

St Mary's Primary School

Week 1 Term 3: Issue 11

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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 Three

Week 1

Sunday 21st July

- Sacrament of Confirmation
@2pm

Week 2

Friday 26th July

- Class Mass for Grade 3/4
@10am

Week 3

Thursday 1st August

- Parent Meeting for
Sacrament of First Eucharist
@7.30pm

Friday 2nd August

- 5/6 Hooptime

Sunday 4th August

- Commitment Mass for
Sacrament of First Eucharist
@9am

Week 4

Friday 9th August

- 3/4 Hooptime

Sunday 11th August

- Commitment Mass for
Sacrament of First Eucharist
@9am

Week 5

Wednesday 13th August

- SSV Basketball

Dear Families

The term has begun with teachers reporting to me that children have settled quickly back into routine. In Term 3 all year levels have a science inquiry focus with the 'Big Ideas' that connect the threads of learning being **Energy** for Grade 5/6, **Response** for Grade 3/4 and **Life** for Grades 1/2 and Foundation. The teachers have developed progressions of learning around these ideas and are enthused about the tasks and discussion they will bring to the classroom space.

Confirmation

Along with the excitement of the science based inquiry there are many celebrations that the school community will be participating in. This Sunday some Grade 6 children will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. On Wednesday evening all our Confirmation candidates and a group of children who are not participating in the sacrament gathered to present to their parents and Father Siju their understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the research they had collected about the saints they had chosen as Christian models. The children shared their ideas about scripture through discussion with their parents and showcased posters detailing their knowledge. Parents in turn had the opportunity to give them feedback about how they communicated their understandings and knowledge. The children were able to nominate a modern day saint who was someone they knew, who showed through their actions the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Many children choose a parent or their sponsor. It was a touching exchange when the children shared with their parent or adult sponsor their observations and admirations of them that they considered 'Saintly'. We ask you to pray for these children as they continue their faith journey.

First Eucharist

Grade 4 children who are Baptised and who have received the sacrament of Penance are able to participate in the First Eucharist Preparation program. The First Eucharist celebration is on Sunday 8th September and the parent information night will be held on Thursday 1st August. There are two options for Candidates of the sacrament to attend a Commitment Mass which, Sunday 4th and Sunday 11th at St. Mary's Maffra at 9:00am Mass.

Whole School Approach to Positive Behaviour Support

The WSAPBS team have worked through all the feedback that was given during Term 2. There was an overwhelmingly positive response from parents, teachers and students about developing School Wide Expectations. The three key ideas that will be developed as an agreed way in which we operate the school will come from these concepts. **Respect, Act, Learn.**

During Term 3, the WSAPBS team will work with the staff and students to refine and clarify these broad ideas and directly relate them to skills and how they apply to all the stakeholders of the school in all school settings. We are excited about this development and look forward to the students having a voice in this learning space.

We welcome Di Austin back from the Holy Land where she spent 5 weeks on a study tour. Her experiences have been both challenging and bountiful. We look forward to the fruits of her labour in all our learning.

Lastly on a sad note we pray for Kris Bradley and her family. Kris is one of our beloved Learning Support Officers who works in the three/four area. Kris's elderly mum passed away on Wednesday morning. We convey our deepest sympathy to her and her family at this time.

Yours in Partnership,

Anne-Marie Robb
Acting Principal

State Cross Country:

Congratulations to the following students who represented our school at the State Titles for Cross Country on Thursday 18th July.

Susie Coleman - 44th

Luke Dwyer - 83rd

Asher Higgins - 35th

Jy Higgins - 50th



Positive Parenting Seminar:

Come to a free positive parenting seminar on Monday 19th August at St Mary's School Maffra from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. These seminars are part of the Victorian Government's Supporting Families of the Latrobe Valley initiative. Don't miss out - book your free seat now at www.triplep-parenting.net.au/latrobevalley/

P & F Fundraiser - Brian Nankervis takes on Maffra

Tuesday August 27th

Doors open at 6pm, show starts at 7pm.

Get ready for a hilarious show, hosted by SBS RockWiz'

Brian Nankervis. He will keep you entertained with side-splitting tales, interactions with the audience, and loads of entertaining antics!

Brian's show will be followed by some fun games, raffles, and an art auction.

Grazing platters are available for pre-purchase, as well as soup and bread available on the night.

Tickets are \$25 pp with tables limited to 10 people.

