

St Mary's School

Faith - Respect - Challenge - Teamwork

From Mr Love...

Dear Community Members,

As I reflect on our first semester of 2023, I cannot help draw parallels to the mighty effort each student made during today's Winter Sports Carnival and the effort each student has made in training for next week's Cross Country Carnival. The halfway point of any marathon seems to evoke both appreciation for what has been achieved and a gritty determination of what still lies ahead.

This first semester has been such a successful one, on so many levels. In saying that, there is still much to do and build upon. Thank you to everybody who has contributed to the strategic growth of our school this semester and please continue to offer your thoughts and suggestions as we all work in partnership for *God and Country*.

NCVISSA Winter Sports Carnival

Today, we participated in the NCVISSA Winter Carnival. All students participated exceptionally well with many displays of sportsmanship and determination throughout the day. It was also very pleasing to see the students willingly accept our core values of *Challenge* and *Teamwork*.

I would like to thank all the parents/carers for attending and assisting where required. My thanks is also extended to the Staff of St Mary's School who assisted with the event in a multitude of ways. I appreciate the flexibility demonstrated and the willingness to support as requested.

Next Friday, 30 June, we head to Horrocks Beach Golf Course for our annual Cross Country Carnival. The first race will commence at 10.30am. Good luck to the competitors from Kindy to Year Six!

Mid-Year Reports

These documents will be sent home next Thursday 29 June. As mentioned in previous newsletters, these reports should never be a surprise and many parents have already come in for interviews regarding the progress of their child/ren. When you read the report, please celebrate the success of your children this semester, they have all worked so hard to grow and improve. Reports always contain goals for children to aspire toward. The best way to achieve these goals is for families and the school to be aligned, so please speak with your child about their goal for Semester Two and importantly, how they are going to achieve it and how you can support them.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 9

Fri 23 June Blue Light Disco
RSL Hall 5-7pm

Week 10

Mon 26 June NGALA Helping
Children Manage
Emotions
Workshop
CANCELLED

Thurs 29 June **Reports Go Home**

Fri 30 June Faction Cross
Country Carnival
Horrocks Beach
10am

Term 3

Week 1

Mon 17 July Staff Retreat
NO SCHOOL

Tues 18 July **Term 3 Commences**

Fri 21 July STEM Showcase
2pm
Assembly 2.40pm

Week 2

NAIDOC Week

REMINDER

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

PO Box 138

Northampton 6535

Phone: 08 9996 7100

Email: admin@smsn.wa.edu.au

Website: www.smsn.wa.edu.au

From Mr Love cont...

2024 Kindy Enrolments

St Mary's School is currently accepting 2024 Kindy enrolments. If you have a son/daughter who is turning four by the 30 June 2024, please collect an Enrolment Application Pack from the School Office.

Additionally, if you have family members or friends who are looking at schools for their own child/ren, please let them know we offer obligation free enrolment tours.

Pupil Free Day – Staff Retreat

A reminder to all our families that Monday 17 July is a Pupil Free Day. The Staff will not be onsite, as they will be participating in our annual Staff Retreat at Horrocks Beach.

Religious Education Assessment (REA)

In Term Three, students in Years Three and Five will take part in the Religious Education Assessment (REA). Please refer to the note handed out last week. More information on the REA will be advertised next term.

Fruit of the Spirit – Kindness

This is the first week we focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, Kindness.

“But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great. (Luke 6:35)

Being kind to the ones we love is generally very easy. In this scripture from the Gospel of Luke, Jesus encourages us to love our enemies as well as our friends. We are to love our adversaries and pray for those that are antagonistic towards us.

NAIDOC Week 2023

We are looking forward to celebrating NAIDOC Week as a school in the second week of Term Three. **Further information about the events and activities taking place will be advertised.** Thank you to our Aboriginal Teaching Assistant, Tamaia Jones and the staff at St Mary's School for their preparation. This year's theme is 'For Our Elders'.

Out of School Duty of Care – Representing St Mary's School

Before entry and upon exiting the school gates, duty of care of the child/ren is assigned to the parent or caregiver. Understandably, some students ride, walk or find other means to get to school or their next destination after school. The students have been reminded that they still represent the school when they are wearing their St Mary's School uniform whilst travelling in public. Any behaviour that is less than ideal, inadvertently, is a reflection on our school. I ask that you remind your child/ren if they are walking in town to be responsible, respectful and to continue to reflect our St Mary's core values of **Faith, Respect, Challenge** and **Teamwork**.

