



## Important Dates

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Last Day of Term 3  
- 3pm finish  
Friday 29 September 2023

First Day of Term 4  
Monday 16 October 2023

Photo Day  
Wednesday 18 October  
2023

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## From our Principal



It was great to see so many parents/carers attend for our important learning conversations last week. A strong partnership between home and school is very important in assisting your child in their learning and wellbeing development and the information that is shared is essential in supporting your child.

Sometimes children do not always share what they have been learning at school. Instead of asking, 'how was your day?' or 'what did you do today?' try these questions instead...

1. What made you laugh today?
2. What subject was your favourite today?
3. What was the best part of your day?
4. Who did you sit with when you were eating lunch today?
5. What was the most interesting thing you learned today?
6. What did you like most about school today?
7. What was the hardest thing you did today?

During school time, we are focussing on asking students about their learning...

1. What are you learning and why?
2. How are you doing?
3. How do you know?
4. How can you improve?
5. Where do you go for help?

As we are getting towards the end of the school term, can I please ask for your support for the following?

1. School uniform. Only white socks please!
2. Toys/show bag things – please discourage your child/ren from bringing toys/show bag items from home. They often become lost and it can cause many distractions throughout the day. We cannot monitor items bought from home.
3. Please register your child/ren with OSHC – children are supervised until 3.20pm and then they will go to OSHC. We cannot supervise children after 3.20pm.

Registration for OSHC is free and you are only charged when you use it. [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

We have been speaking with all the children about our school value of *integrity*. In simple terms this is about doing the right thing even when no one is watching. Our focus has been on appropriate behaviour in the toilets and moving safely around the school.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Mid-Autumn Festival this Friday. Thank you to all our amazing families who have donated food, money, time and costumes for this event.

**Kelly Campbell**

## APRIM News



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Feast Day of our school and church patron saint, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, is on Monday 16 October. Croydon Park Parish will celebrate the Feast Day on Sunday 15 October at the 10:30am Mass, followed by the traditional multicultural lunch and cultural festivities. Families are most welcome to attend and if you are able to donate food or help on the day please contact the parish on 8346 0944 or at [hello@croydonparkparish.com.au](mailto:hello@croydonparkparish.com.au).

As a school, we will celebrate the Feast Day on Monday 16 October, with a whole school Liturgy of the Word in the church, and a Zooper Dooper style iceblock afterwards. We look forward to celebrating the Feast as a community when we return for Term 4.

### **Community Garden Beds**

I am pleased to share that our newly planted garden beds are establishing well. The tomato, carrots, lettuce, spinach, marigolds and lavenders, planted by our Student Leadership Team, all seem quite healthy. Special thanks to Green Adelaide and Oddy Gromitsaris for the additional irrigation tubing, timer and shade cloth construction. These additions will help to protect the garden beds throughout the school holidays. Our Student Leadership Team representatives look forward to seeing how much everything has grown when we return.

### **Liturgies and Masses**

Since our last newsletter, our Year 3/4 classes have celebrated a parish Mass for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and our Year 5/6 classes also celebrated a parish Mass for the Feast of Saint Matthew, The Apostle. Fr Charles and Fr Sam thanked our Primary Years altar servers, readers, PowerPoint operators and processors for helping to lead the celebrations for the parish. In addition, they also congratulated the children for sharing their learning during Homilys and for their active participation and joyous singing. In Term 4, we will gather for the following celebrations and as always families are most welcome to join us:

<b>Dates:</b>	<b>Gathering:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Celebration:</b>
Monday 16 October	Whole School	11:45	Liturgy of the Word
Thursday 26 October	Year 3/4	9:15	Parish Mass
Wednesday 1 November	Year 2 / Whole School	11:45	Liturgy of the Word
Monday 6 November	Year 1	11:40	Liturgy of the Word
Monday 13 November	Foundation / Reception	11:40	Liturgy of the Word

**2024 Sacramental Program:**

Congratulations to Rose, Anisha, Kayleen, Cameron, Jayne Louiz, Abrihet, Xavier, Rosalie, Aria and Javier, who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at St Margaret Mary’s Church as part of the recent Croydon Park Parish Sunday Masses. The Parish Sacramental Program will recommence in 2024. Initial information will be released in Term 4 and then further information will also be shared in Term 1. The Sacramental Program is offered to families with children in Year 3 to Year 6.

If you have any questions, please send an email to [matthew.harrison@smms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:matthew.harrison@smms.catholic.edu.au) or contact the parish office directly on 8346 0944.

Have a good weekend everyone.

