



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

This Week's News!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ange's Farewell – Circus Theme Celebration

On **Wednesday 1st April**, our school community will come together to celebrate **Ange's Farewell** with a fun-filled **Circus Theme Day** for all students. The day promises plenty of excitement, including a **magic show**, a **disco**, and a visit from an **ice cream van**. Students will also enjoy a **Special Circus Treat Bundle**, adding to the festive atmosphere.

The treat bundle can be **ordered free of charge via CDF Pay**. Please remember to place your order to ensure your child receives their special treat on the day.

We look forward to celebrating together and making it a memorable occasion for Ange and our school community!

Working Bee

Thank you to the families that attended the Working Bee last Saturday. You may have noticed the wonderful improvements around the school, including new plants, a new garden area, swept pathways, and freshly trimmed bushes. Thank you all for your time, effort, and hard work in helping make our school grounds look so great.

Safety on the school crossing area


Please slow down when driving through the school crossing area. It has been reported that some vehicles are travelling at excessive speeds and, at times, drivers are ignoring the crossing supervisor.

We ask all drivers to slow down and be patient when entering and leaving the school zone so that we can keep every member of our community safe.

Sacrament Information Evening

March 18 @ 6:00pm

This evening is for **all families seeking to enrol and celebrate a Sacrament this year** (Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation). We look forward to sharing important information and supporting your family in this significant step of faith. **The Information session will be held in the school hall.**

 **Harmony Day tomorrow** - To help mark the occasion, we encourage all staff and students to wear a pop of orange with their school uniform. This could be something simple such as an orange ribbon, socks, hair accessory, badge, or any small item that adds a touch of orange to their uniform. Wearing orange is a great way for our school community to show support and raise awareness of cultural diversity and promoting respect, inclusion and belonging for everyone.

P & F Fundraisers on CDF

This year the P & F are raising funds to install a sensory space in our yard. Currently the fundraising efforts to support this are: **Hot Cross Buns**, **the Easter Raffle** and **the Carpark Raffle**. **Purchase/support of these initiatives is through CDF Pay.**

I hope that you are having a great week ahead and please don't hesitate to reach out if I can support you or your family in any way.

Ronnie Pritchard

Deputy Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sacrament Information
Evening March 18 @ 6:00pm

Parent Teacher Interviews
Tuesday 31st March

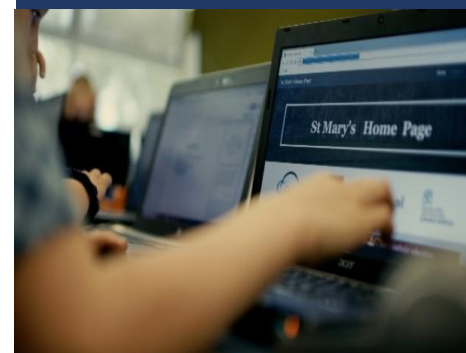
Last Day Term Thursday April
2 @ 2:30pm.

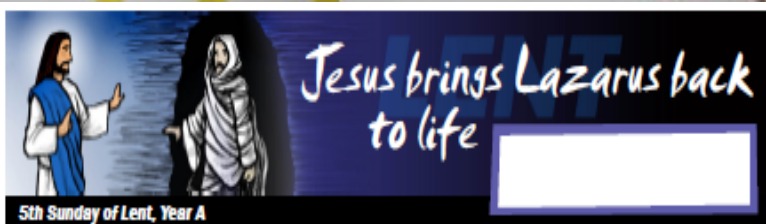
Term 2 begins Monday 20th
April

Junior Showcase Prep-2
Thurs 29th Oct

School Closure Days 2026

Staff PL – 23rd & 24th April
Staff PL – Friday 5th June
Staff TIL – Friday 2nd June
Staff PL – Monday 20th July
Staff TIL – Friday 18th Sept
Staff PL – Wed 16th December





WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK - Term 1/ Week 7

Mon 16 th March	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 17 th March	
Wed 18 th Mar	Harmony Day 3/4F & R Edinburgh College Excursion
Thurs 19 th Mar	
Fri 20 th March	Whole School Assembly 2.30pm

Gospel John 11:3-7.17.20-27.31-45

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.'

Jesus said:
'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believed in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' When the Jews who were in the house sympathising with Mary saw her get up quickly and go out, they followed her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

Martha went to Jesus, and as soon as she saw him she threw herself at his feet, saying, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' At the sight of her tears, and those of the Jews who followed her, Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away!' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eye and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK - Term 1/ Week 8

Mon 23 rd March	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 24 th March	
Wed 25 th March	3/4C & M Edinburgh College Excursion
Thu 26 th March	
Fri 27 th March	Whole School Assembly @ 2.30pm

Fill in the missing word on each strip of cloth to find out what the letters in each box spell.

Jesus' good [] r _ _ n Lazarus was very sick.

Martha and M [] _ _ were sad when their brother died.

"Lazarus will _ [] _ v _ again", said Jesus.

Jesus went to the opened [] _ _ b and prayed.

Lazarus walked out of [] _ _ s tomb alive.

WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR OWN RESERVED CAR SPACE IN THE SCHOOL CARPARK FOR THE REST OF 2026?

ST MARYS CARPARK RAFFLE

TICKETS \$10 EACH OR 6 TICKETS \$50

This is your chance to win an exclusively reserved and allocated car space in the school car park from the start of Term 2 2026 until the end of Term 1 2027.

Raffle closes 4pm Thursday 26th March.
Drawn at Assembly on Friday 27th March.
Purchase tickets online via CDF.



School Procedures for the Bushfire Season

Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when an Extreme/Catastrophic fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.

Please see link for [Fire Danger Warnings](#)

Baker's Delight Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser

CHOOSE FROM TRADITIONAL, CHOC CHIP, APPLE CINNAMON OR FRUITLESS

\$12 PER 6PK ORDER ONLINE VIA CDF

ORDERS CLOSE 11AM THURSDAY 26TH MARCH

\$2 FROM EVERY 6PK OF HOT CROSS BUNS COMES BACK TO ST. MARYS FUNDRAISING

MADE FRESH & DELIVERED TO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 31ST MARCH

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
Wednesday 1st April
Carnival Dress Up

MAGIC SHOW
Temporary Tattoos
DISCO/Ice Cream

CARNIVAL

Join us for a Circus Carnival Farewell for our Mrs Glennie

What to wear: Your favourite carnival clothes
Special Circus treat bundle provided: Hot Dog/Popcorn & Juice - Order on CDF PAY \$0.00 - 1 per child





IMPORTANT LINKS

[Student Medical Authority Form](#)

[Fees and Levies](#)

[Uniforms](#)

[Unexplained Absences](#)

[Child Safety](#)

[Seesaw](#)

[Nforma](#)

[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.



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WEBSITE –

<https://smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au/>

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/>