



Important Dates

Mid-Autumn Festival

Friday 23 September

Last day of Term - 3pm finish

Friday 30 September

First Day of Term 4

Monday 17 October

Photo Day

Wednesday 19 October

From our Principal



Mid-Autumn Festival

I am really looking forward to our annual Mid-Autumn Festival today. It is my favourite day of our school year! We are a part of a very special community here at St Margaret Mary's School, our diversity and inclusivity are celebrated and are an essential part of our identity. Thank you to all the families who were able to share their culture through traditional dress, as well as donations for our shared lunch and our fabulous food.

Thank you to all staff for their work in preparing the children, organising food and ensuring our school looked very festive!

NAPLAN

Year 3 and 5 families will receive their student reports for NAPLAN this week. Overall, St Margaret Mary's School has made gains in the literacy achievement of students over the past years. Our Year 3 writing results and Year 5 spelling were both excellent this year, above the national average. Our School Quality Performance Team, along with all teachers, examine these results and plan for continual school improvement. In 2023, we will continue with our commitment to R-2 intensive synthetic phonics through IntiaLit. We are also committed to continue with our whole school focus on building number sense and deepening understanding of the Maths curriculum through a whole-school approach to teaching maths.

If you are unsure about how to read and/or interpret your child's NAPLAN results, please come and have a chat.

Although we use NAPLAN to help us understand overall school trends in student learning at St Margaret Mary's School, we also understand that the results reflect only one test amongst all children's learning. They can tell us something, but certainly not everything, about children's learning.

2023 Planning

We are currently finalising enrolments for 2023. If you know of anyone who is interested in a St Margaret Mary's School education, please ask them to contact Angela in the front office as soon as possible. We have some limited spaces available in Reception for January intake.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kelly Campbell



News from Alicia Boylan - Assistant Principal

Mid-Autumn Festival

We are very excited to be celebrating our Mid-Autumn Festival this year. It is one of the children's favourite days of the school calendar. Big thank you to all the families that donated money which enabled us to buy the spring rolls, chicken wings, plates, etc. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Mid-Autumn Festival provides an opportunity for the senior children to be involved in the planning and presentation of the celebration. The senior children have been working in small groups to choreograph their dances and practicing them every day. Year 6 students have been leading the year 4s and 5s, demonstrating routines and keeping the groups on track. The Mid-Autumn Festival is really the time for our senior students to lead and shine!

As part of their practice, the dancers did their routines for the Group 1 Preschoolers, making sure that every student is able to participate in the celebrations!

We look forward to sharing more photos after the celebrations this week.

Attendance Matters

Last newsletter I spoke about the importance of attendance on your child's learning. I would like to emphasise that the affect on a child's learning is cumulative. A missed day here or there may not seem like much, but they quickly add up and become a problem. Missing 5 days per term quickly become a month of missed learning opportunities for the year. This time then easily becomes a whole school year missed by the time the child reaches year 10. That is why we strongly believe attendance matters to your child's learning!

At St Margaret Mary's School we have a Student Attendance Policy. The aim of this policy is:

- To provide relevant and engaging learning programs that seek to engage all children and offer opportunities for success, thus encouraging regular attendance.
- To maximise learning opportunities by ensuring student absenteeism is kept to a minimum.
- To have agreed processes for monitoring and managing student absences within the school.
- To create a parent and carer culture that views regular school attendance and communicating student absences to the school as important to the learning and wellbeing of their child.

If getting your child to school is a problem, please make sure you talk to your child's teacher or Kelly or myself. There are many ways we can work together to support children and families to attend school every day.

Soccer presentations

It was a very exciting day on Monday when Mrs Brown was finally able to present our soccer players with their medallions for the 2022 Soccer season. The children had a wonderful season and participated with a lot of energy and enthusiasm.

A BIG thank you to our super coaches Sann, Kat, Leilah, Marco, Grace, Adam, Sakshi and Luan for all your hard work and patience.

Another thank you also goes to the parents who helped out every game day. Our soccer team would not be possible with the help and support of our parent volunteers, and for this the staff and players are so grateful!

Volunteers

At St Margaret Mary's School and Preschool we use volunteers to help out on excursions, sporting carnivals, sporting teams and special events. Without our volunteers a lot of the experiences we provide for the children would not be possible.

