

St Mary MacKillop

GENEROSITY: "TRY ALWAYS TO BE GENEROUS:" (1882)

NEWS

Vision

As partners in Catholic education and open to God's presence, we pursue fullness of life for all.

Mission

At St Mary MacKillop College we are people who affirm the dignity of every person, who act with respect and compassion, who reverence relationships, who have hearts for generosity and forgiveness.

We celebrate our Catholic identity.

We respect the unique dignity, faith and gifts of each person.

We value learning, aspiration and connectedness and we work together to create a positive future.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends,

Welcome back to everyone at the start of a new term. It was great to return after a restful break to the chatter and excitement of young people gathering together again. We welcomed a new staff member last week, Ms Courtney Rovere. Ms Rovere has been employed in our Learning Resource Centre to replace Ms Casey Simmonds, whilst Ms Simmonds is on parental leave. We also welcomed two new students, Macy in Year 8 and Indy in Year 10.

Last week I had the privilege of accompanying Jasmine Wright and Nyathor Nhial to Melbourne for the finals of the Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition. It was a long day of waiting, however it was worth it as Nyathor finished second in her Non-Italian division. Well done to both Jasmine and Nyathor, as only the top 10% of entrants made it through to the finals.

On Friday this week, as the students enjoy a rare day off, the staff will be venturing to St Joseph's College in Mildura to take part in a Religious Education Professional Development Day with international speaker Dr Carmody Gray. We are grateful to the St Joseph's College community for hosting us and making changes to the start and finish times to allow us to travel during reasonable hours. The main themes of the day are "God's Dream: The Gospel of Mercy" and "Measuring Success".

If you haven't purchased your tickets to the school production of "Wicked: The Untold Story of the Witches of Oz." The costumes and set are looking amazing, so don't miss your chance to see the show on either Thursday 15th or Friday 16th August.

Michelle Haeusler
Principal

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FUTURE EVENTS

JULY

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| Fri 26th | Staff Professional Development Day
Student Free |
| Sun 28th | Production Rehearsal
1pm to 5pm |
| Mon 29th – Wed 31st | Chartsec Camp 10B |
| Tues 30th | Transition Day 2 |
| Wed 31st – Thurs 1st | Year 12 English Orals |
| Wed 31st – Fri 2nd | Chartsec Camp 10C
Year 11 Ski Trip |
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| Thurs 1st | Australian Maths Competition
Production Rehearsal
1:30pm to 5:30pm |
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FAITH MATTERS

Our annual Hearts and Hands, Justice and Compassion Mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Church last Friday. Many items were generously donated by our whole school community. These included food, blankets, toiletries, socks, beanies and much more.

Representatives from our local St. Vincent de Paul chapter were in attendance and leader, Mr Damien Kelly accepted the donations on the society's behalf. Many adults, children and families access the services of our local St. Vincent de Paul chapter. It is particularly busy this time of year when it is cold and expenses are higher. They were very grateful to receive so many donations and thanked us for our generosity. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all the St Mary MacKillop College community for their generosity in supporting this annual Winter Appeal.



Thursday 8th August is the Feast Day of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. A whole school Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church starting at 12:15 pm. All are welcome to attend.

This celebration of our founders is part of our JJAMM Week celebrations (Joseph, Julian and Mary MacKillop). Throughout the week there will be various activities for students and staff to engage in. These will include a Staff Vs Students netball game, pJJAMMA Day, hot jam donuts and the Walkathon on Friday. It is always a great week of celebration!



On another note, the previous Faith Matters article was recently published on the Sisters of St. Joseph web page. Our involvement in World Environment day was included to promote how Josephite schools commemorated this day. Many thanks to all involved, including the Environment Committee.

<https://www.sosj.org.au/world-environment-day-schools-19/>

Alison Wright
Director of Mission



TEACHING AND LEARNING

Term three is always a very busy and productive term for student learning in all year levels. I would like to encourage all parents and guardians to take the time to log on to the Parent Access Module (PAM) throughout this term and review their child's progress and workload as communicated in their Teacher Advisor reports, class tasks, assessment task grades and teacher feedback.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact relevant teaching staff directly.

