

St. Mary's Primary School Newsletter Week 8

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22nd November, 2021

Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see our sacramental program finally able to recommence after such a stop start year. Congratulations to our students; Hattie, Nhan, Ken, Noa Bella, Harrison, Kevin, Luke, Tommy, Max, Kathleen, Tyler, Chloe, Ruby, April, Stella, Sara, Jimmy, Larni, Jake, Will, Archie, Reve, Finn, Zaidee, Kevin, David, Gypsi, Ella, Maddie, Estelle, Sadie, Emmy, Isla who were baptised, made their first communion or who were confirmed at different parish masses. This week we look forward to some further easing of school restrictions after the premiers announcements on Thursday. These will be communicated with families once they are officially sanctioned and the updated Operation Guidelines are distributed to schools.

Class Structures 2022

St Mary's numbers have remained very stable and we will run 27 straight classes again in 2022. We are finalising our staffing needs and will share our classroom teacher placement for the next school year on the newsletter next week.

Foundation x 5	Year 2 x 3	Year 4 x 4	Year 6 x 4
Year 1 x 3	Year 3 x 4	Year 5 x 4	



Obstacool

There is a whole lot of fun coming our way this week with the Obstacool incursion all set for Wednesday 24th November, this giant obstacle course will be set up on the senior oval and we are sure it will be an absolute hit with the kids! Word has it there are a few teachers pretty keen to give it a go as well! Students are to wear their PE uniform to school on this day.

Foundation 2022 Preschool Transition Program

Our transition program for preschoolers commences on Thursday 25th November and we can't wait to finally have all our newest students on site and meet them and their families in person! Our transition program gives our future Preppies the chance to become familiar with the learning spaces at St Mary's, the routine of coming to school and the development of connections and relationships with some of the teachers at our school.

To help parents learn more about the school we are holding our Foundation Information evening on
Thursday 25th November at 7pm">https://example.com/html/>
The meeting is taking place via Zoom and we look forward to seeing the families online and sharing important information about the start of the school year. All relevant information and links have been mailed to families. If you have any questions about the evening please contact our office.

Christmas Carols Event



Get those Xmas outfits happening!
We are on the countdown to our annual Christmas Carols Event. We are going to stick with our modified program which means on Tuesday November 30th, all students are encouraged to wear a Christmas themed outfit, we will draw the Christmas hamper raffles and some special activities will take place in classrooms throughout the day! Students are preparing 'Carols' and highlights from our recent workshops with Miss Natasha will also feature on

a video made available to families via our Facebook page. It has been fantastic to see items coming in for the very popular Xmas raffles which we draw throughout the day. All families are encouraged to send along a small donation which we are collecting via the office basket system.

Casual Dress

This Friday 26th November, is our next casual dress day with gold coin donations going towards the SRC purchasing presents for local families in need this Christmas. These gifts are purchased and wrapped by the SRC students and placed under the parish Christmas tree at the end of the year. The theme for this is normal casual clothes as we will have our Christmas themed day next week.

Preparation - Families Leaving

I would ask any family who believes that they will not be here at St Mary's in 2022 to let me know as we are finalising class structures for next year. Thank you for your support with this.

I hope you all enjoy the week ahead and look forward to you joining us when 5U take centre stage during our remote assembly on Friday.

Kate



RE News - Mrs Davies

Sacraments Are Back On!

It has been wonderful to witness the recommencement of our Sacraments for our Year 3, 4 & 5 children. Over the past couple of weekends we have had small family groups celebrating together with their child to receive either their Confirmation, Eucharist or a combination of both! A very big thank you must go to Fr James for his flexibility and support in running this program for our children. For those families who are wanting to book their child in for their sacraments before the end of the year please refer to the booking roster sent via PAM or call the office for more details. We have a number of families that are going to complete the program next year in 2022..



Physical Education News - Miss Clark

Our dance classes continue this week with Miss Natasha. All classes will be participating and will learn an exciting and fun routine.



Key Dates

Wednesday November 24th

Obstacool Incursion
Foundation - Year 6
Students to wear PE uniform

Thursday November 25th

Transition Program commences for 2022 Foundation students

Thursday November 25th

Foundation 2022
Parent Information Meeting
7pm via Zoom

Friday November 26th

Casual Dress Day
No theme
Gold coin donation

Tuesday November 30th

Virtual Christmas Carol Event Casual Dress Christmas Theme

Friday December 10th

Orientation Day

Monday December 13th

Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday December 15th

Last day for students Normal finish time

News from the Office

OSHC @ 2 Murlong - Before & After School Care



The Out of School Hours Care program, @ 2 Murlong, is operating out of the gym hub and provides before and after school care for school age children in the Swan Hill area. Please express your interest via the following link;

https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment/index/dHdBOThsSW9JeHUxYTEwaHNxZlMrdz0

Book Club - Issue 8

Scholastic Book Club Issue 8 has been sent home this week. We will not be accepting cash payments for orders. Please order online following the instructions below.

