

St Mary's Newsletter

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At St Mary's all children have the right to feel safe and be safe all of the time.

Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians,

I do appreciate your patience as we continue to complete the extensions here. Building is on schedule. We are expecting to have the office and staffroom extensions ready for next term, leaving the library extension to be completed in readiness for 2020. We are hoping the second entry gate will be available for drop off and pick up times term 4. I will keep you informed.

I hope that many of you are able to find some time to attend the Art Show this evening or tomorrow. Many hours have been spent preparing this display to showcase the outstanding work of the children, so it is a celebration of their skills. I thank Lou Walsh for her efforts in co-ordinating and preparing for this event.

We are saddened to hear of the recent passing of Vera Cooper. Vera designed our beautiful entrance turtle (the Yorta Yorta totem .) As we walk through the turtle, take a moment to acknowledge the contribution of Vera and all Aboriginal people that have walked before us.

Brendan Atley
Principal

Catholic Identity

Spring Time

It is spring time! Last week, Year Two's wrote Haiku Poems:

Blossoms on branches

Spring showers and bright rainbows

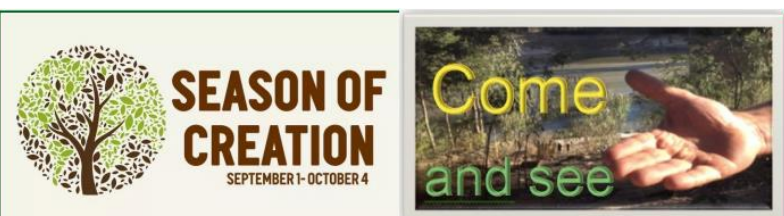
Thanks God for Spring time!

Young animals born

Grass growing, warm sun, flowers,

Thanks God for Spring time!

God, thank you for Spring and the hope of warmer, longer, brighter days along with some refreshing spring rain. Thank you for the coming of growth and life and birth. Thank you that things are coming awake in the world. Amen.



Celebrating the Season of Creation

Mass in the glory of Creation

THE ECHUCA AQUATIC RESERVE

4PM SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

Bring a chair or rug to sit on and a picnic to share if you feel hospitable!

Come! Sit with God amid the gum trees,

as the cockies sing their allelulias and the ducks call us home.

All are invited to this especially sacred experience of Mass

2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 3

12-13 th Sept	Art Show
13 th Sept	State Netball Final
16 th Sept	Division Athletics Bendigo
18 th Sept	Anxiety Talk with Tracey Farrell
20 th Sept	Terrific Kid Assembly 12pm
20 th Sept	Last day of term 3, Early finish 2.05pm

TERM 4

7 th Oct	First day of term 4
14 th Oct	Student Free Day
21 st -23 rd Oct	Year 5 school camp
4 th Nov	Student Free Day
5 th Nov	Melbourne Cup – Student Free Day
8 th Nov	School Fete
18 th Dec	Grade 6 graduation
18 th Dec	Last day of School (Wednesday)



PLAYGROUP EVERY MONDAY MORNING

All Welcome. 8.50 -10.00am. Come and enjoy a Cuppa while the children play and socialise. Call Mel 0417 822 589 if you would like more details.

Volunteers

We will be sending home Volunteer application forms to any families who have not yet completed them next week. We understand that it is sometimes difficult to get to school to collect them. The instructions are attached and easy to follow. If you have any questions please just contact the office and we can assist.

We need your help to keep building our community.

Thank you.



Congratulations Rylee Jones

Last weekend Rylee competed in Team Gym at the Victorian Gymnastics Championships in Geelong. Her team (from Palmers Gym – Bendigo, Echuca/Moama and Cohuna) “Chicken Palmers” – they placed 2nd in tumbling, 2nd in mini tramp and 1st for their floor routine – overall 1st, so they are the Victorian Level 1 Team Gym Champions, a pretty amazing effort.

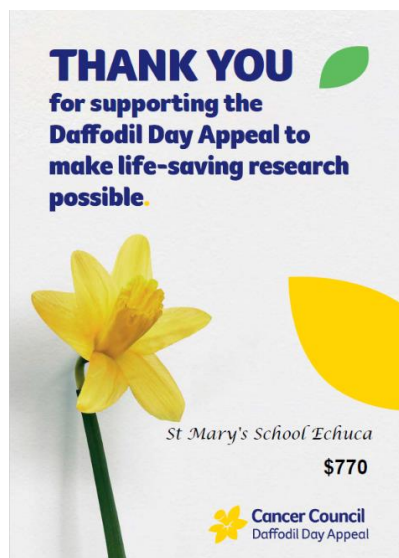


Congratulations to **Ruby Andrews** for winning the bunnings colouring competition. As part of her prize, the school was given a \$30 voucher for Bunnings. Thank you Ruby.