If you think you would like to volunteer in the future, please contact Angela to enquire about the process for Volunteer Registration.

APRIM News



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week, our Year 6 students prepared a parish Mass for the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrow. This week, our Year 4 students participated in an online Catholic schools Religious Education Literacy Assessment and the Year 4 to Year 6 Student Representative Team packed grocery parcels for the parish in support of St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies).

Religious Education

This term we have been developing our 2023 and 2024 overview for teaching the Religious Education Crossways Curriculum. Through a collaborative scope and sequencing process, staff members discerned a two-year plan for each of the four curriculum Bands; Preschool and Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 and Year 5 and Year 6. We now have four working documents that are ready for teachers in 2023 and due for review in the latter half of 2024.

Journey to Emmaus

On Monday 12 September, our Year 6 students attended a servant leadership day as part of the Journey to Emmaus Program at Whitefriars Catholic School. At the heart of the day, was Luke's Gospel (24:13-35) 'The Walk to Emmaus.' In Luke's Gospel, Jesus reminded his disciples that when they are faced with challenges, they can draw on previous experiences for inspiration and courage to continue serving others. The students expressed how the social justice experiences they have shared with our community, will also support them to take up new opportunities of service in the future.

Social Justice - Catholic Charities

Today our Year 1/2 Student Representative Team collected The Hutt Street Centre donation baskets from each classroom. Over the last couple of weeks, we are proud to announce that through the generosity of our community we have received over 232 toiletry, 54 stationary and an additional 27 food and clothing donations for the Hutt Street Centre. As part of the Journey to Emmaus Program our Year 6 students have already started creating packs with personalised 'Messages of Hope' for those who visit the Hutt Street Centre. Whether in need of short term or ongoing support we hope to brighten the day of those who receive our packs and messages.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

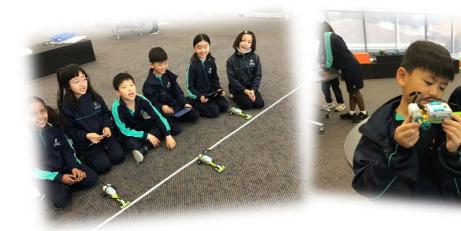
Matthew Harrison

Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission

What's been happening in 3GW?

STEM: Lego Robotics and Coding

We have explored Push and Pull Robots, Speed and Timing Racing Cars and Spinning Forces Amusement Rides. We followed instructions to build and engineer our creations and then used code to make them move, turn and go faster.



MATHEMATICS: Fractions

In Maths we have been learning about fractions. We have learnt that a fraction is an equal part of a whole. We also know the naming pattern for fractions and can place fractions on a number line. We are now learning about the rules for representing fractions so that everyone understands how fractions work!





HASS: Identity and Diversity

In preparation for Mid-Autumn
Festival, we have been learning about symbols that are important to our identity and diversity. We have made paper lanterns and constructed a dragon out of 'junk' materials. We can't wait to celebrate Mid-Autumn
Festival together on Friday!

Angolo Italiano

Year 4/5 students have worked enthusiastically this term. They can confidently recall famous Italian landmarks & the cities in which they are located. It's been wonderful to see students writing and reading in the Italian language & completing learning tasks with confidence.

Gina Armiento

Italian Teacher



Spring gardening

Our veggie patch is looking beautiful thanks to Helen's tidy up recently. We have silver beet, mint, parsley, coriander and dill growing, along with lavender, calendula and a sunflower - most self seeded!



TriSkills



In week 8 all classes got to participate in a Triskiills 'Gym Steps' lesson that aims to provide an enjoyable progression of exercises that develops each student's ability to enjoy and perform movement sequences combining effort, space, objects and people. The students all had great fun taking risks and developing new skills and confidence. A big thanks to Megan from Triskills who not only taught us lots of new skiils but provided us with lots of laughs too!



Uniform Update from our Suppliers



Dear St Margaret Mary's Community

I apologise for the delay in the delivery date of the school polo. At this stage the order is expected to be delivered to our warehouse in the first week of December 2022. The later than expected delivery has been caused by a delay in the trim fabric from the fabric mill that produces this polo fabric. This fabric is due at the factory by the end of this month.

We have also experienced lengthy delays in the PE Fleece fabric that is used to manufacture your track pants. This fabric is supplied to us by a very reputable fabric supplier in Melbourne that we have been sourcing fabric from for over 25 years' and they were severely disrupted throughout the pandemic last year. For the most part of this year, they have been catching up on the backlog and we expect them to be up to date shortly.

