

# NEWSLETTER

18 OCTOBER 2024 TERM 4, WEEK 1

# ST MARY'S MEMORIAL SCHOOL

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Jesus Blesses Little Children

13 Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. 15 Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." 16 And He took them up in His arms, laid His hands on them, and blessed them.

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

Welcome to Term 4. I hope you are all enjoying the weather and additional sunshine of an evening as much as I am. It is wonderful to see everyone returning for Term 4 full of energy and ready for the end of the year.

During the school holidays my family took the opportunity to head to Cairns for a week. An absolute highlight for us was the time we spent together in Mossman Gorge. Walking through the rainforest was so tranquil and quite special, feeling a real connection to the earth and the surrounding landscapes. We all enjoyed our refreshing dip in the Gorge at the end of our walk. For those who have been there I am certain you remember just how refreshing the waters were. I consider myself extremely lucky to have spent time in this special place with my family.

### **WELCOMING SOME NEW FACES**



Ruth Tipping (Library Resource Assistant) joined us in Week 8 of last Term, working full time in our Library. Ruth brings with her a wealth of knowledge, holding a Bachelor of Arts and a Graduate Diploma in Education, along with eight years of experience running libraries, most recently at Seymour College.



Sarah Smith (Curriculum ESO) – Sarah has experience as learning enrichment tutor at Sacred Heart College and is currently studying her Certificate III in School Based Education and Care. She has over 2 years' experience as an Early Childhood Co-Educator at Mentone Grammar, spent a year working as an allied health therapy assistant and EDO and Co-educator at Immanuel Primary School. Sarah is passionate about creating an inclusive environment that supports students with neurodiverse needs to ensure every child can thrive to the best of their ability.

We welcome both Ruth and Sarah to our school community, please take the time to welcome them if you see them around the school.

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### **Wedding Bells**

The School Community sends their absolute best wishes to Renee lerace as she and her fiancé Jeremy celebrate their nuptials this weekend. On her way out of the school yesterday Renee stopped to mention just how special her class had made her feel with their celebrations on Thursday. We wish her and Jeremy all the best for the weekend and for their lifelong journey ahead.

### **Sports Day**

Many thanks to Vicki Messent and Matt Wintersgill for preparing this year's Sports Day. Our Sports Day will be held at Bowker Oval, Bowker Street, North Brighton Friday 25 October. Students are expected to arrive at the oval at 8.30am for a 9.00am start. The event will conclude by 1.00pm with students being dismissed at this time.

All children are to be collected from Bowker Oval at 1.00pm as there is no OHSC available after Sports Day.

Students are asked to wear their House colour T-shirts and school hats throughout the day. They are also welcome to add team spirit with ribbons, socks, hair colour and face paint if they wish.

Please ensure that your child brings sufficient drinks and snacks to last throughout the day as there will be scheduled breaks for each year's level.

Next, we week we will distribute a map of the venue and a timetable for the day. I am really looking forward to celebrating my first Sports Day at St Mary's Memorial School.

### **Motocross Champion**

Congratulations to Lachlan Murdoch 5L who was chosen to represent SA at the Australian Junior Motocross Championships in Bunbury WA. After 5 days of racing against 40 of the fastest riders in Australia on a super challenging track, Lachlan finished strongly to be crowned 10th in Australia.



The Term 4 School Calendar detailing events, excursions, masses, etc., has now been completed and is located at the end of this newsletter for your convenience.

Looking forward to sharing all the excitement and celebrations of Term 4 with you all.

