

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,

I wish to congratulate Year 3 and 5 students as they complete their tests for NAPLAN. Changes to the timetable, along with a heavy assessment schedule can be challenging for any pupil. These students came with a positive mindset and a can-do attitude. Our final assessment will be Numeracy on Monday. If your child was unable to attend school during one of the tests, there will be a catch up session next week.

As we finish our wonderful swimming and gymnastics program we turn our attention to next week's Year 5/6 camp. These opportunities are important for students to develop their personal growth and create lasting memories. Cath Williams will be our leading teacher on camp and has organised student groups and sleeping arrangements. We thank Cath for all the background work which goes into preparing our students for a great opportunity to expand their comfort zones and challenges themselves. If there are any last minute requirements, please let Cath know at your earliest convenience. **NOTE: Any medication must have a pharmacy or doctor's note which states the child's name and dosage instructions. Please keep this in a sealed bag and fill out the school's medication form at the front office.**



Gospel: John 9:1-41

As we approach the 4th Sunday of the Lenten season, the Gospel of John writes how Jesus cures the blind man. The Pharisees were more concerned about Jesus completing work on the Sabbath (a day put aside to worship God) rather than the great miracle which occurred. John's Gospel reminds us how we see what we want to see. In this passage, it could be suggested that Jesus is challenging us to see good in others as opposed to their flaws.

Stephen O'Shannessy

Principal

CALENDAR

TERM 1, 2023

Wednesday 15th -20th March	NAPLAN Testing
Friday 17th March	Gym & Swimming P-6
Sunday 19th March	Sacrament of Confirmation Mass @ 8:00 am
Monday 20th March	Harmony Day Assembly 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th March	Grade 5-6 Camp - Cave Hill Creek
Thursday 30th March	Caritas Crazy Hair/Socks Day - Gold Coin Donation
Friday 31st March	Cross Country/Junior Fun Day
Monday 3rd March	HOLY WEEK - Palm Sunday
Tuesday 4th April	HOLY WEEK Last Supper (Caritas Fundraiser)
Wednesday 5th April	HOLY WEEK - Good Friday
Thursday 6th April	Awards Assembly/Easter Egg Raffle - 9.00am Wedderburn College Fete - 9.30am - 2pm Last Day of Term 1 - 2.20pm finish
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 Inglewood Butcher Shop at 10.45am for an 11:00am ANZAC service
Monday 1st May	Grade 5-6 Leadership Day - Echuca
Monday 1st - Friday 5th May	Catholic Education Week
Sunday 7th May	Run for Resilience - Bridgewater

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

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
Wednesdays, 9.15am



Sacrament of Confirmation

We pray for Jenson, Olivia and Tyler who are completing their initiation sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday. You are invited to join this celebration at St Mary's Church, at 8:00 a.m. with Fr Stephen.



Caritas

Thank you to those families who have begun to make donations towards Caritas- Project Compassion. We have two whole school initiatives remaining in Term 1, which will contribute to this cause. On Thursday 30th March, St Mary's will host a Crazy Hair & Socks Day. If your child would like to participate, can they please bring a gold coin donation with them.

In conjunction with our Holy Week reflections, on the 5th of April, students will be asked to join in The Last Supper-Fundraiser. For \$5 your child can purchase a sausage in bread plus juice for their lunch. All money raised will go towards Project Compassion.



How can your money help?

IN AUSTRALIA...

\$50

buys a week's supply of canvases for Baabayn's youth group girls to cover with amazing art in **Australia**.

\$100

gives vulnerable seniors lifts to and from Baabayn's weekly Elders' Gathering for a whole month in **Australia**.

\$250

covers the weekly supermarket order to provide healthy meals for the young people who come to programs at **Baabayn**.

\$1,000

would go a long way towards the fortnightly pay-packet of a part-time youth worker in **Australia**.

IN ZIMBABWE...

\$7

can buy a chicken for a family to rear in **Zimbabwe**.

\$294

can be used to conduct an awareness campaign on child protection in **Zimbabwe**.

\$736

can be used to train a group of women and men in Internal Savings and Lending (ISAL) to sustain themselves in **Zimbabwe**.

