

9 AUGUST 2024
TERM 3, WEEK 3

ST MARY'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



"May God the Holy Spirit, who gives us life, move within us. May God give us eyes to see to God, ears to hear God, and hands to bring God's work into the world. May we walk with God and preach the word of God to all. May the angel of peace watch over us and lead us at last by God's grace to the eternal Kingdom." St Dominic



'Do not be afraid, love one another...and let charity guide you in all your life...God will carry you safely through every struggle.' St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Dear Members of our St Mary's Memorial School Community,

Happy Feast Day!

On Thursday, August 8, our wonderful school community came together to celebrate the Feast of St Dominic and St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, and what an incredible day it was for our staff, students, and families. Thank you to everyone for your generous support; our Dominican and Josephite charisms were shining brightly all day, almost as much as the children's smiles, joy, and enthusiasm.

A special thank you to Fr John Herd for beginning our day with our Feast Day Mass and reminding us St Mary of the Cross MacKillop was a woman of hope, courage and compassion. On behalf of everyone, I would like to congratulate and thank Tamara Smith and Jo Dyson for their amazing efforts in preparing the Mass, choir, and our beautiful children. The addition of our choir with instruments has certainly added another fantastic layer to our masses.

A huge thank you to all our incredible parent volunteers for joining us on the Walk-a-Mile in the morning. Without your support, we simply could not do these community activities. After recess, the children eagerly participated in a range of class buddy activities before excitedly setting up for the Market of Hope.

I would like to express my gratitude to our teachers and support staff for preparing the children in Reception to Year 6 so well to ensure this was a truly successful whole school event. Thank you to our generous parents and families for your support, donations of goods, time, and for joining us to purchase a wonderful treat at the children's stall. It was great to hear that many stalls sold out!

WOW...what a sensational day! We hope you enjoyed the new look of the whole school Market of Hope and Feast Day celebrations. Thank you again for your continued support and enthusiasm.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Over the past two weeks, our commitment to positive parent engagement has been highlighted through successful parent-teacher interviews. We are grateful for the positive feedback from our families, which reflects the importance of these interactions. Additionally, we've consulted with our staff to explore ways to improve this process and optimise the timing of these valuable opportunities for parents and teachers to discuss each child's growth and learning progress. Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

LIVING LEARNING LEADING (LLL) SURVEY

A friendly reminder to all families about completing a short 3–5 minute survey about our school performance. This is an annual Catholic schools survey and conducted by National School Improvement Partnerships (NSI) in collaboration with Catholic Education South Australia. The anonymous and confidential results are interpreted and used, with support from Schools Performance Leaders, to assist in our endeavours to position Catholic Education South Australia as a leading Catholic system.

To get started, use the QR code provided or go to www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the following access code: SMMSGLLLP



To respond the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey at St Mary's Memorial School, Glenelg in 2024 go to www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code SMMSGLLLP in the 'Start Questionnaire' field

NSI Partnerships

LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey
(Available from 22 July to 23 August 2024)

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks in advance for your contribution to the survey and providing feedback.

STUDENT CELEBRATION

The Year 2 Earth Savers diligently finalised their plans and preparations, leading to a highly successful school assembly in Week 1. Despite their nerves, their excitement and joy in sharing their passion for caring for God's creation and our common home – plant earth were truly inspiring. Their message reflects Pope Francis' encyclical, which calls for a global dialogue about how our daily actions and decisions shape the future of our planet.

How fantastic was their song, "See it, Pick it Up"! It's been wonderful to hear it echoed in the yard, which is now looking clean, neat, and tidy.



Winnie, Lucy M, Matilda, Ivy and Issy

A wonderful part of our school assembly includes the presentation of the Dominican Awards. In Week 2 our School Leaders, Samara and Charlie proudly presented the Dominican Awards of Service to students. Each child's commitment to helping and uplifting those around them serves as an inspiration to our entire school community. We congratulate these students for their dedication and the positive impact they have made.



