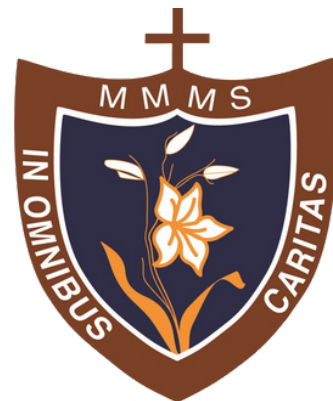


Newsletter

Mary MacKillop Memorial School



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Term 1 Week 10

07th April 2023

Reception to Year 6 Co-Educational Catholic Primary School

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UPCOMING DATES

- April -

- 10 Easter Monday
Public Holiday
- 11 Resurrection Liturgy (8:45am)
- 12 SAPSASA District Athletics Day
- 14 Last day of Term
End of Term Disco (1:10pm)
- 25 Playgroup (9:30am)
ANZAC Day

01 - May -

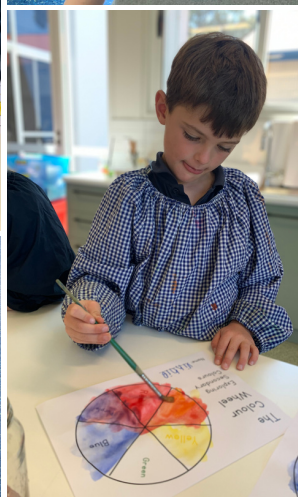
- 01 First Day of Term 2
- 05 Occasional Care (8:45am)
SAPSASA Swimming Adelaide
- 08 Playgroup (9:30am)
Occasional Care (8:45am)
- 09 SAPSASA Hockey Trials
Principal Tour/Open Morning at
Tenison Woods College (9:00am)
- 12 SAPSASA Cross Country
(Naracoorte)
Mother's Day/Special Person
Afternoon Tea
Ladies Dinner Night at Pipers of
Penola
- 15 National Volunteers Week
(Week 3)
Catholic Education Week
(Week 3)
- 17 SAPSASA Netball Trials (Millicent)
- 18 Penola Coonawarra Arts Festival
(18th May - 21st May)
- 22 Occasional Care (8:45am)
SAPSASA Football

Class News

Performing Arts

In Performing Arts this term students have been exploring the elements of music, including duration, dynamics and pitch.

In Visual and Media Arts the Upper Primary classes have focused on printmaking. The Year 2/3 class have worked on weaving, with both paper and wool. The Reception and Year One class have recently been exploring the collage work of children's illustrator Lauren Childs.



**RAISING HEARTS
AND MINDS**

From the principal

Dear Families and Friends of Mary MacKillop Memorial School,

Last Sunday marked the beginning of Holy Week with the celebration of Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday is when Catholics remember Jesus entering into Jerusalem to the crowds cheering and welcoming Him as 'King'.

Holy Week then helps us to prepare for the events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday. We remember the Last Supper and the events of Good Friday, culminating in the Passion and crucifixion of Christ.

Through our prayer reflections this week we have been able to explore in more detail the love and compassion that Jesus has for us all.

Loop of Assessment

As part of our Loop of Assessment teachers have committed to co-constructing learning goals with students, communicating the learning goals with parents through learning conversations and uploading evidence of assessment and feedback to Seesaw. This process will continue to evolve throughout the year as we endeavour to be transparent with communicating with families the achievements of each child, with a focus on growth in all aspects of the curriculum.

Staffing Term Two

Mrs Alison Smith will be taking Long Service Leave for all of Term Two and to ensure continuity of learning across the Year 4/5/6 unit Miss Amy Boyd will be increasing her teaching load and will work full time as the Year 4/5 class teacher.

We welcome Miss Sasha Reilly every Wednesday in Term 2 in the Year 5/6 class. Sasha is known to students in her role as a temporary relief teacher this term. Mrs Kimmi Tincknell will return to Mary MacKillop Memorial School in Term 2 as our PE/Health teacher, a role which she is very excited to be undertaking. Kimmi will work with all classes on a Tuesday.

