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*Blessed be God, the Breath of All
the Wisdom behind the Dreaming
and the
Way of Reconciliation and Healing
Go, walk gently on country to love and serve our God
Amen*

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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



Prep 2024 Interviews and Enrolments

Currently I have been conducting Prep interviews with Fr Steve and Sandy for Prep 2024. We have approximately 73 Preps at this stage and another 6 students joining St Mary's in other year levels. It is an absolute joy interviewing our Prep students and meeting new and current parents. If you are an existing family and have a prep child to commence school at St Mary's in 2024, please enrol your child as soon as possible. We already have much interest from new families, but it is vital that we retain sufficient places for our siblings. The enrolment form is available at the office and on the [School Website](http://www.smgreensborough.catholic.edu.au)

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Dear Families,

Inaugural Futsal Competition

Congratulations to Leith and Leah R, Fergal O and all the parent coaches who supported our quest to support St Mary's students to participate in the FUTSAL school titles competition at the Whitten Oval. The student feedback was extremely positive and the staff who attended, also spoke of the wonderful day had by all who attended. Leah and Leith did a mountain of work to get Futsal recognised at St Mary's and we are very proud that it has come to fruition as a sport for our students.

Parent/Teacher/Child Conversations

Just a reminder that the new EBA has been organised to reduce the excessive amount of teacher workload. The Agreement expects schools to provide time in lieu for teachers work for every minute worked over a 38 hour week. Therefore, we have decided to make **Parent/Teacher/Child Conversations a school closure day on Thursday June 22nd** as it would be too difficult to provide 30 teachers with that amount of time in lieu. We are also offering time slots on **Tuesday June 20th 3.30pm until 4.30pm**. If either of these dates and times do not suit your family, please organise an alternative meeting with your classroom teacher. We will also be offering a hybrid model to support families who find it difficult to attend face to face
Camp Australia will be open all day on Thursday 22nd June.

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Marisa Matthys



FIRE Carriers Aboriginal Remembrance Day Service

The Year 5 FIRE Carriers attended the Aboriginal Remembrance Day Service at the Shrine on Wednesday. This important ceremony recognises our indigenous brothers and sisters who fought alongside all Australians in the wars and for many years were never recognised.. We thank Rochelle L and our FIRE carriers for attending and representing St Mary's and laying a wreath at the shrine in their honour. We shall not forget them.

PBL Relaunch

We are excited to invite all family members to participate in our student lead assembly on Monday 19th June 9:00am when we re-launch our St. Mary's

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Expectations. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is an evidence based framework which supports the teaching of positive social skills for learning and life. At St Mary's, the Gospel values are the foundation of all that we do and believe and underpin our renewed PBL expectations.

Following assembly, we invite you to go to your child's classroom to participate in a PBL lesson where you can share in the learning. In this lesson, you will see children and teachers actively engaging in explicit teaching of behaviour and role playing. This is a great learning opportunity for all families to hear and see what positive behaviour support looks like at St Mary's.

Staff Shortages

We are currently experiencing major staff shortages when teachers are absent. On quite a few occasions we have needed to split classes to ensure students have a teacher supervising and teaching them. Please be aware that splitting classes is not our preferred option, unfortunately at times, that is our only option.

Farewell to Sharon Prosser and Francesca

Last week St Mary's school farewelled Sharon P and Francesca from the Parish Office. We have loved working next door to these wonderful women and we wish them well for all their future endeavours and their time with family.

