Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

An extra-long weekend has come just in time for many of our students and staff, as they battle some nasty bugs that have popped up recently! We hope you all make the most of this four day holiday and enjoy some rest and relaxation.

Tomorrow our teachers will participate in a Religious Education Professional Learning day here at school. This day will further develop our skills in planning and delivering high quality RE units for our students.

Thanks for a great week!
Have a wonderful weekend with the people you love,

Terrielynn

Pentecost
For the Spirit of Peace that calms our mind and stills our life,
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Love that touches hearts and reaches out,
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Joy that lifts our soul and gives us faith
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Power, that gift of grace for this your church,
we give you thanks.

Important Dates

June
Week 8
10th June – Long Weekend
12th, 13th & 14th – June– 5/6 Camp
16th June – Sacrament of Confirmation
Week 9
18th June – Performance at the Hamilton PAC, Robot Song, Gr 3-6s
20th June – PSGs
20th June – Pizza Lunch!
21st June – Assembly
21st June – Gr 2 Parish Dinner
Week 10
28th June – last day of term, 2.15pm finish
28th June – PJs and Tinnies for Vinnies – The Winter Appeal
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

The annual Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) collects information about Australian school students who receive an adjustment to address disability. Nationally consistent information on students in Australian schools receiving adjustments for disability enables schools, education authorities, and governments to better understand the needs of students with disability and how they can be best supported at school. The national data collection on students with disability acknowledges the work already undertaken in schools to support students with disability. It assists schools to identify and to support students with disability so they can access and participate in education on the same basis as their peers.

Please find attached an information sheet for Parents, Carers and Guardians. If you have any questions relating to this matter please don’t hesitate to contact Terrielynn.

School Review

This year we are preparing for our School Review. This involves reflecting on our past achievements and our current reality, before setting future goals and targets. It is a very exciting time for our school community as we have much to celebrate!

RUBBISH FREE FRIDAYS

Last Rubbish Free Friday we were so pleased that 68 of our students came to school completely rubbish free! Well done to all the families who supported their children in this. We look forward to seeing what next week brings!

STEP INTO PREP!

We had a huge response to Step Into Prep on Wednesday 5th June, with 38 kinder children in attendance! Erin Wolfe, Tania Stevens and Debbie Sutherland did a wonderful job working with the children.

Pizza Lunch

On Thursday 20th June, a wonderful team of parents and grandparents have very kindly organised BAKERS DELIGHT to prepare pizzas for students and staff for lunch! Our School Councillors have decided that the money raised from this event will be spent on getting some new sandpit toys for our school. Those who would like to order can do so by filling in the order form sent home on Tuesday 17th June so we can let BAKERS DELIGHT know how many pizzas to make. If you would like to help on the day, please add your name to the order form. A pizza will cost $3.50 each. Please include payment with the order.

Thanks!

Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Perkins and Lowin families following the death of their loved ones. Know that our community is thinking of you all at this very sad time.

We are also mindful that there are many members of our school community who are unwell at the moment. We hope to see you back on your feet again very soon.

Welcome!

This week we have welcomed student teacher Michelle Grant to St Mary’s for the next two weeks. Michelle will be working with 1/2S.

Thanks!

And as one student starts, another finishes! A huge thank you to Tony Flavel as he completes his three-week placement. Tony has become a most valuable part of our team and we will certainly welcome him back at any time!

Winter Appeal For St Vinnies

On Friday the 28th of June our Student Councillors has organized to have a pyjama day. Please bring a gold coin for donation and some non-perishable food. All food and money will be donated to St Vincent de Paul for their Winter Appeal. Wear your pyjamas and have fun!

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Food needs to be clearly labelled and dated in disposable containers. You can place it in the freezer in the multi-purpose room yourself or leave at the office. For more information or to let us know of families who need assistance please call the office.

Canteen Roster
Lunch orders are available every Wednesday as long as we have a volunteer. If you are interested in helping out, please let the school office know or put your name on the roster at the office.

12/06/2019 Jo Sobey
19/06/2019 Katrina Maybery

A Word from the Parish Office - Confirmation
This year Confirmation will be celebrated over the next three weekends, Pentecost Sunday - 9th June, Trinity Sunday - 16th June, and The Feast of Corpus Christi – 23rd June. All candidates will attend a Workshop on Friday morning the 14th June from 9:15 – 12:15.
Remember that candidates will need their Baptismal stole (I will give out the red Confirmation transfers this Sunday OR you can call in at the Parish Office and pick one up). They will need their Baptismal Candle during the ceremony. I will also need to have your child’s Sponsor’s name by this Sunday please.
Any queries please call me anytime.

Noreen McLeish
Sacramental Coordinator 0438531651

Pastoral Care
Hello, this is the final week of the Andrew Fuller “Depression Proof your kids” article. I hope sharing this has been of both interest and help. If there are any parenting subjects you would like covered I will do the research and see what I come up with. I am always interested in using local/Australian content so if you have anything that you think maybe of interest to other families please feel free to share with me.

Checklist of Signs: When should I worry?
In the childhood and teenage years depression can be harder to pick because it is obscured by heightened emotions and times of grumpiness.

Some signs of depression are:
- Loss of interest in usual activities – their get up and go, has got up & gone
- Increased use of drugs and alcohol
- Sleep problems
- Changes in energy levels –either sluggish or agitated and restless
- Changes in eating patterns change – either disinterested in food or over eating
- Speaking about death and hopelessness
- Increased and inexplicable irritability.
- Your own feelings of anxiety about your child.

It is worth getting some help if your child or adolescent is appearing to be depressed. One way to do this to say, “I’m worried about you and I want you to come with me to see someone so that I can work out whether I should be worried or not”. Try to find a good local psychologist, psychiatrist or doctor who can relate to young people.
Have a good week.

Kind regards, Lisa Gonnet
Schools Pastoral care worker
0400994032

Assembly
Our next assembly will be Friday 21st June, 2019 in our Learning Street @ 2.40pm.
All welcome!

Parish News

Woolworths Earn and Learn total so far: 12,540 stickers!!

THE SPORT CATCH UP
Our hockey 7’s team: The St Mary’s Superstars!!
Thank you to Ms. Tania Stevens for coaching.

Congratulations Regional Cross Country students:
Ruby Fitzpatrick, Jack Sobey & Hugh Fitzgerald.
Hugh has also qualified to state level, an amazing effort!
Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:
- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:
- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government’s Privacy Policy (https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Principal