Kindest regards,

Ms Des Henthorn Acting Principal



# Luca Creazzo Emma Xu Laura Capurro Harry Clarke Poppy Hateley Noah Clapp Patrick Ninnis Oscar Brown Luca Girolamo Orlando Drinkwater Sasa Djakovic

### **Dominican Awards**

For an excellent attitude towards the Dominican Pillar of Service 27 September 2024

Heysen Dunlop Jaidan Castro Hyeon Pollard Willow Sampson Oliver Stewart River Muliyono Charlotte Anderson Finn Scholz Louis Pearce Marlee Renyolds Michael Wooley Billy Van Ruth Bronte McLeod Irena Djakovic Archie Jenkins Amelia Francis Isla Gryst Luke Mikhail Sam Hogan Elizabeth Kreis Wren Hambour Nate Anderson



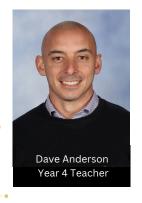
Ella Johns
Charlotte Crossley
Phoebe Barendregt
Piper Barendregt
Olivia Jackson
Claire Provis
Olive Sutton-Teague
Sienna Shepherd
Stella Hateley
Ryan Rizvi

# MEET OUR DEDICATED TEACHING TEAMS YEARS 3 & 4















### FROM THE APRIM

We are in the final term of the year already – can you believe it?! As we bound out of the holidays into this fresh term I feel excited about what is to come. As always, Term 4 is a busy one so let me share with you the many and varied events on my calendar as the APRIM of St Mary's Memorial School.

The new Sacramental begins this term with Reconciliation. Children from Year 3 and above are welcome to attend. Please get in contact with Fr John asap if you would like to participate: <a href="mailto:idherd@hotmail.com">idherd@hotmail.com</a>

Children's Week begins on Friday of Week 1 and extends into all of Week 2. This year's theme is 'Children have the right to the best health care possible, clean water to drink, healthy food and a clean, safe environment to live in' which is based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child – Article 24. The aim of Children's Week is to develop global awareness of children's special needs through publicity and promotion in conjunction with such groups as the United Nations Association of Australia and UNICEF.







At the end of Week 2, in South Australia we celebrate our wonderful teachers. This fabulous group of people are dedicated and passionate about helping children be the best versions of themselves through their education. It is such a blessing to work in a school with so many wonderful teachers and this is a day, World Teachers Day, we need to acknowledge them.







Week 3 marks the beginning of the Month of Remembrance, November. The last day of October is Halloween or the eve of All Hallows (Holy People) Day. So much fun to be had on this day! On All Saints Day and all Souls Day we will celebrate all those we love who have died with a Mass on Friday, which you are all welcome to join. Leading up to this you are invited to write the names of those

you want remembered on pages we will leave in the front office; these pages will be put together to make our Book of Souls which will be at every Mass throughout November.

Melbourne Cup Day is in Week 4 so look out for some fancy hats being worn by staff.



Remembrance Day falls on Monday of Week 5 and we will have a special ceremony around the flag poles at 10:45am. You are very welcome to join us for this.



At the end of Week 6, on Sunday, is the Glenelg Christmas Pageant. Let's get as many children involved as possible and get your angel, shepherd or star outfits ready for this exciting event.



Week 8 marks the beginning of the season of Advent in the Liturgical Calendar, a time of preparation for the birth of Christ. It is very fitting that on the Friday of this week we come together as a whole school community for Carols by Candlelight, which will be celebrated in the school yard. So, get your picnic rugs and eskies ready for a lovely evening of angelic singing.

And then it's the final week of school with our End of Year Mass on Tuesday morning, the final one for our Year 6 children who will have their last day on this day. Then the Year 6s will have their family Graduation Dinner on Tuesday night and their formal school graduation on Wednesday night (anyone is welcome to this), with all other children having their final school day for 2024 on the Wednesday.

And that's it! 2024 done!

With so much to look forward to let's make this a term to celebrate all that is good and wonderful in our St Mary's Memorial School community. Please let me know if you have any question or comments or if you would like to get involved in any of our term's activities. I look forward to journeying with you.

Joy and blessings, Tamara Smith

### **PRAYER**



Dear God,

At the beginning of this new term teach us to be your hands and feet where we are,
At the beginning of this new term teach us to love as you love us
At the beginning of this new term teach us to pray for those in need
So that You are honoured and glorified
We make this prayer in Jesus' name
Amen

### MASS & LITURGY CALENDAR

Here is an outline of the main celebrations on our school's Church calendar for Term 4. Please note that the times for these Masses may, or may not, change.