Unfortunately, we are still experiencing much longer than usual shipping lead times from our offshore factories in Jakarta and our containers are still being directed from Jakarta to Singapore, being reloaded on another ship in Singapore, and then being shipped to Fremantle, Perth. This is still as a result of COVID 19 regulations from the WA government and we are hopeful that ships will be able to sail directly from Jakarta to Fremantle soon which will save us considerable delivery lead times.

I would like to assure you and your school community that we are doing all we can to get our orders here as best we can and work with the delays, that are mostly out of our control, as efficiently as we can.

Thank you for your support of Perm-A-Pleat Schoolwear.

Kind regards,

Michael Paulet

National Sales and Marketing Manager

Saturday Soccer

During Terms 2 & 3 we had 4 soccer teams represent St Margaret Marys at the NWJSA competition at St Clair. Every Saturday morning the teams and their coaches would battle it out against other schools in the area. Our students showed sportsmanship, fair play and respect in all the games they played. Special mention not only goes to the parents, grandparents and special persons for getting players out to games, but to the amazing coaches who volunteered their time. A BIG thanks to our super coaches Sann, Kat, Leilah, Marco, Grace, Adam, Sakshi and Luan for all your hard work and patience. Another thank you to the parents who helped out on game day.

Here are the students receiving their soccer medals. Well done to all the students who participated.



For Sale



One used bar fridge (possibly 90L)
One used 212L fridge/freezer

14 office chairs on castors (\$20)

Please see Jane in the office 12-3 on Monday

Holiday Club at OSHC



MISSION VII PROGRAM

St Margaret Mary's School

Address: 5 Eldon Street CROYDON PARK SA 5008

1ue 04 Oct Mission: Takeoff VII

What better time than AFL Season to celebrate the Athletic Spirit? Join us today as we turn Base Camp into our very own Rocketeers Stadium! You'll play Pica Pair Sports and cheer on your favourite team with your own DIY Cheerer Stick!

Full Fee \$83.75 | After Max. CCS* \$12.56



Wed 05 Oct Operation: Tropical Escape

Aloha! Welcome and make yourselves feel at home as we use everything at hand to turn our Base Camp into our own version of a Tropical Island!

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS* \$10.76



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Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Base Camp Day

Thu 06 Oct Rocketeers Film Festival: The Sequel

Design, Camera, Action. Get into teams and make your very own stop motion animation film! Plus, all films will be entered into our national film competition. More info on our website.

Full Fee \$96.75 | After Max. CCS* \$14.51



07 Oct

Adventure: Vitamin Sea at Marine Discovery Centre

Discover the marvels of marine life at the Marine Discovery Centre and learn how to protect the coastal and marine life that surrounds us.



Full Fee \$110.75 | After Max. CCS* \$16.61

Mon 10 Oct Project: The Greatest Puppet Show

Today is all about exploring the magical world of 3D Puppetry! With the help of customisable props and unlimited imagination, Base Camp transforms into Rocketeers theatre. Design your very own 3D paper hand puppet and put on a mesmerizing show!

Full Fee \$90.75 | After Max. CCS* \$13.61



Tue 11 Oct Adventure: Playland Action at Funtopia

Jump, climb and bounce around at this amazing indoor playcentre. With so much time and an awesome Aussie-themed wonderland to explore be sure not to forget to bring all your energy as today's adventure is not to be missed!

Full Fee \$109.75 | After Max. CCS* \$16.46

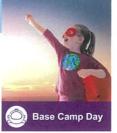


Wed 12 Oct

Operation: My Hero!

Today we're celebrating both National Hero Day and World Card Day! Come dressed as your personal hero or let them know how much you appreciate them with a beautiful card!

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS* \$10.76



Thu 13 Oct

Project: Picnic Bears

Let's celebrate the return of the sunshine by organising a Picnic: Rocketeers style! Stuff, customise your bear-y own DIY Teddy and prepare delicious cinammon scrolls for an beautiful day out and about!

Full Fee \$91.25 | After Max. CCS* \$13.69



Fri 14 Oct Operation: Obstacle Spectacle

Team up, strategise, and GO! Who can design the best obstacle course, or complete it the quickest, or cheer the loudest? Today, test your mettle and see what you can do!

