

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 870) 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,

The season of Advent begins this coming Sunday, 28th of November. As we enter the Church's new year, the season of Advent reminds us that we can look forward to and prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

Staffing News:

We've now finalised the class and subject placement for our teachers for next year. Our students will be given the opportunity to work with their new class and teacher in the morning on Tuesday 7th December.

Foundation - Grade 2: Miss Tayla Fenwick

Grade 3 - Grade 6: Ibu Cath Williams

Indonesian: Ibu Cath Williams

Performance Arts & Health: Mrs Louise Murray

Physical Education: Mrs Louise Murray & Miss Tayla Fenwick

Visual Arts: Mrs Kim Carter

School Shade Sails Program:

St Mary's has been successful in its grant application for the Victorian Government School Shade Sails Program. Current COVID guidelines ask that schools increase fresh air flow into indoor spaces whenever possible and to maximise the use of outdoor learning areas or environments. We are excited to have received a \$25,000 grant and will use these funds to build a shade structure off the side of our specialist learning area (the

CALENDAR

November

Fri 26th	Go Kart Track - Grade 6
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December

Fri 3rd	Go Kart Track - Grade 6 P&F Meeting - 2pm School Assembly - 3pm
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Mon 6th	Grade 5/6 Dreamseeds session
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Tue 7th	School Transition Day
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Wed 8th	Grade 6 Big Day Out
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Wed 15th	STUDENTS LAST DAY End of Year Mass 6pm
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Fri 17th	LAST DAY FOR STAFF
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January 2022

Fri 28th	First day for staff
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Mon 31st	First day for students
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Convent). We're currently obtaining quotes for the project, which needs to be completed by the end of April 2022.

COVID Update:

An extensive email was sent out yesterday with information relating to the new COVID guidelines. This included important information relating to visitors on site and what the schools response will look like if we receive a report of a positive case. Please make sure you've read this email and let me know if you have any questions.

Assembly:

We will welcome parents and visitors back on site next Friday 3rd December for our last assembly of the school year. With our Grade 6 students away at their Energy Breakthrough training excursion, this assembly will be led by our Grade 5 students. The assembly will be held outside. Any parents who enter any school buildings whilst on site are asked to check in using the QR code and have their vaccination status verified in the Office.

Signing In & Signing Out:

If children arrive at school after the morning bell, they are required to enter the school via the Office and be signed in by a parent or guardian. If it is necessary to collect children from school during school hours, for any reason, parents are required to visit the office and "Sign Out" their child. It is a legal requirement that we have an explanation for the variance in class attendance rolls.

Kim Carter

Principal

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

The Season of Advent

This Sunday we begin the season of Advent. Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas.

The word 'Advent' means 'coming'. When we light the candles on the wreath, it symbolises the coming of light (Jesus) into the world.

- Candle 1 (violet): represents hope**
- Candle 2 (violet): represents peace**
- Candle 3 (rose): represents joy**
- Candle 4 (violet): represents love**

The central white candle is lit on Christmas Day and represents Christ.



MASS TIMES

St Peter's, Bridgewater
1st Sunday of the Month, 8:00am

St Mary's, Inglewood
Each other Sunday of the Month, 8:00am

Lighting of the 1st Advent Candle

We light the first candle, a symbol of hope to proclaim that God's light is coming into the world. This week, we recall the hope we have in Christ. The prophets of Israel speak of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour will be born, a king in the line of David.

They spoke of how he would rule the world wisely and bless all nations. May God's blessing and promise come upon us as we wait this Advent.



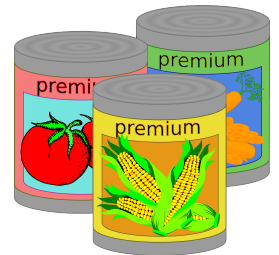
P/1/2 VINNIES CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE!



After learning about ways we can share in our class, in our school and in our homes, P/1/2 brainstormed ways we can share in our community. We decided to team up with the **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** and help them in their Christmas Food Drive. We are asking you to donate **NON PERISHABLE**

FOOD to our drive, so we can help those in need at Christmas time.

Please send along your cans and packets to the office where we have our **"Fair to Share"** box ready to receive your generous donations. Thankyou for helping us help others!