### PLEASE NOTE THE NEW MASS START TIME IN TERM 4:

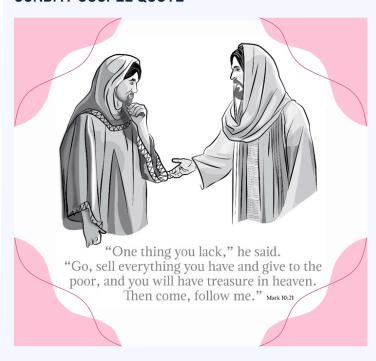
Week 2	No Mass	
Week 3	All Saints & All Souls Days Whole School Mass	9am Friday
Week 4	No Mass	
Week 5	Year 6, RS, RI Buddy classes Mass	9:30am Tues
Week 6	Year 5, RC, 1W Buddy classes Mass	9:30am Tues
Week 7	Year 4, 1E, 1S Buddy classes Mass	9:30am Tues
Week 8	Year 3 & 2 Buddy classes Mass	9:30am Tues
Week 9	End of Year Whole School Mass	9:30am Tues

### **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
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### SUNDAY GOSPEL QUOTE



### **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.

### 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.

Workshops for the Sacrament of Reconciliation begin shortly so please let Fr John know asap if you would like to take part.

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

There will be a parent meeting next Tuesday 22 October at 3.30pm or 5pm at St Dom's Hall. The three sessions children will need to attend for Reconciliation will be Wednesday 13, 20, 27 November 6pm.

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

### **COMMUNITY PRAYER**

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

**OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CHURCH** 

# YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

### PARLIAMENT HOUSE

Two weeks ago, the entire year level went to Parliament House and the center of Democracy. It was a very educational and a great learning experience. We started off by getting a tour of the parliament house by the one and only, Steven Patterson, who is the Liberal member of the South Australian House of Assembly. We saw the lower house and upper house where we learnt some historical facts about the carpeting and guests who attended some of the debates such as Queen Elizabeth! We then headed to the center of Democracy which was filled with facts about government history and what is happening in the world right now. After a long day of learning, we were lucky enough to be able to have lunch and use the rest of our energy playing at the Adelaide University oval. It was a very eventful day. Written by Adelaide 6C

I'll never forget the trip to the State Parliament House, the War Memorial, and the Centre of Democracy. In Parliament House, we learned many interesting facts about the building's development and older State Premiers. We got to sit in the seats of the Lower House, and I got to sit in the Speaker chair and wear a wig. In the Centre of Democracy, we learnt about different rules, laws, and rights that help run and shape our country.

- Written by Charlie 6T













In Term 3 we did a persuasive writing task for a new Olympic sport. First, we had to brainstorm different ideas for the new sport and give 3 reasons why we thought that sport should be in the next Olympics. It took me a while to decide what sport to do, but I settled on Formula 1. We had to type a draft on our Chromebooks, then print it off and give it to Miss Casey. When we got our draft back Miss Casey highlighted all our mistakes and then we rewrote it and fixed our mistakes. When I got mine back, I had lots of mistakes to change, and it took me a while to rewrite it and fix my mistakes, but I finally got it done. Then we had to print it off and present it to the class. I was the last person to present, and I was a bit nervous, but I pushed through and got it done.

- Written by Harrison 6C

### PICTURE BOOKS FOR BUDDIES

In English our Year 6 students have been hard at work creating special picture books for their younger buddies. Over the unit they learned all about how picture books are put together, the language used and what makes them so meaningful. Each student even included their buddy's name in the story to make it extra personal! In Week 10, they got to read their stories aloud to their buddies, who loved every minute of it. It was a fantastic way for the Year 6s to show off their creativity and bond with their buddies—lots of smiles and laughter all around!













ST. THOMAS

ST. MARY

ST. DOMINIC

# **SPORTS DAY**

FRIDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2024

BOWKER STREET OVAL, NORTH BRIGHTON 8:30AM - 1:00PM

~ WEATHER PERMITTING ~

### **UNIFORM CHANGE-OVER**

A reminder that students are to return to school after the holidays in their full summer uniform. If we still experience some cold weather in the first 2 weeks of Term 4, the full winter uniform may be worn. Please note, students must wear either the complete summer uniform or the complete winter uniform, not a combination.