[2019 Elmore Field Days Colouring](#) competition page
Are available at the office. \$25 Smiggles voucher to be Won.

Congratulations Ryder & Rachel Colless

For raising \$770 for Daffodil Day.
Thank you to everyone for their support.



PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS**FETE**
8th November 3:15 to 7pm

The Fete is a wonderful celebration of our school community, where we come together for an afternoon of fun and laughter. It is also our major fundraiser.

Reminders:

* Please consider getting your Working With Children Check and completing the school volunteer induction if you haven't already done so. Our school community needs everyone involved to make our Fete a success.

* Families have been asked to contribute a monetary donation that will be used to purchase prizes or food stall requirements in bulk. A suggestion is \$15-\$20 per family but any donation is gratefully accepted. Monetary donations can be placed in an envelope and returned to the box in the school office, or you can direct deposit to the St Mary's Parents & Friends Account

BSB: 063 511 Acc: 10053976 Ref: FETE DONATION

Please get your donation in by the end of term

* Fete Sponsorship is now open. We invite any interested business' to read and complete the attached sponsorship form. A range of options are available and all support is most appreciated.

ST MARY'S HOLY PUTTER SOCIAL GOLF DAY September 20

Proudly sponsored by Echuca Mazda

Thank you to everyone that has supported this event. It is going to be a great day!

For anyone wanting to join in the fun, we require some **volunteer helpers** to assist on the day, selling raffle tickets or helping to run a few games. Everything has already been organised, we just need some people to assist on the day. If you are free for a couple of hours please email the p&f. Grab a friend to help and come along and enjoy the day.

Email stmaryspandf@smechuca.catholic.edu.au

Catering - for a teacher conference October 14

We will require the help of many parents to assist with food preparation and serving on the day. If you can spare an hour between 8:30am and 2pm can you please email your availability. Please note: This is a school closure day. Please keep an eye on our facebook page for all information regarding food donations. Thank you



St. Mary's School
ECHUCA

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PARENT & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

St Mary's Primary School Echuca Parents and Friends Association is delighted to offer your business a once in every two year opportunity, sponsorship of your choice or a cash or In-Kind donation for the 2019 St Mary's Primary School Fete. All the fun and action kicks off on Friday 8 November from 3.30pm at School.

Our biannual fete and major fundraiser event attracts over 3,000 attendees from our community. Marketing activities reach our 377 families via newsletter, socials and the Echuca Moama community via print media, flyers, signage and word of mouth.



- Sponsorship of a major entertainment stall
- Stall named after your business
- Business Logo displayed on the sponsored stall
- Business acknowledged as a **GOLD** sponsor in all advertising material
- Social Media Promotions through FB / Instagram
- Business acknowledged in flyers distributed at the event
- Business acknowledged in weekly school newsletter (8 issues) reaching over 400 families
- Certificate of Appreciation

INVESTMENT \$600

- Sponsorship of a food stall
- Business Logo displayed on the sponsored stall
- Business acknowledged as a **SILVER** sponsor in all advertising material
- Social Media Promotions through FB / Instagram
- Business acknowledged in flyers distributed at the event
- Business acknowledged in weekly school newsletter (4 issues) reaching over 400 families
- Certificate of Appreciation

INVESTMENT \$300

- Sponsorship of a class stall
- Business Logo displayed on the sponsored stall
- Business acknowledged as a **BRONZE** sponsor in all advertising material
- Social Media Promotions through FB / Instagram
- Business acknowledged in flyers distributed at the event
- Business acknowledged in weekly school newsletter (4 issues) reaching over 400 families
- Certificate of Appreciation

INVESTMENT \$150



Becoming a sponsor demonstrates your commitment to the school and to the local community by building your business' profile. This year we would like to raise funds for school yard improvements, laptops, sporting equipment and so much more.

☐**YES**

This opportunity is for me.