"Whoever gives to the poor will lack nothing" Proverbs 28:27



SCHOOL NEWS



What's happening this fortnight in PREP - GRADE 2

Religion	The First Christmas
English	Letter writing
Maths	Division
Personal Learning	Forces of Energy
RRRR	What are my destressors?
Performance Arts	Christmas Carols
Media Arts	Our Class Routines Story Boards & Paper Plate Angels
Health	Putting into practice the 3 Rs -Reduce Reuse and Recycle
Digital Tech.	Making a slideshow of ourselves.
Sport	Teamwork and playing fairly with partners and in games
Indonesian	Hari Natal (Christmas)

What's happening this fortnight in GRADE 3 - 6

Religion	Beginning - Advent / understanding of Christmas rituals
English	Writing - Information reports and note taking Reading- Transforming - Using voice (questions and connections to make conclusions)
Maths	Fractions, decimals and percentages.
Personal Learning	Continuing our understanding of the pros and cons of fossil fuels
RRRR	Revisit of digital licence - (keeping safe online and making good decisions)
Performance Arts	Christmas Carols
Media Arts	Selfie Story & Christmas Sewing
Health	Oral Presentations About Sustainability to the whole school.
Sport	Cricket - Batting - Straight hitting / Energy Breakthrough
Indonesian	Sandhurst Diocese Languages Film Festival

School Kitchen Scales:

We've discovered that the school kitchen scales are missing. If you happen to know where they're located, please contact Sandra Coffey or Franceen Innes.

Student Illness:

We've had some reports of students experiencing vomiting or gastro illnesses. Due to the possibility of the symptoms being caused by a viral infection, we ask that children are kept home for 48 hours after vomiting / diarrhoea ceases.



The graphic features a stylized sun with three hands (purple, green, blue) reaching up to it. Above the hands are the phrases 'better health', 'better future', and 'better outcomes'. Below the hands is the text 'Attendance Matters'.

What do I miss out on when I am not at school?

Lots!

Class discussions with friends and teachers.

Information and work that you will have to catch up on.

You will also miss out on seeing your friends

STUDENT NEWS

ASPA- Australian School Of Performing Arts:

On Friday 12th November, we were lucky to have two fabulous guests (Monique and Laura), from ASPA. They taught us some dance and singing sessions via Zoom. Have a read of Jenson and Suzie's favourite parts of the session:

Jenson

They did a very good job of teaching us and some of the hand actions to the songs were very good but tricky.

My favourite part was the Peel the Banana song

Suzie

My favourite part was the mime activity called "Why are you late?". It was fun copying the patterns to the song Let it Grow. We also learned to sing in Unison and sang a Swahili song :

Amani Utupena Ustawi

Grant us peace

Give us Courage.

It was so much fun and they were really good



MacKillop Art Exhibition 2021

The annual MacKillop Art Exhibition was launched at Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo on Friday November 12th at 6pm. The exhibition showcases student artworks from across the Sandhurst Diocese and features paintings, photographs, sculpture, media and prints.

Major awards are announced at the exhibition launch each year, including the MacKillop Art Prize, the Spiritual Art Award and the Primary Art Award as well as awards for Highly Commended entries in various age sections.

There was great excitement for St Mary's Inglewood as **Lucy Morrison** was announced as the winner of the Spiritual Art Award in the Prep-Yr2 category. Her entry which was titled, 'Jesus on the Cross' proved popular with the judges who loved the rainbow of colours used to create a wonderful image of three Crosses positioned on the top of a hill. Congratulations Lucy!

The exhibition is open for public viewing until Sunday November 28th at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo. The exhibition can also be viewed online at the Catholic Education Sandhurst website at www.ceosand.catholic.edu.au where you can cast your vote in the People's Choice awards, or in person at the Cathedral, for both Primary and Secondary winners.



Indonesian Cultural Day! Hebat!!

What a great day we had on Friday with Baguskan coming to visit us for our Cultural Day! We had a day of dancing, playing music, cooking and tasting Indonesian food, playing Indonesian games, making masks and riding in the becak! Then we finished the day by everyone performing the traditional folktale of "Ramayana" in beautiful bright costumes. Bagus sekali semua!!



CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

In order to prepare for the language & learning demands of the school environment, children need ample time and opportunity to engage in meaningful interactions with their family.



Receptive Language (Language Comprehension)

Receptive language, or "what goes in", is the ability to understand what people are saying. This includes individual words as well as the sentence type/ structure. Receptive language skills underpin all areas of the school curriculum including literacy, numeracy and social and personal capabilities.

Activities:

5. Concepts

There are lots of concepts that are used within instructions that can be difficult to understand. Here are some common ones:

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| - next to | - between | - beside / behind |
| - above | - before/ after | - under |
| - below | - first/ last | - in |
| - on | - big/ little | - some/many |

Check that your child can understand these concepts.