Kind Regards,
Marisa Matthys
Principal

Student of the Week

Prep F	<p>Cruz V For your creative thinking in our Maths lessons. Well done on being able to explain different ways to get the answer and helping your peers to get the answer. Well done, Cruz</p>	<p>Alexis M For consistently showing dedication towards your learning and working so hard on your reading. Keep up the great work, Alexis!</p>
Prep S	<p>Michael G For having a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards all learning tasks and being a focused and engaged learner.</p>	<p>Oliver W For working hard during learning tasks, you are growing in leaps and bounds as a learner and I am so proud of you.</p>
Prep K	<p>Harvey B For your responsible and respectful participation on our Legoland excursion. Harvey, you showed such focus and creativity when designing your Lego creations. Amazing effort!</p>	<p>Lacey S For your fantastic thinking during our Maths talks. Well done on being able to share and explain your thinking about numbers. Keep it up!</p>
1MH	<p>Letty C For being such a kind, generous and helpful member of our class. You go out of your way to help others and this never goes unnoticed. Thank you Letty!</p>	<p>Alessandro T For showing respectful behaviours in and out of the classroom. You are always one of the first to show whole body listening. Well done Alessandro!</p>
1ZB	<p>Sebastian C For the success you are experiencing with your reading! You consistently demonstrate effective strategies to decode unknown words by blending the sounds you hear. Well done!</p>	<p>Anastasia V For consistently sharing your answers, ideas and thoughts during our class discussions. We value and appreciate your contributions. Keep up the amazing work!</p>
1B	<p>Sophie TB For consistently showing dedication towards your learning and gaining confidence to challenge yourself. Keep up the great work!</p>	<p>Harvey B For always showing resilience in your learning and assisting your peers with their work. You are a fantastic role model to your classmates. Keep up the great work!</p>
2V	<p>Samir S For working so hard to demonstrate our class expectations and for your wonderful whole body listening. Keep up the fantastic effort Samir!</p>	<p>Asa M For the positivity and kindness you bring to our classroom. Thank you for always looking out for your classmates and showing such dedication to your learning.</p>
2M	<p>Sienna W For demonstrating a wonderful example of our behaviour focus "follow instructions the first time" Keep up the excellent work Sienna!</p>	<p>Allison T For showing resilience when challenged in your learning. You are doing a wonderful job Allison and you should be very proud of yourself!</p>
2B	<p>Finley S For demonstrating excellence during Reading this week. You have displayed a growth mindset and proudly shared your syllable division skills with the class. Bravo!</p>	<p>Anastasia G For demonstrating enthusiasm for learning and a willingness to challenge yourself. You are incredibly resilient and always give 100% effort to activities. Brava!</p>
3P	<p>Ashleigh M For demonstrating leadership in our classroom and excelling at our behaviour focus, "following instructions the first time".</p>	<p>Arlo M For extending yourself in your learning and showing resilience when you face a challenge.</p>
3L	<p>Sophia D For demonstrating perseverance in overcoming challenges. You display a growth mindset in all of your learning. Keep it up Sophia!</p>	<p>Sienna C For the resilience and effort you have been putting into your maths learning this term. Your hard work is really paying off. Well done Sienna!</p>
3C	<p>Max Co For working hard to achieve your goals. You are a role model to the rest of our school community. Keep it up Max!</p>	<p>Michael S For demonstrating persistence and patience whilst working hard to achieve your goals. You have come so far. Keep it up Michael!</p>
4V	<p>Nicholas P For your progress towards your personal learning goals. Nicholas, you have come so far since the beginning of the year. You should be extremely proud of yourself!</p>	<p>Cara S For your hard work towards following instructions the first time. Cara, thank you for demonstrating our new behaviour focus in and out of the classroom. Well done.</p>
4G	<p>Samuel B For demonstrating a positive and growth mindset towards your learning. Samuel you have demonstrated growth with managing your learning and remaining focussed. Keep up the fantastic work!</p>	<p>Gabriella For demonstrating patience and the resilience to persist with new or difficult tasks. Well done Gabriella!</p>