Penola-Coonawarra Arts Festival

We are looking forward to the Penola-Coonawarra Arts Festival, which will be taking place from Thursday May 18 – Sunday May 21. This year the Kids Program will be down Petticoat Lane. Stand Like Stone Foundation will set up their Pop Up Shop in our Hall which will be open over the weekend.

On the Sunday our school will be hosting a BBQ, selling steaks, sausages and drinks. We will also run a free activity, which this year will be magnet making. The MacKillop Market will make a come back, selling homemade wares and produce. Early next term we will be on the look out for helpers to assist in different ways, whether it is donating some produce to sell at the MacKillop Market stall or helping with the BBQ. Many hands make light work.

New Playground

Over the holidays our old playground will be dismantled to make way for a brand new playground. The new playground has been on the 'to do' list for a few years now as the upkeep of the old playground had started to become problematic. We are very excited to see the putting together of this new play space for all children. It is sure to be a hit!

As this is the last newsletter for the term, I take this opportunity to thank all of our community, students, parents and staff for a wonderful start to the 2023 school year. Thank you for your ongoing commitment and support throughout Term 1.

A reminder that Term 2 will begin on Monday May 1st. Wishing you all a blessed Easter and we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 11th April after the mini break, with a short week to end off the term.

God Bless,



Nicole Coote.



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Community News

Birthdays

We wish a Happy Birthday to Finn (28th), Levi D. (2nd), Robert (8th), Ellie (11th).

We hope you will all have a wonderful day.

House Points

Cameron	122
McCormack	76
Woods MacKillop	90

Absentees

A reminder that if your child is absent from school, for any reason, it is important that this is communicated with the school. The Catholic Education system has advised all schools to follow up on unresolved absences with families. Your support and communication in this matter is greatly appreciated.



SA POLICE ROAD SAFETY CENTRE MILLICENT SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

In partnership with the Wattle Range Council, the SA Police Road Safety Centre will be attending the Millicent Road Safety Centre in April 2023 offering a school holiday program aimed at primary school students. The program provides education on pedestrian and cycle safety, including road rules. The program is delivered by police officers.



A mock roadway is located at the centre and provides a safe environment for participants to become familiar with road signs, pedestrian safety and road rules.

The free school holiday program provides an opportunity for children to gain vital road safety education. Participants in the two-hour program will have a classroom session and a practical session on pedestrian safety and bicycle riding on the mock roadway to put into practice their newly learnt knowledge.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own bicycles and helmets but a range of bicycles designed to cater for all riders and their abilities and helmets will be available for use.

The following two age groups are catered for and the sessions are aimed at children 5 – 8 years and 9 – 12 years. Sessions will be conducted at the Millicent Road Safety Centre, Firth Street Millicent:

- Tuesday 18 April 2023 10am – 12pm 5 – 8 years
- Tuesday 18 April 2023 1pm – 3pm 9 – 12 years
- Wednesday 19 April 2023 10am – 12pm 5 – 8 years

To book your child into one of these sessions please visit Eventbrite and search SA Police Road Safety Centre Millicent School Holiday Program.



For more information on our range of programs visit www.police.sa.gov.au/road-safety or use the QR code on the left to take you straight to SAPOL's road safety page. To book a FREE road safety session email SAPOL_RoadSafetySection@police.sa.gov.au



Sports Update

SAPSASA Softball

This week our SAPSASA softball players were in Adelaide. We are very proud of their achievements.



SAPSASA District Athletics Day

This is to be held next Wednesday 12th April. We have a huge group of students attending – around 40 of them. We wish them all the very best on this day.

SAPSASA Swimming

We look forward to our SAPSASA swimmers competing in Adelaide on the 5th May. We wish them good luck.

Up and Coming Events:

SAPSASA Hockey trials next term and SAPSASA Regional Cross Country in Naracoorte on Friday 12th May. Information regarding these two sports will be circulated in the near future.



