



St Mary MacKillop School

NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



TERM 3 WEEK 4 – SCIENCE WEEK “FOOD - DIFFERENT BY DESIGN”

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of SMMS,

THANK YOU

Thank you for your wonderful support of our Open Day on 8th August. The day was very well attended, we were blessed with perfect weather and the classrooms and learning areas were all displayed so well. There has been very positive feedback about the day from families.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and support the P & F Quiz Night. We had 12 tables with almost 120 people attending. Our quizmaster David Boots and the volunteers and venue of Wallaroo Sporting Club were fantastic. We were blown away with the generosity of local businesses and families in their donations of prizes for the evening. Thank you to our amazing P & F for the decision to hold the Quiz Night and seeing it come to fruition through lots of hard work and giving generously of time: Miranda Giles, Emily Donnell, Debbie Venning, Erin Blott, Taya Dennis, Emma Nelson, Sarah Clifford, Alicia Wall, Felicity Schulz, Harry Maris and Krystle Lutze.

It has been a very busy providing sport and choir opportunities for students. Thank you to Lisa Caffyn, Hannah Cotter, Jamie Costello, Fr Matthew and Paul Northeast for last week: boys soccer Thursday and boys and girls basketball on Friday.

Thank you to Bernie Thomson and Lisa Murphy for taking the UP choir to Yorketown on Tuesday and to Bernie and Michele Giesecke for taking the choir to Adelaide for rehearsal yesterday.

Thank you everyone!

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

Week 5 Science Week
Week 6 Book Week
Wed 25th Book Week Dress-Up
Fri 27th Boys Football at Lockleys
Week 7 Sapsasa Hockey/Soccer

SEPTEMBER

Sun 5th Father's Day
Mon 6th Father's Day Breakfast
Wed 8th Learning Expo 3.30-7.00pm
Thu 9th School Photos
Fri 10th PUPIL FREE DAY (OSHC CLOSED)
Tue 14th School Board 6.30/7.40pm
Wed 15th Dance Concert Dress Rehearsal 10.30am
Thu 16th Dance Concert 10.30am & 7.00pm
Fri 17th Dance Concert 10.30am
28th-30th Sept Paskeville Field Days

OCTOBER

14th&15th Year 4 and 5 Zoo Snooze

Parish Weekend Mass Times

St. Francis of Assisi, Moonta
Sunday 8.30am

Sacred Heart, Kadina
Saturday 8.30am
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 10.00am

RAISING HEARTS AND MINDS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

COVID UPDATE

- No non-essential visitors in school
- Adults wear masks in enclosed areas with other adults
- Practise social distancing

Thank you for your continuing assistance with this.

SCIENCE WEEK

From Agatka Murphy and Amie Price:

The theme for schools is "Food: Different by Design." The focus allows teachers and students to explore sustainable food futures. Students consider how every day we must think about why we need to eat well.

Today during Science lessons with Agatka and Amie, students have been involved in activities and experiments around: cooking, preserving, fermenting, upcycling food, designing gardens, and food science.

Thank you Agatka and Amie for really making Science Week come alive at our school.

BABY CONGRATULATIONS

Amy Sparks did a lot of relief teaching at our school during Term 1 and 2 this year and recently she and her husband and family welcomed a baby boy, born Saturday afternoon. Congratulations Amy and family as you welcome your baby Arthur to your family. We wish you all the best.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Brooklyn Finn. Brooklyn was a past student of St Mary MacKillop School. Brooklyn has cousins Sascha, Farren, Lucas and Addison attending our school. Our deepest sympathy is extended to these students and their families on the passing of Brooklyn, our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

BUILDING 7-9

The building is finished, and now the paperwork has been finalised. We will be able to start visiting the building and using the courts as of tomorrow!

Over the next couple of weeks furniture and equipment will arrive.

This is such an exciting time and I am happy to show any interested families and visitors through. Please contact the office if you would like to take the opportunity.

STAFF RETREAT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY

Our staff retreat day will take place this year on Friday 10th September (9.00am – 3.00pm) with Sr Josie Huppatz facilitating and Mass with Fr Matthew in the afternoon.

OSHC will not be available on the day so that our OSHC staff are able to attend.

LIVING, LEARNING, LEADING SURVEY

Please remember to complete the Living, Learning, Leading survey. Thank you.

