



# St Mary's Primary School

**Week 1 Term 2: Issue 6**

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## ***Our Mission:***

At St. Mary's School Maffra, we are a Catholic School that strives to be authentic to the teachings of Jesus and the teachings of the Church. We aim to be an inclusive and nurturing community that respects, values and empowers each person to fulfil their dreams and potential. We envisage a School that provides challenging, relevant and child-centred learning experiences. We believe that the social, emotional, moral, spiritual and physical wellbeing of our students is pivotal to student health, safety, learning and success.

## **2019 Term Two**

### **Week 2**

#### **Tuesday 30th April**

- **Uniform Shop Opened in Parish Hall @8.45am**

#### **Thursday 2nd May**

- **Sacrament of Confirmation Parent Meeting @7.30pm**

#### **Friday 3rd May**

- **P & F Pie Drive forms and money to be returned**
- **St Mary's Cross Country @ Morison St**

#### **Sunday 5th May**

- **Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment Mass @9am**

### **Week 3**

#### **Tuesday 7th May**

- **Mother's Day Stall \$5.00 per gift**

#### **Wednesday 8th May**

- **Catholic College Sale Open Day for Year 6 11.45am to 1.15pm**

#### **Thursday 9th May**

- **P & F Pie Drive Please collect from 3pm onwards in Parish Hall**

#### **Friday 10th May**

- **Whole School Mother's Day Mass @10am**

#### **Sunday 12th May**

- **Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment Mass @9am**

Dear Parents

Welcome to Term Two. I hope you all had the chance to spend some time together over the Easter break. We have had two significant days on our calendar- Easter and ANZAC Day. Using the words of vocalist Andrew Chin, the students led the Easter Story on the last day of term. It is important to know that Jesus only wanted to be considered an ordinary person but unfortunately society didn't allow this to happen. He ultimately gave his life for us.

Some two thousand years ago a man by the name of Jesus Christ walked this earth. This is historical fact. He created such a furore! He chose to upset the powers that be by questioning why some people were treated with dignity and respect whilst others were not. He shared stories about love and compassion as opposed to the order of the day that dictated oppression and aggression. He lived a simple yet incredibly influential life, such that we to this day celebrate his life and his influence. Christianity is the largest religious movement on the earth and began with this one man, Jesus. Our teachers find ways to recontext many of the stories involving Jesus with hopefully key messages that we can all apply to how we live today. The Easter Story is just one of those examples.

Yesterday for ANZAC Day everyone in some way was able to pay respect to those risked everything for us. We now have a wonderful country in which we are able to call home. Many of our children and families were able to march and lay a wreath at the ceremony yesterday in Maffra. The RSL, sporting associations and local historians have made concerted efforts to allow the story and the spirit of the ANZACS to be with us always now and into the future. The sight of some of our soldiers wearing medals and standing proud is an inspiration to all of us. We will remember them. Lest we Forget.



The Grade 4 students had a wonderful camp at Forest Lodge this week. The focus of the experience is team building, being resilient and trying new activities. Thank you to all of the children for participating, their behavior was enthusiastic and responsible. Also to staff who coordinated the agenda and gave their time. It was a great success!.

We look forward to next Friday, 3rd May for the Cross Country. You will have seen we are incorporating the 'The Colour Run' as part of the occasion. It should be a fun day!

**This term we have one mandated school closure day; Tuesday, 21st May.** All staff will be involved in the CEO compulsory Religious Education Professional Development Program.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Jason



### ***St Mary's P & F Easter Raffle:***

Congratulations to our winners

**First Prize: Dot Rowley**

**Second Prize: Olivia Hunt**

**Third Prize: Leon Schoenmaekers**



### ***Easter Bonnet Parade:***



### ***NAPLAN Dates:***

NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 14th to 24th May this year. Students in Years 3 and 5 will undertake these as online tests this year. We would appreciate it if you could avoid taking family holidays during this period. Please notify your child's classroom teacher if you will be away during these days.

### ***St Mary's Cross Country:***

Our School Cross Country and Colour Explosion will be held on **Friday 3rd May, 2019** at the Morison Street Sporting Complex - Maffra, beginning at 11:45pm. Children are required to wear sports uniform (**and a plain white t-shirt if possible**), as well as their hats on this day.