Teacher Advisor Interview Schedule Term 3 2019

WEEK/DATE	TA INTERVIEWS
Week 3 29 July – 2 August	Year 12 TA Interviews
Week 4 5 – 9 August	Year 11 TA Interviews
Week 5 12 – 16 August	Year 10 TA Interviews
Week 7 26 – 29 August	Year 9 TA Interviews
Week 8 2 – 6 September	Year 8 TA Interviews
Week 9 9 – 13 September	Year 7 TA Interviews

Year 12 Studies



Year 12 Chemistry students Arlie Atkinson and Allegra Colin-Thome analysing the aspirin content of tablets using volumetric analysis techniques.

Term 3 is certainly a crucial stage for our Year 12 students with the majority of VCE classes planning to have completed their coursework by the end of this term so as they can focus on exam preparation with less than three weeks of classes scheduled in Term 4. Unit 3/4 external examinations commence on Wednesday 30th October with English and English EAL. Students studying VET subjects and/or the VCAL course will also need to ensure all outcomes have been successfully completed by the last day of Year 12 classes on October 22nd 2019.

Full details of examination timetables, rules and the VCE Navigator are available on the VCAA website

<https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/vce/exams/timetable.aspx>

Unit 3/4 Practice Exams are considered an important part of the preparation program for our students completing external examinations. Practice exams for all VCE Unit 3/4 subjects will be conducted over the September holiday break. An exam timetable will be available in the next newsletter.

After School Homework and Study Help in the Learning Resource Centre (Library)

In an effort to assist students with their homework and develop sound study skills, the staff at St Mary MacKillop College have been rostered into the Learning Resource Centre every Monday – Wednesday from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. We strongly encourage students to utilise this excellent facility, where students can stay after school any day until 4:30pm (except Friday when the Learning Resource Centre closes at 4:00pm).

After School Homework and SAC Supervision					
Week	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday
3 29/07	Jessica Curtis		Clare Tilburn		Chelsea Watson
4 05/08	Damien Hirst		Sally Looney		Jane Alderuccio
5 12/08	Luke Crow		Kursty Bookham		Suzy Haley

Sally Looney

Director of Teaching and Learning

2019 SCHOOL FEES REMINDER:

Families that have opted to pay their school fees per term are reminded that this payment was due on
Friday 28th June.

If you are paying per annually, this payment was due on
Friday 26th May.

Please contact Mrs Kerry Kean, Assistant Business Manager on 5032 9771 for more information or to make payment arrangements.

PATHWAYS/CAREERS

Year 12 News

On Tuesday, July 24th, all Year 12 students attended the Tertiary Information Session (TIS). We sat in an information session then students had some time to speak with University, TAFE and other further education providers about courses of interest to them.

Next week in our Study Support Session we will be helping them prepare for University applications when VTAC opens on August 5th. We will talk them through creating an account, loading University Preferences as well as applying for SEAS and Scholarships. The application process can be stressful for some students and their parents. We are both available to meet with any student or parent that needs assistance. Please contact us if necessary to arrange a time. VTAC applications close on September 30th.

Many students have been busy applying for the LaTrobe University ASPIRE Program and the Australian Catholic University Community Access Program. If successful, students will receive an early offer in their preferred course at one of these Universities.

University Open Days

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY Melbourne – Sunday, August 11 th Ballarat – Sunday, August 25 th www.openaday.acu.edu.au	DEAKIN UNIVERSITY Geelong – Sunday, August 18 th Melbourne – Sunday, August 25 th http://openaday.deakin.edu.au
FEDERATION UNIVERSITY Ballarat and Berwick - Sunday, August 25 th (TBC) https://federation.edu.au/openaday	LATROBE UNIVERSITY Melbourne – Sunday August 4 th Bendigo – Sunday, August 25 th www.latrobe.edu.au/openaday
MONASH UNIVERSITY Caulfield, Clayton, – Sunday, August 4 th Parkville – Sunday, August 18 th http://bit.ly/1pmUEzy	RMIT University Bundoora – Sunday, August 4 th City and Brunswick – Sunday, August 11 th http://openaday.rmit.edu.au
SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY Sunday, July 28 th http://bit.ly/1FRMN40	UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE Parkville and Southbank – Sunday, August 18 th https://openaday.unimelb.edu.au
VICTORIA UNIVERSITY Sunday, August 18 th www.vu.edu.au/open-day-2019	

Defence Force

CHEFS in the ADF are responsible for the preparation of all food in varying conditions. There are some great experiences for students looking to apply their love of cooking to a career that really takes them places with the Navy, Army and Air Force. Students in Year 10 – 12 with an interest in becoming a Chef and in a Defence career and are encouraged to consider this 'experience' event in Melbourne. More information and application forms are available from the Pathways Office and must be submitted by us.



