



St Mary's School

Faith - Respect - Challenge - Teamwork

From Mr Love...

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome to the conclusion of Week Eight and the final two week stretch to the end of the term. Our students are maintaining their dedication to improving their learning and our teachers and support staff are working really hard to support them. Although we are all feeling a bit weary, we will 'soldier on' to ensure your child/ren will be provided with a school experience of challenge, faith, respect and teamwork.

One of the high impact teaching and learning practices our teachers, and support staff, implement into their day-to-day duties, is a data informed approach. Using a variety of sources, teachers triangulate data to implement point in time learning activities and feedback. While a 'one size fits all' approach to teaching and learning is the easier option, it is not the approach taken by our staff. Quality differentiated activities, Individual Education Plans and a myriad of social and emotional engagement strategies, all are implemented to support the needs of the child.

As a parent or carer, we encourage you all to volunteer to assist our teachers during the hours of instruction. As part of a further layer of child safety, working with children checks are a legislated requirement for any extended period of child-related volunteer work. If you are volunteering for a one-off short lesson, a WWC is not necessary. However, you must sign a Volunteer Declaration Form detailing you are eligible for exemption due to being a parent or carer. These forms will be handed to you in the Office.

St Mary's School Feast Day – Monday 9 September

On Monday 9 September, we celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This day will coincide in celebrating our School Feast Day. We will hold a 9.00am whole school mass where all community members, past and present, are invited to attend. Students will be able to come to school in free dress and will also have a yummy treat to end the day. Thank you to the Year 5.6 class who will be coordinating a Students vs Teacher game on the oval. Let us all look forward to celebrating our school's special day!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 9

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| Mon 09 Sep | Feast Day Mass 9am |
| Sat 14 Sep | Northampton Show Day |

Week 10

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| Thur 19 Sep | Assembly & Merit Certificates
Year 3.4 Class
Performance 2.30pm
Term 3 Concludes for Students |
| Fri 20 Sep | Staff Professional Development Day |

Term Four

Week 1

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| Mon 07 Oct | Term 4 Commences Staff & Students |
| Mon 7 – Fri 11 October | School Camp to Perth - Year 5.6 Class |

REMINDER

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

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From Mr Love cont...

Carnivals Galore

We have had the best carnival season! The weather has been amazing, and the energy and excitement has been at a fever pitch high!

I would like to thank everyone who has assisted over the multitude of carnivals ensuring the days were an absolute success. My sincere thanks must go to the parents and carers who helped with the set up and pack away or any official role. I am also appreciative of all the staff who assisted before, during and after the Carnivals, especially Miss Jo Harrison who was responsible for coordinating all carnivals. The students also deserve my sincere gratitude for the manner in which they raced, cheered, supported and demonstrated sportsmanship; you are all truly amazing!

Results:

2024 Athletics Faction Carnival

Congratulations to Kelly Faction for taking out the Championship Shield.

First	Kelly	548.5
Second	Nagle	367.5

Father's Day Breakfast

Thank you, once again, to the St Mary's School P&F, particularly the Kindy Pre-Primary parents for coordinating the Father's Day Breakfast, last Friday. It is wonderful to have our Dads with us and to acknowledge how important they are in our lives.

Numero Competition

On Monday, St Mary's School entered a team in the annual Numero Competition held at St Lawrence's Primary School, Bluff Point. The '*De Dominators*' consisting of Isla, Jemima, Clancy and Blake performed very well against multiple Geraldton schools. This mathematical competition is very tough and our team competed with grit and determination. Well done on placing 8th out of a total of 18 teams.

Berry Street Education Model – Student Voice

Valued student voice is an important part of the Berry Street Education Model we are implementing at St Mary's School. Staff reflect on ways to actively involve student voice in the classroom. The goal is not always to reach the 'top' levels of this ladder. Teachers consider what is realistic and achievable in their setting. Even small changes to bring in student voice can make a positive difference.

Good News Story

My good news story is to inform the school community of the delightful 2025 Kindy students we are currently interviewing and enrolling. The joy on the faces of our new students, and their parents, has been heartwarming. Our future at St Mary's School is looking very bright!

Take care,

Brett

Students lead, decision-making is shared with adults as equals.
Students initiate and lead with limited support from adults.
Adults lead with some shared decision-making with students.
Students are meaningfully consulted and informed about decisions.
Adults lead, students are assigned roles and informed.
Students are sometimes consulted, opportunities for feedback are limited.
Students seem like they are leading activities but have no say in the process.
Students engage in tasks that serve the interests of adults, not themselves or other young people.



FOOTY TIPPING FINAL ROUNDS AND OVERALL WINNERS

Congratulations to **Kyle Carson** who was our winner in Round Twenty-three and **Wendy Sutton** for taking out the top spot in Round Twenty-four!

When the final siren went on the last game of the regular season, the below tippers held onto the top spots;

1st Place – **Shaun Taylor**

2nd Place – **Ben Simkin**

3rd Place – **Matt and Lynne Hatfield**

Congratulations to all our weekly winners for the 2024 AFL season and a huge congratulations to our three overall winners! We look forward to tipping with you again in 2025!

COMMUNICATION PREFERENCES ST MARYS SCHOOL: UPCOMING SURVEY

A letter was sent to parents/caregivers yesterday regarding an upcoming survey of our whole school communication. This will be to help inform our decisions for the 2025 school year.

A digital survey will be sent to parents/guardians via SMS soon. We kindly ask that you complete the survey by the end of this Term.

