



# St Mary's Newsletter

## TERM 4, WEEK 6

I hope everybody had an enjoyable long weekend and hopefully you backed a winner in the Cup? As we have started the month of November, we are all invited to remember with special love all the departed, especially those most dear to us. At mass today we raised these intentions to the Lord, and renewed our commitment to become ourselves the good people we expect others to be. Following this week, our learners have 5 weeks of school left this year. Here are some of the big events still to come:

Remembrance day - Saturday 11th Nov (10:45am at the Memorial Gardens - everyone is welcome)

FIRE Carriers commissioning - Friday 17th Nov

Pupil Free day (Staff Strategic Planning) - Friday 24th Nov

Swimming program - Mon 27th Nov - Fri 1st Dec

Sacrament of First Reconciliation - Thursday 30th Nov

Yr6's Big Day Out - Thursday 7th Dec

Community Step Up Day - Tuesday 12th Dec

St Mary's Feast Day/ End of Year Mass @ 6pm - Tuesday 12th Dec (we are aware this date clashes with the Secondary College's awards night and are currently trying to change the date)

Christmas Performances - Wednesday 13th Dec (more information to follow soon)

School Pool Party - Thursday 14th Dec

Yr6 Graduation Night @ Tavern - Thursday 14th Dec

Learner's Last day (and Yr6 Water Fight) - Friday 15th Dec

Staff's last day - Wednesday 20th Dec

Have a wonderful week enjoying the warmer weather.

Take care and God bless,

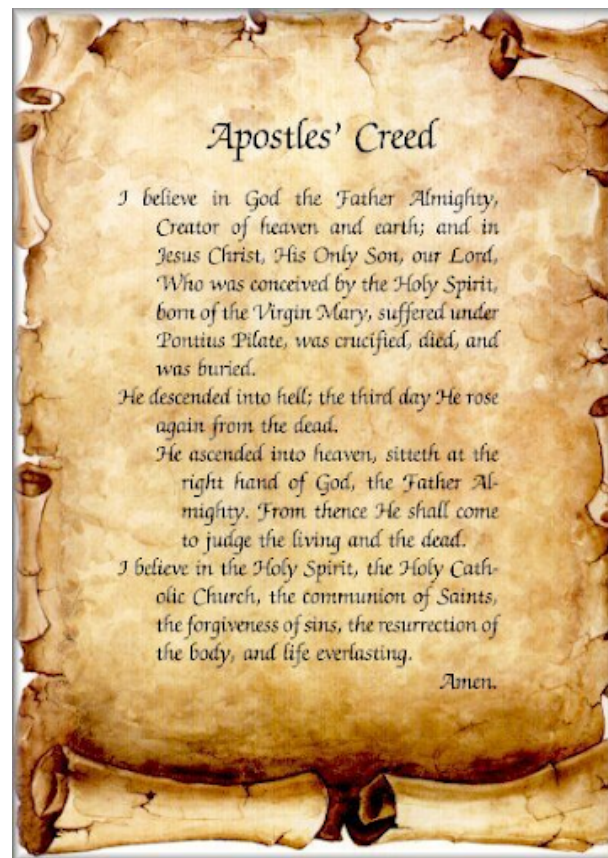
*Jarrod Mullavey (Principal)*

# St Mary's Cohuna Families - Term 4- 2023



Week	Dates & Items
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 6th Nov - Mrs Fields out this week</li> <li>Mon 6th Nov - Report writing day (Pupil Free day)</li> <li>Tues 7th Nov - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday</li> <li>Wed 8th Nov - Mrs Barry out LSL until 23/11 (replaced by Mrs Patterson)</li> <li>Wed 8th Nov - School mass - All Souls day @ 12:30pm (Seniors)</li> <li>Thurs 9th Nov - Kylie Smith (CES Ltd) visit - faith formation</li> <li>Fri 10th Nov - MacKillop Art Exhibition (opening)</li> </ul>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tues 14th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in (CES Ltd Speech therapists)</li> <li>Thurs 16th Nov - Mr Mullavey out - Director's Briefing @ Shepparton</li> </ul>
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fri 24th Nov - Mrs Barry back from LSL</li> </ul>
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 27th Nov - Swimming Program this week</li> <li>Mon 27th Nov - P&amp;F Meeting @ 6:30pm</li> <li>Tues 28th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in</li> </ul>
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tues 12th Dec - St Mary's Feast Day/End of Year mass @ 6pm</li> <li>Thurs 14th Dec - Learner Pool Party!</li> <li>Thurs 14th Dec - Yr6 Graduation @ Tavern</li> <li>Fri 15th Dec - Learner's last day of 2023</li> </ul>
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mon 18th Dec - Staff professional development</li> <li>Tues 19th Dec - Staff 2024 planning</li> <li>Wed 20th Dec - Staff last day</li> <li>Wed 20th Dec - CES Ltd office closes for 2023</li> </ul>