Apprenticeship Opportunity

Condely Homes (Swan Hill) have an opportunity for a full-time apprentice to join their family owned business. The ideal applicant must have a keen interest in the construction industry. Email resume to nathan@condelyhomes.com.au by Friday, July 26th.

Laura Crow and Brenda Brady
Pathways Team

WICKED TICKETS NOW ON SALE

St Mary MacKillop College is excited to announce our 2019 production of *Wicked: The Untold Story of the Witches of Oz!* will run on Thursday 15th August and Friday 16th August at 7:00pm at our Jubilee Centre in Splatt Street.

When Dorothy famously triumphed over the Wicked Witch, we only ever heard one side of the story. *WICKED* tells the incredible untold story of an unlikely but profound friendship between two young women who first meet as sorcery students at Shiz University: the blonde and very popular Glinda (played by Charlotte Rush) and a misunderstood green girl named Elphaba (played by Phoebe Griffiths and Kate Mullan). Following an encounter with The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (played by Jethro Edullantes and Harrison Sawyer), their friendship reaches a crossroads and their lives take very different paths. Glinda's unflinching desire for popularity sees her seduced by power while Elphaba's determination to remain true to herself, and to those around her, will have unexpected and shocking consequences for her future. Their extraordinary adventures in Oz will ultimately see them fulfil their destinies as Glinda The Good and the Wicked Witch of the West.



Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased through the Front Office. Phone: 03 5032 9771.

Talia Henderson

Curriculum Leader Arts



BIOLOGY EXCURSION

Year 12 Biology students had the opportunity to attend a workshop at La Trobe University in Bendigo on Monday. Students engaged in practical analysis of the evolutionary change and applications of DNA technology.



10A CHARTSEC CAMP

Year 10A students have attended Chartsec this week in Charlton. They look to be having a great time and are learning new driving skills.



SCHOOL BEANIES

Our School beanies have arrived! Students who have ordered a beanie can pay for them and pick them up at the Front Office. They are \$14.50.

Beanies can be worn to and from school, at recess and lunchtime with the Winter uniform. A big thank you to the Student Forum for organising this and to Campbell Kelly for the design.



DOG KENNELS FOR SALE

Our 1st Year VET Building & Construction students have completed their dog kennels and they are ready for sale. There are two large, medium and small kennels available with the sizes listed below. The small kennels are only \$100, medium \$125 and the large kennels are \$150.

Sizes:

Small – 740mm long x 450mm wide x 700mm high (top of gable)

Medium – 900mm long x 600mm wide x 840mm high (top of gable)

Large – 1000mm long x 700mm wide x 1030 high (top of gable)

All kennels are supplied with treated pine weather board walls, colour bond roof and 18mm thick ply bottom.



eat. move. smile.

fruit & veg more often together

Think about these three words to help your child (and yourself) be their most healthy and happy

Eat more fruit and veggies

Move more often

Smile with friends, family and neighbours.

Getting good nutrition, good levels of physical activity and interacting with other kids and adults are important factors in the growth, learning and health of children.

Week 1

15th – 19th July

smile.
together

It's Back to School Time!

Going back to school can be difficult for some kids after the holidays. The sudden change in routine again, the pressures of school, and the challenge of concentrating for a whole day after 2 weeks of holidays.

It's important that children can recognise the good parts of being back at school again.

1. A way to make them focus on the good over the bad is to ask them to name at least 2 good things that happened throughout the day and talk about why they were good. This way, your children can learn to focus on positive parts of their day rather than dwell on negative things.

Week 2

22nd – 26th July

move.
more often

With the colder weather and the shorter daylight hours, getting active outside can be tricky.

Try some fun ways to get active indoors:

- **Freeze Dance:** set aside 30-45mins every evening as 'freeze dance time', during which, no matter what your children are doing at the time, if you start the music they should dance! (Within reason).
- **Book-worm Workout:** While the weather is cold, curling up on the sofa with a book is a lovely thing to do. This is a fun way to make it a source of physical activity too! If there's a word that regularly pops up in the books, assign that word an exercise, and so every time that word comes up your child should do the assigned exercise.
- **Balloon Volleyball:** This is a great way to get active indoors! Tie a piece of string between 2 chairs as the 'net' and play a game of balloon volleyball.