Community News

Soccer

There is a wonderful opportunity for our students to be involved in after school sport at MMMS.

Christian Fleetwood from Football in Schools will be holding after school soccer coaching from 3.15pm – 4.15pm for 8 weeks beginning on Wednesday 3rd May. If you are interested in registering your child, please contact Christian or the school for a registration form.

School Uniform Term 2

The 'Uniform Shop' at school is open every day except Wednesdays. A reminder that with the holidays approaching and moving into Term 2 all students will need to change over to their winter uniform. I strongly suggest a winter uniform try on this long weekend in case there are items that need to be ordered by Janice Coote.

End of Term Disco

On Friday 14 April we will have an end of term disco – which will be a great opportunity for all students to put into action some of the dance moves that they learnt from Bec during the week of Footsteps. The disco will start at 1.10pm – during lunch and finish at 2pm with the weighing of the foil Easter Egg Challenge.

All students are invited to wear their 'disco' casuals on Friday.

End of Term Early Dismissal

The last day of term, Friday 14th April dismissal will be at 2.15pm.



Catholic Identity

Holy Week

This week we enter Holy Week, a most solemn week in the Catholic tradition commemorating Jesus' last week on earth and the events leading up to his resurrection on Easter Sunday. Since the earliest centuries of the Church, Christians have made pilgrimages to Jerusalem in order to retrace the steps of Jesus during his suffering, death and resurrection. Around the fifteenth century, Christians began the practice of prayerfully meditating on the Passion of Christ by reproducing that pilgrimage in miniature in what eventually became known as the Stations of the Cross. This week each class have recreated this 'mini pilgrimage' prayerfully reflecting on the Passion of Christ. By walking with Jesus, we join our suffering to His, knowing that He will lead us through it into the new life of the Resurrection.

Prayer

Draw us forth, God of all creation.

Draw us forward and away from limited certainty into the immense world of your love.

Give us the capacity to even for a moment taste the richness of the feast you give us.

Give us the peace to live with uncertainty, with questions, with doubts.

Help us to experience the resurrection anew with open wonder and an increasing ability to see you in the people of Easter.

Amen.

– Author Unknown

St Joseph Catholic Church Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday at 7pm

Stations of the Cross - Good Friday at 11.30am

Good Friday at 3pm

Holy Saturday Vigil at 5pm

Easter Sunday at 9am

Easter Egg Foil Challenge

At MMMS we aim to reduce, reuse and recycle.

This Easter we are asking everyone to be a part of the Easter Egg Foil Challenge. After Easter we are having a foil ball challenge where aluminium foil wrapping can be recycled, but there is a special way to do this.

Save your Easter egg wrappings and bring them to school during the week. Each class will then make as many golf ball size balls, which will then be able to be put in our recycling bin.

We will weigh each classes effort to determine who wins the challenge.

The challenge ends on Friday of Week 11.



Easter Eggs

The Easter egg is a popular and much-loved symbol of Easter, the celebration of the resurrected Christ. So what is the connection? The Easter egg, being a hollow egg is reminiscent of the tomb that Jesus was placed in after His death on the Cross. This tomb was found empty by His disciples on the Sunday morning. The opening of the empty egg and the cracking of the outer 'shell' is much like the opening of the empty tomb, revealing the resurrection of Jesus on the morning of Easter Sunday.



photo gallery

Holy Week





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9AM TO 3PM

AGES : 9 TO 17

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I confirm my child has not already claimed a voucher in 2023

Child's information

First name:

Family name:

Child date of birth: / /

Gender: Male Female Gender diverse

Is this the first time your child has joined this sport / dance organisation? Yes No

Has your child been identified as living with a disability? Yes No

Is your child from a culturally and linguistically diverse background? Yes No

Is your child from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background? Yes No

Medicare information

Medicare number: Reference number:

OR Australian visa number:

Parent/Guardian information

First name:

Family name:

Street address:

Suburb:

Postcode:

Contact number:

Email:

An email notification may be sent to the above email address (assuming it is correct) advising the authorisation of the voucher used for your child

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