**Matthew Harrison**

## Belinda Elliott - Assistant Principal



Dear Parents/Caregivers

### **Mid-Autumn Festival**

We were very excited to celebrate our **Mid-Autumn Festival today - Friday 22 September**. I loved my first experience of this wonderful celebration and enjoyed seeing all of our students in traditional dress and Autumn colours. I now understand why this is one of the staff and students' favourite days in the school calendar!

The Mid-Autumn Festival provides an opportunity for all children to be involved in story, dance, performance, and artwork. It's a celebration of our students, their learning and developing an understanding of some of the diverse cultures within our community. The celebrations also include a shared lunch with a BBQ, fried rice, spring rolls, crispy chicken and prawn crackers.

A big thank you to all the families who donated food as well as money which enabled us to buy the spring rolls, chicken wings, plates, sausages (etc). Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you also to the parents who volunteered at the festival. We appreciate your help and support.

Special thanks to all of our school staff, but especially our Mid-Autumn Committee who organised the event, food, decorations and prepared the students for the dances and stories. Their hard work and commitment ensured the day was a success. Many thanks to Jane Victory, Ann Lang, Michelle Leonardi, Nicky Watson, Olivia Ventura, Matt Harrison, and Kelly Campbell.

On Monday, our Group 1 Preschoolers, along with some very special guests from St Anna's Aged Care, enjoyed a preview of the Mid-Autumn Festival dances and stories. Below are some photos from this presentation. The visitors from St Anna's Aged Care loved their time in the Preschool and were able to stay on after the presentation to participate in some lantern craft with our preschool children.

Thanks to Maria Iovino for her work in supporting this lovely collaboration between the St Margaret Mary's Preschool and St Anna's Aged Care.

We will share more photos of the Mid-Autumn Festival soon.

**Sickness/Viruses – Please keep your child home if they are unwell**

We are currently experiencing many children being sent to school with clearly visible symptoms of viruses such as coughs and runny noses. If your child is unwell, please keep them home from school until symptoms have cleared. This protects the health of other students and our staff. Please respect the health of everyone within our community.

**Ice Cream Containers Please**

If anybody has any 2L ice cream containers that they no longer need, please send them to school for Mrs Victory. Thank you!

Wishing you all the best for the remainder of the term, and a wonderful school holiday break. I'll look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Belinda Elliott

## Mid Autumn Festival in the Preschool



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**Tuesday 26 to Friday 29 September 2023**  
**Festival Theatre, Adelaide Festival Centre**



# Angolo Italiano

Mona Lisa Artwork by Year 1 & Year 2



## Camp

During Week 7 of this term the Year 5/6 students went to El Shaddai Camping Centre for the school camp. Everyone was very excited as we boarded the bus for the trip to Wellington up on the Murray River.

After what seemed like forever, we eventually arrived and after some lunch we had a tour of the camp site and then we went to our dorms. Over the course of that afternoon and the next couple of days we were split into groups and completed a range of fun and challenging activities. The constant themes for all of these activities were to face our fears and that the key to success was teamwork.

When we were split into groups we went to all parts of the camp site. We went climbing high in rock climbing, getting wet in canoeing, screaming on the giant swing, facing our fears in vertical crates and shooting straight in archery. Congratulations to Harry and Jackson for making it to the top of the toughest part of the challenge wall.

Another perfect thing about camp was the food! BBQ chicken, cookies, pudding and ice cream, baked potatoes, hamburgers, the food was endless! I'd rate the food a 4.5/5.

The sleep on the other hand was a whole different story. Personally, I barely got any



sleep on the first night and I think that was pretty much the case for everyone. At least everyone was quiet on the second night!  
On the first night we had a quiz night and the second night we had a talent show. What would I rate the talent show? 3/3! We had Alex being a comedian, Sofia, Amie, Apuk and the whole choir singing! John and his friends doing magic tricks and Elena and her friends dancing and a whole lot of other acts! This was followed by some board games.  
Camp was an amazing sight, next year I hope we have as much fun as this year! The bus ride was great fun too!