Students will be down at the ovals throughout lunchtime and are required to bring a fully packed lunch and plenty of water for the day. We will require parent helpers on the day to assist as marshalls around the track and with the distribution of the coloured powder, if you are able to help **please return the slip that was sent home today to school by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.**

**PLEASE NOTE: all parking on the day for spectators is to be in the Maffra Basketball Association carpark.**

**A run down for the day is as follows (please note this is an estimate only):**

- Event 1** (approx 12 noon) - 12/13yr old Boys and Girls – 2 Laps – 3km
- Event 2** (approx 12:20pm) – Prep Boys and Girls – Modified oval run
- Event 3** (approx 12:35pm) – 11 yr old Boys and Girls – 2 Laps – 3km
- Event 4** (approx 12:55pm) – Grade 1 Boys and Girls – Modified oval run
- Event 5** (approx 1:10pm) – 9/10 yr old Boys and Girls – 1 Lap + oval run – 2km
- Event 6** (approx 1:30pm) – Grade 2 Boys and Girls – 1 Lap – 1.5km

We are hoping for a fantastic and **FUN** day for all, please ensure children pack an extra set of clothing in case they need to change after their run!!

### ***Country Buses:***

Please note that we have been informed by Southern Rural Water of major works being done around the Tinamba - Mewburn Park areas. Most work will be away from roads but just letting you know to make any families aware and to be extremely careful and it may be a little slower trip etc. These works will be going until August.

### ***Missing/Lost:***

Ben Williams is missing his named sports jacket. Please check at home to see if it went home by mistake.





## ***Parish News:***



### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

**MAFFRA:** Sunday 9.00am

**HEYFIELD:** Saturday 6.00pm

**COWWARR:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 11.00am

**NEWRY:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 11.00am

**DARGO:** 5<sup>th</sup>

### **RECONCILIATION:**

**Maffra:** Saturday – For Half Hour after 9.30am  
Mass  
(And any other time by request).

**Heyfield:** 5.20pm-5.45pm prior to Saturday  
evening Mass

### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

**Congratulations to the following students who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

***Tyler Schoenmaekers, Jasmin Evans, Lenny Batalha, Caleb Munro, Ashlyn Harrington, Chloe Murphy,  
Isabelle Nikolajew, Owen Hunt, Shayla Dingwall, Letycia Murphy, Brody Watson,  
Maeve Nowak and Lewis Phillips***





## Community News:

Want to give your child a head start  
with essential life skills?

It's easier than you think

Did you know that participation in drama classes  
builds confidence and fosters creativity, problem  
solving skills and resilience?

### TERM 2 STARTS APRIL 27

Saturday mornings in the Hua Room at The Wedge

9am: Juniors (Prep-Year 2)

9:45am: Intermediates (Years 3-6)

11am: Seniors (Years 7-10)

THE  
SATURDAY  
DRAMA  
SCHOOL

Building confident, resilient  
and creative children

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

To enrol, call Deirdre on 0458 450 777



## Maffra Lions Club Fun Run

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 2019

2km kids run

5km walk/run

14km run

Proudly supported by



\*\*\* Jojlo's on Johnson \*\*\* Macalister Hotel \*\*\*

Join in the fun from 8:30am on the  
Gippsland Plains Rail Trail

For entries and further information, visit Maffra  
Lions Club Fun Run on Facebook or contact  
Glenn on 0409 472 471



Bacon & egg rolls!

Travel'n'Grind coffee van!

Spot prizes to local venues!

## HOOKIN2 HOCKEY

Hookin2Hockey is the introductory program for new participants, giving them  
a fun and safe environment to develop and learn the fundamentals of hockey.

**CENTRE:** Maffra Hockey Club

**CONTACT NAME:** Jane Gallatly

**CONTACT NUMBER:** 0418 380 658

**EMAIL:** maffrahockeyrecruitment@gmail.com

**LOCATION:** Maffra Secondary College, Alfred Street, Maffra, VIC, 3860

**START DATE:** Sunday 19th May

**TIME:** 10:00am

**WEB:** [www.hookin2hockey.com.au](http://www.hookin2hockey.com.au)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** The first week will be a free come & try session, followed  
by 8 weeks of skills based training



For more information visit: [WWW.HOOKIN2HOCKEY.COM.AU](http://WWW.HOOKIN2HOCKEY.COM.AU)