# A PRAYER



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**8th Nov**

**Ella Jones**

**9th Nov**

**Adelyne Kingma**





13th October 2023

Dear parents and carers,

We wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about some important changes we are making to our teachers' work patterns and conditions and benefits. These changes have been carefully considered and are necessary due to a variety of factors, including how all Victorian schools are required to allocate a teacher's workload.

These changes deliver several positive changes for both our dedicated staff, including enhancing their well-being and work life balance and the overall functioning of our school. We continue to ensure the quality of Catholic education continues and maintain a safe and nurturing environment for our students remain our top priorities.

However, implementing these changes will mean that an additional pupil free day will be taken on **Friday 24th November 2023** with a focus on developing our School Improvement Plan and 2024 Annual Action Plan.

We appreciate your understanding and support in this matter. Our commitment to your child's education, experiences and wellbeing remains, and we will continue to communicate any updates or adjustments as they occur.

If you have any questions or concerns about these changes, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we strive to provide an outstanding education for our students.

Kind regards,

Jarrod Mullavey



# JUNIORSCHOOL

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

Highlights from our week..

Measurement in the sandpit

Getting an award at  
assembly



# SENIOR SCHOOL

On Tuesday all Year 6's that are going to St Joe's in Echuca next year went to the new campus called Kildare. The activities we did there included making cookies and flower pots.

We also had a tour of the school.

Liam Bowland

Ayla: Enjoyed learning a new game in P.E.

James - Enjoyed learning about and making different 3D shapes in maths.

Nina - Enjoyed playing cricket at recess and lunchtime with other year levels.

Imogen - Enjoyed playing with my friends out in the yard.

Beau - I enjoyed P.E because we got to play hunter and a new ball game.

Izzy - Maths was great because we got to do area and perimeter activities.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Calling all Mo growers!



Every November I (try to) grow a mustache to raise awareness for men's health and wellbeing - Movember. This November I am looking for members of our school community to join in the fun! If you are interested, this is what you can do to help out:

- Take a photo of yourself on Nov 1st (without a mo) and share it with us
- Take a photo of yourself each week showing your growth! and share it with us
- Allow us to put these photos on our school social media
- Everytime someone asks you about your 'mo', ask them two questions: 'How are you going?' (and really listen to their answer). And ask them 'When was the last time you went to the doctors for a check up?'

I am not wanting you to raise money, but I am asking you to raise awareness around men's mental health and wellbeing.

**Thanks to Val  
Spring and  
Peter Faulkner  
for the plants in  
our garden they  
are beautiful**

**We have for sale fresh from the  
school garden, and the chooks**

**5 doz Free range eggs**

**\$4.00**

**Spring onions \$2.00**

**Mint \$2.00**

**Contact Mrs Mac for orders...**

The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international organisation operating in 153 countries and has over 800,000 members worldwide. The Society has a presence on every continent in the world with the exception of Antarctica perhaps. Mrs Mathers in her role as chaplain at our school is also a St Vinnies Kerang member. She is able to assist families with food vouchers or other resources that families require. You can make appointments to see her if a need arises. Please do not hesitate to contact the school.

**"Helping one person may not change the whole world, But it could change the world for one person."**

God Bless Mrs Mathers



### Book Club

1. Your child will bring home a Book Club catalogue from school
2. Discuss with, and help your child pick the books they would like to read
3. Order online via the Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app and the school will take care of the rest! (LOOP orders are electronically linked to your school in an easy, secure online process)
4. The books are delivered to your child's classroom.

**LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.**

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card

**SCHOLASTIC**

**Prep/1**  
**Year1/2**  
**Year3/4 LK**  
**Year 3/4 B**  
**Year 5/6 WM**  
**Year 5/6 D.**

#### LOGIN DETAILS

SCHOOL: St Marys School

SCROLL to Cohuna

Note: No cash please pay through Loop



School Term Dates 2023:  
 Term 1: 27th Jan - 6th Apr  
 Term 2: 24th Apr - 23rd Jun  
 Term 3: 10th Jul - 15th Sep  
 Term 4: 2nd Oct - 20th Dec

*St Mary's acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet; the Barrapa Rappa People, and pay respects to elders both past and present.*