Rafael Bote



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# MISSION XI PROGRAM

St Margaret Mary's School

Address: 5 Eldon Street CROYDON PARK SA 5008

Phone: 0404 452 628 Program Times: 07:00 am - 06:15 pm



<p><b>Tue</b> 03 Oct</p>	<p><b>Mission Takeoff XI: Mind &amp; Body Quest</b></p>		<p><b>Wed</b> 04 Oct</p>	<p><b>Adventure: Defy Gravity! at Bounce Inc</b></p>	
<p>Embark on an epic journey of self-discovery! Feel the heart's pulse with a science experiment making a pumping heart. Craft a hand model to explore muscles and create galaxy jars for mindful wonders. Unleash excitement within your amazing self!</p>		Incursion	<p>Reach new heights at Bounce Inc! Defy gravity as you flip, jump and bounce on their huge range of trampolines. How high can you jump?</p>		Excursion
<p>Full Fee \$83.75   After Max. CCS* \$8.38</p>		<p>Full Fee \$117.75   After Max. CCS* \$11.78</p>			
<p><b>Thu</b> 05 Oct</p>	<p><b>Operation: Food for Fuel</b></p>		<p><b>Fri</b> 06 Oct</p>	<p><b>Project: DIY Giant Game Adventures</b></p>	
<p>Let's look at ways we can fuel our bodies. From discovering healthy and delicious food through activities and crafts to exploring other ways we can fuel our passions; how do you fuel your energy?</p>		Base Camp Day	<p>Have you ever made your own board game from scratch? Join us as we craft our very own giant board game, designing game pieces, tokens, and more. Plus, you'll get to create a special 4-in-a-row game to cherish at home!</p>		Incursion
<p>Full Fee \$71.75   After Max. CCS* \$7.18</p>		<p>Full Fee \$92.75   After Max. CCS* \$9.28</p>			
<p><b>Mon</b> 09 Oct</p>	<p><b>Experience Takeover: Slam Dunk Showdown</b></p>		<p><b>Tue</b> 10 Oct</p>	<p><b>Operation: Alien Encounters</b></p>	
<p>You asked for the ultimate slam-dunking extravaganza and here it is! Calling all hoop heroes - today is your day to shine! We're unleashing full-court action with thrilling basketball games led by professionals. It's a total basketball bonanza!</p>		Incursion	<p>Inspired by World Space Week (4-10 October), we're exploring the extraordinary in extraterrestrial life – aka ALIENS! You'll find yourself venturing through some out-of-this-world fun, such as scavenger hunts, creating alien language and more.</p>		Base Camp Day
<p>Full Fee \$93.75   After Max. CCS* \$9.38</p>		<p>Full Fee \$71.75   After Max. CCS* \$7.18</p>			
<p><b>Wed</b> 11 Oct</p>	<p><b>Adventure: Rocketeers Dance Party</b></p>		<p><b>Thu</b> 12 Oct</p>	<p><b>Project: The Plus-Plus Challenge</b></p>	
<p>Ready for the ultimate dance fest! This dance party will have you feeling the groove as we celebrate our new song 'Take Me to Base Camp' with mind-blowing performances, the 'Take Me to Base Camp' dance moves, and some fun sing-alongs!</p>		Excursion	<p>Let's build and create using Plus-Plus blocks! An award-winning Danish toy featuring one shape and endless possibilities, it's your turn to get hands-on and build your own design and even learn basic coding using different colour combinations.</p>		Incursion
<p>Full Fee \$119.75   After Max. CCS* \$11.98</p>		<p>Full Fee \$92.75   After Max. CCS* \$9.28</p>			
<p><b>Fri</b> 13 Oct</p>	<p><b>Operation: Brain Boosters</b></p>				
<p>Experience that 'light bulb' moment as your brain engages in fun problem-solving activities! From puzzles and logic games to brain teasers and more, it's time to think out loud and enhance your cognitive skills!</p>		Base Camp Day			
<p>Full Fee \$71.75   After Max. CCS* \$7.18</p>					

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## School Times & Term Dates

**Front Office:** 8.30am - 3.45pm

**Student Supervision:** 8.30am - 3.20pm

**Classes:** 8.45am - 3.00pm

**Term 1:** Monday 30 January to Friday 14 April;

**Term 2:** Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July;

**Term 3:** Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September;

**Term 4:** Monday 16 October to Wed 13 December

## Preschool Times



**Group 1:** Monday & Tuesday 8.45am - 2.45pm;

Wednesday 8.45am - 11.45am

*Occasional Care: Wednesday 9-11.45 (bookings required)*

**Group 2:** Wednesday 12.15pm-3.15pm;

Thursday & Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

## Uniform Shop Times



**Tuesday:** 2.30pm - 3.30pm;

**Friday:** 8.30am - 10.00am

## Crossing Monitors



**Thank you** to these students who have volunteered to be crossing monitors:

**Week 7:** Sachin, Piang, Logen

**Week 8:** Matilda, Alex, Nancy

**Week 9:** Vy, Dillen, Helena

## OSHC Hours



**Morning:** 6.30am - 8.30am;

**Afternoon:** 3.00pm - 6.15pm

Phone Camp Australia: 1300 105 343

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## OSHC News

# Newsletter

Date St Margaret Mary's 20th September 2023



## HAPPY HOLIDAY BREAK



We all have had a really exciting term 3, we had our Book Week which the children dressed up as their Favorite book characters, National Science Week was filled with amazing experiments and the Mid-Autumn Festival brought our whole community together and we all celebrated the Chinese culture. The children had lots of fun and enjoyed lots of activities. We have focused on healthy eating and Our New menu; the children really like to cook, and they have made healthy Asian stir fry's, Italian Pasta, Chinese Fried Rice, Cold Rolls, Banana Bread, Cheesy Nan Bread, Pizzas, and fruit smoothies. The children really like our new improved menu and get involved helping Louise the coordinator in ordering the groceries each week.