Student of the Week

4L	<p>Charli Z For demonstrating a positive attitude towards learning and actively participating in class discussions. Thank you Charli for sharing your amazing thoughts and ideas with the class! You're a STAR!</p>	<p>Keira G For consistently showing empathy, respect, and inclusivity towards your classmates. Thank you for helping promote a harmonious classroom environment. You ROCK!</p>
5W	<p>Chloe F For working hard to approach challenges with resilience and a growth mindset. You continue to challenge yourself and give things a go. Well done, Chloe!</p>	<p>Hudson A For displaying our term value of Creativity, by working hard to create an interesting and engaging narrative. You have shown dedication and tenacity. Keep up the great work, Hudson!</p>
5G	<p>Seb T For making wonderful progress towards your learning goals over the past two weeks. You're amazing, Seb! Keep up the great work.</p>	<p>Grace L For making consistent efforts to seek out and take on teacher feedback to make progress towards your learning goals. Great work, Grace!</p>
5S	<p>Dante C For demonstrating a positive and growth mindset towards your learning. Keep up the fantastic work!</p>	<p>Cooper A For making valuable contributions to class discussions and for being a cooperative classmate towards your peers. Well-done!</p>
6W	<p>Jake A For demonstrating a positive growth mindset and trying your best in all learning tasks. Keep up the great effort Jake!</p>	<p>Sienna W For the wonderful enthusiasm you continue to demonstrate towards your learning and wanting to improve. Fantastic Sienna!</p>
6V	<p>Scarlett H For being a responsible and respectful member of our classroom and for always showing kindness to everyone. Well done Scarlett!</p>	<p>Jobe S For always following our classroom expectations and consistently displaying beautiful manners to all members of our school community. Keep up the great work Jobe!</p>
6L	<p>Sacha D For the great enthusiasm you continue to show towards your learning! You complete each task to a high standard, fantastic Sacha!</p>	<p>Tanya A For always contributing ideas to our class discussions and working hard in all of your tasks. Great work!</p>
Health & Physical Education	<p style="text-align: center;">FUTSAL TEAMS</p> <p>For all the students in Years 2-6 who participated in our first Futsal Tournament on Monday May 29th. To see the teamwork, cooperation, sportsmanship and respect displayed by all players was a joy to behold. The smiling faces and tired bodies at the end of a very active enjoyable day, made the effort all worthwhile. Special thanks to Leah and Leith Robertson of our St. Mary's community who spearheaded this idea and saw the fruits of their labour at Victoria University indoor area.</p>	
Visual Arts	<p>Orlando PK For your detailed and colourful patterns on your Rainbow Fish. You have been very busy and creative with your designs. Well Done Orlando!</p>	<p>Jasmine 6W For sharing great ideas and working productively with the Arts CAT to promote our school Art Show. Thank You for leading the way, Jasmine.</p>
Science / Digi Tech	<p>Alice T (PK) For your amazing weather sensory creation and for showing enthusiasm in all your learning tasks. Fabulous work Alice!</p>	<p>Alessandro T (1MH) For your wonderful contributions to our class discussions and for completing all your learning tasks enthusiastically. Keep up your great work Alessandro!</p>
Italian	<p>Eden D, 6W For Contributing to Italian lessons with enthusiasm. Brava!</p>	
Performing Arts	<p>4L For being fantastic open learners willing to engage with the unknown and embrace the different</p>	<p>Harry C For showing compassion and concern for a younger student on their way to school in the morning</p>

June 2023

Whats on in the next 2 weeks

1st: SAC, 7pm

2nd: Year 6 interschool Sports
Years 3 & 4 Water Safety Program

5th: Whole School Assembly
Years 3 & 4 Water Safety Program

7th: Years 3 & 4 Water Safety Program

8th: Grade 6 Long Walk

9th: Year 6 interschool Sports
Years 3 & 4 Water Safety Program

12th: **Public Holiday**

13th: WDSSA Year 6 Girls Soccer Tournament

14th: NM Region Cross Country

15th: Prep & Year 6 Buddy Netball Excursion

Wednesdays: Preps & Yr
4 Gymnastics

**PLEASE CHECK THE
LIVE CALENDAR FOR
UPDATES**

Help Ms. Gessie Burgio
Fight Stage 4 Non-Hodgkins
Lymphoma



Scan to donate



Prep Legoland

On Friday I went to legoland. I liked the race track the best.
Lucas G (PS)

On Friday I went to Legoland. I liked the Mini Melbourne best. Henry (PF)

At legoland I liked the cart ride. I got lots of points. It was fun.
Teddy A (PK)

At legoland I liked making the lego car. It was fast.
Orlando L (PK)

On Friday I went to legoland. I liked the 4D movie the best.
Lachlan G (PS)

On Friday I went to legoland. I like the soft playground the best.
Isabella R (PS)

On Friday I went to Legoland. I liked the movie best. Alexis (PF)

On Friday I went to Legoland. I liked the underwater Lego room best. Mia (PF).

