St. Mary's Primary School is committed to the safety and welfare of all children, within a secure environment. All children have a right to be treated with respect and to be protected from abuse and harm. This school supports the Child Safe Standards (Ministerial Order 1359) and actively seeks to ensure that all students are kept safe from all forms of harm at all times.



St. Mary's School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents, Families and Friends,

As Term 1 concludes over the next two weeks, I can't help feeling a sense of pride and gratitude. What a blessing to be involved in such a wonderful community at St Mary's, where our school and parish members are passionate about their faith, education and making strong community ties.



A highlight for me was visiting the Grade 5/6 students on their three days at Cave Hill. The children were kept very busy with canoeing, rock climbing, abseiling, bush tucker, orienteering and more. Rain and hail would not break their spirits as all the students challenged themselves in a safe environment, and it was a pleasure to take them away. Thank you to Cath Williams for organising a rewarding experience for our students.

Next week, St Mary's Catholic Primary will participate in a National School Improvement Tool (NSIT) review process. This is an opportunity to reflect on our current practices and progress made towards improving the quality of teaching and learning and, subsequently, student learning and well-being outcomes. The review team will work closely and collaboratively with staff, parents and students to identify existing strengths and provide recommendations to inform the school's next improvement cycle.

As we enter Holy Week, let us remember that Easter is a great reminder that Christ died and rose for each of us. His death and resurrection can transform our lives as we endeavour to show love for our neighbours, respect all creation, and restore hope and mercy. Our students will perform their Holy Week presentation next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Getting as many St Mary's parents and friends as possible would be great to support our students' learning. Please see the times below in our calendar.

I hope you have a safe, restful and rewarding holiday period. I look forward to seeing you for a fantastic Term 2.

Stephen O'Shannessy Principal

We acknowledge and pay respect to the Jaara people as the original and ongoing custodians of the land we meet on. We commit ourselves to actively work alongside Aboriginal people for reconc<u>iliation and justice.</u>

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CALENDAR

TERM 1, 2023			
Friday 31st March	Cross Country/Junior Fun Day	Cross Country/Junior Fun Day	
Monday 3rd April	HOLY WEEK - Palm Sunday 2:45pm	All Welcome	
Tuesday 4th April	HOLY WEEK Last Supper (Caritas Fundraiser @ 1:00pm) Casual Clothes Day All Welcome		
Wednesday 5th April	HOLY WEEK - Good Friday 9:00am	All Welcome	
Thursday 6th April	Awards Assembly/Easter Egg Raffle - 9.00am Wedderburn College Fete - 9.30am - 2pm Last Day of Term 1 - 2.20pm finish	All Welcome Students only	
Friday 7th April	GOOD FRIDAY		
Sunday 9th April	EASTER SUNDAY		
TERM 2, 2023			
Monday 24th April	First Day of Term 2		
Tuesday 25th April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday School Community meet at the Inglewood Butcher Shop at 10.45am for an 11:00am ANZAC service		
Friday 28th April	Landcare Community Project		
Monday 1st - 5th May	Catholic Education Week		
Monday 1st May	Grade 5-6 Leadership Day - Echuca		
Tuesday 2nd May	Community Gathering 5:30 - 7pm		
Thursday 5th May	Learning Conversations		
Sunday 7th May	Run for Resilience - Bridgewater		
Tuesday 9th May	Learning Conversations		
Friday 12th May	Mother's Day Breakfast		
Thurs 18th - 19th May	Grade 3-4 Camp to Sovereign Hill		
Tuesday 23rd May	School Council Meeting - 6pm		
Friday 26th May	PUPIL FREE DAY (Staff Learner Diversity Day)		

CATHOLIC IDENTITY





Caritas' Last Supper- Lunch Order Form

On Tuesday, 4th April, St Mary's will host a Caritas Fundraiser for our Holy Week celebrations. At 1:00 pm, the whole school will participate in the Last Supper service, followed by a BBQ lunch. We are asking families to donate \$5 for a sausage and juice for our Caritas fundraising. Please fill out this form for your child and yourself if you attend. Please include your order form and money in a sealed bag or envelope.

Name	would like to purchase (please tick)	As Caritan Total
1 x sausage and juice \$5	\Box	110
2 x sausages and juice \$10		2.04
3 x sausages and juice \$15		

SCHOOL NEWS

Grade 5/6 Camp to Cave Hill Creek





















NSIT School Review :

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Cross Country & Junior Fun Day:

We wish all of the students the best of luck as they hit the Marong track for Cross Country and the Junior Fun Day tomorrow. Thank you to Miss Fenwick for coordinating the event. A reminder to bring your water bottles and that hats are to be worn and sunscreen applied.



