



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

This Week's News!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a restful and refreshing holiday break and had the opportunity to spend quality time together with family and friends. It is wonderful to welcome everyone back to St Mary's as we begin what promises to be another exciting and rewarding term.

As I walked through the classrooms this week, it was a joy to see our students returning with smiling faces, enthusiasm and a readiness to learn. Thank you to our families for ensuring the children arrived well prepared and ready for the term ahead. A special thank you also goes to our dedicated staff, who have worked hard behind the scenes to prepare engaging learning experiences and welcoming classrooms for our students.

A reminder to please continue to notify the school if your child will be absent and ensure they arrive at school on time each day. Regular attendance and punctuality play an important role in supporting successful learning and establishing positive routines. There is a new attendance platform that will send you an email at 10am if there has been no reason registered as to why your child is absent. Please respond to the unexplained absentee email you will receive from reception@smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au as to the reason your child is absent. You are not required to call the office.

Congratulations to Hudson (Prep D) and his family on the arrival of their beautiful baby sister, Ivy. We wish you all every happiness as you welcome this special new addition to your family!

Congratulations to Charlotte (3/4C) for competing in the AASCF Winterfest competition on the first weekend of the holidays. She performed in Vibe Studios Youth Intermediate Troupe and won 1st for Lyrical and 3rd for Pom.

NAPLAN results are now available for you. These can be collected (by parents) from the office. We remind you to keep them somewhere safe as you will need them for Secondary School enrolments. The following website VCAA gives an explanation and resources concerning NAPLAN.

Reminders:

- **Doughnut Day** orders on CDFpay close @ 11am Friday 17th July.
- Staff Professional learning day - **School closure day Monday 20th July**
- Please put in your diaries: Term 3 P&F Bunnings fundraiser, **Saturday 1st August**, click on the link for more details [Bunnings Sausage Sizzle](#)
- **Tuning in to kids** (6 week parenting program) starting Wednesday 5th August 1pm-3pm – click on the link for further information [Tuning in to Kids](#)
- **Feast Day Andrew Chinn concert:** Friday 14th August, at 2.15pm
- **Book week parade:** Wed Aug 26th, at 9am

Warm regards,

Ronnie Pritchard
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3

Term 3 begins – Monday 13th July

School Closure Day – Mon 20th July

Doughnut Day – Tues 21st July

Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser –
Saturday 1st August

Feast Day – Friday 14th Aug

Book Week Parade – Wed Aug 26th
@ 9am

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

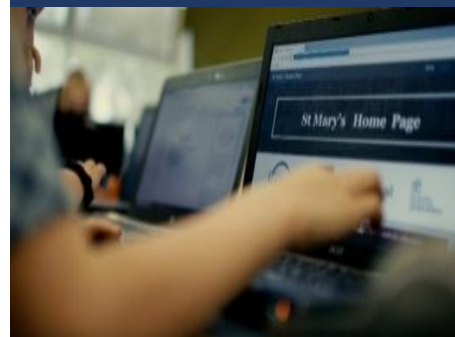
Last Day of Term 4 -Tuesday 15th Dec
@ 3.30pm

School Closure Days 2026

Staff PL – Monday 20th July

School Closure Day – Fri Sept 18th

School Closure Day – Mon 2nd Nov





Tuning in to Kids

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A five session evidence based Parenting Program:
Empower yourself with skills – Invest in your child's wellbeing
FOR PREP TO GRADE 4 Parents

Would you like to learn how to be:

- Better at talking/ connecting with your child?
- Better at understanding your child and their emotions?
- able to help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teaching your child how to understand and manage big feelings such as, Anxiety and Anger
-

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence*.
Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry.
- These FREE sessions are informal and fun, a chance to make new friends, as well as learn lifelong skills for your toolbelt.

Where: St Mary's Primary School (Italian Room)

When: Wednesdays 1-3pm

Commencing: Wed 5th Aug – Wed 2nd Sept

Please Email Kathryn James (Pastoral Care) if you have any further questions.

