



An Explosion of Colour

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

This Friday, 9th September, we have our Explosion of Colour Fun Run from 2pm. It will be on our school oval. The cost is \$5 (paid on Qkr!) and payment is due by tomorrow.

Children should wear a **white t-shirt to school with other shorts/pants (any colour)**. Please expect the clothes to become extremely dirty/colourful, so do not send your children to school in anything treasured or valuable. Shops such as Kmart currently have kids plain white shirts available for \$3. The children will be provided with sunglasses and a headband to wear during the afternoon and given an ice-block at the end of their run.

During the afternoon, each class will have the opportunity to move through the obstacle course. Volunteers will be placed throughout the course to spray the fluro-coloured powder onto the children. Parents, you are invited to sit on the perimeter of the oval to watch the afternoon of fun.

Please be mindful that the children will have lots of colour on them as they leave school and get into your car, you might like to consider beach towels/extra clothes for the trip home. Please also consider the children who are catching the bus home, they may need a spare shirt to get changed into.

NAPLAN

In May, our Year 3 and Year 5 children sat their four NAPLAN tests. Tomorrow, the results will be sent home to these students in sealed envelopes.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM)

The survey is almost closed. If you haven't yet completed our *Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning* survey, we would appreciate if you can, as soon as possible, complete the survey. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at St Mary's. It is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. Please use the link:

www.tellthemfromme.com/stmarys22

Father's Day Stall and Breakfast

A huge thank you to our wonderful team of mums and dads who helped with the Father's Day Stall and Father's Day Breakfast. We really appreciate the time you gave to us to ensure these days run smoothly. A special mention to Tenille and Maria for coordinating the two events.

Year 6 vs Dads Netball Game was a huge success and a lot of fun. The Year 6 team won, with the final score 14-16.

Summer Uniform

From next week, Monday 12th September, your child may choose to wear their summer or winter uniform. Summer uniform is compulsory for all students from Term 4.

Year 2 Family Mass

Our next grade Mass will be held this Sunday 11th September at 9am, led by Year 2. An invitation has been sent home to families. We invite all of our families K-6 to join us.

Year 6 Graduation

The next Year 6 graduation meeting is on Wednesday the 14th September at 3.30pm here at school. Everyone welcome.

Assemblies

A reminder of our upcoming assemblies, you are welcome to join us for these at 1.50pm. Year 1: 8th September and Kinder: 22nd September. Year 3 also share their Sacred Space on 15th September.

Your Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep the Seiler family in your thoughts and prayers. Eva's (4 Gold) pop passed away earlier this week. May your treasured memories be a great strength to you during your time of loss.

Staff Development Day

The final day of Term 3 for students is Thursday 22nd September. Friday 23rd September is a Staff Spirituality Day and no students will be on premises.

Kind regards,

Emma Sellars
Principal



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Merit Awards

Eden S
Selkie R
Phoenix R
Kai D
Houston A
Harley A
Jordan G
Oscar H
Harrison D
Ondine R
Jeremy R
Martial G
Maci F
Airlei M
Vincent N
Talan C
Lachlan F
Lucas B
Harrison P
Mia T
Max B
Sienna H
Riley G
Holly L T
Noah B
Teyah H
Frankie G
Archer G
Rhani Lo
Abel N
Hunter H
Louis F
Euan B
Beau T
Zac W
Zoe D
Ellie B
Harry B
Nikita R
Sumira D
Zali M

Lost Property

Lost property is overflowing with fleece jumpers, sports jackets and parkas. There is a large number of plastic lunchboxes, snack containers and drink bottles sitting in the undercroft area unclaimed. Please get your child to check this area for any property that may be theirs.

From Our REC

Year 2 Sunday Mass

This Sunday Year 2 will lead the ministries at our Sunday morning mass. We encourage you all to join us and celebrate mass at 9am. Thank you to our Year 2 teachers and parents who have prepared their children so well. We look forward to celebrating with you.

Confirmation

Please keep our Year 3 students and any other students in Years 4-6 who are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation in your prayers.



From Our Family Liaison Officer



Each year the second Thursday of September is R U OK? Day – a day dedicated to inspiring and empowering everyone to meaningfully connect with people around them by asking the simple question "Are you OK?" Now could be a great time to ask your child, young or old, as well as the adults we live or work with "Are you OK?" and to support them in the event that they are struggling. You can find great information and resources about how to have an "R U OK?" conversation ["here"](#).

