



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

This Week's News!

Dear Parents & Carers,

Last Friday, our wonderful **Student Action Team (SAT)** launched the **THINK** message during assembly, as part of our continued focus on respectful and kind communication at school (see poster below). This message will be a key focus in classrooms throughout the week and will continue to be reinforced across the term, helping to build a positive and supportive school environment. A big thank you to our SAT team for leading this important initiative! (*See the THINK poster attached below.*)

Prep Playground Joy!

It has been wonderful to see our Prep students enjoying their brand-new playground, built over the holidays. A heartfelt thank you to our Parents & Friends Association and our major sponsor, Bendigo Bank, for making this exciting project possible. Be sure to check out the photos in this newsletter – lots of happy faces!

Book Week is Almost Here!

Start getting those costumes ready! Our Book Week Parade will be held on Wednesday, 20th August at 9:00am in the school hall. This year's theme is "Book an Adventure", and we can't wait to see the creative and fun costumes our students come up with. Families are warmly invited to attend!

Raising Kids in a Digital World – Parent Webinar Recording

The recording of the "Raising Kids in a Digital World" parent webinar (held on 20th July) is still available to view for a limited time. This powerful and informative session offers valuable insights into how parents can help keep their children safe online and navigate the challenges of the digital world. We highly recommend taking the time to watch it while it's still accessible: [link](#)

Reminder – Friday Assembly Pick-Ups

If you're collecting your child after Friday assembly, please head back to the **classroom** so your child can collect their bag and, most importantly, so the **classroom teacher is aware** for child safety purposes. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Garden Club: Great vegetables are being harvested in our Veggie Patch on Friday's at 11am. Come along and join us.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

-  **School Feast Day – The Assumption** Friday 15th August 9am Mass all welcome
-  **P&F Bunnings Sausage Sizzle** – Saturday, 16th August
-  **Book Week Parade** – Wednesday, 20th August at 9:00am in the Hall

Wishing you all a lovely week ahead and the chance to enjoy some of the beautiful winter sunshine. Please reach out if I can support you or your family in any way.
Warm regards,

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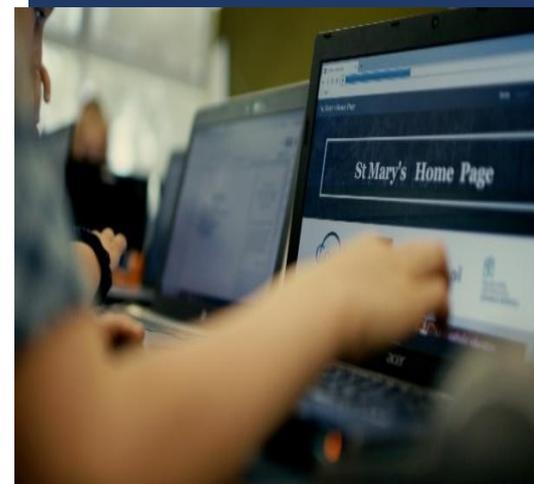
DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3

- **Bunnings P&F Sausage Sizzle**
Saturday August 16th
- **Book Week Parade** Wed 20th
August
- **School Production (Yr3-6)**
week beginning Sept 1
- **Working Bee** –
Sat 30th Aug 8.30-10.30am
Thurs 4th Sept 9-11am

Term 4

- **Performing Arts Showcase** –
Prep -2 - 30th Oct 9am &
5pm
- **Working Bee** –
Sat 15th Sept 8.30-10.30am
Thurs 16th Oct 9-11am





WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK - Term 3 / Week 3

Mon 11 th Aug	School begins @ 8.45am Toddler Story Time @ 8.45am in the Library
Tue 12 th Aug	5/6 level MLMC Mary Poppins Performance
Wed 13 th Aug	Prep Responsible Pet Ownership Incursion @ 11.30am
Thu 14 th Aug	
Fri 15 th Aug	Feast Day Mass @ 9am Whole School Assembly @ 2.30pm

WHAT'S ON 2025 - Term 3/ Week 4

Mon 18 th Aug	School begins @ 8.45am Book Week
Tue 19 th Aug	Toddler Story Time @ 8.45am in the Library Book Week Parade & Dress Up
Wed 20 th Aug	
Thu 21 st Aug	
Fri 22 nd Aug	5/6 Hoop Time Whole School Assembly @ 2.30pm

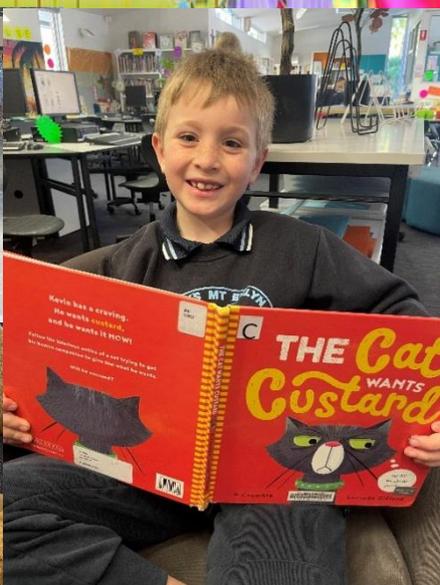
Book an Adventure



SAVE THE DATE

Bayswater Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser

Saturday 16th August
2025



CDF pay App (via Flexischools)

The CDFpay Portal has changed to a new platform using an app - "CDFpay via FLEXISCHOOLS App", available on the Apple App Store and Android Play Store.

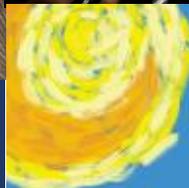


TheirCare
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To register and/or make a booking for your child in the TheirCare Afterschool Care Programme you will need the following information to complete the process and receive all available benefits. See website link below.

You can also contact us on
Ph: 0417 100 089

<https://theircare.com.au/schools/>



THINK
before you speak

T is it true?
H is it helpful?
I is it inspiring?
N is it necessary?
K is it kind?

Always treat others like you want to be treated.





God has done great things for me

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary into heaven

The angel Gabriel visited Mary. Draw the angel.





Gospel Lk 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary travelled to Judea to see her cousin



Mary gave birth to Jesus in the town of Bethlehem. Draw Jesus in the manger.




When Jesus died on the cross Mary stood by him. Draw Mary standing at the foot of the cross.

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[Unexplained Absences](#)

[Child Safety](#)

[Audiri \(previously Skoolbag\)](#)

[Seesaw](#)

[Nforma](#)



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