DATE CLAIMERS

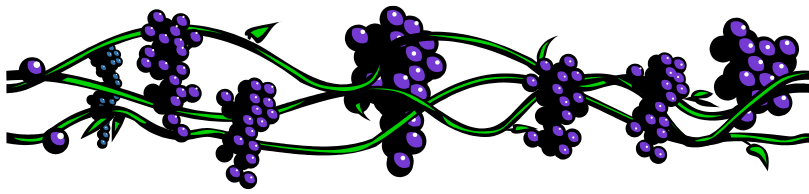
- Book Week – Week 6: 21-27 August "Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds"
- Sapsasa Soccer and Hockey Week 7: 30, 31 August/1 September
- Learning Expo R-3 / Learning Conferences and Open Evening Week (sausage sizzle) 8: 3.30-7.00pm Wednesday 8th September
- Staff Retreat Week 8: Friday 10th September, whole school closure
- Dance Concert Week 9: 10.30am Wed 15 Aug dress rehearsal; 10.30am Thu 16 Aug matinee; 7.00pm Thu 16 Aug evening; 10.30am Fri 17 Aug matinee. Tickets on sale soon.

Blessings for the week ahead.

Michelle Miller

Principal

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The Vine

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY – SUNDAY, 15 AUGUST



The Feast of the Assumption of Mary is a special Solemn Feast Day of the Catholic Church. God chose Mary to be the loving mother of God's son, Jesus. On this day we specifically remember that Mary is the mother of Jesus, that she believed in Jesus and was one of his faithful followers and believers. She was the first disciple. From the very first moment of her life, Mary loved God. Mary said "Yes" to everything that God asked her to do.

On this day, the Church acknowledges that Mary, the mother of Jesus, has a special place in the life of the Catholic Church as the Mother of God. Today we celebrate the holy day when, at the end of her life, Mary was taken to heaven, by God, to be with her son, Jesus.

Last Monday, the Year 4-7 classes joined together for the Mass of the Assumption, while each class, R-3, celebrated prayerfully with a special Prayer Liturgy.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Social Justice Sunday is marked by the Catholic Church the last Sunday in August. In their Social Justice Statement for 2021–22, ***Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor***, the Australian Catholic Bishops say, "the signs of the times are clear - we know that we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour". The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded.

The Goals of the "***Laudato Si'***" - sustainability for the earth" letter from Pope Francis are: response to the cry of the earth; response to the cry of the poor; ecological economics; sustainable lifestyles; ecological spirituality; ecological education; and community engagement and participatory action.

How can we look after our precious earth and those in need within it?

ReLAT

Today all Year 4 students completed the Religious Literacy Assessment Tool. This is an online assessment, mandated by Catholic Education SA for all Year 4 students. It is an assessment of general religious literacy from the student's previous years of learning through the Crossways Religious Education Framework and Curriculum.

Bernie Thomson

APRIM and Pastoral Care Support

Bread Tags Fundraiser



Lucy from Reception/1 Hanson and her mum Lauren, are collecting bread tags for wheelchairs. Please save your bread tags and send them to school to assist with their fundraising. This also fits in with our reduce, re-use, recycle school focus.

Up Choir

Yesterday the UP Choir travelled to Loreto College, in Adelaide, for our rehearsal with all the other schools and students who are performing with us in **the Catholic Schools Music Festival on Tuesday night, 21 September, at Adelaide Entertainment Centre.**

Important information about Performance Day in September will be forwarded to the UP Choir families very soon.

The UP Choir members experienced the level of effort and skill to be an effective contributor to the whole performance group made up of so many different students from many Catholic schools. It was a very happy personal and group experience for them. Each singer was energetic, joyful throughout and each soaked up this special singing opportunity.

It is a well known fact that those who sing in groups with others gain a real sense of inner joy and peace from the experience. Music is an important part of our health and wellbeing!



Bernie Thomson
UP Choir Trainer

Library News

BOOK WEEK 21st – 27th August



We have lots of fun activities lined up to celebrate Book Week next week. These include class excursions to the Kadina Farm Shed Museum, Copper Coast Mining and Wallaroo history tour and visits to the Star of the Sea Nursing Home.

On Wednesday, 25th August, we will be having our Dress Up Day for Book Week.

Students are encouraged to dress up as a character from a book or that relates to the Book Week theme Old Worlds, New worlds, Other Worlds.

There are no limits as to how the students interpret this into their costume...let your imaginations run wild!!

On Wednesday morning we will have our parade (outside on the basketball court, weather permitting) where each class will get a chance to display their costume.