KEY DATES

- **Book Week Parade** - Friday, 23 August
- **School Photo Day** - Wednesday, 28 August
- **Father's Day Stall** - Thursday, 29 August
- **Pupil Free Day** - Friday, 6 September
- **School Disco** - Friday, 13 September
- **Grandparents & Special Friends Day** - Thurs, 19 Sept.
- **Sports Day** - Friday, 25 October

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to create a vibrant and thriving school community.

Kindest regards

Mrs Sonja Smith
Principal



Sibling Enrolments

We encourage families to complete an Application for Enrolment from birth

*** 2026 CLOSING SOON**

COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT TODAY!

Applications open from **2026** and beyond

FROM THE APRIM

We have just ended a most glorious and busy week of celebration.

On Tuesday Andrew Chinn visited our school with each year level having a singing workshop with him. There was a lot of laughs and a lot of fun. At the end of the day the whole school celebrated a concert with Andrew in the church. FANTASTIC!

On Thursday we celebrated our Feast Day. The 8th of August is the Feast Day of Mary MacKillop and it was her, along with her Josephite Sisters that began our school and ran it for a number of years when it was handed over to the Dominican Sisters to manage. We have been a Dominican School ever since and the 8th August is the Feast Day of St Dominic every where in the world (except Australia where it has been moved so we can focus solely on Australia's first and only Saint).

Mass, Walk a Mile in my Boots, Buddy activities and Market of Hope all made for a wonderful day of celebration. Enjoy the photos!

Joy and blessings,
Tamara Smith



PRAYER

PRAYER FOR SAINT DOMINIC

Dominic was a person of prayer.
God was always a part of his life.

It is said that Dominic was either speaking to God
or speaking about God to others.

We Pray St Dominic,
help us to remember that we can always talk to God.
St Dominic. Pray for us.

Dominic was a man of the people.

He did not stay in the church nor at home.
He travelled, so that he could meet everyone,
and talk to them and help them.

We Pray St Dominic,
help us to share the Gospel message with everyone.
St Dominic. Pray for us.

Dominic was a person who was very caring.

It is said that he sold everything he had
to help those who were poor.

We Pray St Dominic,
help us to show how much we care for others and for our earth.
St Dominic. Pray for us.

SACRAMENT PROGRAM

If your child is in Year 3 or above and has been Baptised they are invited to join the Sacramental program this year. Each Term children will learn about then celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

If you would like your child to be Baptised please let us know.

Children in the current sacramental program have the final sacrament, First Eucharist, to prepare for and celebrate this term.

- Workshops will be at 6pm on Thursday evenings, August 22, August 29 and September 5.
- Families can choose any of Masses around Sunday 8th September for first Eucharist – Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9am, 10.30am or 5pm.
- Parents are encouraged to attend a meeting Sunday 11th August at 3:30 in St Dominic's Hall

If you have any questions about the sacramental program feel free to contact Father John or Tamara Smith. Father John would also love some parents to help out with activities - if you are willing and able please email him: jdherd@hotmail.com.

GLENELG CATHOLIC PARISH

*Our Lady of Victories, 13-15 High St, Glenelg SA 5045
Our Lady of Grace, 36 Beadnall Tce, Glengowrie SA 5044*

Presbytery: 17 High Street, Glenelg
Office Hours: Mon, Wed-Fri 9am-2pm
Phone: 08 8294 1888
Email: glenelgcp@bigpond.com
Web: www.glenelgcp.com

SUNDAY GOSPEL QUOTE



MASS & LITURGY CALENDAR

Here is an outline of the main celebrations on our school's Church calendar for Term 3. Please note that the times for these Masses may, or may not, change.

Week 4

Year 6 with RI & RS Buddy classes Mass 9:30am Tuesday

Week 5

Year 4 with 1E & 1S Buddy classes Mass 9:30am Tuesday

Week 6

Year 3 & Year 2 Buddy classes Mass 9:30am Tuesday

MASSES

Masses and liturgies are celebrated regularly and we warmly invite family and friends to join us.