It is also **compulsory** for all students to wear a school, wide brim hat during Terms 1 & 4 for all outside activities including sport lessons and break times. Given the high UV index, we encourage the wearing of hats whilst outside during Terms 2 & 3, although this is not a requirement.





The St Mary's Memorial School Uniform Shop opening hours are as follows:

Tuesdays 2:45pm - 3:30pm Thursdays 2:45pm - 3:30pm

Should you wish to make an online order, please follow the link to the <u>St Mary's Memorial School Online Uniform Shop</u>. AfterPay available with delivery information detailed on the online shop home page.

For any further queries, please contact Christine:



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Are you able to with help selling ice-blocks and handing out lunch orders Monday to Thursday 12:25 to 1:35pm? Please contact Tamara Smith

# CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP WITH THE FOLLOWING EVENTS?





Please contact Tamara Smith if you are willing to help with planning, set up, during the event and/or pack up: <a href="mailto:tsmith@stmarmem.catholic.edu.au">tsmith@stmarmem.catholic.edu.au</a>

## **TERM 4, 2024 TERM PLANNER**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY SUNDAY
Week 1	October 14	October 15	October 16	October 17 Community Prayer	October 18 Newsletter Year 1 – Festival Theatre Excursion	October 19
						October 20
Week 2	<b>October 21</b> Yr 2 – Adelaide Oval & Botanic Gardens	October 22	October 23 SMMS Community Group Meeting – 7pm	October 24 Community Prayer	October 25 World Teacher's Day  Sports Day  Bowker St Oval	October 26 SMMSCG Event LAWN BOWLS NIGHT
					8:45am – 1:15pm	October 27
Week 3	October 28	October 29	October 30	October 31 Community Prayer	November 1 9am – Whole School Mass – All Saints Day Newsletter	November 2
					SACPSSA Athletics	November 3
	November 4 1W(am) & 2S(pm) — Excursion	November 5	November 6	November 7 Community Prayer	November 8 Assembly - Science Reception Transition Visit 1 New Parent Presentation	November 9
						November 10
	<b>November 11</b> Remembrance Day	November 12 Year 2 – Sport Excursion (TBC) Buddy Mass – Yrs 6, RI & RS	November 13 Year 3 – Synagogue Visit & Belair National Park	<b>November 14</b> Community Prayer	November 15 Reception transition Visit 2 Newsletter	November 16
						November 17
Week 6	November 18	November 19 Buddy Mass – Yr 5, RC & 1W	November 20 School Board	<b>November 21</b> Community Prayer	November 22 Assembly – Year 2 Reception Transition Visit 3 SHC Transition Visit - Year 6	November 23
					students	November 24
	<b>November 25</b> Year 6 Camp	November 26 Year 6 Camp Buddy Mass – Yr 4, 1S & 1E	<b>November 27</b> Year 6 Camp	November 28 Year 6 Camp Community Prayer	November 29 Reception Transition Visit 4 Newsletter	November 30
						December 1
Week 8	<b>December 2</b> Year 6 Breakfast @ 9am	December 3 Buddy Mass Yr 3 & 2	December 4	<b>December 5</b> Community Prayer Year 6 Retreat Day	December 6 Assembly – Year 6 Year 6 Movies Excursion SMMS Carols By Candlelight	December 7
						December 8
Week 9	December 9 2025 Class Transitions Years 4 & 5 Beachouse Excursion	December 10 9:30 End of Year Mass Whole School Year 6 Dinner (Parent Run Event) LAST DAY for Yr 6 Students	December 11 Newsletter LAST DAY for Rec-Yr 5 Year 6 Liturgy (evening) 5pm	December 12	December 13	

\* PLEASE NOTE, EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
WE REMIND YOU TO VIEW THE UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANY CHANGES IN OUR FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTERS



