St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 2 19 October 2022



Cinema Under The Stars

Upcoming Events

- Year 6 Graduation Meeting Wednesday 19th October 3.30pm
- **Cinema Under the** Stars Friday 21st October 6.30pm
- Kinder 2023 Transition #1 Wednesday 26th October 9.15am
- World Teachers Day Friday 28th October
- Year 3 Family Mass Sunday 30th October 9.00am
- K-2 Swimming Programme Monday 31st October-Friday 11th November
- **All Saints Mass** Tuesday 1st November 10.00am
- Year 6 Starr Cup **Touch Footy Day** Friday 11th November
- Kinder 2023 Transition #2 Wednesday 16th November 9.15am
- Year 5/6 Touch Footv Gala Day
- Staff Development Day Monday 28th November

Dear St Mary's Catholic School Community,

This Friday night we have our fantastic 'Cinema Under the Stars' on the oval. Gates open at 5pm and the movie begins at 6.30pm. Remember to purchase your family ticket through Qkr!, a family ticket is \$10. Thank you to our PIP Team for organising the event.

We hope you bring a picnic dinner and snacks to enjoy as you relax on a rug or chair to watch the movie... and



A big thank you to the parent team who have been organising this event for a number of months, we appreciate

Socktober

what you have done.

night!

Last Friday was Crazy Sock Day, and didn't you tea for our fantastic staff. all look fantastic! We raised \$635.70 for Catholic Mission, wonderful effort everyone! Our Teachers vs Year 6 Sock-er Game was a lot of fun but ended in a 0-0 draw. Our Mini Vinnies children are now running our lolly guessing competition for each grade to continue the fundraising.

On Monday, our Year 4, 5 and 6 students participated in a program run by Catholic Mission called 'Haves and Have Nots'. It was an eye opening experience for the students to see what poverty looks like around the world.

Confirmation

On Saturday, many students in Years 3 - 6 made the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was a very special afternoon for these students and their families, as they received the Holy Spirit in a liturgy presided over by Bishop Anthony. Please join me in congratulating Zara B, Vincent B, Noah B, Marley B, Harrison B, Willow C, Jonas C, Cruz C, Sophie C, Madison C, Charlotte C, Riley G, Billy H, Hunter H, Sienna H, Leo H, Friday 18th November Mia H, Willow L, Jack L, Holly L, Amarli M, Kind regards, Charlie M, Lachlan M, Stephanie M, Rhys M, Hunter N, Mia N, Harry P, Alexandra T, Hayden T, Ashley V and Caspian W.

Kinder 2022 Transition

Can you believe it is that time of the year

already! Next Wednesday we welcome our Kinder 2023 students and their families to St Mary's for their first transition morning. Make sure you say hello to the newest members of our community.

Year 3 and Year 5 Family Mass

During the year, each grade attends one Sunday morning Mass with their parents and classmates. The final two masses for 2022 are for Year 3 on Sunday 30th October, followed by the Year 5 students on Sunday 20th November at 9.00am. We look forward to seeing all of our students attend.

World Teachers Day

Next Friday is World Teachers Day (28th October). It is a special day to celebrate our tremendous teachers and the professional, caring role they play in your child's lives. I invite you to join our parent team to help them prepare morning

K-2 Swimming Program

We are excited that our K-2 Swimming Program begins in Week 4. This is compulsory for all students. Students were each sent home with a permission note last week, due Friday.

Gate Work

Those of you who are able to be at school regularly will have noticed the work happening on our gates. Soon, the two walk-through gates (Pandora Parade and the carpark near the oval) will have electronic entry, controlled from the office. This will increase the security of our school and change the way any adult comes onsite. Once our new system is up and running (hopefully within the month) we will give you more details.

Staff Development Day

This term we have our final Staff Development Day for the year, to be held on Monday 28th November. This will be a pupil free day.

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Emma Sellars Principal

Parish Details

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Merit Awards

Elizabeth J Bentley G Charlie C M Kobe C Henry M Cruz C Hunter C Tarig M Taj C April M Ayla M Walter D Imogen C Adam D Heidi W Lennox I Ace C Baylen M Isaac B Ashlee S Mya C Vivienne C Lawson O Cohen J Evie Z Eli M Rose M Andv B Sonny I Ellie C Robby L Isabella C Coco T lvy D Lukas F Emilia R Scarlett W Marcella R Krista S Blake C

Uniform Shop News

Unfortunately there has been a delay in receiving our size 12 sports polos. This is an unexpected delay from our supplier which is out of our control. We apologize for the delay. We will notify the school community as soon as they arrive.