Changes to the calendar regarding Masses and their times will need to be made occasionally as the needs of our parish and our priests come up. The newsletter will publish the most current times. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Tamara Smith
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COMMUNITY PRAYER

**ALL FRIENDS AND FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US
FOR COMMUNITY PRAYER
8:45AM EVERY THURSDAY**

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CHURCH

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



FUN AND GAMES IN THE HALL

Our youngest students in Reception have been having an absolute blast in the school hall, engaging in a variety of games designed to develop their fundamental movement skills. From hopping to skipping, and running to jumping, these activities are not only fun but essential for building the foundation of physical fitness and coordination.



TOUCH FOOTBALL FEVER FOR YEARS 5-6

Touch football is the game of the moment for Years 5 and 6. Their training will culminate in an eagerly anticipated touch football carnival in Week 7, where every student will have the chance to showcase their skills. The preparation and teamwork being displayed are fantastic, and we look forward to an exciting and competitive event.



SOCCER SKILLS FOR YEARS 1-4

Students in Years 1 to 4 have been focusing on soccer this term. They have been busy with drills and skills sessions, honing their abilities in passing, dribbling, and shooting. The excitement continues with small-sided games, allowing them to put their new skills into practice in a fun and competitive environment.



YEAR 6 GIRLS KNOCKOUT NETBALL TRIUMPH

Congratulations to our Year 6 girls' knockout netball team! They travelled to Seymour College for their game and came out victorious with an impressive score of 38 to 17. The grand final is set for Tuesday, August 27th, at Priceline Stadium. We wish our girls the very best of luck as they aim for the championship!

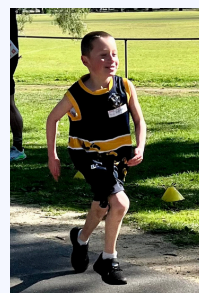


SACPSA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

A big shoutout to the 74 students who travelled to Park 15 in the city for the SACPSA Cross Country Carnival this week. They tackled a challenging 2km course, which included hills, creeks, and corners. Despite the tough terrain, our students showed great determination and had a wonderful time.



Congratulations to:
 Willow Purchase - Bronze medal Division A
 Charles Braithwaite - 4th Division B
 Harry Clarke - 4th Division C
 Age group pennant- Year 6 boys Division A
 Harly Walker, Oscar Lively, Sunny Purchase, Aston Smith.



School Photo Day



**Wednesday
28 August 2024**



Students are to wear **full Winter Uniform** even if it is their Sports Day.

All orders will be delivered to SMMS for distribution.

If you have any queries, please refer to correspondence sent directly from MSP Photography or contact the Front Office.

BOOK WEEK AT ST MARY'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL



Here is what we will be doing...

- Thursday, 15 August** **Perform Education** will be performing "*Maybe a Miracle*" in St Mary's Hall R-Year 3 @ 9.30am and Year 4-6 @ 11.20am
- Friday, 16 August** **Book Fair Preview Day** – Everyone is invited to come into the Library and start creating their "Student Wish List". There will be **NO SALES** on this day, just the opportunity to preview the books in the fair. Parents are welcome to come and have a look. The Library will be open from 8.30 - 8.45am and again 3.00 - 3.25pm
- Monday, 19 August** **Book Fair Open** – Families may come and purchase books. The Library will be open from 8.30 - 9.00am and again 3.00 - 4.00pm
- Lunch time Book Week Activities – in the Library**
- Tuesday, 20 August** **Book Fair Open** – Families may come and purchase books. The Library will be open from 8.30 - 9.00am and again 3.00 - 4.00pm
- Lunch time Book Week Activities – in the Library**
- Wednesday, 21 August** **Book Fair Open** – Families may come and purchase books. The Library will be open from 8.30 - 9.00am and again 3.00 - 3.25pm
- Lunch time Book Week Activities – in the Library**
- Thursday, 22 August** **Lunch time Book Week Activities – in the Library**
- Friday, 23 August** **Book Week Parade 9.00am** - Students are invited to dress up as a character from one of their favourite books. If possible, students should carry the book with them on the day so their character can be easily identified.
- Coffee Van on site** – Thanks to the St Mary Memorial Community Group there will be a coffee van on site for you to purchase a coffee and enjoy watching your children in their Book Week Parade.
- Book Week in OSHC** OSHC will be running a Colouring in Competition throughout the week.

