

# CANDELA



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St Mary's is a dynamic Catholic community of empowered learners engaging justly in the world.



Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

Open our minds to God's wisdom and reveal your hidden presence, that we may have confidence in your constant care as we continue along the Way,

For you live and reign now and forever. Amen

### **Dear Parents and Carers**,

### **End of Term One**

We are all finding it difficult to accept that Term One has come to an end. The ten weeks goes by so fast. As usual it has been an exciting and eventful term. I consider that much has been achieved by the students, staff and parents. I take this opportunity to acknowledge the enthusiasm and interest of our students, the dedication of all staff and the fantastic support of our parents. Our working partnership is highly valued and key to the philosophy of who we are at St Mary's.

#### **Term 2 Dismissal Time**

In Term One, for increased safety in the carpark, we trialed the juniors finishing at 3.15pm and the seniors at 3.30pm. The feedback from parents has been both positive and negative. After observing the whole school exit all at once on P/T/C conversations and after discussing with the School Advisory Board, I have come to the conclusion that with your support, we can have a calm carpark exit in the afternoon just like we do in the morning drop off. We will provide students with the same amount of exit time as we provide in the morning drop off. Beginning Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, all students will be dismissed at 3.25pm until 3.45pm. They will not be supervised in classrooms during this time, they will be supervised at the various exit points i.e. William St Carpark, Roadway and Admin Kiss and Drop. Thank you for supporting this change.

#### Winter Uniform

Term Two signals the transition into Winter uniform. Over the first few weeks students are allowed to wear either Summer or Winter uniform, depending on the weather. Hats are to be worn until April 30<sup>th</sup> as the UV level remains high. All students will transition to Winter uniform by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May.

### **Camp Billabong**

Congratulations to the Year 5 students and all staff who attended Camp. The students had a wonderful time and no doubt will have some very happy memories of Camp Billabong. Look out for our next Candela whereby we will provide photos and articles from the students about their camp adventures.

### Parish Levy

Please read the letter from Fr Steve re the Parish levy sent home this week. Thank you for supporting our wonderful Parish. If you have any questions regarding the letter please contact the Parish.

### Parent Teacher Child Conversations and Goal Setting

Thank you to all Parents who attended the Parent/Teacher/Child Conversations and Goal Setting last week. It was wonderful to hear the students speak about their strengths and their learning challenges. We look forward to working with you to enact their goals. If you have not yet had a P/T/C conversation please follow up with your child's classroom teacher as it is crucial that you are partners in the learning.

### **School Tours**

Congratulations to the School Leaders who so ably conducted the school tours on Open Day and at other times. All the parents who were on the tours remarked how confidently and proudly the students spoke about St Mary's. We have a Prep Information Evening on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and the next Open day is Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Enrolments need to be submitted by May 21st 2021.

#### Working bee

A huge thank you to all the amazing parents and carers who attended the Prep/Year 6 Working Bee. The sun was shining and so much was achieved. We had an amazing turnout. I congratulate and acknowledge the many years of hard work given by Rob Escudero and the MaD team. I look forward to working with Michael Azel, our new MaD president. Congratulations to Nate who won the voucher.



### Renaming and Blessing of the Discovery Centre

Helen Anderson was humbled and truly appreciative to have the Learning Centre renamed the Anderson Discovery Centre. I thank Colin Brooks, Fr Steve and Marwin Austerberry from MACS and all the guests who helped make the evening so special. Please read Helen's letter further in the Candela.

### **Blessing of Totem Poles**

Due to inclement weather and expecting no power, the Totem Pole blessing ceremony was rescheduled for Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Intervention Framework**

Today, St Mary's staff met to deepen our understanding of the Intervention Framework. The Intervention Framework aligns with PBL and other key practices in place at St Mary's. The Intervention Framework supports schools in managing student learning and identifies key principles, structures and processes



which need to be considered in developing effective school practice. Educators are constantly seeking effective ways to meet the needs of all learners.

#### **Easter Raffle**

Thank you to the families who donated Easter Eggs for the St Mary's Easter raffle and to the amazing parents who wrapped the eggs. Congratulations to Jacob O, Michael S, and Winnie A who won the major prizes.

Thank you to Barry Plant for organizing the Easter Colouring Competition. Congratulations to Clara S, Zoe G and Scarlett N who won the prizes.

