



St Margaret Mary's School

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Update

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Diary Dates

Thursday, 10th May

- P&F Mother's Day Wrapping 9am—1pm.
- P&F Mother's Day High Tea 2pm—3pm.

Friday, 11th May

- Mother's Day Liturgy 9am in the Hall.
- P&F Mother's Day Stall 9:30am—2:00pm.
- Bookclub Due.

Sunday, 13th May

- Mother's Day

Monday, 14th May

- 8:40am Whole School Assembly and Prayer.

Tuesday, 15th May

- Yrs 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Spelling, Writing & Grammar 9am – 1pm

Wednesday, 16th May

- Yrs 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Reading 9am—11:30am.

Enrolment

If your child was born between 1st August, 2013 and 31st July, 2014, please collect an enrolment form from the school office. Enrolment interviews will take place at the month of May.

Change of Details

If you have moved house or changed your contact details, please notify the school office as soon as possible to update your details in case of an emergency.

Skoolbag App

All parents are encouraged to have the Skoolbag App, as this will be the main preference for communication to all parents. Our **School Name** for Skoolbag App is **SMMPM**.



Administration

Dear Parents & Students

Sunday is Mother's Day and after surfing the Internet, I decided these Top Ten Lessons from Mothers really stand the test of time.



1. Look both ways before crossing the street.

Taking risks is a big part of life, but it's always a good idea to think twice before you take them.

2. If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all.

Never badmouth people you meet, your next group of mates maybe from this group and even your best friend.

3. Anything worthwhile takes effort.

While opportunities may drop in your lap, taking advantage of them always requires hard work and support.

4. Treat people the way you want to be treated.

Most hassles are the result of people NOT following this simple but universal rule. This rule makes the world a better place.

5. Eat your vegetables, they're good for you.

What's the point of having money if you don't have your health? Eating healthy foods should be part of every success plan.

6. Go play outside! It's a beautiful day!

Whenever possible, spend at least some of your workday outside and breathing the fresh air.

7. Turn off that light. Do you think we own the electric company?

It's all too easy to ignore the small expenses that, when added up, can destroy your bank account.

8. Don't sit so close to the TV, it'll ruin your eyes.

Most of us spend WAY too much time glued to our computer screens, our tablets and our cell phones. Take break!

9. Are you going out dressed like that?

Like it or not, people judge you by what you're wearing and how you wear it. Be mindful of the effect you're having.

10. Life isn't fair, You have to work at making it fair!

The world does not owe you a living and you'll have to play the cards that you get dealt, so make the most of it.

Kevin Mills
Principal

Enrolments

We have 90 plus application for Kindergarten 2019. It is vital if you wish a sibling to attend St Margaret Mary's it is vital you submit an enrolment form as soon as possible. Enrolments will close on Friday, 15th June.

Attendance

Students/Parents our attendance across the school has dropped to below 90% this is below the diocesan goals for attendance. Letters will be sent home to students who have a low attendance rate over the next few weeks. These letters are part of the CEDP Policies and Procedures which StMM's is required to follow.

Current Attendance Rate per Grade

School Average 89.1 %	Kindergarten	95%	Year One	84%
	Year Two	91%	Year Three	89%
	Year Four	89%	Year Five	85%
	Year Six	88%		