Please reach out to St. Mary's Fete sponsorship coordinators:

Rowena Ash: 0414 472962

Stacey Fraser: 0414 561800

by Friday, October 18, 2019.

What's next ?

1. Select your preferred package, we will provide an invoice.

☐**GOLD**☐**SILVER**☐**BRONZE**

NAME: _____

BUSINESS NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

2. Supply logo, up to 3 mages and content for promotional purposes to parentsandfriends@smechuca.catholic.edu.au
3. Once payment is received, we get cracking acknowledging your support by promoting your business.

We can't wait to hear from you, thank you for your support,
Rowena Ash & Stacey Fraser



MOLATO BY NICOLE RUNWAY EVENT

Friday 11th of October 2019: 7pm

At the Moama Bowling Club

Showcasing the designs of Nicole Dilubenzi and St. Joseph's College Echuca students.



TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE ECHUCA MOAMA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE OR BY VISITING:

www.echucamoama.com/the-molato-project

\$15 STANDING / \$25 SEATED
DRINK AND NIBBLES ON ARRIVAL

f @molatobynicole @molatobynicole nicolemolato19@gmail.com



"Hangabout"



A session of fun and laughter for little kids with a bit of singing and a story.

We invite carers to bring their Little People to a POP UP

"Hangabout"

Thursday 19th September, 11am

St Mary's Parish Centre

224 Anstruther St Echuca

Morning Tea provided

Gold Coin donation appreciated



Boys Brains

Echuca



This workshop will give insight in to the workings of a boy's brain and how their needs are different to girls.

It will provide practical strategies to help parents understand boy's needs and how to meet them.

Term 4, 2019

When: Wednesday 16th October 2019
Time: Arrival and registration 11.45am
Session 12.00pm - 2.30pm
Where: St Mary's Primary School, 15-33 Bridlington Avenue, Echuca
Cost: Free
Facilitators: CCS Family and Relationship Services
Childcare: Sorry, no childcare provided

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged



Family & Relationship Services

For bookings and enquiries contact School Reception Ph: 5482 1342



10AM - 12PM, SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

Come and have some **FREE** family fun at Rich River Golf Club!
Enjoy a range of activities suitable for all ages.

- S.N.A.G. Golf
 - Driving Range
 - Lawn Bowls
 - Croquet
 - Face Painting
 - Animal Petting Zoo
 - Jumping Castle
 - Fun Competitions
- incl. your chance to WIN a Basketball system valued at \$499 from Intersport Bennett's PLUS MORE...



5481 3333 | Twenty Four Lane, Moama | www.richriver.com.au

ECHUCA SOUTH CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR CRICKET SEASON 2019 / 2020



If you are interested in playing Cricket, while learning new skills and having fun:-

Echuca South CC has everything you need and much more.

- New young enthusiastic Coaches who play for our Club and are committed to our younger members.
- Access to a Representative Coach (Level 2) and multiple community coaches (Level 1) all Accredited with Cricket Australia.
- Brand New Training Nets.
- Town Bus Stop just outside the ground gates.
- Both Boys and Girls are welcome.
- Junior Blasters: 4 to 8 years - Sunday Mornings.
- Master Blasters: 8 to 9 years - Sunday Mornings.
- Fielding Teams in Under 16's, Under 14's & Under 12's.

For more information regarding registration
contact: Julie Morphet 0419 323 905

"Our focus is our Future"

"Our Future is our Junior members and their Families"

BOYS AND GIRLS
MASTER BLASTERS 8- 10yo
JUNIOR BLASTERS 5 - 8yo
Find your club at

JUNIOR CRICKET
U12 / U14 & U16
"Boys & Girls"

A GAME FOR EVERYONE

Find your club at
www.playcricket.com.au



Moama Cricket Club

JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Moama Junior Cricket Club invites all junior players, new and past, to join the club for the 2019-20 season.

Online registrations are now open via PlayCricket

www.playcricket.com.au

Junior Blasters 5-7 years \$99

Master Blasters 7-10 years \$80

Under 12's \$100

Under 14's \$110

Under 16's \$120

ActiveKids vouchers can be applied to registration fees if eligible
 Click here to apply for your child's voucher
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher>

All enquiries to:

Kirk Teasdale 0402 063 705 Cate Burns 0430 148 198



HELLO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
WINTER 2019

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT:
CHILDRENSPROGRAMS.YMCA.ORG.AU

Eligible families can receive CCS, meaning your out of pockets costs could be less than advertised
 Moama Public School Gimma Street, Moama

ECHUCA/MOAMA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

THE GREAT HERITAGE FAMILY BAKE-OFF

Monday 23 September 1pm

Echuca Library, 310 Hare Street, Echuca

Share the joy of cooking and tasting heritage recipes. Children are invited to team with a parent or grandparent to bake a cake, slice or biscuits. Using a favourite family recipe is strongly encouraged.

Separate classes for 5-10 and 11-15 years.

Prizes to be won!

Entry forms and judge's tips are available from all library branches or by request email to

libraries@campaspe.vic.gov.au

Entry forms to be received by Friday 20 September

Echuca South Tennis Club

Good afternoon

Registration day

Wednesday 18th September

From 4.30pm

Sausage sizzle

Hit and giggle

Yes the courts are going to be ready

So dust off those racquets and get them ready

Alenka will be running a coaching clinic on the day.

Please contact Alenka if you are interested.

Hope to see you there

**Interested in Playing Junior Tennis?**

Echuca Lawn Tennis Club is a part of the Campaspe Tennis Association. Juniors play on Saturday mornings commencing in October at Echuca Lawn Tennis Courts, at the Scenic Drive. Alternating weeks are played at surrounding clubs such as Lockington, Rich River, Elmore and Rochester.

Echuca Lawn Tennis Teams are comprised of 4 or 5 players, generally mixed, however organised according to their ability.

There are 3 Sections:

C Grade for Beginners, B Grade for Competent Players and A Grade for the Experienced, as they progress towards, Afternoon Senior Tennis.

B and C Grade players play doubles each week, with A Grade progressing into Singles, as well as Doubles Play.

If your child is keen on joining us for the 2019/2020 Summer of Tennis or if you have any questions, please contact Sarah Byrne on 0427 257 771

We also have a Thursday Morning Doubles Competition, for any interested Ladies

**OVERCOMING ANXIETY****A SEMINAR FOR PARENTS**

In this 90 minute presentation, local children's therapist Tracey Farrell (Hidden Treasure Therapy) will cover the most common reasons why our children are now showing more signs of anxiety than ever before. You'll also learn the most powerful and practical ways you can support your child to develop the skills they need to find their inner strength and overcome it.

**WED 18TH SEPTEMBER
AT 7 PM - 8.30 PM
IN THE AUDITORIUM**

**PORT "GRAND FINAL FEVER" DAY****IT'S BACK FOR 2019!**

**11 AM - 2 PM
FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
PORT ESPLANADE/ HOPWOOD GARDENS**

**AUSKICK LIVE
ENTERTAINMENT,
KIDS ACTIVITIES,
PRIZES AND MUCH
MORE!**



- AUSKICK FUN - BILLABONG RANCH PONY RIDES - ECHUCA THEATRE COMPANY -
BRIAN CARTER ROAMING ENTERTAINER - OLD HOLDEN MUSEUM CAR DISPLAY -
BYFORDS VINTAGE BUS DISPLAY - LOKKI SOMERVILLE LIVE PERFORMANCE - FACE PAINTING -
MOAMA ANGLICAN GRAMMAR DRUMLINE - AND MUCH MORE -
PROUDLY ORGANISED BY THE ECHUCA MOAMA ACCOMMODATION ASSOCIATION
PARTICIPATION VOUCHERS KINDLY DONATED BY MCDONALDS AND BEECHWORTH BAKERY



Learn to Swim
School Holiday Intensive
September 30th to
4th October 2019

Venue:	Echuca War Memorial Aquatic Centre
Cost:	\$78.00
Age:	3 years and above
Program:	30 minute session daily for 5 days Wednesday 25th September 2019

All teachers are Austswim qualified

EWMAC | 03 5453 9580 | www.campaspeaquatics.com.au

KYABRAM FAUNA PARK

BIRDS OF PREY FUN DAY

**10AM - 4PM
WEDNESDAY 2ND
OCTOBER**

BIRDS OF PREY SHOWS

ROAMING WILDLIFE

FACE PAINTING

JUMPING CASTLE

CRAFT ZONE

All activities are FREE with paid general Park admission

75 LAKE RD, KYABRAM
WWW.KYABRAMFAUNAPARK.COM.AU

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY Kyabram Club

DON'T MISS... Australian Birds are displaying at Kyabram Town Hall