From Our REC

Confirmation

Congratulations to all our students who were confirmed on Saturday. It was a beautiful liturgy. Thank you to our parish team who prepared our students so well! A special mention to Sinead and Connor who were junior servers on the day who support Bishop Anthony so well.



Socktober - Catholic Mission

Last Thursday our Mini Vinnies team launched our school's Socktober initiative with an insightful sacred space. They shared with our community our lolly guessing competition which will be running for another week. We have four lolly jars; one each for Kindergarten, Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3.

Last Friday we held our annual Socktober event with our community wearing crazy socks. Our Year 6 students and teachers competed in a soccer match. Everyone was happy with a nil all score line. Many laughs were had by all. Thank you to all who supported this initiative just from Friday's Crazy Sock Day we raised \$635.70. We look forward to building on this total with our lolly guessing competition.



On Monday, Dorothy and Sonny from Catholic Mission came out and led Years 4-6 through different role play situations. Their focus was on the topic, "Haves and Have

Nots." This gave our students a greater understanding of the difficulties and injustices facing people all over the world, especially those in Ethiopia.





On Thursday, three of our Mini Vinnies Leaders will represent our school at our Diocsean Mission Mass. We look forward to celebrating mass with Bishop Anthony and our wider Catholic community.

Indigenous Sacred Space

Next Thursday, 27th October our Indigenous students will be leading our community through a portion of the Aboriginal Rosary. This will be held in the church at 2pm if you would like to join us.

Year 3 Sunday Mass

We invite all Year 3 families to mass on Sunday 30th October at 9am. Our students will be leading the ministries and sharing a Thanksgiving song with our community. Sr. Josie is organising the music this weekend and has already planned and shared some contemporary songs to play at mass. Year 3 teachers will be giving out readings and other jobs this week. We look forward to celebrating mass with you all.



All Saints Mass

On Tuesday 1st November at 10am Years 3-6 will be celebrating All Saints mass. Year 4 will be leading this mass. If you would like to join us we would love to see you there.

Lighting of the Christmas Tree

Mr Hochkins and our choir are beginning to prepare for the "Lighting of the Christmas Tree." It has been a couple of years since we have been able to participate in this event. It will be held on Saturday 3rd December. If you have a child in choir, save the date!

Cath Kyle **Religious Education Coordinator**

A Spotlight on Year 2

















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.

Term 4 Price Increases Our ice cream supplier has increased our prices for the following items, which will come into effect in Term 4. Billabong now \$1.80 Lemonade Icy Pole now \$1.40

Thank you Donna & Lauren

Star Awards

Skye M Aria C Rose T Nixon D Amelia R Charlotte A Charlize A Isabella Nixon P Remmi W Mila C Levi R Willow C Archer G Addison P Piper E Brody C Kingston K Vanessa M Elijah P S James M





'World Teachers Day' Thank You Morning Tea!

Our PIP Team is asking for "Just One Thing"...

To celebrate and show gratitude to our wonderful and dedicated St Mary's Staff, our PIP Team are requiring a team of helpers to set up and cater for a special morning tea on Friday, October 28th.

We require a team from mid morning to help set up and also helpers to supply a small plate of food to cater the event. If you are able to support in any way please use the 'sign up' links below to express your commitment.

Plates of food can be dropped to the front office the morning of the 28th of October. We ask that serves are individual, nut free and that plates are la-belled with your child's name and class.

We would also like to pass on special messages of gratitude on this day. If you would like to share a special message of thanks, we ask that you please add to the following message board via the link or QR code below: <u>https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/ZJ1XNLj3</u>

SIGN UP LINKS

I can help set up on the day -LINK: <u>https://signup.com/go/EpTotiz</u> I can help supply a plate of food -LINK: <u>https://signup.com/go/MybhKAK</u>

Thank you for your time and support, PIP Team Leaders

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4 Green enjoying their healthy afternoon tea last week as their prize for winning the Fruit & Veg Competition last term.





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