\$4,421

can rehabilitate a cattle dip-tank to accommodate 2,000 head of cattle belonging to approximately 400 families in **Zimbabwe**.

SCHOOL NEWS

ANZAC Day

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



BIRTHDAYS



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

March

20th ~ Abby Wilson

23rd ~ Ruby Scolari



GETTING TO KNOW OUR STAFF

Name: Sandra Coffey

Position at School: Administration Officer

Hobbies: Gardening, reading, listening to music, spending time with my family, AFL football and woodchopping

What do you like about St Mary's?: All of the staff and students care about each other and their community. The Coffey family have attended school here since 1957 as have my 3 children

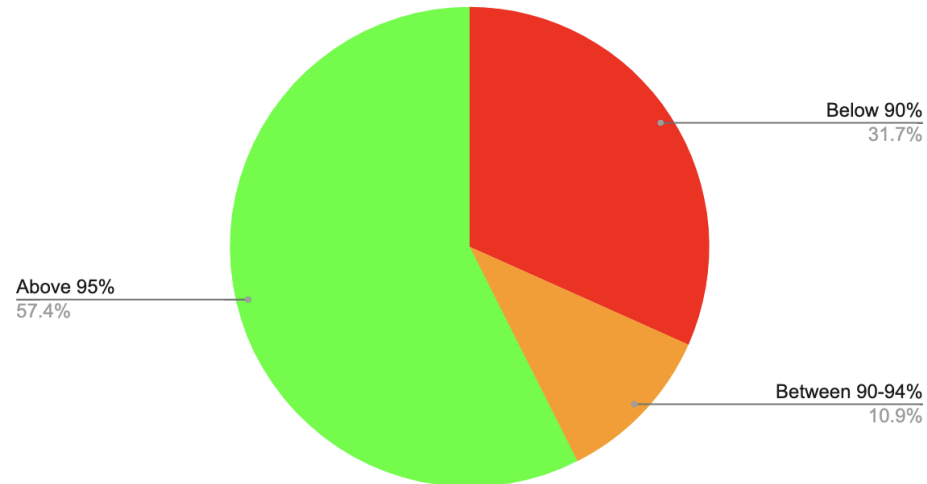
Favourite Book/Music: I enjoy reading non fiction books and listening to Celine Dion, Ronan Keating, Ed Sheeran and Pink

What are you looking forward to in 2023: Finishing off some more house renovations, watching my boys (and husband) compete at the Royal Shows in Woodchopping 😊

Something interesting about me: I was born in Finley, NSW and attended St Joseph's Catholic Primary School then completed Year 12 at High School. I have 2 brothers and 2 sisters, my eldest brother played for the Sydney Swans. I worked in Deniliquin for 13 years and met John at the Royal Easter Show in Sydney. We were married in 2003 and I moved to Inglewood.



St Mary's Student Attendance



Attending School = Brighter Future

- higher paying jobs
- improved overall health
- improved relationships and support networks

Peer Mediators

Our Peer Mediators are back in hi-vis! The Year 5/6 students have completed training in what it means to be a mediator. A mediator listens to all parties and works with them to come to an agreed solution. Peer mediation is a powerful method for teaching negotiation and understanding of differences without the need for an authority figure to provide a solution. Students are encouraged to look for the Peer Mediators in yellow hi-vis first, to help resolve differences on the yard. Peer mediators know to defer to the teacher in safety, medical or volatile situations.

We have two Peer Mediators rostered on for each school week. They are still able to join in with their usual break activities, but are ready to stop and help when needed, as well as looking out for those who may need some ideas on what to play. We are so lucky to have such dedicated student leaders at St Mary's.



Easter Raffle

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, 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. A small raffle book was sent home yesterday to each family to sell and return to school by Tuesday 4th April. If you would like to sell additional tickets, please contact the office and we will send home another booklet.

Footy Tipping

Footy Tipping is back for Season 2023! **The season kicks off tonight**, it's not too late, if you would like to join click [here](https://www.footytips.com.au/comps/SMPS2023?p=SMPS2023);

<https://www.footytips.com.au/comps/SMPS2023?p=SMPS2023> The password to enter the competition is **SMPS2023**

If you are a returning tipper, your entry will carry over from the 2022 season

A poster for the Easter Raffle & Casual Day. It features a border of colorful Easter eggs with various patterns like polka dots and flowers. The text is centered on a white background.