At legoland I liked the underwater playground. I was happy. I saw Lego sea creatures.
Arek L (PK)

FUTSAL TOURNAMENT

On Monday May 29th 2023, almost 80 students from Years 2-6, departed St. Mary's at 8am for an all day Futsal tournament. The excitement in the air was fabulous as both boys and girls looked forward to playing soccer on an indoor court at the Victoria University Community Stadium. For some of the participants it was their first time representing their school at a fun, competitive event and each and every player thoroughly enjoyed themselves as they faced opposition from Keilor Park, Alamanda PS, St. Albans Heights PS and numerous teams from St. Mary's. The standard on display was a joy to behold and even the professional AFL players from the Bulldogs training next door at the Whitten Oval popped their heads in for a look at the skills of all participants. St. Mary's brought 11 teams across all age groups- Under 8's, 10's and 12's-both mixed and single gender. Teams from all groups and genders from St. Mary's made the Grand Finals bringing home the winning trophy in all categories. Even though there had to be a winning team, for Mr.O'Reilly, the smile on the faces of all the players was the real winner as those smiling faces and tired bodies at the end of a very active, enjoyable day, made the effort all worthwhile.

This was the first time in the history of St. Mary's that we participated in a Futsal tournament. There are lots of people to thank in order to make this day the success that it was, as no event happens without the assistance of people to put their name forward for an event to come to fruition. Special thanks to all our parents/caregivers/guardians who gave up their time to coach all the teams throughout May, as the 7.45am training sessions in the hall-to introduce the sport to those children who had never played before and develop the skills of those who had experience-were fruitful. Special thanks to those parents/caregivers/guardians and supporters who attended the event on Monday to assist, coach and offer vocal encouragement. Thank you to all the organisers of the Australian Futsal program, especially Sat and his team of helpers and referees. Thank you to the school and the principal Mrs. Mattys for their support in backing this initiative and encouraging students to enjoy playing the sport they love. Thank you to all the staff that attended the event- Ms. Geale, Mrs. Trinh, Mr.O'Reilly and Mr. Burston.

Without a doubt though, a massive thank you must go to the family who spearheaded this program and saw the fruits of their labour on display at the event. These people, Leah and Leith Roberston, had a plan, developed their plan, and got people of the St. Mary's community on board and made it happen. All this was for the benefit of all our St. Mary's students. Thank you Leah and Leith!



Banyule & INM Division Cross Country

On Wednesday May 31st 2023, 22 students from St. Mary's, travelled by bus, under staff supervision, to Banyule Flats Reserve in Viewbank, to compete in the annual Banyule & INM Division Cross Country carnival. Boys and Girls in 9/10, 11 and 12/13 year old age groups participated against numerous other competitors and all performed admirably. St. Mary's athletes all produced marvellous performances. Competitors who finished in the top 12 positions qualified for the Northern Metropolitan Region Cross Country event. This event will be held at Kilmore Racecourse on Wednesday June 14th. Congratulations to the following students -Leo (9/10 Boys), Ava (9/10 Girls), Luca (11 Boys) Violet, Olivia, (12/13 Girls), Austin and Charlie(12/13 Boys).Wonderful effort everyone!!.