We would love your help!

If you are a Current Registered Volunteer and can assist in the Library on Mon, Tue or Wed morning or afternoon, please contact Des Dhenthorn@stmarmem.catholic.edu.au, as we are looking for some support with the Book Fair.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

TERM 3, 2024 TERM PLANNER

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY SUNDAY
Week 1	July 22 Plastic Free July	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26 Yr 2 Parents Drinks – SMMSCG Newsletter	July 27 July 28
Week 2	July 29	July 30 Year 5 Retreat Day Mass - Year 5 & Buddy Class	July 31 SMMS Community Group Meeting – 7:00pm	August 1	August 2 Assembly – Yr 2 Earth Savers (Mrs S Smith) Yr 5 Mary MacKillop Excursion Yr 5 Parents Drinks – SMMSCG	August 3 August 4 Aboriginal Children's Day
Week 3	August 5	August 6 Andrew Chinn Performance	August 7 SACPSSA Cross Country	August 8 St Dominic's Day & Feast of St Mary MacKillop Walk A Mile Market Of Hope	August 9 Newsletter	August 10 August 11
Week 4	August 12	August 13 Mass - Year 6 & Buddy Class	August 14	August 15 Book Week Incursion	August 16 Assembly – Receptions *Showdown Donuts - SMMSCG	August 17 August 18
Week 5	August 19 Book Week Fair All Week	August 20 Mass - Year 4 & Buddy Class	August 21 Principal's School Tour	August 22 SAPSASA District Athletics	August 23 Book Week Parade 9.00am Newsletter – Yr 2	August 24 Principal's School Tour August 25
Week 6	August 26 SHC Marcellin Music Ensemble	August 27 Mass - Year 3 & Buddy Class Catholic Schools Music Festival Rehearsal	August 28 School Photo Day Father's Day Stall – SMMSCG	August 29 *Father's Day Stall – SMMSCG Yr 5 Sacred Heart Visit (PE) – TBC Yr 1 Hahndorf Farm Barn Incursion	August 30 Assembly – Year 1 Yr 5 Sacred Heart Visit (PE) – TBC	August 31 September 1 Father's Day Seasons of Creation Begins
Week 7	September 2 Sabbath Week Yr 4 Camp - Monarto Zoo Yr 5 SHC Visit (PE) - TBC	September 3 Yr 4 Camp – Monarto Zoo 3MO Overnight Zoo Snooze SACPSSA Touch Football	September 4 Yr 4 Camp – Monarto Zoo 3MU Overnight Zoo Snooze Yr 5 Council Chambers Visit - TBC	September 5 Yr 6 Excursion - Parliament House Yr 5 Sacred Heart Visit (PE) - TBC	September 6 PUPIL FREE DAY Newsletter – Yr 1	September 7 September 8
Week 8	September 9	September 10	September 11	September 12 R U OK? Day	September 13 Assembly - Yr 4 School Disco - SMMSCG Rec - Yr 2 @ 5:30-6:30pm Yr 3 - 6 @ 7.00-8:15pm*	September 14 September 15
Week 9	September 16	September 17	September 18	September 19 Grandparents & Special Friends Day SACPSSA Cricket - TBC	September 20 SACPSSA Cricket - TBC Newsletter – Yr 3	September 21 September 22
Week 10	September 23	September 24 Catholic Schools Music Festival Performance	September 25	September 26	September 27 Assembly – Yr 3 LAST DAY OF TERM 3	September 28 September 29

* PLEASE NOTE, EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WE REMIND YOU TO VIEW THE UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANY CHANGES IN OUR FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTERS

Term 4 Important Dates

First Day Term 4 - Monday, 14 October

Sports Day - Friday, 25 October

Year 6 Camp - Mon 25 - Thurs 28 November

Last Day for Year 6 Students - Tuesday 10 December

Year 6 Dinner (parent run event) - Tuesday 10 December

Last Day for Reception - Year 5 - Wednesday, 11 December

Year 6 Liturgy (evening) - Wednesday, 11 December TBC

9 AUGUST 2024

SHOWDOWN DONUT DAY

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST

WHO WILL ORDER MORE DONUTS?
CROWS OR PORT SUPPORTERS?



