

St Mary MacKillop School NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday, 2nd August, 2023 (Term 3, Week 2)

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of SMMS,

PLAYGROUND ADDITIONS

We have two mud kitchens installed in the playground area which students are enjoying playing with. We have seen all sorts of interesting and creative projects.

If anyone has any kitchen items that you do not need any more, we would love any donations for the mud kitchen play: plastic, metal or wooden; bowls, trays, whisks, spoons, ladles etc. Thank you.



LLL SURVEY

Last week, information was sent home about the Catholic Education SA Living Learning Leading survey (LLL survey). There are versions of the survey for students, parents and staff. It is the single most important whole of community survey that is conducted in the school year. The survey informs future planning and direction and a summary of responses is required for the School Annual Report which is published every year and also shared at the AGM. It is an important forum for you to have a say about what is happening in our school in various areas.

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

Fri 4th 5/6 Basketball Carnival 6-9 Bottle Drive

Mon 7th UP Choir to Yorketown

Tue 8th Feast of St Mary MacKillop

Mass 11.45am in Church

Sausage sizzle lunch

Beach Afternoon

School Board meeting 7.30pm

Sat 19th - Fri 25th Book Week

Fri 25th Book Week Dress Up Day

SEPTEMBER

Wed 20th Dance concert matinee performance Thu 21st Dance concert evening performance Thu 28th School photos

<u>Parish Weekend Mass</u> – for mass times, visit: coppercoast@ppcatholic.org

St. Francis of Assisi, Moonta Sacred Heart, Kadina Our Lady Star of the Sea, Wallaroo St Margaret's, Port Broughton



In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge Nharangga Country and Australia's First Peoples as traditional custodians of this land. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Class teachers will be conducting the survey with Year 2-9 students over the next two weeks.

I ask that you please take some time to participate in the survey some time over the next two weeks as well. Your contributions will be much appreciated.

DANCE CONCERT

Thank you to parents who have sent in student costume requirements for the Dance Concert. If you need any help at all sourcing items, please let us know as soon as possible.

Students are learning their dances and their script lines, staff are planning props and big thanks to Sharon Steer for painting the backdrops.

We are really ramping up our Dance Concert preparations. All of a sudden it seems very close....only seven weeks away.

Mrs Bacher's Year 1 class is seeking donations of old wooden rulers to make into props for their dance concert routine. Any donations will be greatly accepted.



FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP - TUESDAY, 8TH AUGUST

Next Tuesday, 8th August, we will be celebrating the Feast of St Mary MacKillop. We will be celebrating as follows:

- 11.45am Mass in the Wallaroo Catholic Church
- 12.45-1.15pm Lunch at school: sausage sizzle, piece of cake, fruit box (supplied free for all students students may bring their own lunch if preferred)
- 1.15pm Commence bus transport of students to the Sailing Club beach
- 1.15-2.45pm whole school fun activities at the Sailing Club Beach

Students are asked to wear their sport uniform with their House top on the day. Thank you.

Blessings for the week ahead.

Ms Michelle Miller PRINCIPAL

PREMIER'S BE ACTIVE CHALLENGE

The Premier's Be Active Challenge:

- The Challenge requires students to do at least 60 minutes of physical activity on at least 5 days of the week for at least 4 weeks until the end of Term 3, Week 10.
- Students must record their physical activity on the booklet attached.
- A parent/carer must endorse the student physical activity record to indicate that the student has met the participation requirements.

Please return completed forms to school by Friday, 22nd September.



BOOK WEEK 19th – 25th AUGUST



SAVE THE DATE

Book Week is fast approaching!! The theme this year is Read, Grow Inspire....

On Friday, 25th August, we will be having our annual Dress Up Day!

There are no limits as to how the students interpret the theme into their costume.....Let your imaginations inspire you!

On the morning of the 25th August between 9:00-9:30am, we will be holding our annual dress up parade where each class will get a chance to display their costume followed by a Dance Party! (We have decided against having individual prizes for best dressed this year.)

