



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

This Week's News!

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday and Friday last week, the St Mary's staff engaged in two informative and reflective days of professional learning. Guided by our Maths Leader, Mr Lachlan Glennie, staff strengthened their capacity to deliver high-impact, evidence-based mathematics instruction. This learning aligns with the MACS Vision for Instruction, with a clear focus on explicit teaching, intentional modelling, guided practice and ongoing feedback to support student growth. St Mary's continues to lead the way in implementing the MACS Vision for Learning, ensuring consistent and effective classroom practice.

We also extend our thanks to Mrs Melissa Roberts for organising Dr Beth Nolan, who worked with staff to deepen their approach to teaching scripture and faith formation, supporting purposeful and engaging learning experiences in Religious Education.

On Wednesday, the St Mary's SAT members led the whole school in a respectful ANZAC Day reflection. We remembered the courage and sacrifice of those who have served our country. This reflection provides a meaningful opportunity for students to build historical understanding, show gratitude, and connect the values of service, resilience and community to their own lives.

A reminder that St Mary's is a nut-free school. This is an important part of our commitment to maintaining a safe and inclusive environment for all students, particularly those with severe allergies. Students are also reminded not to share food at school, as this helps reduce the risk of allergic reactions and supports the wellbeing of everyone in our community.

As we approach the cooler weather, we ask that all students transition to wearing their full winter uniform from Monday 4th May. Wearing the correct uniform supports a sense of pride, belonging and consistency across the school. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled. Coats may also be worn as an outer layer.

Upcoming events to note:

- Tonight, Wednesday 29th April, is also the second in the series of Sacramental nights starting at 6pm in the hall.
- 5/6 Swimming – Tuesday 5th May **Consent forms to be completed on the Parent Portal**
- Mother's Day Stall – Wednesday 6th May from 8:45am – 10:45am (see flyer)
- Mother's Day playtime & picnic – Friday 8th May. 1.30pm – 2.15pm
- School Disco – Thursday 21st May (see flyer).
- Working Bee - Saturday 9th May 8.30am – 10.30am [Register here](#)

Wishing everyone a wonderful week and may God bless you.

Ronnie Pritchard
Acting Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Second Sacrament Evening –
Wed 29th April 6pm-7pm

Yr 5/6 Swimming - Tuesday 5th
May

Mother's Day Stall – Wed 6th May
8.45am – 10.45am

School Disco – Thursday 21st May
(see flyer)

Term 3

School Production Yr 3-6
Wed 9th September
Thursday 10th Sept
12pm & 6pm Shows

Last Day of Term 3 – Friday 26th
June

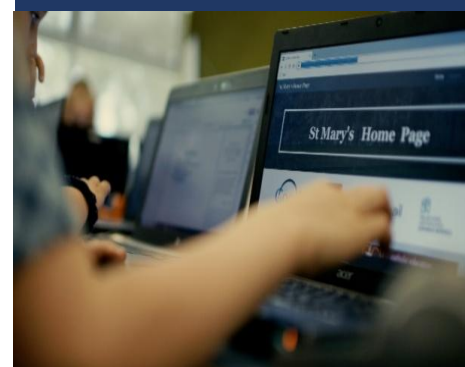
Term 4

Junior Showcase Prep-2
Thurs 29th Oct

Last Day of Term 4 -Tuesday 15th
Dec @ 3.30pm

School Closure Days 2026

Staff PL – Friday 5th June
Staff PL – Monday 20th July
School Closure Day – Monday 2nd
Nov





WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK - Term 2/ Week 2

Mon 27 th April	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 28 th April	
Wed 29 th April	Second Sacrament Evening 6pm -7pm
Thurs 30 th April	
Fri 1 st May	Assembly @ 2.30pm

WHAT'S ON NEXT TERM - Term 2/ Week 3

Mon 4 th May	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 5 th May	5/6 Swimming
Wed 6 th May	Mother's Day Stall 8.45am -10.45am Third Sacrament Night 6pm - 7pm
Thurs 7 th May	
Fri 8 th May	Assembly @ 2.30pm



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UNDERSTANDING ALPHA'S



PARENTS AND TEACHERS

WHO ARE THE ALPHA'S?

Very curious and smart—but sometimes lacking impulse control or social awareness

Prone to challenging authority if something feels "unfair" or unexplained

hoping they don't roast us in public.

How do we guide them to learn and adapt healthy mindsets, understanding social competency, while desperately

2 hour event facilitated by an Early Childhood expert and Art therapy practitioner with over 20 years experience working alongside families.

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- ★ Aged-based stages, which are welcoming of all experience levels – everyone can join!

Woolworths NET SET GO!

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

info@menc.org.au or via our Facebook page



Mother's Day Stall

Wednesday 6th May
8:45am - 10:45am

Cash Only
No IOU's

Please supply a bag on the day

SCHOOL DISCO

in the hall

THURSDAY MAY 21

JUNIORS (PREP-GRADE 2) 4-5PM

SENIORS (GRADE 3-6) 5.15-6.30PM

\$8

INCLUDES ENTRY, GLOW PRODUCT AND SNACK PACK ON EXIT

PRIMA • POPCORN • LOLLY • GLOW ON!

ORDER TICKETS ONLINE ON CDF

TICKET SALES CLOSE MONDAY 18TH MAY

BYO DRINK BOTTLE TO USE INSIDE DISCO

THIS IS A PARENT FREE EVENT, ONLY VOLUNTEERS CAN STAY.



Gospel Jn 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me, so that where I am, you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said, "Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus said:

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him."

Philip said, "Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied." Have I been with you all this time, Philip," said Jesus to him, "and you still do not know me?"

To have seen me is to have seen the Father; so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself; it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, because I am going to the Father."

THE WAY
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Draw an arrow next to the words below which describe the Way, the Truth and the Life that Jesus wants us to follow.

- LOVE
- PEACE
- GREED
- FORGIVENESS
- CONFLICT
- JUSTICE
- SELFISHNESS
- COMPASSION
- HONESTY
- HATRED

Can you decipher what Jesus is saying?

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WEBSITE –

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

[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.