



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

This Week's News!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone enjoyed the weekend and had the opportunity to recharge and connect with family and friends.

Staff Professional Learning Day

On Friday 5th June, the St Mary's staff participated in a Professional Learning Day with psychologist and wellbeing expert Maria Ruberto. Through her *Reset to Resilience* workshop, staff explored practical, evidence-based strategies to strengthen wellbeing, build resilience and support positive relationships within our school community.

The day provided valuable insights into emotional regulation, brain development and creating supportive learning environments where students can thrive academically, socially and emotionally. We thank Maria for an engaging and inspiring day of learning.

For those interested in learning more about Maria's work, I encourage you to listen to her interview on *The Imperfects* podcast, [Advancing despite adversity](#), where she shares powerful insights into resilience, mindset and wellbeing.

Updated Uniform Policy

Following the successful trial of the proposed uniform adjustments and consultation with students, staff, parents and the School Advisory Council, the updated Uniform Policy has now been finalised. The revised policy can be accessed here [click on link Uniform Policy](#). The major amendments include: shorts or long pants can be worn in winter; the girls' winter pinafore top is to be worn by Prep - Gr 2 girls and the top of the pinafore is optional for girls in Gr 3-6. See updated policy for more details.

Sacraments and Liturgy

Congratulations to all students who celebrated their First Reconciliation on evening of the Wednesday 3rd June. It was a wonderful occasion, and we thank our families and parish community for their support.

Last Tuesday 9th June, Confirmation Candidates participated in Spirit Day, providing an opportunity for prayer, reflection and preparation as they journey towards receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We were honoured to welcome Bishop Tinh Xuan Nguyen, who spent time with the students ahead of the Confirmation celebration on Wednesday 24 June at 7:00 pm.

Congratulations also to the children who received their First Holy Communion over the weekend. We look forward to celebrating with the remaining candidates at our final First Communion Mass on Sunday 21 June at 10:30am. Please continue to keep all of these children and their families in your prayers.

Last Friday, we celebrated the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Thank you to all families who generously donated non-perishable food items for the St Vincent de Paul Society. We also congratulate our newly commissioned Mini Vinnies students and thank them for their commitment to service and social justice within our community.

Staffing Update – Prep D

At the end of this term, we will farewell Miss Jasmine Delacroix, who is relocating closer to the city. We thank Jasmine for her dedication and commitment to our Prep students and the St Mary's community, and wish her every success in this new chapter.

To ensure continuity for our Prep D students, Mrs Eliza Kelly will teach the class from Monday to Thursday, with Mrs Helena Torbit teaching on Fridays for the remainder of the year. Both teachers will spend time in the classroom over the coming weeks to support a smooth transition before commencing their new roles in Term 3.

Reminder: Year 7 2028 - Mount Lilydale Mercy College Applications

Applications for Year 7 2028 are being accepted. These are due no later than **Friday 14th August, 2026**.

Last day of Term 2 finishes next Thursday 25th June @ 3.15pm.

Please remember that my door is always open, so do not hesitate to reach out if I can assist you in any way.

God Bless,
Ronnie Pritchard

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Australian Girls Choir – Saturday
20th June

Last Day of Term 2 – Thursday 25th
June @ 3.15pm

Term 3

Term 3 begins – Monday 13th July

Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser –
Saturday 1st August

School Production Yr 3-6

Change of Dates

Tues 1st September
Thurs 3rd September
12pm & 6pm Shows

Last Day of Term 3 – Thursday 17th
Sept

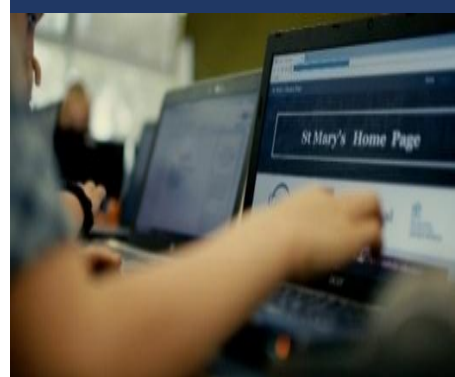
Term 4

Junior Showcase Prep-2
Thurs 29th Oct

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

School Closure Days 2026

Last day of Term 2 – Thurs 25th June
Staff PL – Monday 20th July
School Closure Day – Fri Sept 18th
School Closure Day – Mon 2nd Nov





WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK - Term 2/ Week 9

Mon 15 th June	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 16 th June	Level 5/6 Winter Round Robin
Wed 17 th June	
Thurs 18 th May	
Fri 19 th May	Whole School Assembly

WHAT'S ON NEXT TERM - Term 2/ Week 10

Mon 22 nd June	School begins @ 8.45am
Tue 23 rd June	
Wed 24 th June	Grade 6 Confirmation @ 7pm
Thurs 25 th June	Whole School Assembly TBA LAST DAY OF TERM 2 – 3.15PM FINISH
Mon 13 th July	Term 3 begins @ 8.45am



SAVE *the* DATE!

BAYSWATER BUNNINGS BBQ

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 **SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST 2026**



Elevate Mt Evelyn

The Community Hub Workshop

Sunday 5 July 1pm – 4.30pm Mt Evelyn Hall Birmingham Rd



Light refreshments provided
All welcome

Mt Evelyn is special because of its people. Come help shape what's next.

What to Expect

- Connect with locals who care about this community
- Explore what makes Mt Evelyn unique
- Workshop ideas and opportunities for our future

What can you bring

- Bring your voice, your ideas and your vision for a stronger more connected Mt Evelyn

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LILYDALE BMX CLUB

COME AND TRY DAY

SUNDAY 21st JUNE 2026 1-3PM

What to wear?

- gloves
- long-sleeved top & long pants
- enclosed shoes

What to bring?

- your bike
- full face helmet (if you have one)

What to expect?

- 1pm or 2pm session.
- Ages 2+
- ALL skill levels
- @ Lilydale BMX Corner of Anderson St & Nelson Rd, Lilydale
- Includes four week Auscycling free trial. Arrive 15 minutes prior for sign on.



Session to be run by coaches Connor Fallon and Nathan Glab. Spots are limited. Reserve your spot by emailing treasurer@lilydalebmclub - specify which session you wish to attend



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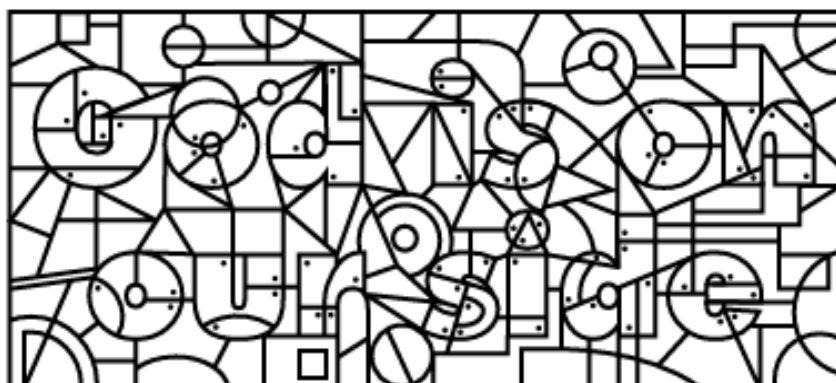
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God watches over us and protects us because we are precious to him. Draw a picture of something that is precious to you.



Colour in the shapes that contain a dot • and discover the hidden message!



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