Condolences to Rochelle whose Nanna Irena Mietus passed away last week.

Congratulations to Lily K and family, on the safe arrival of her new baby sister. Her name is Caitlin Evie.





Wishing all St Mary's families, a safe and holy Easter and a restful break. May the risen Lord fill you with hope.



Marisa Matthys Principal

### Thank you from Helen Anderson

Thank you to all at St. Mary's who saw it fitting to re-name the Discovery Centre the "Anderson Discovery Centre." This is an amazing honour, not one that I would ever have expected. It was so special that this building was chosen, as it was the building that housed the first students of St. Mary's.

I loved my time working for all at St. Mary's and felt very privileged to have been given the opportunity to be a part of such a dynamic, caring community. It was a real delight to have been able to attend the re-naming ceremony and School Assembly on 19 March, where I once again saw the beautiful faces of our students. I will enjoy the gift of a St. Mary's vest which the students presented to me. It will be used well as I enjoy walks over the coming months.

Best wishes to all for a great 2021.

Kindest Regards, Helen

### Barry Plant Easter Colouring Competition

Congratulations to Clara S, Zoe G and Scarlett N for winning the Barry Plant Easter Colouring Competition.

Enjoy your gift vouchers!



# **IMPORTANT DATES**

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
	APRIL		
1	School Closure Day - Intervention Framework		
5-16	School Holidays		
19	School Closure Day- PBL		
20	Term 2 Begins		
20	Eucharist Faith Night (Session 1)	St Thomas Church	TBC
20	Eucharist Faith Night (Session 2)	St Thomas Church	ТВС
21	Parents Association Meeting		7pm
22	Prep 2022 Information Night	St Mary's	7pm-8.30pm
27	Eucharist Reflection Day (Year 3)		9am-3.30pm
28	St Mary's Open Day Tours, Morning and Noon		9.30am and 12pm
28	Totem Pole Blessing	St Mary's	2.30pm
30	Easter Mass	St Mary's Church	9.15am
	MAY		
4	Mother's Day Stall		
6	Year 6 Anointing Mass	St Mary's Church	11am
9	Mother's Day		
12 to 14	Year 6 Camp - Rumbug		
15	Year 5 Working Bee	St Mary's	
19	Parents Association Meeting		7pm
21	School Closure Day - Report Writing Day		
21	2022 Prep Enrolment Applications Due		
25	Pentecost Liturgy		TBC
26	National Sorry Day Mass	St Mary's Church	ТВС
28	School Disco		TBC
29	St Mary's Cross Country		
	JUNE		
1	Long Walk		
2	Italian Day		

## **STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Term 1, Week 10**

Term 1 Week 10	Student's Name	Student's Name
Prep S	<b>Evie K</b> For always using the 3Rs inside and outside the classroom. Congratulations on a great start to Prep.	Samarth J For always working hard in our classroom and trying your best during all learning tasks. You have had a fantastic start to Prep.
Prep D	Jimmy R  For being a kind and compassionate member of our class. You always walk in with an infectious smile and always show a positive attitude towards your learning. Keep up the great learning!!!	Harlow B-W  For showing pride in the presentation of your work and always presenting work of a high standard. You are a great role model to your peers! You are a star!!
Prep KB	Ethan P For showing great mathematical thinking during our number talks. You do a wonderful job of explaining your thinking to your classmates. Keep up the great work!	Sienna W For the respectful way that you listen to others when they are speaking and for the responsible way that you complete your work. You are a wonderful Prep KB class member Sienna.
1MZ	Chelsea M  For being a perfect model of the 3Rs and especially showing great respect towards your friends both in the classroom and in the playground. Your positive disposition makes 1MZ a happy classroom.  Congratulations Chelsea!	Hudson BW  For showing great enthusiasm for your learning each day and always striving to do your best. You have become a great example of how to display the 3Rs in your daily interaction with others.  Congratulations Hudson!
1V	Logan T  For always modelling the 3R's in the classroom and playground. Thank you for being a respectful and friendly member of our class and for always giving each learning task your best go. Well done on a fantastic Term 1 Logan!	Isabelle S For always working hard to demonstrate the 3R's. Thank you for always being respectful by showing whole body listening and for bringing a smile to our classroom each day. Well done on a wonderful Term 1 Isabelle!
1W	George S  For using the 3Rs both in the classroom and on the playground. You have been working so hard in class and have been approaching challenges with a growth mindset. Well done!	Audrey B  For continuing to work hard and developing a growth mindset. You are approaching challenges with a positive attitude and are always willing to give new things a go. Great job!
2M	Breena S For working diligently and demonstrating our Three R's in each of your interactions with others. Keep this up!	Max TB  For approaching school tasks with enthusiasm and demonstrating our Three R's in your daily interactions with others.
2P	Spencer S  For being resilient when facing challenges and always doing so with a smile on your face. You always make the best of difficult situations. Well done Spence!	Lucy P  For always being a responsible learner who makes positive choices that help you to achieve success.