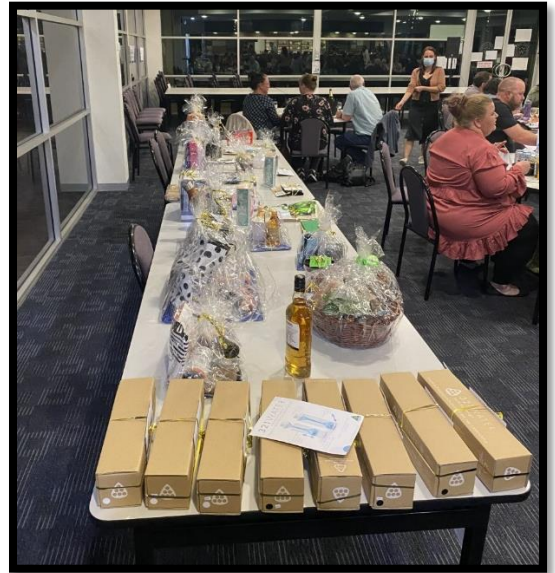
At lunch time we will gather for a free BBQ sausage lunch on the oval followed by a Minecraft inspired cupcake provided by our parents. (Thankyou in advance to all cooks and volunteers!!)

After lunch our school house captains will be co-ordinating some Book Week themed activities for the students to enjoy. This will involve all classes moving through various activity stations trying different "old world, new world and other world" games.

It's shaping up to be a fun and action packed week and we look forward to sharing in the excitement with the students.

Sharon Steer
Library Technician

QUIZ NIGHT FUN



St Mary MacKillop School thank the following businesses for their generous donation to the P & F Quiz Night.

A Conscious Life – Holistic Health and Wellness

33 on Owen

Coopers Alehouse, Wallaroo

Beauty & Body at the Bay

Breezy Candles (Kelly Davidson)

Café Moonta

Cornucopia Hotel

Dayman Designs

Earths Essence

Fifth Avenue Collection (Jeannette Stevens)

Hair by Kristy @ Tangles

Hair on Hallett

Peninsula Painting & Decorating

Kadina Jewellers

Lorraine Lee (Jeanette Stevens)

Mallee Blossom Honey

Miranda Giles

Moda Bella

Moonta Camping & Hardware

Newbery Chemist

North Beach Kitchen

Podiatry Central

Prince Edward Hotel

Shippy's Hardware, Moonta

Spencer Gulf Seaside

Subway, Kadina

Surf & Street, Moonta

Stylish Bird Boutique, Moonta

The Bellagio, Kadina

Vivian Frank, Moonta

Wallaroo Hotel

Wallaroo Treasure & Treats

Paper Daisy Handmade

Advanced Physio Solutions

Amanda's Gifts and Crystals

The Boatshed, Wallaroo

Café Capellas

Celebrations, Wallaroo

Cracked Pepper Café

Drakes Supermarket

Enfield Furnishers

Garden Vista, Moonta

Hair Goals, Moonta

Harry & Izabella Maris

Kadina Chiropractic Health Centre

Kerby's Creations

Main Street Takeaway

Marshalls, Moonta

Mobil, Kadina

Moonta Hotel

Moonta Newsagency

Nook & Nourish, Moonta

Peninsula Nursery & Garden Centre

Priceline, Kadina

Redwing Farm

Silver Dragon Tattoo

Sprint Auto Parts

Sunny Hill Distillery

Sweet Tooth, Kadina

Tangles Hairdresser

The Garden Shop, Moonta

Wallaroo Pizza

Wallaroo Post Office & Gifts

Wallaroo True Value Hardware

NYP Sapsasa Basketball Carnival

YEAR 6 BOYS

On Friday, 13th August, the Year 6 boys' team with Miss Cotter as coach, Will, Riley, Hudson, Liam and Brodie as players played in the NYP Sapsasa Basketball Carnival. We played basketball against Kadina, Moonta and Harvest. We went well winning the first game to Harvest and only just losing the second game by one point to Moonta. We tried our best but still lost against Kadina which were the best team in the comp. At the end of the day, we were all champions and had a great time. A big thank you to everyone who helped out with scoring.

By Will and Liam

YEAR 6/7 GIRLS

On Friday, 13th August, we went to the Copper coast Sport and Leisure Centre and played 6 games of basketball. On our team was Sofia, Mia D, Chelsea, Mia F, Charli, Mathilda, Charlotte, Natalia, Emilie, Scarlett and Lilly. We were not successful in winning any of the games but we had a fun day. Mr Northeast was our coach. Thank you to Miss Caffyn, Mr Northeast and Miss Cotter for their organisation and coming along. Thank you to Mr Miers for scoring our games. Overall we had a really great day.