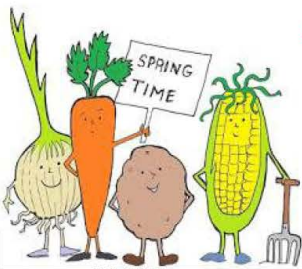
**SPRING** into a School Holiday **ADVENTURE** with an exciting program that puts an emphasis on reconnecting friendships and helping children make new ones. Rocketeers Mission XI is now open on Camp Australia Website.

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Make this spring holiday break an unforgettable one for your child/children. GET Creative, GET Active, GET Social, Non-stop Action Morning to Evening. We have amazing experiences programmed that all the children will enjoy. All of us here at St Margaret Mary's OSHC, would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday break 😊



<i>WEEK 10</i>	Painting the Recycling Bin (Makeover), Bubble Fun
<i>Monday</i>	Origami Boats, Plastic Bottle Cap Art
<i>Tuesday</i>	Recycled Magazine Collage, Building a Pizza Box Solar System
<i>Wednesday</i>	Recycles bottle pot plants, Cereal Cupcakes
<i>Thursday</i>	Cheesy Naan Bread, Watch Us Grow, Greenhouse
<i>Friday</i>	



**OSHCH.**

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To find out more about the program, view fees and to register, visit.

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Keep Smiling 😊 Louise, Jenny, Harshpreet, Rekha, Daniel & Emily

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# Newsletter



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# Happy Birthday

*We wish the following students who celebrate a birthday in September a very happy and blessed birthday:*

Nathan	3/4MC	Alexa	3/4JM
Monique	PRE2	Grace	2KB
Cameron	3/4KR	Rahmah	5/6LC
Furmann	RML	Tyson	3/4JM
Praise	3/4MC	Thomas	3/4MC
Guransh	1OV	Diamond	PRE1
Nafisa	RRB	Matilda	5/6LC
Thomas	PRE1	Harry	5/6GG
Abrihet	3/4KR	Arin	3/4KR
Pia	1OV	Valeria	RML
Piang	5/6LO	Daniel	3/4KR
Aryan	3/4KR	Hasiet	PRE2
Emma	FDN	Ky	5/6LO
Akuen	RRB	Harry	2NW



**Jordan PRE2**

**Harry 2KB**

**Riley 2KB**

**Nyla FDN**

**Belle 5/6LO**

**Xavier 3/4KR**

**Shine RML**

**Anh 3/4MC**

**Mia 2NW**

**Isabel FDN**

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## Student Absences

### Student Absences/ Late Arrivals

When a student is absent or going to be late, parents should notify the school by 9am on that day by texting the Absentee Line on 0407 682 137, emailing [absent@smms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:absent@smms.catholic.edu.au) or phoning (08) 8245 5855.

You will need to state the following:

**Name of Child;**

**Year Level;**

**Reason for Absence** (if late, approximately what time your child will arrive)

**Phone:** 8245 5855 (answering service - call anytime)

**Email:** [absent@smms.catholic.edu.au](mailto:absent@smms.catholic.edu.au)

**SMS:** 0407 682 137

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## Croydon Park Catholic Parish

**Parish Priest: Fr Charles Lukati**

Ph: 8346 0944

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## Baseball

Looking for a club to play Junior baseball  
in the 2023/24 Season?

# Senators

Woodville District  
Baseball Club

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## Come and Try Junior Baseball

U9 - Monday 5pm to 6pm

U11 - Monday 5.30pm to 7pm

U13 - Monday 5.30pm to 7pm

U15 - Friday 5.30pm to 7pm

Games start mid October

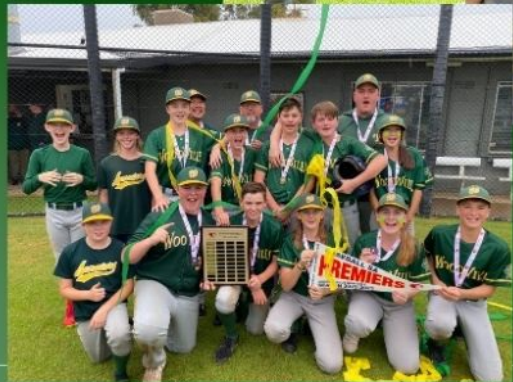
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