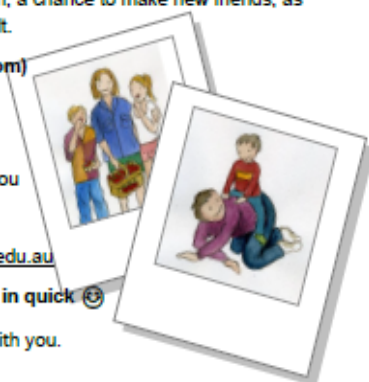
Email: kathryn.james@smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au

RSVP : Mon 30th July. Limited Spaces so get in quick ☺

We can't wait to share this wonderful program with you.

Warm regards,

Kathryn James & Kiera Harvey (Tuning in to Kids Facilitators)



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK - Term 3/ Week 1

Mon 13 th July	Term 3 begins @ 8.45am
Tue 14 th July	5/6 Incursion Parliament Role Play 9.30 – 10.45am
Wed 15 th July	NO TUCKSHOP
Thurs 16 th July	
Friday 17 th July	Whole School Assembly

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

Mon 20 th July	STAFF PL School Closure Day
Tue 21 st July	Whole School Doughnut Day
Wed 22 nd July	Division Finals for Soccer & Netball
Thurs 23 rd June	
Fri 24 th July	Whole School Assembly

SAVE the DATE!

BAYSWATER BUNNINGS BBQ

★ FUNDRAISER ★



**SATURDAY
1ST AUGUST 2026**

Donut & Milk Day

Tuesday 21st July



Filled Donut & Milk \$5.50
Ring Donut & Milk \$4.50

Jam Filled Donut Varieties:
-Iced Choc Jam
-Iced Strawberry Jam
-Iced Salted Caramel Jam

Ring Donut Varieties:
-Cinnamon ring
-Salted Caramel ring

Milk Varieties:
-Chocolate milk
-Strawberry milk



Order online via CDF
Orders close 11am Friday 17th July
Limit 1 donut & milk order per child
No refunds or late orders accepted





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2026 Winery Tour

**Saturday
29th August**




- Bus departs St Mary's at 10:00am
- Wine tasting at Tokar Estate
- Two-course lunch with wine tasting at Helen's Hill Estate
- Finish the afternoon at Payne's Rise for a relaxing glass of wine.

The tour concludes at Payne's Rise, where the bus service ends. Guests can make their own way home from there.



*All welcome
(this is an adult event
- no children please)*

Cost: \$135 per person

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Mt 13:24-30
My name is

The farmer scattered good seed



The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat.

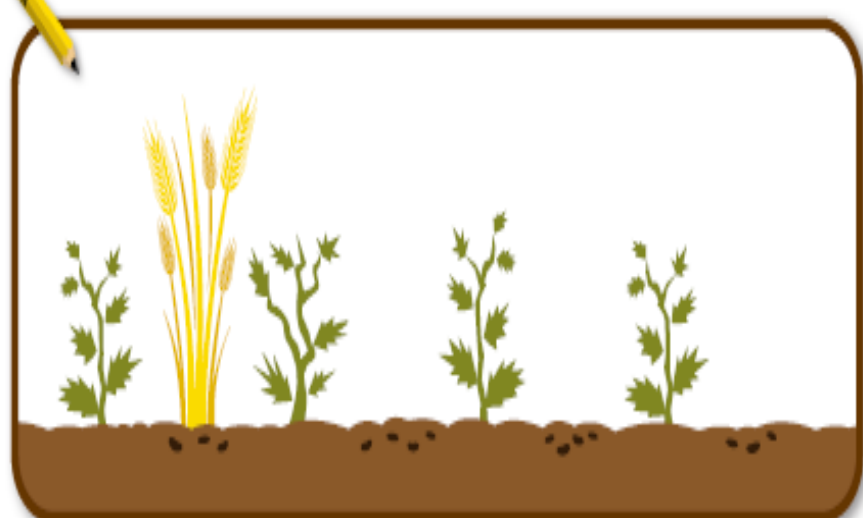
Help the farmer scatter the seed by finding the path to the wheat. Keep a look out for weeds!



Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, before gathering the wheat.



Draw the wheat growing in between the weeds where you see seeds on the ground.



IMPORTANT LINKS

[Student Medical Authority Form](#)

[Fees and Levies](#)

[Uniform Policy](#)

[Unexplained Absences](#)

[Child Safety](#)

[Seesaw](#)

[Nforma](#)

[TheirCare](#)



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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.