

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,

So much work and preparation has gone into the Fete and as principal of the school, I am very grateful for the many of you that have made this major fundraiser possible. I look forward to seeing you all here tomorrow.

Please do not park in the drop off zone too early. I know you may want the first parking place but the early parking in this place is causing the traffic to back up on Bridlington Ave well before the 3.05 finish of school. This is impacting on local traffic flow for an extended period. If you are here before the 3.05, I encourage you to find a park. This will be discussed at the next School Board meeting.

Brendan Atley
Principal

Casual Clothes Day tomorrow for Fete.

Catholic Identity

A Prayer from Cardinal Basil Hume in 1999:

Lord, Grant us:

Courage to do right;

Wisdom to say the right thing at the right time;

Faith in the goodness of human kind

And most important,

Love - the kind that gives without demanding,

Supports without holding too tightly and

Understands that we are,

All of us, imperfect.

Remembrance Day Liturgy

We will have a brief liturgy involving the whole school for Remembrance Day at **11:30 am on Monday 11th November, 2019**, in the Brigidine Centre. All are welcome!

All Saints Day Mass

A special shout out to the Foundation level teachers and students who took on preparing and running the All Saints Day Mass last Friday. It was very beautiful from all reports; so well done and thank you!!!



An Invitation from St Mary's Parish

Would you like to know more about our Catholic faith community and spirituality?

We are having an informal gathering at

St Mary's Parish Centre, 224 Anstruther St, Echuca on Tuesday 12th November at 6.30pm. Relax with wine & pizza and chat to people involved in our parish community. Everyone is very welcome.

For Sale St Mary's Worm juice \$5

Why buy our worm juice?

It's liquid gold for your garden.

Your plants will be so happy because it is a complete plant food.

It makes your plants grow faster; it aerates the soil and makes it really healthy.

You can make 20 litres of fertiliser with 2 litres of Worm Juice. Just add water!

It's the best, natural fertiliser for all your plants that you can get. All for the price of \$5

We also have large tubs of earthworms for \$5.

Please go to the front office for your purchase.

Tom Oliver, Sam Williamson, Jacobi McManus, Zane McGee and Oscar Eade



Reminder the school gates don't open until 8.15am. Some children are arriving well before this and they are unsupervised.

HATS

Everyone needs to be wearing the school hat this term.

No Hat No Play....

School fees are now due.

Please finalise your 2019 school fees.

Thank you to those who have already finalised their accounts. We appreciate this support.

**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.

Grade 6 graduation party

Preparations are well under way for a graduation celebration for our Grade 6 level. This is a non-school event that is completely separate to the St Mary's Graduation celebrations that will occur on the school grounds during the day of December 18th. A party at Tindarra from 6-9pm is planned for the evening with more details to come soon. In the meantime any enquiries or offers of help can be made through Josie Atkinson 0474837553

Knitting

How wonderful it has been to have up to 6 ladies come each Wednesday lunchtime to teach the interested Grade 4, 5 and 6 children knitting. Many children have come and taken a bag with wool and knitting needles home to practice till the next week but have not returned. Could you kindly check with your child and return it to school so others can use them. The group are about to embark on making squares for a blanket for charity

Mel Slattery



2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR	
TERM 4	
6 th -15 th Nov	Swimming program Year 5-6
8 th Nov	Foundation Excursion-Jungle Book
8 th Nov	School Fete 3.15-7pm
12 th Nov	Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
14 th Nov	Year 1 Mass 9.00am
14 th Nov	Year 3 / 4 T20 Cricket tournament
15 th Nov	Year 5 / 6 T20 cricket tournament
18 th -29 th Nov	Swimming program Year 3-4
2 nd -13 th Dec	Swimming program Prep - 2
5 th Dec	Year 2 Mass 9.00am
10 th Dec	Orientation Day
12 th Dec	Year 3 Mass 9.00am
12 th Dec	Year 4 & 5 Day at St Joseph's College
16 th Dec	Terrific Kid Assembly 12pm
18 th Dec	Grade 6 graduation
18 th Dec	End of year Mass 12.00pm
18 th Dec	Last day of School (Wednesday)
2020	
30 Jan 2020	First day of Term 1
31 Jan 2020	Foundations first day 8.45am-12pm

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS



Fete 2019 1 day to go...

Friday 8th November 3:15pm – 7pm

Casual clothes day on fete day! All children attending the fete must be accompanied by an adult.

Pre purchased wristbands and tokens are available for pick up and purchase at the ticket tent. Open from 2pm.

\$20 Unlimited Ride wristband includes: Giant slide, Inflatable Obstacle Course, Cha Cha ride and Spinning teacups ride. **Please note:** height restrictions apply on the Cha Cha. Children 110cm - 130cm must ride with an adult. Children under 110cm are not permitted on this ride.

\$10 Slide Wristband: Unlimited Giant slide and Inflatable Obstacle Course ONLY.

Lucky bags - Each family are asked to fill two small bags, if able to and return ASAP

Cake Stall plates - we ask each family to donate a cake/slice/biscuits/rum balls. Please return to the Brigidine Centre tomorrow morning.

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Thank you to all our generous sponsors. Your support is greatly appreciated.

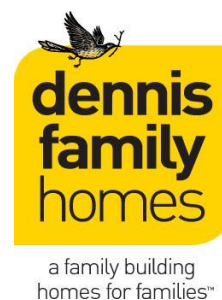
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ST MARY'S FETE 2019

MAP

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER, 3:15 - 7PM

BASKETBALL COURTS

- Lucky dip & Pop People
- Hair spray
- Bean Bag Toss
- Make your own fairy/dinosaurs garden
- Hoopla
- Orbeez Water beads
- Scrunchies
- Petting Zoo & Plaster Paint

COFFEE VAN
ONSITE

FOOD AREA

- Donuts
- Fairy floss
- Snow cones
- Nachos
- Hot Dogs & Dim Sims
- Soft drinks
- BBQ (starts 5pm)
- Entertainment by St Joes Music Students

THE BRIGIDINE CENTRE

- Cake stall
- Show bags
- Chocolate Toss
- Lucky Bags
- Disco
- Echuca Toy Library Toddler Area

Jumping castle

Inflatable
Obstacle course

Face painting

Lucky Ducks

Laughing clowns

Train
Cha Cha
Giant Slide
Spinning Teacups

OVAL

TICKET TENT
Opens at 2pm

**GOOD ATTENDANCE
STARTS HERE!**

**THE BEST
OPPORTUNITY
FOR PREVENTING
POOR ATTENDANCE
IS AT THE POINT
OF ENTRY TO
PRESCHOOL &
FOUNDATION**

Attendance Matters

Invitation to St. Mary's Parish Prayer of Remembrance

Families and friends are invited to
our parish prayer service
to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us

on Friday Nov. 8th at 7.00 p.m.
in St. Mary's Church.

This will be followed
by a "cuppa" in the Parish Centre.

Everyone is very welcome.



Term 4 Respect & Inclusive

