

St Mary's Primary School

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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 8

Monday 10th June

- Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Thursday 13th June

- Regional Cross Country

Week 9

Wednesday 19th June

- Grade 5/6 Camp

Thursday 20th June

- Grade 5/6 Camp

Friday 21st June

- Grade 5/6 Camp

Week 10

Tuesday 25th June

- Parent/Teacher Interviews
3.30pm to 6pm

Wednesday 26th June

- Parent/Teacher Interviews
3.30pm to 6pm

Friday 28th June

- Whole School Mass
@10am
- Last Day of Term 2
@2.20pm

Dear Parents,

Today I was so pleased to be part of the congregation at the Grade 5/6 Mass. The young people of our school participated enthusiastically throughout the Mass with song and respectful interaction with each other. Over the last few weeks we have been talking with the children in the 5/6 unit about self control and understanding of others' feelings. I had a true sense of joy today when the 5/6 group as a whole reflected their learning in their actions.

The discussion with the children in years 3-6 has been in part about some recent online behaviours. While the school has no authority to intervene with any out of school activity we are often concerned when children have had a falling out and bring their discord to the education space.

I have found a list of 10 facts about online behaviours that are worthy of thought and may open discussion between students and parents on the issue.

- 1 Nearly 43% of kids have been bullied online. 1 in 4 has had it happen more than once.
- 2 70% of students report seeing frequent bullying online.
- 3 Over 80% of teens use a cell phone regularly, making it the most common medium for cyber bullying.
- 4 68% of teens agree that cyberbullying is a serious problem.
- 5 81% of young people think bullying online is easier to get away with than bullying in person.
- 6 90% of teens who have seen social-media bullying say they have ignored it. 84% have seen others tell cyber bullies to stop.
- 7. Only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.**
- 8 Girls are about twice as likely as boys to be victims and perpetrators of cyber bullying.
- 9 About 58% of kids admit someone has said mean or hurtful things to them online. More than 4 out of 10 say it has happened more than once
- 10 About 75% of students admit they have visited a digital space where there was abuse from one student to another student.

Retrieved from <https://www.dosomething.org/us/facts/11-facts-about-cyber-bullying>

Jason Slattery and the Sustainability Warriors reported to me the good time was had by the students who braved the cooler weather on the bike ride to Tinamba. The children on the ride said it rained a little bit and there was a bit of a head wind but a really fun afternoon was had by those who went.

Adding to the adventures had by the bike riders I have interviewed a panel of experts about the ADVENTURE they are having in their learning.

Lockie reported to me that on his zoo adventure the first thing he saw was the meerkats and then a crocodile. They all agreed the animals were being respectful like they were praying to God...the tigers and lions were especially calm. Elke told me Noah had an adventure when he saved two of each animal and a dove went to see if there was dry land. Chevy felt that his whole life was an adventure mostly when he goes to the footy, which is, apparently... a lot.



Have a safe and blessed long weekend,
Yours in partnership,
Anne-Marie Robb

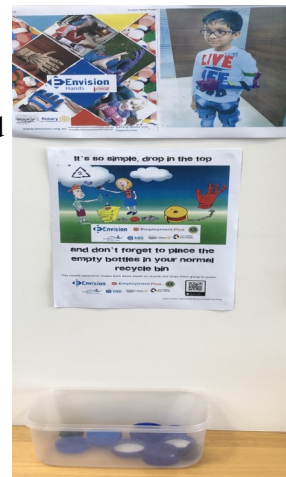
Envision Hands - "Turning waste into an opportunity."

Envision hands is an incredible environmental and humanitarian project supported by Coco Cola, Rotary, Lions Club, and so many people in the community.

Together we will be gathering plastic bottle tops (soft drink, water bottles, and milk bottle tops) and transforming them into prosthetic limbs and other usable household items. As part of the e-NABLE project, Envision Hands aims to make 100 prosthetic limbs for disadvantaged children and communities throughout India and other 3rd world countries.

Please help us make a difference in less fortunate children's lives and take your (above mentioned) bottle tops in to the school office's drop off point.

Thankyou in advance, from the kids and educators at Maffra Gumnuts"



Woolworths Earn and Learn:

Between 1 May and 25 June 2019, collect as many stickers as you can. Stick them on the sticker sheets and return them to collection box in school foyer or drop them in our collection box at Woolworths Maffra.