Solomon House Raffle

Prize:
Signed Carlton
Jumper

Drawn:
9th August - after
the Walkathon

TICKETS



Tickets can be purchased
from Solomon students,
World Challenge students
or at the Front Office

All proceeds to the
community project for
World Challenge Cambodia



**KICK
START
YOUR
FUTURE**

CAREERS OPENDAY

WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST 10AM – 5PM

WORKSHOPS • INFO EXPO • DISPLAYS AND DEMOS • TRY A CAREER

MILDURA CAMPUS, BENETOOK AVENUE

SWAN HILL CAMPUS, SEA LAKE-SWAN HILL ROAD

ROBINVALE CAMPUS, BROMLEY ROAD

Call: 1300 478 648
Visit: sunitafe.edu.au



Longy Open Day



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August 11, 2019
10am-3pm**

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6 week Program

Starting 7th August 2019

1-3PM



Location ;

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123 Gray Street Swan Hill*

Book your free place by telephone or email

Jo Tildesley

Ph. 5036 3200

Email

Jo.Tildesley@anglicarevic.org.au

Facilitated by;

Jo Tildesley, Senior Practitioner Family Services Anglicare

Jemma Espie, Family Services Worker Anglicare

“Being a parent is the most important job you can do. It can last a lifetime. You don’t have to know everything all the time. In fact, children and parents learn from each other. The more we can understand children, the more we can help them grow and develop.”

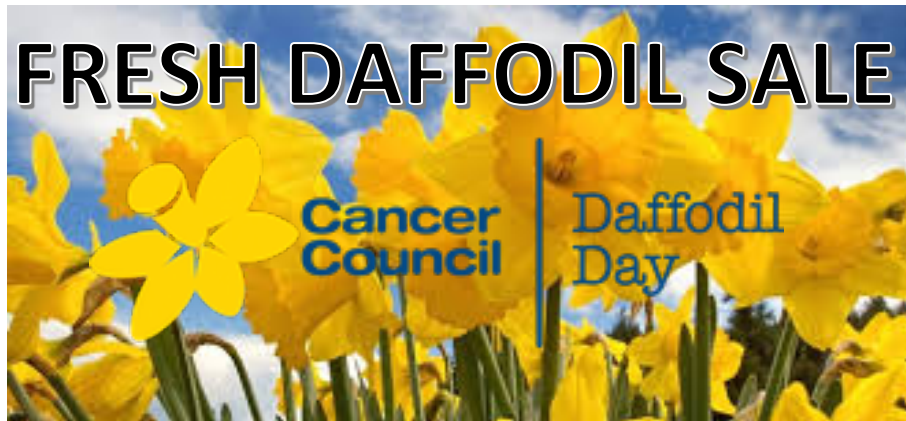
Giving and Receiving Messages .. children who don’t feel heard, can’t hear you

The messages of Behaviours ...seeing your child’s behaviour as a way to tap into their needs and feelings

Messages about Me ... recognising that each child is a unique person and so will behave differently.

Passing on Messages ... thinking about your parenting, so you can make your relationships with your children even better





Friday 23rd of August 2019 is Daffodil Day throughout Australia. The Daffodil is the International symbol of hope for all those affected by cancer. Hope for a cure, hope for improved treatment and hope for more survivors.

- One in two men and one in three women will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85. (Information taken from " *Authoritative information and statistics to promote better health and wellbeing*" <http://www.aihw.gov.au/cancer/>)
- Fresh Daffodils will be sold to raise money to support local Swan Hill Cancer Groups.
- Students and staff can order a single daffodil for \$1.00 or a bunch of ten for \$8 and help support our local group. <https://www.daffodilday.com.au/event/daffodil-day/home>

Orders and money **need to be back to the school by Monday August 20th**.
The fresh daffodils will be delivered to the school on Friday 24th August.

Thank you very much for your support in this great cause; we appreciate your assistance, Kind Regards,

Mary Heap (Mob: 0434 572 304) maryannenyah46@gmail.com *Murray Valley Group CWA*

FRESH DAFFODIL SALE ORDER

Student's Name	Class	Number of single Daffodils \$1.00 each	Bunch of ten (10) Daffodils \$8.00 a bunch	Paid
				TOTAL

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