Issue 8 orders are due by Friday November 26th.

This is the link for LOOP, which will allow you to make an online order and payment; https://mvbookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx

If you are not registered for LOOP, click on the link above and create a new account. You will need to enter your details, add children and select our school

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If you have any questions or are having trouble with the LOOP ordering system, please contact the office via email - office@smswanhill.catholic.edu.au

Leaving Early

We kindly ask that you make all appointments and activities outside of school hours. If this is unavoidable, we do call ups at 10.55am (recess), 12.55pm (lunch) and 3pm (end of day) to avoid disruptions to the classrooms. Please phone the office ahead of time if you need to pick up your child.

How to add your child's absence on PAM

<u>PAM is our preferred notification method for absences</u>. Absences must be entered prior to 9.25am on the day your child will be absent. Absences can also be entered in advance.

On PAM, you can add an absence if:

- · Your child is going to be absent for the day (All Day)
- Your child is going to be late to school (Arriving Late)
- · Your child is going to be leaving early from school (Leaving Early)
- Your child will be leaving school and returning eg. for an appointment (Partial)
- · Your child is going to be absent for more than one day (Multi-day max of 7 days)

To add an absence:

- · Log in to your PAM account
- · Select "Parent Notified Absences" listed under "Students". This can also be accessed by selecting the 3 line menu bar on the top right hand corner of the screen and selecting "Parent Notified Absence".
- · Select "Add Absence"
- · Select the child who will be absent
- · Select the reason for your child's absence
- · Select the appropriate absence period
- · Select the absence date
- Notes can be added if required
- You can edit or delete current and future absences, by clicking on your child and amending it if required

Student of the Week - Term 4, Week 7				
6O	Ben R Scarlet G			
6P	Monique P	Chad O'S		
6Q	Elle T	Milli L		
6R	Brealle L	Nate K		
58	Stella E	Zoe D		
5T	Jovi P	Brayden M		
5U	Alexis L	Thomas R		
5F	Pippa W	Abhijeet B		
4G	Oscar E Ella C			
4H	Finn H	Emily L		
41	Gurjot S	Adison B		
4J	Charli S	Dante M		
3A	Tyler M	Mackenzie S		
3B	Milly H	Evie S		
3W	Tristan Y	Arie W		
3Y	Zach R	Domi C		
2K	Madison D	Skyler M		
2L	Sophia N	Jakobe T		
2M	Souhayla J	Angela W		
2N	Mia H	Shiloh C		
1C	Georgie M Nate P	Beau F		
1D	Arlee P Max L	Lachie L		
1E	Wilhem F	Matilda R Ellery M		
F Blue	Ingrid C	Sophie K Dillon B		
F Green	Leni D	Zac D		
F Yellow	Jasper	Quinn L		
F Orange	Lenny C	Angela B		
Art	All of 4G, Flynn O'B , Sophie W, Archie O'T			
Music	All of 4G, All of 1D, James X, Emily S, Jasper R			
Italian	All of 5U, Austin F, Alahni E, Maddie H			
PE	Alira C, Matilda T, Caleb M, Sony H			

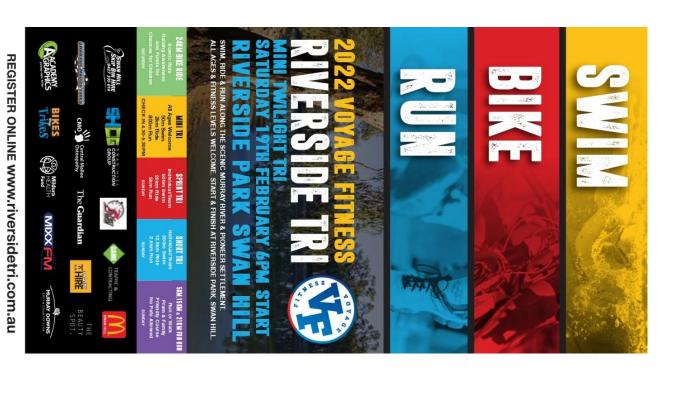




Happy Birthday

November 22nd - Kur M, Harper W
November 23rd - Oliver C, Miela R,
Lizzie T, Margie T
November 24 - Nikolas G, Jovi P
November 25 - Banu E
November 26 - Isla G, William McD, Hera P

We hope you have a lovely day!!!!



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