TERM DATES 2024

Term 3

Tues 16 July

Commences

Thurs 19 Sep

Finishes - Students

Term 4

Mon 07 Oct

Commences

Fri 06 Dec

Finishes – Students

BIRTHDAYS

08 Sep Darcey

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2024

Mon Sept 23

King's Birthday

Wed Dec 25

Christmas Day

Thurs Dec 26

Boxing Day

PUPIL FREE DAYS 2024

Friday Sep 20

Staff PD Day

Monday Nov 4

Staff PD Day

DID YOU KNOW?

Recycling one aluminum can saves enough power to run your TV for 3 hours

DID YOU KNOW?

Half of the world's wetlands have been lost since 1900

Don't forget to pack Crunch&Sip® every day...

Crunch&Sip® is a set time for children to eat vegetables or fruit and drink water in the classroom.

WATER

+

VEGIES

or

FRUIT



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healthway

Cancer Council

Crunch&Sip

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LET THE POTATO GAMES BEGIN!

As the Paris Olympics began, there was great excitement in the Year 1.2 classroom. Athletes of all shapes and sizes from around the world gathered in the classroom to prepare for the Opening Ceremony. Wearing well-designed clothing and waving the flags of their home country, the athletes were focused on the chance to compete for a gold medal and a place on the podium. However...**THEY WERE ALL POTATOES!** From diving to bobsledding to bowling to trampolining, the POTATO ATHLETES had a day to remember.



PARISH NEWS

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year B

Imagine the great joy of someone who has been cured of a hearing disability. What a thrill it must be to hear clearly, perhaps for the first time, the sound of birds, of the ocean breaking, of music, of a friend's voice. Many of us enjoy good hearing but we can still turn a deaf ear to the cries of the poor, to the plea of someone for forgiveness, even to the teachings of Jesus. What a joy we too will know if we allow Jesus to touch us and heal our spiritual deafness.

A **School Mass** will be held tomorrow, September 9th at 9am. Everyone is welcome.

Centenary Celebrations Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church, Mullewa

An open invitation is extended to all with a special interest in the history of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church in Mullewa, to join in the commemoration of the Centenary of the Laying of the Foundation Stone on **September 14th, 2024**. The celebration will commence with Mass at 11am followed by a social gathering with light lunch. Please advise attendance via monsignorhawes@gmail.com or phone Gerry Eastman 0417912997

Our Aged and Sick; Pray for Leo Ryan, Win & Ray Bowman, Nell Cripps, Col Constantine, Paul Leeson, Betty Thompson and all the residents of Brookview.

Prayer to Our Lady

Yesterday was the feast of The Blessed Virgin Mary and next Thursday is the feast of the Most Holy name of Mary. To acknowledge these important celebrations, the following is a special prayer to Our Lady.

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary
That never was it known
That anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help or sought thy intercession
was left unaided.
Inspired with this confidence
I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother:
To thee I come,
before thee I stand
sinful and sorrowful
O Mother of the word incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
But in the mercy,
hear and answer me.
Amen

2024 Annual Northampton Show - Saturday 14th September

Student Entry Notes

Our St Mary's School display will once again be in the Northampton Basketball Stadium.

There are Junior classes in the Art, Photography and Literature Sections that our students might like to enter.

-Art Section - Junior Sections, 9 - 12 years and 13 - 16 years.

-Photography Section - classes for entrants 16 years & under and a new section this year for entrants 8 years & under.

-Literature Section – age specific sections.

-Future Farmers' Judging Competition which is run in two age groups, 14 years & under and 18 years & under and commences at 10am in the Ram Shed on show day.

-Junior Junk Art Competition in two age groups, 14 & under and 11 & under.

-Open Junk Art Competition.

-Junior Section – a wide variety of classes in Growth and Garden, Craft and Hobbies, and Cooking, and is divided into three age groups.

-The Junior Farmers' Challenge - mixed teams of three people 14 years & under and commences at 4.15pm on Show Day.

For more information and details, please go www.northamptonshow.com to view the online schedule.



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Parents if a Coffee is what you need.... We have it covered with our new Nespresso Coffee Machine, courtesy of Playgroup WA!

Did you know.... Your child is never too young to start,

Northampton Playgroup



Every Monday
During School Term

9.00AM - 11.00AM
Edna Bandy Centre

Discover a World of Joy and Learning through free play – Where Every Day is a New Adventure for Your Little One!

Things to Note
Cost: Gold Coin Donation
Bring: Childs own hat, water bottle & snacks

Join our Facebook Page to stay informed



Registrations OPEN

Term 4 Basketball
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
Oct 9th - Dec 4th

FEE: \$20 NCC JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

- > 5-7yrs: 3.15-4pm
- > 8-11yrs: 4-5pm
- > 12yrs-teens: 5-6pm

Registration link 

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!
Register ASAP to avoid missing out.





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Keep your child safe in the water

Enrol them in school holiday swimming lessons.

Spots are limited, enrol now
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PLAY CRICKET




Northampton Cricket Blast Centre

Registrations are now open for the Northampton Cricket Blast Centre. Sign up now to learn fun ball skills in a fun, non-contact format! Register today via the link below!

REGISTER HERE: <https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/e11695>
Questions and queries contact: Tia Hatch (Mid-West Cricket Manager) - 0429 107 963

Location: Northampton Community Oval
Cost: \$25
Who: Kids aged 4-12
Days: Tuesday (22nd Oct- 26th Nov) 6 Weeks
Time: 4pm- 5pm

REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW
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