If you have a high school aged child you may find that having a meaningful conversation with a teenager can be tricky. This can also be true for some of our older Year 5 and 6 children. That's why ReachOut Australia has created resources to help parents help their young people. Find out how you can effectively communicate with your child ["here"](#)

Religious Creative Arts Competition

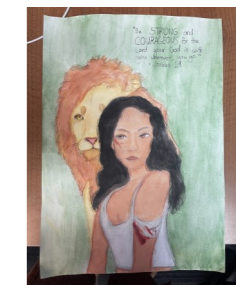
Congratulations to the following students who are our School Finalists.

Visuals Arts

Stage 1 - Mackenzie Stage 2 - Yenna



Stage 3 - Polly



Short Movie

Stage 3 - Charli and Summer

We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing the results from CSBB next term.

Cath Kyle
Religious Education Coordinator

and some practical ideas to engage your teenager in a meaningful conversation ["here"](#).

It is also very important for parents and carers to look out for themselves and if no-one is asking you how you are doing, please seek out supportive family and friends to talk to when times are tough. Our children are always observing what we say and do and when we can show our children how we handle difficult times in a positive way, it sets a great example for them. Phone and online contacts are also available to everyone in our community.

Parentline Ph. 1300 1300 52
LifeLine Ph. 13 11 14
Kids Helpline Ph. 1800 55 1800
Beyond Blue Ph. 1300 22 4636
Mensline Ph. 1300 789 978

Storytime in the Library for preschoolers returns tomorrow after our break for the Book Fair. Please come along and join in.

Donna Falzon
Family Liaison Officer
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A Spotlight on our Library

TERM 3 IN THE LIBRARY. TOGETHER WE READ. TOGETHER WE CREATED!



Canteen News

Lunch orders are via the Qkr! app. Cut off time for orders is 9am. You can order up to 2 weeks in advance.

Gluten Free chicken tenders are unavailable until further notice.

Friday 9th September Lunch Special is Chicken Noodle and Vegetable.



Thank you
Donna & Lauren

Uniform Shop News

Boys Summer Polo Sale
There is a small quantity of the older style boys summer polo shirts which are now available for sale. These polo shirts are a heavier weight material. These are brand new and are \$30.00 each. Please note there is no exchange available on these polos.

Star Awards

Ruby K
Kobe C
Isabel F
Tilly C
April M
Lewis Z
Ivie T
Katy-Leigh P
Javier M C
Malaki B
Ashley L
Ella T
Tyde A
Cynthia A
Matthew G
Grace B
Darcy M
Vanessa M
Samuel F
Scarlett W
Zahra D
Rylee F
Evie S
Luca K

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From our PE Teacher

Seth T - Motocross World Championships

As we know Seth was selected to represent Australia at the Junior World Championships in Finland on the 26th -28th August.

It was the biggest Junior race in the world and Seth was the youngest in the group.

A total of 6 kids from different age groups were selected from each country.

Congratulations Seth on being 28th in the world, we are so proud of you. Even more proud of you having recovered from 2 serious crashes to actually finish your race.

Your parents, friends and coaches would agree this shows amazing sportsmanship and team spirit to not give up and pull out.

Imagine the experience you have gained from competing at this level. This will be invaluable for your future as a Motocross Champion!!!



Polding Athletics Carnival

This Friday Halle - Discus, Emmanuelle - 100m and Addison 800m will be competing in Newcastle at Polding level.

These 3 girls will be competing against athletes from Northern NSW Catholic Schools to gain a place in the Polding Team to compete at NSW All Schools Athletics Carnival. Good Luck Girls!!!

Year 5 & 6 CCC Netball Gala Day

Friday 16th September, Baker Park at Wyong.

We would love lots of parents to help us as coaches and managers please. Please fill in the Compass note by Friday so we can finalise buses.

Thank you
Liz Bain
Sports Coordinator




Fruit and Veg Month Canteen Promotion

Monday August 29 to Wednesday September 21

This years theme is all about building Fruit and Veg Communities. To encourage fruit and veg consumption at school we will be giving out stickers to children who buy/ order food with fruit and veg from the canteen. The children then put their stickers on a poster in their class and in Week 10 the class with the most stickers will get a special afternoon tea, with lots of healthy (and delicious) fruit and veg snacks and treats.

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