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS* \$10.76



Visit campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers to join our next mission







"Say Cheese"



MSP Photography are on their way!!!

School Photo Day is:

..... Wednesday 19th October, 2022

Have your child's school memories captured forever.

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP payment envelopes & remember these helpful points:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other You can pay for all children in one
 envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Use the Shootkey on your envelope to order online!
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given cash, cheques and money orders only. Credit card payments can only be made online.

Please feel free to visit our web site

www.msp.com.au

For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: enquiries.adl@msp.com.au

School Times & Term Dates

Front Office: 8.30am - 3.45pm

Student Supervision: 8.30am - 3.20pm

Classes: 8.45am - 3.00pm

Term 1: Monday 31 January to Thursday 14 April;

Term 2: Monday 2 May to Friday 8 July;

Term 3: Monday 25 July to Friday 30 September;
Term 4: Monday 17 October to Friday 16 December

Preschool Times



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

Wednesday 8.45am - 11.45am

Occasional Care: Wednesday 9-12 (bookings required)

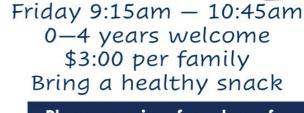
Group 2: Wednesday 12.15pm-3.15pm; Thursday & Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

Playgroup



St Margaret Mary's School

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Children are learning from the moment they are born and they mostly learn from playing along with you.

We offer experiences for you to play, talk, sing and read with your child and with other families.

Our playgroup is part of the Supported Playgroups in Catholic Education (SPiCE) program.





FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT:

Phone: 08 8245 5800

Email: info@smms.catholic.edu.au
Website: www.smms.catholic.edu.au

Crossing Monitors



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

Week 9 - Jett, Christian, Joshua

Week 10 - Jayla, Jasmin, Isabella

Term 4, Week 1 - Ky, Nam, Dakota

Week 2 - Olivia, Wynter, Alexis

Uniform Shop Times



Tuesday: 2.30pm - 3.30pm; **Friday**: 8.30am - 10.00am

OSHC Hours



Morning: 6.30am - 8.30am; **Afternoon**: 3.00pm - 6.15pm

Phone Camp Australia: 1300 105 343

Week 9 OSHC Newsletter

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 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

SMS: 0407 682 137

Croydon Park Catholic Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Lukati

Ph: 8346 0944

September Birthdays!



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

Nathan 3GW Averie PRE2 Cameron1/2AL 1/2KB Praise Guransh RRB Abrihet 1/2AL RRB Pia 4/5KT Piang 1/2CF Aryan Emma PRE1 Harry 1/2CF FDN Anh 1/2CF Riley Nyla PRE1 4/5GG Belle

Alannah PRE1

1/2ML

Xavier

Alexa 1/2ML 1/2CF Grace Rahmah 4/5GG Tyson змк Thomas 3GW Alea PRE2 Matilda 4/5KT 4/5CM Harry Arin змк Valeria FDN Monique 6LO Daniel 3GW Ку 4/5CM 4/5KT Amay 1/2KB Harry Shine FDN 1/2ML Anh Mia 1/2KB



OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART COLLEGE

Finalising places for 2023 Interviewing for 2024

Enrol Now Lollege Tours

Join us 9:30am & 5:30pm on Tuesday 27 September

With our new building under construction, now is an exciting time to join the OLSH College community! Contact us to book a tour and secure your place Tel: 8269 8800 | Web: olsh.catholic.edu.au/book-tour

• @OLSHCollegeEnfield



A Girls' Secondary Catholic College from Years 7 - 12 496 Regency Road, Enfield SA 5085 | E: registrar@olsh.catholic.edu.au



"IAMAMAN, IAMAFATHER" DAD CIRCLE



Want to socialise and connect with other fathers and father figures? Come along and share parenting experiences in a safe men's group setting.

Dad Circle will feature guest speakers on a range of helpful topics relating to fatherhood.

WHEN: Fortnightly sessions starting Monday,

26 September, 5.30pm to 7pm

WHERE: Junction Community Centre,

2A May Terrace, Ottoway

DETAILS: FREE gatherings, including a light meal.

All fathers and male carers are welcome.

RSVP: Encouraged due to catering.

Please call (08) 8440 2299 or email

cfc@unitingsa.com.au