Happy Holidays

I would like to wish everyone all the best for the impending holidays. May you have time to undertake all the activities you love and with those whom you love. I look forward to hearing all about the students' holiday adventures when the students return for Term Three on Tuesday 18 July.

Good News Story

My shout out this week goes to all the students in Years Three - Six for their participation in today's NCVISSA Winter Carnival. While the team scores recognise those teams who won and lost, what is often unrecognized, is the teamwork and sportsmanship being exhibited. This is what warmed my heart the most! Especially heartening, was the joy exhibited by the students whom team sport is something new for them. Thank you to everyone who participated!

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

Mon July 17 Staff PD Day
Friday Sep 22 Staff PD Day (TBC)
Mon Oct 9 Staff PD Day

Public Holidays 2023

Mon Sept 25 King's Birthday
Mon Dec 25 Christmas Day
Tues Dec 26 Boxing Day

BIRTHDAYS

24 June Aria
28 June Keith
30 June Charlie W
12 July Cohen
15 July Chelsea
18 July D'Mara
16 July William T
27 June Mr Love
04 July Father Larry
18 July Mrs Corvi



Eat a RAINBOW of vegetables everyday!

Different coloured vegetables provide different nutrients for growing bodies. Supplying kids with lots of different coloured vegies and fruits each day is the best kick-start we can give them for health, growth, and concentration in the classroom.

RED

Cherry tomato, radish, red capsicum, red apple, cherries, strawberries

ORANGE & YELLOW

Corn, yellow capsicum, apricots, mandarin, carrots, rockmelon

WHITE & BROWN

Cauliflower, nashi pears, mushrooms, white nectarine, banana

GREEN

Sugar snap peas, green apple, pear, cucumber, broccoli, grapes, frozen peas

PURPLE

Purple grapes, purple carrots, blueberries, plums, blackberries

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Change to Sport Uniform Days

Due to the recent change of our Health & PE Teacher, students will now need to wear their sport uniform on **Thursdays and Fridays**.

COVID Tests

We still have plenty of COVID Tests available in the office. Please come and see our office staff or phone the school on 99967100 if you would like some.

Helpers required for Faction Cross Country Carnival

Thank you to those parents who have already offered to help at The Faction Cross Country Carnival on Friday 30th June. We still require a few more parent helpers.

If you can be a parent helper, please complete and return the tear off slip at the end of this newsletter or contact the school office. If your child **will not** be attending on the day, please inform the teacher as soon as possible.

Please also fill in the form at the end of this newsletter and return to the school office, informing us whether your child/ren will be returning to school by bus after the carnival.

PARISH NEWS

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

In the face of many attacks Jesus courageously proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom. His courage stemmed from his firm belief in the Father's love for him. Likewise, the prophet Jeremiah was not destroyed by intense opposition because he knew that his cause was with God. May we also be courageous witnesses to the values of the Gospel knowing that God's love for us far outweighs any opposition we may encounter.

Congratulations to Tayva Quick and Jaden Zappia who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation during Mass on Sunday.

Holy Father's Collection: This is an annual collection taken up in all Catholic Churches worldwide either on or near the Feast of the Apostles St. Peter and Paul, which occurs on June 29th. This money goes to Pope Francis who will spend it in particular worthy causes around the world. Your contributions will assist his pastoral works either in the Vatican or beyond for the numerous special needs he supports. *Holy Father's Collection* envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please place your envelope in the Second Collection basket.

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

Prayer for a Good Season

God -We see and feel You in so many different ways and we know that You are there. We thank You for all the good things in our lives. The stability of our governments, our political and religious freedom and the easy way of life that is part of being an Australian and which we so often take for granted. Lord, we seek the blessing of your rain which brings hope to our communities of a good season. Continue to look upon us and send the rain we need in order to grow our crops and pastures so that we can provide for our families and fulfil our obligations. We ask that You grant us the support and comfort of Your presence so that we can get through this season, no matter what the outcome. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pilgrimage: The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "**In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop**" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage you will visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. For enquires please contact national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or phone 8912 4818.



In Kindy/Preprimary, during Health, we have been learning about 'Safety on Wheels'. We learnt the A,B,C strategy.



Air (in tyres)
Brakes (work)
Chain (is in position)




We also learnt that we need to wear an Australian Standard Approved helmet that correctly fits our head. (Although we practiced with our hats under the helmet as we were sharing helmets).