A fun game that you could play at home with younger children is hide and seek. Choose an object such as a teddy and hide it somewhere. Your child must find it and describe the location e.g. it was beside the big lamp. You could also provide instructions/ clues.

Barrier games are also a great way to target understanding of concepts. This link will take you to lots of printable ones to play at home: <https://www.pinterest.com.au/speechconcepts1/barrier-games/>

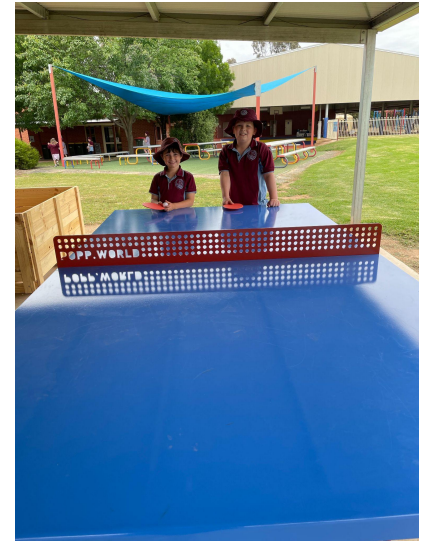
The idea is to each have the same scene and pictures. Give each other instructions to place pictures on the scene. Then, check and see if both scenes look the same.



PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

NEW ADDITION TO THE PLAYGROUND:

After a period of consultation with the students, a new Table Tennis Table has been purchased for the yard. A big thank you to the Parents and Friends Committee and the St Mary's school community for raising the funds for this purchase. The kids love it!



FUN WITH FARMER DARRYL:





Scholarships: study theology and teaching

Start date

Semester 1 2022

Duration

Bachelor of Theology
(3 years FT or PT equivalent)
Master of Teaching
(primary or secondary)
(2 years FT or PT equivalent)

Sponsorship

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited and the Sisters of St Josephs are offering six scholarships to students who have graduated from Catholic schools in the Diocese of Sandhurst to undertake a Bachelor of Theology and a Master of Teaching (primary or secondary) at ACU.

Contact

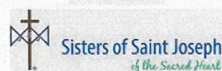
For further information, please contact:

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In collaboration with



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WHAT'S ON OFFER?

If you are a successful scholarship recipient, you will receive \$7,000 per year for the three years to complete a Bachelor of Theology, and then \$3,000 per year for two years to assist you with completing your Master of Teaching at ACU.

Successful completion of your Bachelor of Theology will guarantee you entry into either the primary or secondary Master of Teaching program.

In addition to the financial benefits, you may be eligible for part-time paid positions in schools across the Diocese of Sandhurst, or in other organisations within the diocese. You will also be able to complete your teaching practicum placements in schools in the diocese.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible for this scholarship opportunity, you must be a graduate from a Catholic secondary college in the Diocese of Sandhurst. Through your application you will be required to demonstrate:

1. membership of or connection to a Catholic parish community
2. meeting the ACU eligibility criteria for admission to the Bachelor of Theology
3. ability to articulate the value of Catholic education
4. active community involvement.

It is an expectation that you will teach, for at least three years after graduation, in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Sandhurst.

CONDITIONS OF ONGOING SUPPORT

Receipt of scholarship funds will be dependent on enrolment in the Bachelor of Theology at the ACU Melbourne Campus (applications should be submitted through VTAC – see below for more information), followed by the Master of Teaching (primary or secondary). You will also need to evidence your semester results, indicating satisfactory progress, to CEO Sandhurst each year (this will trigger ongoing contribution to course costs).

HOW TO APPLY?

Applications should be made online to the Executive Director of Catholic Education, Mr Paul Desmond, via: tinyurl.com/84xtvja3

Applications close: Friday 26 November 2021

Late applications may be considered if the number of applications allow.

Please note, you will be required to attend an interview as part of the application process.

You will also need to apply for the Bachelor of Theology at the ACU Melbourne Campus (marking this course as your first preference) through the VTAC website: vtac.edu.au. Please be aware of closing application dates. Visit the VTAC website for the most up-to-date information on application dates: vtac.edu.au/dates

About the Bachelor of Theology and Master of Teaching



BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

Through this three-year full-time program, you will have the opportunity to engage critically with the Catholic intellectual tradition, understand the complex realities of religion across history, and gain insight into contemporary challenges. You will be introduced to the breadth of contemporary theological study, and will explore study areas like systematic theology, ministry, liturgy, world religions, biblical studies, ancient languages, moral theology and philosophy, with the flexibility to select units from other disciplines, such as arts and social sciences. Overseas experience is encouraged as part of this degree¹. Choose to study at our Rome Campus, at one of our partner universities around the world, or join a study tour to places such as Israel, the Philippines or Thailand. Visit the website for more information:

acu.edu.au/course/bachelor-of-theology



MASTER OF TEACHING (PRIMARY)

