



# St Mary MacKillop School

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## Newsletter

**Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 (Term 3, Week 10)**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

There is so much to be thankful for in our past term.

The R, R/1 and 1 classes will combine for their end-of-term thanksgiving Liturgy, celebrating God's love for us all, this Thursday 12.15pm.

It will be a beautiful celebration.

"God is alive and present in our lives, and gives us a strong foundation for all that we do. God is the rock and foundation of our faith, and should be praised." By giving thanks it helps to give us a new appreciation for just how blessed we truly are, even when circumstances are not so good.

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.  
1 Chronicles 16:34*

THANK YOU to all of you for our Term 3!

I hope that all enjoy the holiday break as an opportunity to relax, have a break from routine, enjoy being at home or going away (aren't we lucky that we can!).

Rest, relax, recharge ready for Term 4.

*Have a happy and safe holiday!*



**FINAL DAY OF TERM 3, FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER END OF DAY DISMISSAL – USUAL TIME OF 3PM**

### FAREWELL ANDREWS FAMILY

Dean Andrews is leaving our school community at the end of this term. Dean has attended SMMS since Reception. Recently Dean showed initiative in organising a Monster Dance Party for students to attend at recess and lunch time, the entry fee raised money for the poor. Dean's initiative raised \$21.15 for Catholic Missions. We had music and dancing, the sound desk was full of willing djs and Riley (or should I say Bob) was there in his alien costume. It was lots of fun!

We wish Dean and his family, Janine, Tarren and Henry, all the very best for their move to their new home and to Dean in his new school.

### A BIG THANK YOU

Abbey Whitehead and the Year 2/3 class for hosting Sophie Houghton's week of Work Experience last week. We hope you enjoyed your week with us.

Jane Owen and Katherine Stringer and the Year 1 class for hosting Lili's professional placement. Thank you Lily for your contribution to our school over the last 4 ½ weeks, we hope you enjoyed your time and we wish you all the very best for your teaching career.

## PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to staff, parents, carers and students who came together for these important meeting times. Working together in partnership is key to your child's success in their learning and wellbeing.

This communication with our families is at the heart of what we do and our first value: relationships grounded in trust and respect. I had the privilege of sitting in with several interviews and witnessing the great care and commitment to ensuring the development of the whole child.

## VOLUNTEERS

We value our volunteers greatly here at SMMS and we certainly missed you in Term 2 when we had restrictions in place. Having induction and training is an important part of keeping our volunteers well informed and safe and our children well cared for. Thank you to all of our volunteers who have recently attended the sessions for site WHS induction and Responding to Abuse and Neglect training. Your attendance is much appreciated, thank you for supporting our school.

## OSHC/VACATION CARE STAFF

You may be aware that recently we advertised for staff, to widen our pool of casual OSHC/Vacation Care educators. The successful applicants are Luke Agnew, Clare Owen and Maddison Benn. I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to our staff.

Over the next few weeks (Week 10 and holidays) we will have Luke, Clare and Maddison come in at different times to work a shift with existing staff so that they can learn from current staff, get to know routines and students and how our OSHC/Vacation Care runs.

Welcome Luke, Clare and Maddison.

## TRACK-A-THON

Students please wear your Team tops, school sport shorts, have your hat and drink bottle.

The Track-a-thon will start from our school at 9am. Starting with the 6/7 class and working our way down to the Reception class, students will walk with their class to the start of the Kadina Walking Trail (between Wallaroo Town Hall and the old Post Office). The classes will walk as far as they can (towards Kadina) in their allocated time, then return to school. Year 5-7 will walk for 40 minutes then return; Year 2-4 will walk for 30 minutes then return and R-2 will walk for 20 minutes, then return.

Parents will be helping out as Marshalls to help us cross the roads safely. If you would like to help out at a crossing, please let Michelle know.

## SUBWAY LUNCH

We are looking forward to Subway Lunches this Friday. Thank you to our P & F and Subway Kadina.