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PREORDER VIA THE QKR!APP BEFORE 13/08/2024 \$2.50 EACH 

GLUTEN FREE/EGG FREE/NUT FREE/FOOD COLOURING FREE
OPTION AVAILABLE

DONUTS MAY BE DIFFERENT TO THE ONES IN THE PICTURES

SERVED AT RECESS TIME





ST MARY'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL
COMMUNITY GROUP

Term 3 SMMS Community Events

Please email smmscg@stmar.mem.catholic.edu.au if you require any additional information.
Next meeting: 7pm on Wednesday the 23rd October in the school staff room, all welcome.

<p>JUL 26 6:30PM @ BROADWAY HOTEL Year 2 Parents Drinks Parent Rep: Paula Rowntree</p>	<p>AUG 02 6:30PM @ BROADWAY HOTEL Year 5 Parents Drinks Parent Rep: Alex Plnell</p>	<p>AUG 16 Showdown Donut Day \$2.50 per donut. Qkr! app. orders CLOSE 13th August</p>
<p>AUG 16 6:30PM @ BROADWAY HOTEL Reception Parent Drinks Parent Rep: Kathryn Hazelwood</p>	<p>AUG 23 8:30AM Coffee Van <i>For your convenience we have a coffee van on site. Please feel free to purchase a coffee at the Book Week Parade</i></p>	<p>AUG 23 6:30PM @ BROADWAY HOTEL Year 3 Parents Drinks Parent Rep: Daniella Amuchastegui</p>
<p>AUG 29 Father's Day Stall CHANCE OF DATE TO THURSDAY Each class will have a designated time to visit the Father's Day Stall with their teacher. GIFT PRICES \$3 - \$4 - \$5</p>	<p>SEP 13 REC TO YR2: 5:30-6:30PM YR3 TO YR6: 7PM-8:15PM School Disco Tickets \$10. Flyer to come.</p>	<p>Volunteers Needed for the Disco</p> <p><i>If you are a registered volunteer and are able to volunteer at the Disco on Friday the 13th of September please register with the below QR code/link.</i></p> 



AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE Year 4 Organic Worm Fertilizer



Are you looking for a way to make your garden grow without harming the environment?

Look no further than the Year 4 Organic Worm Fertilizer Business Project! These young entrepreneurs have created a sustainable and eco-friendly solution to help your garden thrive. By supporting this organic fertilizer business, you'll not only be helping our students develop important business skills but also be encouraging their passion for sustainability.

So why not join the Year 4s on their mission to create a more sustainable world? Get your hands on some Year 4 Organic Fertilizer and watch your plants flourish while supporting a great cause.

Be sure to bring in your gold coins to purchase jars filled with organic worm fertilizer. Once used, PLEASE return the empty jar to the front office, so we continue being sustainable by using the jars again.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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2025

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ART CALENDAR

ST COLUMBAN'S MISSION SOCIETY

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\$14.00 each inc GST & postage

PREMIER'S READING Challenge

What is the Challenge?

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to:

- Encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading
- Improve literacy levels.

The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September.

How to complete the Challenge?

To complete the Premier's Reading Challenge students need to read 12 books between week 1, term 1 and week 7 term 3.

1. Every student will need a Student Reading Record. This is available from the school's Premier's Reading Challenge coordinator or can be downloaded [here](#).
2. Read 12 books. Eligible books include e-books, audio books, class/shared reading, prescribed books for school, non-fiction books, books read as research for assignments or books in another language.
Reception to year 6: Students must read 8 books from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklist and 4 personal choice books.
3. Complete the Student Reading Record with the title and author for each book. A parent, caregiver, teacher or librarian must sign off on each book to verify it has been read.
4. **Pass on the completed Student Reading Record to the school's Premier's Reading Challenge coordinator by the designated due date.**
5. Receive an award in late November.

We are up to STEP 4.

As Students complete the requirements of the challenge, can you please start to bring in their Student Reading Records. We are beginning the process of uploading student data onto our portal. Student Reading Records are being collected at the front office.

Thank you