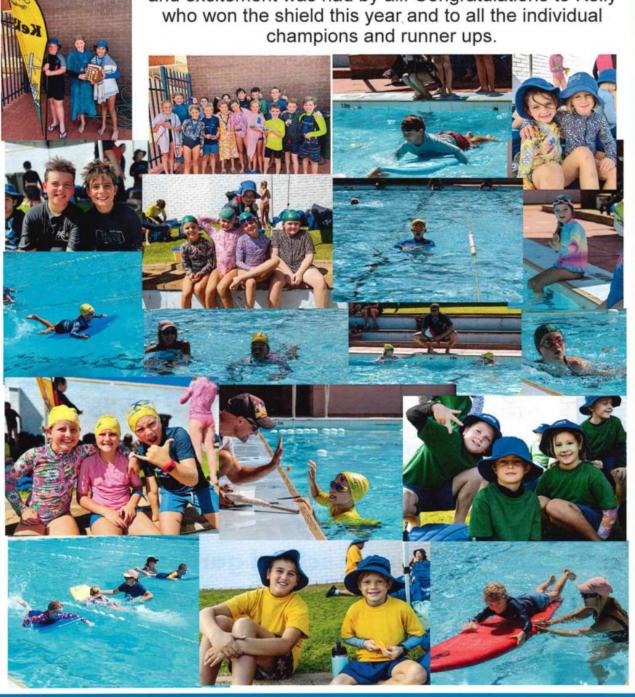






# Swim! Swim! Swim!

This year, the St Mary's Faction Swimming Carnival was held at Nagle Catholic College. Thank you to all parent volunteers, Nagle Catholic College, staff and of course, our wonderful swimmers who performed exceptionally well and supported each other. Lots of fun and excitement was had by all. Congratulations to Kelly who won the shield this year and to all the individual champions and runner ups



## Northampton Dance classes with Miss Lara and Miss Taylor are now live.

Secure your place by clicking the trybooking link or scan the QR code.

Spaces are limited.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO DANCE WITH YOU! Starting Friday 28th April 2023 5pm (after Netsetgo!)

https://www.trybooking.com/CHEER

Register your age at 1st January 2023.







## -ICPA-**Isolated Children's Parents' Association**



- · ICPA advocates for access to an equitable education for all rural and remote students.
- · As a member of ICPA you are a member of your Branch, your State ICPA and ICPA Australia.
- If you do not have a Branch near you or your State/Territory does not have an ICPA State Council you can join as a Lone Member.

#### **ICPA BRANCHES**

- · 101 Branches across Australia.
- Advocate for local educational issues and are represented by delegates at State and Federal Conferences.
- · Fundraise to send delegates and observers to Conference and to support rural and remote families at a local level.



#### ICPA IN YOUR STATE OR TERRITORY

- . 5 State Councils NSW, NT, QLD, SA and WA.
- · Advocates to the State or Territory Government and stakeholders for students from rural town schools, distance education, early childhood or boarding as well as state allowances, local bus runs, communications, tertiary, trade,
- · Holds an annual Conference where Branch delegates put forward State/Territory based motions.



#### ICPA AUSTRALIA

- Advocates to the Federal Government and stakeholders on Federal education issues. This includes the Assistance for Isolated Children, Youth Allowance, In Home Care, early childhood through to tertiary education and access to adequate telecommunications.
- Holds an annual Conference where Branch delegates put forward Federal













Become a member at icpa.com.au/au/membership

INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

## **Australian Government Mobile Service Centre**



#### Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account, myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

#### Thursday, 11 May 2023

9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Near Hampton Gardens, Hampton Road

#### NORTHAMPTON

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice







servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice

## **NORTHAMPTON** PLAYGROUP

At Edna Bandy Centre

## COME AND JOIN US!

MONDAYS DURING SCHOOL TERMS

GOLD COIN DONATION & A PIECE

OF FRUIT TO SHARE.

FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES BYO SNACKS

1/05 - Welcome Back

8/05 - Mothers Day Bath Bomb Making

15/05 - All About Senses (Taste

Testing/Tactile Play/Finger Painting)

22/05 - Visit to Brookview M.

22/05 - Visit to Brookview Nursing Home 29/05 - Grandparents Teddy Bears Picnic

2 05/06 - Public Holiday 12/06 - Colour Recognition

19/06 - Painting & Shape Recognition 26/06 - Number Play & Gross Motor

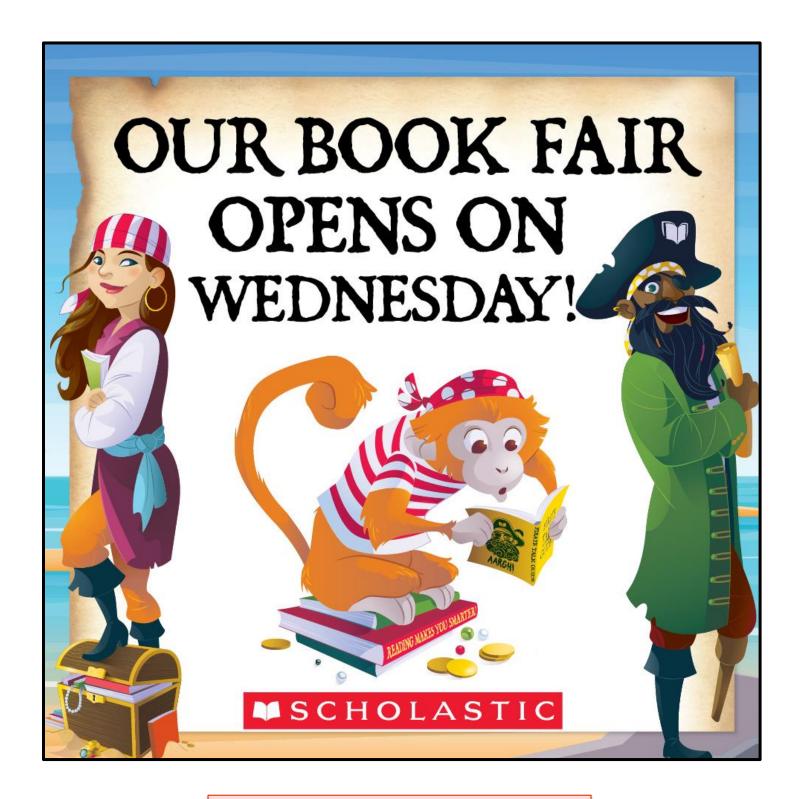
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WHAT TO BRING





BOOK FAIR BEGINS WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY!

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