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25	Nicholas P For working hard to show the 3 R's, particularly 'Be Resilient' by being brave and thinking of solutions to solve problems more independently. Well done Nicholas!	Abigail Mc For building your confidence, completing class- room tasks independently and asking for help or clarification when she needs it. Well done Abi- gail! Always remember it's ok to ask for help.	
35	Aylah S For using a growth mindset when faced with a challenge and staying on task during learning. Keep up the great work!	Seraphima B For always demonstrating the 3R's and being ready for learning. Well-done approaching all your tasks with a positive mindset.	
3L	Alice Z  For putting a huge effort into everything you do and showing resilience and growth mindset during learning. Keep up the great work!	Carmina G  For showing resilience and responsibility in the classroom and outside. You have been putting a great effort into everything that you do. Well done Carmina!	
3G	Darcey T  For making a great effort to show the 3Rs in the class- room, and for always contributing interesting and out -of-the-box ideas to our class discussion. Great work Darcey!	Mitchell M  For always showing resilience and respect in the classroom, and engaging with big ideas in the classroom. We love having you in 3G Mitchell!	
4HW	The Whole of 4HW  For your amazing work on our InquiRE project, using the design process to design items for the people of Tanzania. You demonstrated our 3Rs of respect, responsibility and resilience during the design process and at the Expo. Well done.		
4M	Alexander P  For working diligently in all areas of the curriculum and for asking excellent inquiring questions and extending your understandings.	Sienna W  For being a wonderful self managed student. In all that you do you apply a positive growth mindset, especially in Maths where you use multiple strategies to solve equations. Well done!	
4L	Sophia B  For your amazing work on our InquiRE project, following the design process to make bags for the people of the Tanzanian community.	Jordan G  For approaching all of your tasks with a positive mindset. Thank you Jordan, for sharing your amazing ideas with 4L.	
5W	5W Class  For your outstanding behaviour and positive attitude on camp. The way you worked and interacted in all tasks was fantastic. Keep up this positive attitude and growth mindset for the rest of the year. Super effort!		
5V	The Whole of 5V  For your impeccable behaviour and give it a go attitude on camp. You continually displayed the 3 R's, gave every activity 100% and made me really proud to be your teacher Keep up this positive attitude and growth mindset next term!		

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5G	5G STARS!		
	For a fantastic term and camp together! Well done on bringing such a positive attitude, a smile on your faces and a willingness to always have a go. Keep up this growth mindset in the terms to come!		
6C	Adele S  For your wonderful work as part of the Year 6 Digital CAT team. Fantastic job on creating and presenting a	Jessica DP  For displaying resilience on the yard and following the 3R's more consistently in the classroom	
	marvellous insightful lesson on CyberSafety. You have shown us how to be an Upstander Online and "Bullying! No way!"	and in all learning areas.	
60	Kayla B, Mykah QH & Maggie B  For their wonderful work as part of the Year 6 Digital CAT team. Fantastic job on creating and presenting a marvellous insightful lesson on CyberSafety. You have shown us how to be an Upstander Online and		
	"Bullying! No way!"		
6В	Isabelle D  For your wonderful work as part of the Year 6 Digital CAT team. Fantastic job on creating and presenting a marvellous insightful lesson on CyberSafety. You have shown us how to be an Upstander Online and "Bullying! No way!"	Molly C  For demonstrating leadership and responsibility when leading the whole school assembly confidently.	
ART	Ezra Prep S  For displaying consistent focus during Art activities.  Thank you for your attention to detail and for taking great pride in your creations. Well done Ezra!	Ralph 1W  For being so enthusiastic and positive during all Art Lessons. Your gorgeous smile and encouraging words help make the Art room a happy place.	