At lunch time, students will gather for a free BBQ sausage lunch on the oval prepared and supplied by the Parents and Friends. (Thankyou in advance to any volunteers!!)

There will be other Book Week related activities for the children during the week leading up to the dress up day.....more details to follow....watch this space!!

Included with today's newsletter is the Scholastic Book Club order form. Please return orders by Friday, 11th August.

Mrs Sharon Steer LIBRIRIAN

12 & UNDER SCHOOL GOLF

Congratulations to Isabelle and Eloise who competed in the 12 & Under School Golf tournaent on Monday at the Copper Club, Port Hughes. The girls had a great day and both qualified for the State Final to be held at West Beach in September.





SCHOOL PHOTOS – THURSDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER

Our annual school photo day is scheduled on Thursday, 28th September.

This year all orders are online. Instructions are below.

Students having a family photo are required to be at school by 8.25am, as the family photos are scheduled for 8.30am.

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



Your School Photo Day is on

Thursday 28 September 2023



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HOW TO ORDER

Ordering online is quick and easy using the steps below!

Step 1.
Click here or go to our ordering portal

https://stmarymackillop-sa.msp.photos/

Step 2. Click 'Sign in with Student Details'

Online ordering closes Thursday 28 September 2023

An archive fee applies after this date

Enter your child's surname and birthdate and you are ready to start ordering. Once logged in, you can also order for siblings and family photos.

Please note Sibling Photo orders must be placed BEFORE your last photo day.









GRANDPARENT'S DAY

Last Wednesday we celebrated the Feast Day of Saints Anne and Joachim, Jesus' grandparents, and the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. Thank you to Fr Chris for celebrating the Mass with us. Students provided photos of their grandparents and elderly friends, which was made into a Powerpoint and was enjoyed by everyone. The classroom visits and picnic were enjoyed by many, and the weather was perfect.

Student Leaders visited Star of the Sea residents to deliver greeting cards designed by our students.





























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Mrs Hanson's Reception class drew portraits of their grandparents.













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A grandparent's love will never grow old.

TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

On Friday, Reception and Year 1 students participated in a Teddy Bear Hospital Outreach Program. Thank you to students from Adelaide University Rural Health Alliance (AURHA) who ran the sessions.

The sessions involved dental hygiene, anatomy, hand hygiene, mental wellbeing, movement and the 'teddy goes to the doctor' dress up station. Students brought along their teddies from home for their doctor's appointment.

We have many aspiring health professionals to look forward to in the future.















NEWSLETTER INSERTS/ ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Scholastic Book Club
- 2. Premier's Be Active Challenge form

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.



COMMUNITY NEWS



BreastScreen SA's Mobile Screening Unit is visiting Wallaroo from mid-August to early November 2023.



We're inviting all women aged over 40, especially 50 to 74 years, to come along for their 2-yearly screening mammogram (breast X-ray).

- It's FREE and quick it can take as little as 10 minutes
- · You can make a booking with a friend, family member or group
- It's the best way of detecting breast cancer early (before symptoms start to show), giving you a greater chance of successful treatment.

Call us on 13 20 50 to book or visit www.breastscreen.sa.gov.au

You'll find us at the old railway station John Terrace, Wallaroo



Breast Screen SA



Book now!

Scan QR code to request a call back or call 13 20 50





Catholic School Parents

Catholic School Parents SA is pleased to present:

Tricky Behaviours

presented by Andrew Fuller, Clinical Psychologist

Thursday August 10 2023 6.30pm - 8pm (in person or online)

Loreto College Performing Arts Centre 316 Portrush Road, Marryatville

hosted by Catholic School Parents SA

Young people with tricky behaviours don't need to be "fixed" because they are not broken. However, they do need help in finding ways to use their strengths and learn different ways to engage with the world. They need guidance on how to thrive and parents are the best ones to provide that support. This session will help you understand the tricky behaviours and learn strategies to increase motivation and strengthen positive family cultures.

Andrew Fuller is a clinical psychologist, family therapist, author, speaker and creator of Learning Strengths™.

Register via the <u>CESA Registration Centre</u> or go to the Events page on the CSPSA Website.

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