Important Dates for Term Two



Thursday, 10 th May	P&F Mother's Day Wrapping 9:00am—1:00pm P&F Mother's Day High Tea 2pm in LARC
Friday, 11 th May	Mother's Day Liturgy 9:00am in the hall P&F Mother's Day Stall 9:00am—1:00pm
Sunday, 13 th May	Ascension Mother's Day
Tuesday, 15 th May	NAPLAN - Spelling, Writing & Grammar
Wednesday, 16 th May	NAPLAN - Reading
Thursday, 17 th May	NAPLAN - Numeracy
Sunday, 20 th May	Pentecost
Wednesday, 23 rd May	Primary Athletics Carnival at Holroyd Sporting Complex
Thursday, 24 th May	Our Lady Help of Christians K2019 Sibling Interviews
Friday, 25 th May	K2019 Sibling Interviews
Sunday, 27 th May	Holy Trinity
Monday, 28 th May	All students must be in Full Winter Uniform K2019 Sibling Interviews
Tuesday, 29 th May	Stage Three Girls Soccer Gala Day Year Five Prayer Service 2:15pm
Wednesday, 30 th May	Year Six Canberra Excursion Year Three Prayer Service 2:15pm
Thursday, 31 st May	Year Six in Canberra Year One Prayer Service 2:15pm
Friday, 1 st June	Year Six return from Canberra
Tuesday, 5 th June	Year Four Prayer Service 2:15pm
Thursday, 7 th June	K2019 Interviews New Families
Friday, 8 th June	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus K2019 Interviews New Families

Faith Community

Mother's Day Liturgy

Mother's, Grandmothers, Aunts and members of our school community are invited to join us on Friday, 11th May at our Mother's Day liturgy, to be held at 9am in the hall.



Teaching & Learning

ANZAC DAY

In Year Six we have been learning about ANZAC DAY. On Thursday, 3rd May, Laura Gittany and her mum brought in items from WWII, to show to Year Six. Laura showed us the medals that her great grandfather received and photos of the vehicles that were driven in the war. We learnt that the soldiers had to use their surroundings to survive, while also fighting for our land. These soldiers sacrificed their lives for us so that we would live freely in a peaceful country. We learnt about how they had to sleep in harsh conditions and had a limited amount of resources that they could use. Many soldiers and nurses died in Gallipoli and France in WWI. We are told that war is a terrible thing and that no one ever wins war. Lest We Forget.



Personal Growth

Monday Morning Assembly

On Monday morning, Ms Veness announced that the P&F will open the uniform shop. If anyone has any uniforms to donate the P&F would greatly appreciate them. On Tuesday, we will have a Peer Review for Stage One and people from the CEDP are going to see the work we are doing in Creative Arts and Religious Education. On Wednesday, Kindergarten will have their first excursion to the farm! They will be seeing all types of animals! Year Five and Year Six will be meeting with Johnny Romeo for art ideas. On Thursday, the P&F are wrapping the Mother's Day gifts (ready for Friday) and on Thursday afternoon they are holding a High Tea for all our special mothers and Grandmothers! Year Six will be meeting a scientist named Jason Barles who will teach them coding. Lastly, on Friday we have our Mother's Day liturgy at 9am and then all grades will be going to the Mother's Day stall. Don't forget your money!

Media Team

Diocesan Cross Country

On the 1st of May, students from St Margaret Mary's represented our school in the 2018 Diocesan Cross Country. There were students from Stages 2 and 3 competing against other schools. We were all so nervous going to Eastern



Creek. When we sat down in the cold stand. We had to walk the course in the muddy grass. When we finished walking the course, we sat down and got ready for our races. When we were racing everyone was cheering for each other. It was a great day and we had so much fun, giving it a go to run on a very long track.

We would like to thank Mrs Foley, Mrs Risk and all the parents who helped and cheered us on at this event. We would also like to thank the P&F committee



for the new singlets that we wore to this carnival.

By Jacob Mifsud and Christina Putrus.



Partnership

P&F News

Mother's Day High Tea

Mother's and Grandmother's are invited to our High Tea for Mother's Day, to be held on Thursday, 10th May in the LARC from 2:00pm—3:00pm.

Mother's Day Stall and Wrapping.

With Mother's Day just around the corner, we need helpers to wrap and sell our beautiful Mother's Day gifts on Thursday, 10th and Friday, 11th May.

The gifts will range in price from \$1.00—\$8.00 with a huge variety of gifts.

If you are unable to help on either day, but would like to send in a plate of food for the helpers they can be left at the school office.