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS**

On Friday the 5th of March. I went to compete at the Banyule Division Tennis tournament. The event took place at Eaglemont Tennis Club. I was placed in a group of 3 people. I played two matches, unfortunately I lost both matches.(4-0,4-2). I really enjoyed the day and had a great time. I didn't qualify for the Regionals but I did not mind. I had a great day and I can't wait for the next year to have another go, with a bit more experience.

Thanks, Samuel H 6C

## **WORKING BEE**





Being the first one under Covid Restrictions, there were a few things that needed to change at our working bees - for example an induction sheet needed to be read, a QR code that needed to be scanned and of course communication of physical distancing. But even with all these changes, what an AMAZING turnout for the 1st working bee of the year for the school.

The focus was on Prep and year 6 students, but it was also great to see some year 4 parents that were not able to attend the previous working bee due to Covid snap lockdown. The MaD team are so proud to say that we had 107 people attend throughout the day, one of the BIGGEST turnouts for a working bee. An AMAZING turnout and the MaD team would love to thank each and every person that came past and lended a hand.

It was beautiful to see so many children around the school, all proudly wearing their mini MaD Team vests and helping out. Each child received a mini Sherrin football for attending as thanks.

### Jobs that were done:

- General clean up all around the school ground, car parks, church and parish house.
- Weeding all around school grounds, car parks, church and parish house.
- Mowing and whipper snipping around school grounds, car parks, church and parish house.
- Clean up and replenish mulch around school grounds
- Clean up around MaD shed rubbish removal & landscaping
- Repaint toilet block walls that was vandalised by graffiti
- Repaint tables under shelter shed near prep classes
- Removal of old desks from old building to storage
- Repainting of all fire hydrants
- Cleaning out of all storm drain pits around MLC, Oval and Tuckshop
- Cleaning up around Tuckshop area
- Cleaning of all gutters around MLC and Parish House (Special mention goes out to Daniel that did the parish house very much needed and he did an amazing job)
- Sweeping up of sand in junior play ground (HUGE thank you to Mary McEntee and the kids)

We ended up filling 2 large skip bins, and if we had more we would have filled them too.

Thanks to the new President of MaD - Michael Azel, and thanks goes out to Rob Escudero that held the position for the last 4 years.

Thanks to Marisa for attending the working bee - great to see her interact with all the parents and children on the day

Big Thanks goes out to Ben Tosetto and Amanda McKenna for looking after the BBQ - without you, many people would have been VERY hungry.

Congratulations goes out to Nate for winning the \$5.00 Tuck Shop voucher raffle.

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### A message from your Coordinator

On behalf of all the St. Mary's OSHC educators I wish everyone a safe and happy Easter. We also hope that the children enjoy a fun filled and restful term break. We remind families that if you need care for your children over the holidays, there is always something fun and exciting to do at our Rocketeers holiday program. The regular Your OSHC program will return on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021 when the children return to school.



### It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







### Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

Visit our blog



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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### The 2021 Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

This year St Mary's are once again participating in the Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle. First prize is a brand new Suzuki Baleno valued at \$22.390!

The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle not only has exciting prizes, but is an easy way to support our school and parish community.

Tickets are just \$2.00 and come in books of 10. If you'd like to buy tickets or help sell a book, email stmarysgreensborough2021@gmail.com.

Sold and unsold tickets need to be returned to the Parish office by the 1st of May. Prizes are drawn on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June. Good luck!



The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2021



### Support St Mary's and Win a Car!

# 20 Prizes to Win

1st Prize The all new, 2021 Suzuki Baleno Series II GL

valued at \$22,390

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$5000 worth of gift cards

3rd Prize \$2000 worth of gift cards

4th-6th Prizes Gift cards to the value of \$1000 each



🌪 Plus 14 Runner-up Prizes – each worth \$500 in gift cards 🌟



### \$2.00 a ticket

Tickets need to be returned by the 1st of May. Prizes drawn on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June.

Only 50 books of 10 tickets available - Don't miss out!



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If you'd like to help sell a book, email your name, phone number, eldest child's name and their class (for ticket delivery) to

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