Don't forget, you can always download and print extra sticker sheets at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Thank you for your support.



Sacrament of Confirmation:

Please note change of date and time for Sacrament of Confirmation Parent/Child Meeting to **Wednesday 17th July at 6pm.**

PEACE MASS

Our Peace Mass was held in the Bishop Phelan Stadium last Friday 31st May. This Mass was well represented by our Wellington Catholic Schools. Here are some of the school leaders shown below and donations to the Gippsland Farmer Drought Relief Fund.



Awards:

Congratulations to the following children who received awards at assembly:

	Class Award
Foundation	Harri Murphy
1/2C	Sam Gately Ryder Henry
3/4D	Audrey Thompson
3/4E	Letycia Murphy Maev Nowak
5/6F	Charlotte Nikolajew Frances Dwyer
5/6G	Lucas Felmingham Lilly McQuillen
Positive Behaviour	Chloe Murphy Breanna Phelan
Tidiest Lockers	5/6 Classes - Week 5 Foundation—Week 6



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

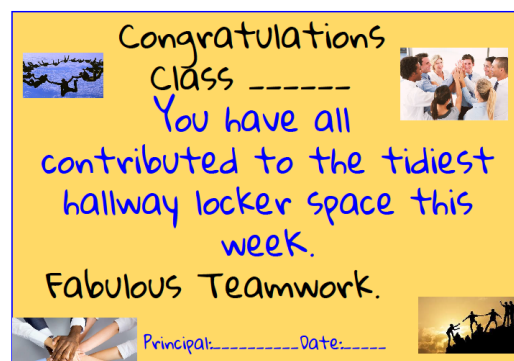


May

31st Georgia Foat 1/2C

June

09th Jack Pownall-Lee 3/4D



Foundation Class in Japanese

Our Foundation Class have had four big learning intentions this semester.

- To read 10 hiragana (a Japanese alphabet) letters.
- To write 'Mum', 'Dad' and 'Me' in Chinese characters (Japanese nouns are written in Chinese).
- To learn three key phrases.
- To know the names of 6 colours in Japanese.



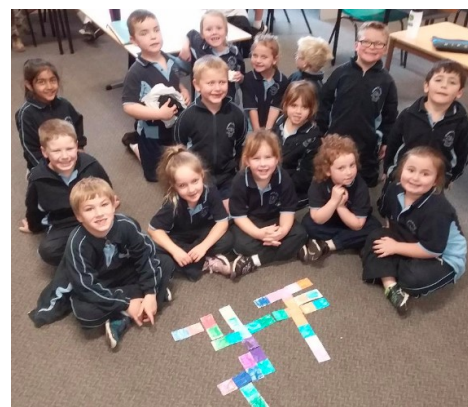
Parents will see their children's writing of the Chinese characters in their Assessment Folders where students have drawn and labeled themselves and their parents.

It also won't be long until '**Bronze Awards**' start coming home explaining that students can say 'hello', 'thank you' and 'come in' in Japanese. Anastasia received this week!

We have been playing lots of games to learn colours such as dominoes and memory.

A great big thank you to Sacha for all her assistance – she knows the learners well and actively supports the delivery of my program.

Well done, foundation students!





PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP
St. Mary's Maffra
[Newry & Dargo]
St. Michael's Heyfield-Cowwarr



WEEKDAY MASSES

HEYFIELD

Tuesday: 9.30am

MAFFRA

Wednesday: 5.00pm

Thursday: 9.30am

Friday: 10.00am

2nd Friday Stretton Park
10.00am

Saturday: 9.30am

WEEKEND MASSES: Heyfield

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

1st & 3rd Sunday Cowwarr: 11.00am

WEEKEND MASSES: Maffra

Sunday: 9.00am

2nd & 4th Sunday - Newry: 11.00am

5th Sunday - Dargo: 12.00pm

DARGO MASS:

Sunday 30th June is Dargo Mass
12noon. Why not take a picturesque
drive and have lunch afterwards at the
hotel. It is a day out after all, and why
not take a look at the snow covered
mountains along

RECONCILIATION:

MAFFRA

Saturday: After Mass 10.00am

HEYFIELD

Saturday: Before Mass
5.20pm

OR any other time by request

Community News:



**MAFFRA HOCKEY
CLUB**

Want to give hockey a try?

We encourage any children who wish
to tryout the game to come to our U11
trainings. For more information,
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