By Chelsea and Sofia

YEAR 7 BOYS

Last week on Friday, our St Mary MacKillop Year 7 basketball team, Kolbi, Mitchell, Jack, Riley M, Farren, Ayden and Blake competed in the NYP Sapsasa Basketball Carnival. We won 4 games, tied 1 and lost 1 game. We all played really well and played like a team. We won against Wallaroo Primary, Wallaroo Mines, Moonta Area School and KMS 2, we tied against KMS 1 and lost against Harvest. We did not make it into the next round but we played really good basketball, we all had fun and we all had a very good day. A big thankyou to Bec Miller for scoring our games.

By Jack & Kolbi



YEAR 6 BOYS



YEAR 6/7 GIRLS



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ACTION SHOT

Knockout Soccer – Round 2

On Thursday, 12th August, the soccer team went to Adelaide to play against Thorndon Park Primary and Playford. The weather on the way didn't look too good with dark ominous clouds in the distance. When we were near the soccer field it started to spit but after 15 minutes waiting for our game to start, the weather cleared up.

We played Playford first with a 1-1 draw. It was a really good game.

After the first game we had a 10-minute break to catch our breath and rehydrate. The second round didn't go so well as we had no energy. The second team, Thorndon Park were really skilful and scored six goals to our zero. We didn't score, we were so sad but we didn't let it get ahead of us. In the second half we decided to just have fun and play freer. We performed better in the second half scoring a goal to leave the final scores 1 – 7. Despite the result, we all enjoyed the day and were proud to make the semi-finals.

We would like to give a big thankyou to Mr Northeast, for coaching, Miss Cotter for helping out on the day, Mr Costello for driving the second vehicle, Miss Caffyn for organising it and most importantly the soccer players who gave their best and played in the right spirit.

By Tyrell and Carlos



School Photos – Thursday, 9th September

Our photo day is now scheduled for Thursday, 9th September. Each student is to return an envelope, even if the payment is enclosed in a sibling's envelope. If you would like your children to have a family photo, family envelopes are available. Please collect an envelope from the office or phone for an envelope to be sent home with your child. If your children are having a family photo, please be at school by 8.25am, as the family photos are scheduled for 8.30am.


CORRECT SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM IS TO BE WORN PLEASE: SHORT SLEEVE STRIPED POLO, NAVY GABARDINE SHORTS AND NAVY SOCKS WITH BLACK SCHOOL SHOES, HAIR TIED BACK. NO PE UNIFORM OR SANDSHOES.

Students may bring pants to school in their bag to change into once their photo has been taken.



OSHC News

Vacation Care program for the October school Holidays has been sent home today. Please ensure you only book for the days that you require as we must allocate staff to meet correct ratios and provide a healthy food menu to cater for those booked in before the holiday period. It is recommended to book only for the days that you require as soon as possible as we do book out quickly.

We have started to use our new App called Early Works. You will have received  **EARLYWORKS** an email to be able to login and see our OSHC programming and your child's observations and photos we take. If you have not filled out a permission form for Early Works please see Lisa to get one.

If your child is booked into OSHC and then does not need to attend for some reason, or is absent from school, you need to inform OSHC staff before 1.00pm or you may be charged. You can either call or send a TXT to 0437 659 137. Thank you.

Lisa Cooper

OSHC/Vacation Care Director



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Jhett – Rec/1Hanson	18 th August
Alexis – Year 5/6	22 nd August
Oliver – Rec/1Hanson	22 nd August
Lachlan – Year 6/7	26 th August
Lucas – Year 4/5	26 th August
Anthony – Year 4/5	27 th August
Colt – Rec/1Combe	28 th August
Oliver – Rec/1McCann	30 th August
Mrs Tully	30 th August
Kaira – Year 5/6	31 st August



NEWSLETTER INSERTS/ ATTACHMENTS

1. Vacation Care booking sheet

If you have not received any of the above hand-outs, please write a note in your child's diary for a copy to be sent home.

Community News

The services and events contained in Community News are in no way connected with the school and are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents and caregivers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children. Notices will be placed if time and space permits.



Free breast cancer screening in Wallaroo – it's a lifesaver

BreastScreen SA is coming to Wallaroo from late August to early November 2021, to provide **free breast cancer screening** (breast X-rays) to **healthy women aged 50 to 74 years**, helping to detect breast changes that are too small to feel.

Call **13 20 50** to book or visit www.breastscreen.sa.gov.au to find out more.