Become a primary school teacher who is a reflective, independent and a flexible thinker. Learn how to apply your skills to improve learning outcomes for students. This is a two-year full-time graduate entry, pre-service teacher education course for those who want to become a primary school teacher. You will engage with the breadth of curriculum and pedagogical knowledge required by a generalist primary classroom teacher, combined with specialist knowledge and understanding of literacy and numeracy and other learning areas of the primary school curriculum. Visit the website for more information:

acu.edu.au/course/master-of-teaching-primary



MASTER OF TEACHING (SECONDARY)

Become the kind of teacher who is confident, adaptable, and able to design and implement engaging and flexible learning experiences to meet the needs of all students in the classroom. This is a two-year full-time graduate entry, pre-service teacher education course for those who want to become a secondary school teacher. Visit the website for more information:

acu.edu.au/course/master-of-teaching-secondary

ABOUT THE SPONSORS

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited

In recognition of the importance of developing a work force of staff in Catholic schools with an excellent background in theology and Catholic identity, Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited is pleased to be able to provide four scholarships to support students who have graduated from Catholic schools in the Diocese of Sandhurst to undertake a Bachelor of Theology and a Master of Teaching (primary or secondary) at ACU.

Sisters of St Joseph

In a continuing commitment to education, and particularly in religious education, and in memory of the many sisters who have served in the Diocese of Sandhurst, the Sisters of St Joseph are pleased to be able to provide scholarships to support students to undertake a Bachelor of Theology and a Master of Teaching (primary or secondary) at ACU.

¹ Overseas travel will be in line with current public health orders



connecting & communicating with your young person: parent / carer webinar

headspace National in conjunction with headspace Bendigo are presenting a webinar for parents and carers of young people.

Information presented will cover:

- Understanding your young person, and recognising mental health difficulties.
- Managing the challenges of parenting young people today.
- Having better conversations with your young person.
- Connecting your young person with the right help and support.

The webinar will consist of a presentation on mental health, with a focus on noticing mental health difficulties in young people and supporting them to open up and communicate with you about their challenges, in order to seek help if needed.

When: Monday 29th November at 7:00pm
Where: online via zoom

How do I register?

[Click here](#) to register via Eventbrite, or copy the following URL into your web browser:
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/bendigo-parent-carer-webinar-communicating-with-youth-registration-169914339363>

After you have registered, you will receive an email confirmation from Eventbrite which will include the Zoom meeting link to access the webinar. *Please note this webinar will not be recorded.*

All those who register will receive a digital information pack, after the webinar, that includes key messages as well as links to resources & support services.

Contact

For more information email:
programsupport@headspace.org.au

headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health



Come along on

Saturday 11th December 2021,

For a

Wetland Walkabout, BBQ Lunch, and the AGM.

Where: Wetlands, Gatjin Dja,

Wedderburn Serpentine Road, Glenalbyn.

(Mt Korong) (Look for the orange nest box)

12.30. A Face to Face catch up with BBQ lunch provided

1.30 AGM

2.00 Walk, Talk and Gawk around the Korong Ridge Conservation Estate.

This invitation is open to all current, Past & future Landcarers and friends.

The more the merrier!

RSVP, Trudy Nelsson (Secretary) trudynelssonwcmn@gmail.com

or 0419 800 980

Any dietary requirements |



Accessing help for my young person: parent / carer webinar

headspace National in conjunction with headspace Bendigo are presenting a webinar for parents and carers of young people to investigate mental health support services.

Information presented will cover:

- Strengthening your understanding of mental health and wellbeing.
- The conversational approach to mental health and well-being.
- Practical strategies and resources to support mental health.
- Building an awareness of local, state, and national support services available to young people.

This session is intended to increase your knowledge of the mental health sector and different levels of support.

When: Monday 6th December at 7:00pm AEDT
Where: online via zoom

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Thank you for supporting St Mary's Book Fair, we sold **\$820.00** worth of books and accumulated \$160.00 in reward points which has been spent on books for the students.



**Goldfields
Libraries**

Library Cards

Do your children have a library card?

Goldfields Library have an online application form to complete

<https://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au/join>

Many students are already familiar with and utilise BorrowBox which gives them access to both ebooks and audiobooks on their digital devices using their library card. If you would like to know more about BorrowBox or would like assistance with setting the app on your device please contact me and I will be able to assist you.

Franceen Innes