RESULTS-BANYULE & INM CROSS COUNTRY 2023

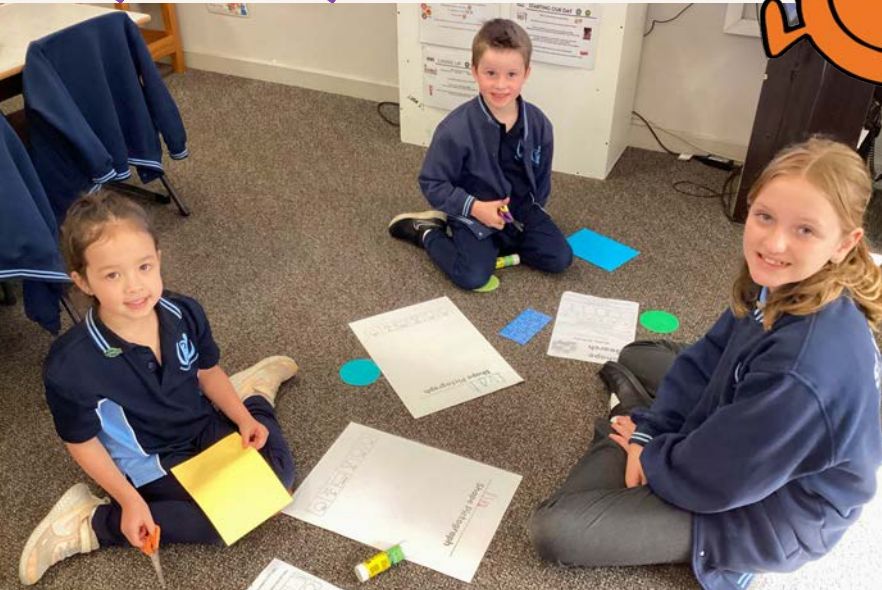
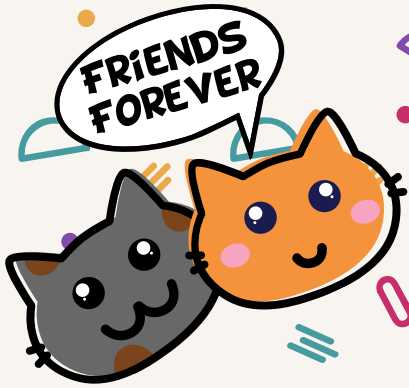
RACE	Name	PLACE
9/10 BOYS	Hendrix H	22nd
	Leo C	8th (Qualified for Region)
	Juliano S	24th
11 BOYS	Jack D	13th
	Luca L-K	4th (Qualified for Region)
	Oliver T	DNF
	Oliver G	29th
11 GIRLS	Lyra W	25th
	Harper W	21st
	Ava W	7th (Qualified for Region)
12/13 GIRLS	Violet H	2nd (Qualified for Region)
	Olivia P	10th (Qualified for Region)
	Scarlett S	14th
	Calista Di N	26th
	Addison R	25th
	Clara S	19th
	Sarah D	24th
12/13 BOYS	Austin P	12th (Qualified for Region)
	Paxton S	23rd
	Leo Di N	DNF
	Archer L	14th
	Charlie W	6th (Qualified for Region)



Gymnastics is a sport that includes physical exercises requiring balance, strength, flexibility, agility, coordination, and endurance. The movements involved in gymnastics contribute to the development of the arms, legs, shoulders, back, chest, and abdominal muscle groups. Gymnastics assists with the fundamental movement skills of all body parts. Students in Prep and Year 4 have been exposed to Gymnastics every Wednesday throughout Term 2. Coach Ben has helped girls and boys of St. Mary's challenge themselves to perform balances, routines and exercises that the students have thoroughly enjoyed. All of these sessions are carried out with safety at the forefront. Ask your Prep or Year 4 child, every Wednesday, how did you do at Gymnastics today?



buddies





RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY



Our school* is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.

Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school* with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school* earns!

Collections close 7th July.

Tip for collecting:

Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

Did you know?

Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

LET'S GET COLLECTING!

* Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.

Tag [@wonder.australia](#) [#wonderrecyclingrewards](#) to share all your recycling champion stories!



GO CAMPS

MON 3 - WED 5
JULY

**9AM-3PM
EACH DAY**

AGES 7 -15

**KNOX REGIONAL
FOOTBALL CENTRE**



Some of the activities during the Camps will include:

Shooting practice

Skills sessions

Small sided games

Various awards given out throughout
the camp

Training with FV's technical staff

Important Information

First Aid professional on site

Morning snacks provided

Please bring a packed lunch

Registration early bird (Friday, June 2)
prices: \$70 per day, \$180 for three
days.

Registration price post early bird: \$80 per day, \$210 for three days.

SCAN QR TO REGISTER

**For enquiries contact the Go Football team
on 0394741872 or info@gofootball.com.au**