ANZAC Day:

ANZAC day is on Tuesday 25th April. Could students attending the march meet by 10:45 am at the Butcher Shop in Brooke Street. This will be followed by the Inglewood Morning Service at 11 am at the Inglewood Monument in Grant Street. Any St Mary's children in attendance are asked to wear their school uniform.

Wonder White Recycle:

St Mary's Primary school is getting involved with the Wonder White Recycle, Earn and Play program. The program is an initiative that teaches children all about recycling. Our school community will collect bread bags and drop them off in collection boxes either at school or Bridgewater Bakery. For every bin our school returns, we are rewarded with points which we can exchange for new sports equipment at the end of the program. It would be amazing if our school could start collecting bread bags and place them in our collection bins.

We are so excited to participate in this initiative this year and cannot wait to begin.



Wedderburn Fete:

Students will be attending the Wedderburn Fete on Thursday 6th April. A permission form has been uploaded to PAM for parents to fill out. Students are invited to bring a small amount of cash, preferably small change (\$5-\$20) to enjoy the rides and market stalls. A free sausage sizzle will be provided to all students.

Grade 3&4 Camp:

Our Grade 3 & 4 Camp will occur on Thursday 18th - 19th May to Sovereign Hill. Many exciting activities are being organised and Ms Fenwick and Mr O'Shannessy are busily putting the final touches on preparations and permission forms for the camp. Keep an eye out for the permission forms when they are released in the near future.

Caritas Crazy Hair / Crazy Socks Day:

Thank you to those families who made gold coin donations today towards Caritas - Project Compassion. Your numerous generous donations will go towards Project Compassion. The kids had amazing hair styles and lots of crazy socks.



PASTORAL WELLBEING

Hope you've had the chance to check out our beautiful new School Value signs around the back of the school? As a school, the children and staff collaborated to come up with values that we believed were important for us to live by at St Mary's, and what each of these looks like in action. With our 'Care Crows' leading the way, we will continue to make St Mary's a happy, safe and caring place to be!



GETTING TO KNOW OUR STAFF

Name: Tayla Fenwick

Position at School: Foundation, Grade 2/3 Teacher & Physical Education Coordinator

Hobbies: Netball, football, listening to music, musical theatre, ice skating, swimming, sudoku, going to concerts, travelling, hanging out with my friends.

What do you like about St Mary's?: I love the community aspect of St Mary's which is what gravitated myself towards my position when applying back in 2021. Having people within the school community as well as the Inglewood community in general to lean on for support has been a massive influence on my love for the school. We also have some pretty amazing students which are so generous and supportive of one another and the staff members. They all know how to make guests feel welcome at our school.

Favourite Book/Music: I am a big fan of Pop Punk music (Green Day, Blink 182 etc). I also absolutely love musical theatre, it just makes me feel so happy. I am a massive fan of Colleen Hoovers books at the moment.

What are you looking forward to in 2023: I am very excited to go to camp this year with the Grade 3/4 students. I am going to the Grand Prix this weekend which I'm really excited about which some of your kids may have mentioned. I am looking forward to seeing some of my friends from other schools when I go and complete my Religion accreditation course again in the next few terms.

Something interesting about me: I absolutely love travelling, I have been to the United States of America three times, Fiji once, New Zealand five times, we used to go on annual holidays up to the Gold Coast as a child and I've been up to Sydney three times.

P&F NEWS

The annual Easter Raffle is back again this year! We will have three great prize baskets full of Easter goodies, with tickets \$1 each or 3 for \$2. **The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term, following our School Assembly on Thursday 6th April at 9.15am** before the school departs for the Wedderburn College Fete.

It would be appreciated if each family could make a contribution to the prize baskets. Please send your donation to school along with your raffle tickets by Tuesday 4th April.





COMMUNITY NEWS

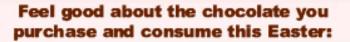












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www.chocolatescorecard.com. Look at the scorecard when shopping and buy Easter eggs and chocolate that are produced without child labour.

Your chocolate (only online). Be an influencer in your community.

1. Take a selfie/or photo of you with your Easter chocolate.



2. Upload it on your favourite social media platform with the following text: "I'm a good Egg! I've joined ACRATH's 'Good Egg' Easter Campaign and have committed to buying only Easter chocolate from brands that commit to making slavery-free chocolate!" (cont forget to tag us @acraft)

JOIN US!





KIDS HELPLINE

On Tuesday the whole school joined Steph from Kids Helpline via Zoom to talk about Cyber Safety and what Kids Helpline do.

