



St Mary's Newsletter

TERM 4, WEEK 7

Welcome to Week 7 and I just counted - after today, our learners have 23 more days of school this year. We are looking forward to making each of these enjoyable, engaging and productive. We have a busy 5 weeks ahead with lots of exciting events to come including: FIRE carriers commissioning this Friday, our Swimming program (Mon 27th Nov - Fri 1st Dec), Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Thurs 30th Nov), Yr6's Big Day Out (Thurs 7th Dec), Community Step Up Day (Tues 12th Dec), St Mary's Feast Day/ End of Year Mass @ 6pm (Tues 12th Dec), Christmas Performances - (Wed 13th Dec), School Pool Party (Thurs 14th Dec), Yr6 Graduation Night @ Tavern (Thurs 14th Dec), Learner's Last day - and Yr6 Water Fight (Fri 15th Dec) and Staff's last day (Wed 20th Dec).

On Sunday Fr Dean reminded us that one of the features of our Christian faith is an approach to life that views the future with hope. In our world today many people look to the future with distrust and even fear. As Christians, we look forward with hope. When change occurs, some allow that change to happen to them whilst others engage in the change process and approach it with hope and expectation. Sunday's Gospel (Mt 25:1-13, Ten Bridesmaids) reminds us to be ready for what the future holds; to look with hope towards what lies ahead, but to ensure that we've prepared ourselves properly. The future can only be viewed with expectant hope if we've done the proper preparation!

Just a reminder that next **Friday 24th Nov** we have a Pupil Free Day where staff will spend the day planning for 2024. There are no learners at school on this day. I apologise for the inconvenience this may cause some families.

We are excited (and a little anxious) about our plan to have "Christmas performances" to conclude our school year. On Wednesday 13th Dec each year level will give a performance to showcase their learning from their 'Performing Arts-based' Inquiry units. The timetable will roughly run as: 10am Yr5/6 (Rock n' Roll Christmas), 10:30am Yr3/4 (Stories of Jesus) and P-2 (Christmas Carols). These will be performed on our school stage (under the COLA) and all parents and families are invited to attend. I will need some assistance removing the basketball pole/backboard for this event - so if you are available and capable of helping out, please get in contact with me.

Last week we commemorated Remembrance day at school with a liturgy. On Saturday, Mitchell, Jensen and Elliot represented our school by reading the poem 'In Flanders Fields' at the Memorial Gardens. Thank you to all the families who were able to attend this ceremony and represent our school.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable week as we lead up to the festive season.

Take care and God bless,
Jarrood Mullavey (Principal)

St Mary's Cohuna Families - Term 4- 2023



Week	Dates & Items
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 14th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in (CES Ltd Speech therapists) Thurs 16th Nov - Mr Mullavey out - Director's Briefing @ Shepparton
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fri 24th Nov - Mrs Barry back from LSL
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mon 27th Nov - Swimming Program this week Mon 27th Nov - P&F Meeting @ 6:30pm Tues 28th Nov - Georgia D and Michelle Sanders in
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 12th Dec - St Mary's Feast Day/End of Year mass @ 6pm Thurs 14th Dec - Learner Pool Party! Thurs 14th Dec - Yr6 Graduation @ Tavern Fri 15th Dec - Learner's last day of 2023
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mon 18th Dec - Staff professional development Tues 19th Dec - Staff 2024 planning Wed 20th Dec - Staff last day Wed 20th Dec - CES Ltd office closes for 2023

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PRAYER

Footprints In The Sand

One night a man had a dream.
 He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord.
 Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.
 For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand;
 one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.
 When the last scene of his life flashed before him,
 he looked back at the footprints in the sand.
 He noticed that many times along the path of his life
 there was only one set of footprints.
 He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest
 and saddest times in his life.
 This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it.
 "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,
 you'd walk with me all the way.
 But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times
 in my life, there is only one set of footprints.
 I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."
 The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child,
 I love you and I would never leave you.
 During your times of trial and suffering,
 when you see only one set of footprints...
 it was then that I carried you."

Jesus



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

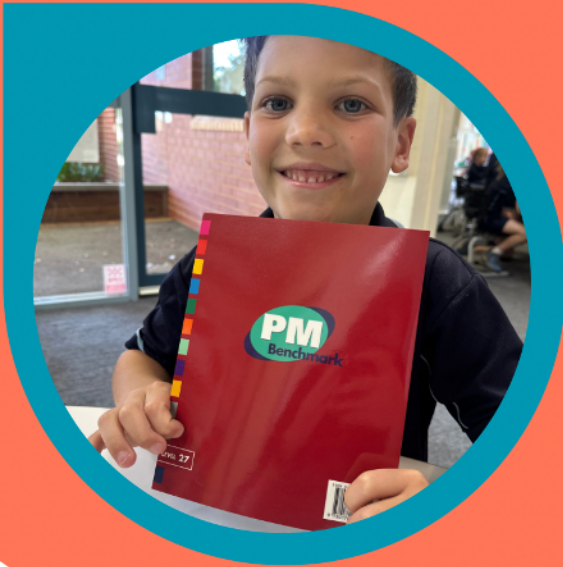


15TH NOV
MAGGIE GORDON



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ELSIE LUCAS

JUNIOR SCHOOL



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Highlights from our week..

2 extra days off!

Celebrating our loved ones
at All Souls Day Mass



Area robots!

SENIOR SCHOOL



This week 3/4B listened to 'This Old Thing' by Cassandra Webb and discussed the meaning of Remembrance Day and why it is important. Learners then completed a window art activity.

INQUIRY: FOR INQUIRY THIS WEEK WE HAVE BEEN REHEARSING OUR PLAY. OUR PLAY IS CALLED THE 'ROCK 'N' ROLL ANGELS.' THERE ARE LOTS OF ROLES FOR PEOPLE. I AM ONE OF THE ACTORS. THE PLAY CONTAINS THE CHARACTERS OF MARY=PIPPA, JOSEPH=JENSEN, THE THREE WISE MEN: BALTHASAR=ADDY, MELCHIOR=EMMY AND GASPAR=MITCHELL, THE THREE SHEPHERDS: LEVI=MILLIE, BENJAMIN=LAINIE AND ESAU=JACOB, ERIC THE INNKEEPER=EMILY, BARRY THE INNKEEPER=AMELIA, KENNY THE POST MESSENGER=BELLA, THE ANGEL=CHLOE H AND NARRATORS=CONNOR AND ABBEY. WE ALSO HAVE LEARNERS PLAYING AND SINGING IN THE BAND AND A SET DESIGN/STAGE CREW TEAM. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO PERFORMING OUR PRODUCTION BEFORE THE END OF TERM.

MILLIE DOBIE.

Jensen:

This week we were not at school for 2 days. For math we did a holiday budget and I went to Brazil. For inquiry I finally learnt how to say my lines without a script and it was pretty cool.

Izzy:

This week we had three days because of the Melbourne cup. We finished our math, which was our fake holiday, where I went to Rome. We started descriptive sentences then we did R.E, which we read one of the bible stories and completed some emotion art and feeling word art about it. During inquiry I worked on the set, and we started to draw the windows for one of the buildings, then we started to paint it with grey and white.

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.

**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

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.