Leukaemia Foundation

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Log in



Melanie Box

I'm shaving on July 1, 2023 to help beat blood cancer.



The wonderful Mrs Box is shaving her head to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation!

Help her raise as much as possible for this amazing cause by donating using the QR code above or follow the link below!

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/melaniebox>

QUIZ NIGHT!

AMAZING PRIZES ON OFFER!

Raising funds for Midwest youths to attend World Youth Day in Lisbon!

6:30 PM START FRIDAY 23RD JUNE
GERALDTON CATHOLIC CENTRE

LOLLIES AND COOL DRINK FOR SALE OR BYO FOOD (NO ALCOHOL PLEASE)

PREBOOK TABLES OF 2-8 THROUGH STEPHANIE:
 0447443268 OR STEPHCREMIN78@GMAIL.COM

KIDS WELCOME!

Please bring a device to log into Kahoot!

\$10 PER PERSON

Northampton Blue Light™ Unit presents

Blue LIGHT™ PCYC Police & Community Youth Centres

END OF TERM DISCO!

Time to let loose and celebrate the end of the term with music, fun and dancing!

- » Food available for purchase
- » Children must be accompanied by an adult

WHEN Friday 23rd June 5.00 – 7.00pm

WHERE RSL Memorial Hall Essex Street, Northampton

COST Gold coin donation

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JUNIORS

Mon. Afternoon - Secondary Students
Fri. Afternoon - Primary Students
Representative Squad by Invitation

SOCIAL

Monday Night - Mixed
Tuesday Afternoon - Ladies
Wednesday Morning - Ladies
Thursday Evening - Mixed
Friday Morning - Ladies

COMPETITION

Mon. Morning - Ladies Pennants
Tues. Evening - Mixed Pennants
Wed. Evening - Mixed Pennants
Representative Teams
Club Championships

badmintongtn@westnet.com.au

Current players
aged 7-87

geraldtonbadminton.org.au

Geraldton
Badminton Association

Bring your family to the Movie!

Movie Night

Mission Impossible Dead Reckoning Part 1

At Orana Cinemas, Geraldton
20th July - 5 PM

Light Refreshments Included

- Cake
- Small Popcorn
- Water 500ML
- Small Coffee
- Small Beverage

All proceeds goes towards Geraldton youths participating in World Youth Day in Lisbon 1st - 6th Aug 2023

NORTHAMPTON PLAYGROUP

At Edna Bandy Centre

COME AND JOIN US!

MONDAYS DURING SCHOOL TERMS
9AM - 11AM
GOLD COIN DONATION & A PIECE OF FRUIT TO SHARE.

FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY
CREATIVE ACTIVITIES
BYO SNACKS

WEEKLY HELPERS

- cut up fruit
- help pack away toys & activities
- Wipe tables/benches/high chairs etc
- Sweep/vacuum

WHAT TO BRING...

- Hat
- Water bottle
- Clothes that can get dirty

TERM 2 2023

- 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 Nursing Home
- 29/05 - Grandparents Teddy Bears Picnic
- 05/06 - Public Holiday
- 12/06 - Colour Recognition
- 19/06 - Painting & Shape Recognition
- 26/06 - Number Play & Gross Motor Development

CONTACT DESIRÉE ON 0800 129 345 OR VISIT THE NORTHAMPTON PLAYGROUP FACEBOOK PAGE

- I C P A - Isolated Children's Parents' Association

Your Membership

- 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.

Your Branch ICPA

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.

Your State ICPA

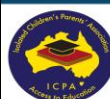
ICPA IN YOUR STATE OR TERRITORY

- 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, training and more.
- Holds an annual Conference where Branch delegates put forward State/Territory based motions.

Your Federal ICPA

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 based motions.



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

**ST MARY'S
FACTION
CROSS COUNTRY
CARNIVAL**

**Horrocks Beach
Friday 30 June**

**Start Time
10.00am**



DISTANCES

1 KM
Kindy
Preprimary
Year 1

1.5 KM
Year 2
Year 3
Year 4

2 KM
Year 5
Year 6

12.30pm Presentations

FACTION CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Friday 30 June 2023

WHOLE SCHOOL

At the conclusion of the carnival my child/ren _____

☐ Will be returning to school on the bus

OR

☐ Will be collected from the carnival

☐ I can be a parent helper and help man the course.

☐ I can help with the BBQ

Signed _____

Family Name _____