Steph spoke about tips and tricks for being safe online and what to do if students feel that they are being bullied, hacked, scammed etc.

The students learned 3 important strategies

STOP: Don't share any more information, don't reply, don't click any links.

SHARE: Share what has happened with a trusted adult

SHUT IT DOWN: With the assistance of a trusted adult, block and report the person.

Kids Helpline are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week for a range of counselling services online or over the phone.

1800 55 1800 or through the Kids Helpline website. <u>https://kidshelpline.com.au/kids</u>



Goldfield's Regional Library School Holiday Program What's On?



Write Like an Egyptian!

Ancient Egyptians used a system of pictorial symbols or 'hieroglyphs' to write. Try writing your name in hieroglyphs and see if you can crack the library's secret code! Ages 5-12+ years.

TUE 11-FRI 21 APR Kangaroo Flat Library TUE 18 & FRI 21 APR

vk Librar

Penguins

A giant book-reading penguin has waddled into the library! Take part in fun penguin activities and helps us find the perfect name for our new friend.

Ages 4-12 years. TUE 11-FRI 21 APR

Nature Table

Experience nature up close and personal! Discover cool camouffage, measure up against a dinosaur, and wonder at the avesome age of things. Add an item if you wish. All ages.

TUE 11-FRI 21 APR Eaglehawk Library

Easter Egg Tree

Decorate a gorgeous Easter egg to hang on the library's Easter tree. You may take it home after the holidays!

Ages 4-12+ years. TUE 11 & FRI 14 APR Eaglehawk Library TUE 11-FRI 21 APR Kangaroo Flat Library



Curious Kids in the Library: Awesome Forces Why do things move? How do they stop? Join us as we explore different types of force and the way they affect the movement of objects. Enjoy hands-on activities and create your own marble run to take home.

Ages 4-8 years. Ages 4-8 years. Presented by Discovery, Science & Technology Centre, Bendigo. Supported by the City of Greater Bendigo. Nov WED 12 APR. 11AM-12PM Bendigo Librar WED 12 APR, 2-3PM Kangaroo Flat Library

Punk's Rule OK!

Oi Kids! Get yourself into the library for lots of punky fun. Back by popular demand, theatrical librarian

Back by popular demand, theatrical librarian Robin presents the hilarious and heart-warming story of Billy the Punk. Then it's time to rock out with the Itchy Scabs, a garage punk band for kids. They're noisy, a bit gross and allowed in the library 'cause they have a show about books - well, books about robots, dinosaurs and monster trucks. Rated G for grouse.

A fun event for young families (4-8+ years), celebrating Bendigo Library's later Friday opening hours. Tattoos and hairspray from 5pm.

FRI 14 APR. 5.30-6.30PM Bendigo Library





Bling Station

Add a bit of bling to your day at our drop-in bling station! Take on the pipe cleaner challenge and see what sparkly, wearable creations you can make. Ages 4-12 years. WED 19 APR, 10AM-1PM Bendigo Library

Orchestra Victoria **Musical Stories:** Little Puggle's Song

Enjoy a beautiful introduction to the magic of live music with Orchestra Victoria. Little Puggle's Song is a heart-warming story about a lonely echidna searching for his volce. Set to the sounds of woodwind, string and percussion instruments, this new work by composer Maria Grenfell brings Vikik Conley's wholesome picture book to life.

A joyous interactive session where children will participate in the storytelling and learn about the different instruments being played.

Ages 4-8 years (and all music lovers). FRI 14 APR, 11AM Heathcote RSL Hall, 127 High Street

FRI 14 APR, 2.30PM Eaglehawk Primary School Hall Cnr of Eaglehawk Road and Brazier Street

SAT 15 APR, 11AM Bendigo Library

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Build a Computer

Ever wondered how a computer works? Come along and build one from scratch using our Kano computer kits, then have some fun coding. Ages 8-12 years.

TUE 18 APR, 9.30-11.30AM Heathcote Library

Board Game Fun

Do you love board games? Come along and play with new friends and old at our games tables. There's a whole lot of fun to be had, from strategy games to classic favourites. Ages 5-12 years.

FRI 21 APR, 12-4PM Bendigo Library



ANZAC Wreath Craft Get ready for ANZAC Day and create a colourful poppy wreath for your door. Ages 5-12 years.

FRI 21 APR 2-3PM Heathcote Librar

BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Movies

njoy great kid's loes 4-12 vears.



Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (PG) TUE 11 APR, 1-2.45PM Bendigo Library

The Amazing Maurice BOOK

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