## PORT PIRIE DIOCESE – OUR NEW BISHOP

Our new Bishop – Bishop Karol Kulczycki SDS will be ordained in Poland next week Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September. Bishop Karol will arrive in Adelaide on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> October. Please pray for Bishop Karol at this time, we look forward to welcoming him.

## BISHOP GREG O'KELLY

Please pray for Bishop Greg as he transitions to his retirement as our faithful Bishop of the Port Pirie Diocese. This is an enormous time of change for him.

## SIGNING IN AND OUT

A reminder that we are all required to sign in and out during school hours using the fantastic machine in the front office.

Thank you to Julia and Karen who have been helping us all to get used to this new process

## HATS AND SUNSCREEN

Hats and sunscreen are to be worn for all outside activities.

## SPORTS DAY THANK YOU

We are so thankful for the day that we were blessed with.

Thank you to all of the following:

- To Wallaroo Football Club for the use of the oval and facilities
- Staff and parents for setting up on the day, particularly Paul, Lisa, Fr Matthew and Hannah who were setting up from 6.30am onwards
- Scorers Karen Westlake and Julia Agnew
- All of our parent helpers with events, races, starting, marshalling
- All of the Parents and Friends, particularly Miranda, Erin and Megan for their organisation, purchasing food and drinks, cooking, serving
- Matt and Lisa Hawson for the Ohh my coffee van
- Harry and Izabella Maris for the donation of all ice and drinks
- Jonte Hunter-Price our Guest Speaker and staying with us for the whole day; and Lisa Caffyn for inviting Jonte
- Mr Graham Sobey who provided the sound
- Fr Matthew our charismatic MC on the microphone
- Karen Westlake for all of her work behind the scenes with administration and preparations for today
- Parents, family members and friends for coming along to support the children
- Staff for their hours of support in the lead up today with supporting students in their practices, providing encouragement and helping them achieve their best
- Sport captains, for their organisation, enthusiasm and leadership throughout all of the preparations and practices and of course today. They organised the Health Hustle, choosing a song and working out the movements and lead their teams so well in this. They organised their teams for their events, helping them practice and developing their skills and confidence. We saw wonderful examples of leadership from them in practices and on the day
- All of our Year 7 students who showed leadership, stepped in for Captains and were fantastic role models throughout
- Finally and most importantly, thank you to all of our students for their training and preparation and great participation and spirit on sports day

Everyone contributes and plays their part in putting together such a day.

I would however particularly like to thank Lisa Caffyn for her overall coordination, and Paul Northeast, for their planning and coordination throughout. They were integral in working with staff and parents in planning and preparations behind the scenes for every aspect of sports day.

**Thank you for our awesome Sports Day, our community can be proud of the day!**



Blessings for the school holidays,

*Michelle Miller*

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## SPORTS DAY



Harrison Northeast, Hunter Wellgreen & Karen Miers



Ella Phelan, Shann Hanson & Miranda Giles

### SPORTS DAY RECORD BREAKERS



L-R: Jessica Iveson, Adelaide White, Johanna Sanders, Ella Phelan, Harrison Northeast, Lilly Cockshell, Jasmine Dayman, Hunter Wellgreen

#### SHOT PUT – BOYS

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
12 years	Hunter Wellgreen	11.20 metres	2020
13 years	Harrison Northeast	9.44 metres	2020

#### SHOT PUT – GIRLS

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
12 years	Jasmine Dayman	7.70 metres	2020
13 years	Lilly Cockshell	8.62 metres	2020

#### LONG JUMP – GIRLS

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
13 years	Ella Phelan	3.81 metres	2020

#### SPRINTS – BOYS

<u>AGE</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
13 years	100 metres	Harrison Northeast	14.41 seconds	2020

#### SPRINTS – GIRLS

<u>AGE</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
7 years	60 metres	Jessica Iveson	11.75 seconds	2020
8 years	80 metres	Adelaide White	14.22 seconds	2020
10 years	80 metres	Johanna Sanders	13.50 seconds	2020



## SPORTS DAY PHOTOS



## SPORTS DAY RESULTS

Championship Team Shield – **Tappeiner**

Team Spirit Shield - **MacKillop**



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