**Easter Raffle
& Casual Day**

Students are invited to wear casual clothes on **Tuesday 4 April** and bring along an Easter egg donation for our raffle.

The raffle will be drawn on **Thursday 6 April**.

Tickets \$1 each, 3 for \$2
3 prize baskets

Raffle books due back 4 April
Thank you!

A poster for the AFL St Mary's Primary School 2023 Footy Tipping Competition. It has a blue background with the AFL logo at the top. The text is white and yellow.

AFL

**ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
2023 FOOTY TIPPING
COMPETITION**

\$25 **Tip online**
Season starts 16/3

Join and pay before Round 2
to go in the Early Bird Prize Draw

Win a gift basket valued at \$75 from
The Australian Eucalyptus Oil Company

To register online go to:
<https://www.footytips.com.au/comps/SMPS2023>
Password: SMPS2023

Payment due by Round 4
Direct Credit - BSB: 083543
Account: 457829572 (St Mary's Parish School)
More info: contact Suzi 0408 103 518



nab AFL Auskick

NAB AFL Auskick is one of the best, first experiences kids aged 5-12 will have learning Australian Football.

In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy.

No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

Registration is this simple!

- 1 **WWW.**
Visit play.afl
- 2 
Select 'Where to play'
- 3 
Enter your suburb
- 4 **REGISTER**
Find your local club and register!

play.afl/auskick



nab AFL Auskick

JOIN THE FUN!

Inglewood Auskick Centre

Inglewood Community Sports Centre
Thursday's 4:40pm starting April 27th

Jackson Luckman - 0490 714 023
Rebecca.Luckman@education.vic.gov.au

Scan the QR Code to register!



GIRLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Marong FNC are excited to be expanding our junior girls' football and will be entering an U14s team into the BJFL competition this season. Games will be held on a Sunday morning with U12s remaining on a Friday night.

If you are interested in joining the squad, our first training session kicked off Wednesday, 15th March from 4.15pm until 5:30pm at East West Oval (Malone Park) Marong.

Please contact Freddo on [0408 534 981](tel:0408534981) if you'd like further information!



We want you!

UNDER 12 & UNDER 14 JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTBALL



TRAINING NOTICE

15th March 2023 at 4:15 til 5:30pm
East West Oval, Malone Park, Marong

Contact Brett Rogers on 0408 534 981 for further information.

DISCOVER MORE IN 2024

Expand your Horizon

OPEN DAY

Register online now

Wednesday 29 March, 4.30-7pm
Coolock Campus, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun

CHECK OUT ALL THE EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES ON OFFER AT CATHERINE MCAULEY COLLEGE IN 2024.

View the progress of the new state-of-the-art Mercy Junortoun Sporting Precinct, opening this year for the College and local community. Learn about reGEN for a sustainable future, our integrated curriculum and student-led initiatives. Explore STEAM, contemporary technology, hands-on learning and the instrumental music and agriculture programs. Join us for a BBQ, guided tours, live music, displays and a chat with students and staff about Year 7 at CMC.

COLLEGE TOURS: Coolock Campus during April & May. Book online now!	ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR YEAR 7, 2024: Wednesday 29 March 2023, Apply online!	ENROLMENTS CLOSE FOR YEAR 7, 2024: Friday 12 May 2023.
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Treasure Hunt launches online Wednesday 15 March

Find your way around and complete the quiz for your chance to win AirPods, a College summer uniform pack or a family ticket to the 2023 Production, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat!*
Winners announced on 29 March.

ENROLMENT ENQUIRIES: Audra Petri College Registrar
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INGLEWOOD BOWLING CLUB INC.

“BLACK PEPPER” FASHION PARADE

TUESDAY 4th APRIL, 2023
COMMENCING AT 1.30PM
TO BE HELD AT THE
INGLEWOOD BOWLING CLUB ROOM

\$ 10.00 PER PERSON
includes Afternoon Tea
Lucky Door Prize

