

# St Mary MacKillop School

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# Mini-Newlsetter - Week 4



# "Come and Stay"

Jesus loved. Jesus welcomed. Jesus invited.

## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Today we commenced the Church Liturgical season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Liturgy celebrations. We took the time to reflect on three important commitments during Lent:

Giving – sharing some of what we have with others, through Project Compassion at home and school

Fasting – going without a favourite food or meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, instead of buying a treat for myself, putting that money into the Project Compassion box

Prayer – reflecting on my Lent promise; taking the time to pray and talk to Jesus and trying to do this more often; asking Jesus to help me to become a better person

We will journey through the time of Lent with Jesus by our side.

### **WELCOME RIELEY CHILTON**

Rieley Chilton is a past student of SMMS, currently studying at KMS. Rieley is undertaking volunteer work on Tuesdays at our school. Rieley is learning about and working in the area of student support. Welcome Rieley.

#### YEAR 6/7 ASSEMBLY

The Year 6/7 class will host their Semester 1 Assembly on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, commencing at 9.00am.

The students will share their learning and the House Captains will be inducted, their badges will be blessed and presented. Awards acknowledging demonstration of our school values will be presented to students.

Parents, caregivers and family of the Year 6/7 class students are invited to attend. We hope you can come along and support your children. Following Assembly there will be a morning tea for Year 6/7 families attending.

#### **BABY CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Amie and Ryan Price and family on the arrival of their third child Darcy Thomas, that makes it three boys and they are thrilled. We wish Amie, Ryan and family all the very best for the future.

Amie is a much-loved past staff member of our school.

#### THANK YOU DI

Diana Eglinton has been a very much appreciated and frequent relief teacher at our school over the last few years. Di has advised that she will be stepping aside from this role, however hopes to still help us out from time to time on a voluntary basis.

Thank you Di for your wonderful, faithful support of us and your time and skills given generously, above and beyond as a relief teacher.

We wish Di all the very best for the future.

#### **HOUSE CAPTAINS 2021**

Congratulations to all Year 6 and 7 students who wrote and presented leadership speeches, putting themselves forward for House Captain election. This takes commitment and courage on everyone's part. The following students (2 Year 7 and 2 Year 6), were elected by their Housemates:

MacKillop: Mia Frost, Mitchell Miller, Chelsea Crawford, Riley Phelan

Woods: Tyrell Costello, Blake Whitbread, Scarlett Miers, Hudson White

Tappeiner: Jasmine Dayman, Jack Northeast, Mia Dunstan, Will Rogers

As mentioned: House Captains will be inducted and presented with their Captain badges at the 6/7 Assembly on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 9.00am.

#### THANK YOU – TO OUR PANCAKE COOKS

A huge thank you to Karen Miers, Sarah Clifford, Taya Dennis, Lauren Atkinson and Kristy Lamshed who mixed, cooked, and served pancakes and cleaned up afterwards. Probably around 200 pancakes were cooked and served....but who is counting! It was quite a warm morning too to be over a hot barbecue.

Thank you to all families who sent in pancake mixtures and toppings.

Thank you so much for making it possible for us to enjoy pancakes on Shrove Tuesday.

### THANK YOU - MEET AND GREET EVENING

Thank you very much to all parents and carers who attended our Meet and Greet evening last Wednesday and to staff for their preparations, presentations and conversations with you. It was a very warm evening so we appreciate your positive support and commitment. Please pass on any feedback regarding the evening and whether it suits your needs as parents: timing, format, information provided, what did you find useful/not useful etc. This would be most helpful in planning for future evenings.

### THE WITNESS MAGAZINE

Please find attached below the link to The Witness magazine. https://www.pp.catholic.org.au/ files/d/10089/Witness%20Feb%2021%20File.pdf

Blessings for the week ahead.

Michelle Miller - Principal