Grazing platters are \$20.

This is a night you will NOT want to miss!!

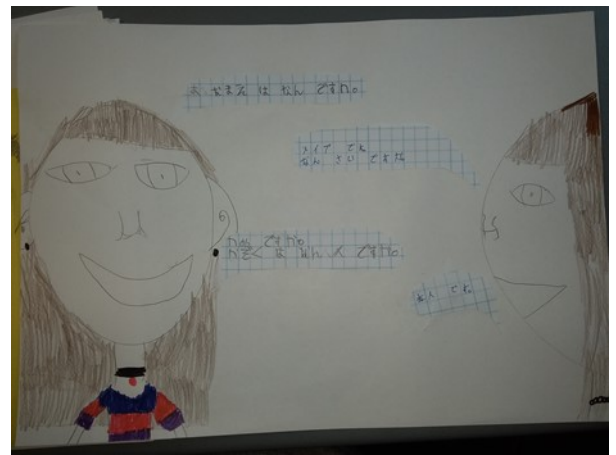
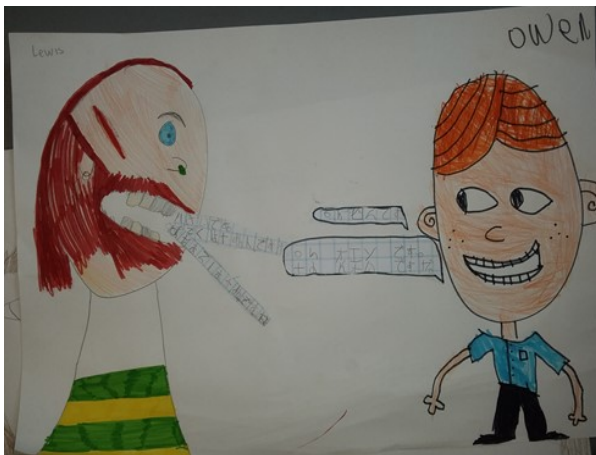


Book through this link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BDRDO>

Grades Three and Four in Japanese:

Middle School students have been learning to introduce themselves in Japanese both verbally and in hiragana (a Japanese alphabet). They have demonstrated this ability by creating a poster showing a conversation between themselves and a classmate. They are asking and answering what their names are, how old they are, and how many people are in their family.



Congratulations to 3/4D on being the first class in the school to have each member learn their "Five Gold Level Japanese Phrases"! Your hard work and encouragement of each other were wonderful. I'm also very pleased to say that everyone in 3/4 improved their Japanese reading this semester. Great job!



Awards:

Congratulations to the following children who received awards at assembly:

	Class Award
Foundation	Mitchell Watson
1/2C	Hannah Bagguley
3/4E	Jed Forsyth
5/6F	Paz Parer
5/6G	Boyd Tappenden
Positive Behaviour	Sophia Austin-Bainbridge
Tidiest Lockers	Term 2 Week 10 - 5/6 Classes



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



July

18th Carter Thompson 5/6F



YEAR 3/4 CLASS MASS

FRIDAY, 26TH JULY @10AM

ALL PARENTS WELCOME



WEEKDAY MASSES

HEYFIELD

Tuesday: 9.30am

MAFFRA

Wednesday: During Winter
12.00pm
Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 10.00am
2nd Friday Stretton Park
10.00am
Saturday: 9.30am

PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

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



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

RECONCILIATION:

MAFFRA

Saturday: After Mass 10.00am

HEYFIELD

Saturday: Before Mass
5.20pm

OR any other time by request

FREE PARENTING SEMINAR



Take the guesswork out of parenting!

Triple P's Power of Positive Parenting seminar can help you understand why children act the way they do, and how your reactions and words can make a big difference. This life-changing 90 minutes is free for parents and carers of children under 12 (with a focus on children aged 2-5) in Latrobe City and the Shire of Wellington. Come and discover strategies to positively manage parenting challenges!

Triple P's Power of Positive Parenting seminar can help you:

- Raise happy, confident children
- Encourage positive behaviour
- Set routines that everyone follows
- Balance work and family life

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MAFFRA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



FREE INDOOR MOVIE

at MAFFRA MEMORIAL HALL FRIDAY 2nd. AUGUST

**DOORS OPEN at 6.30pm: FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE,
COMMUNITY STALLS . SNACKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**

MOVIE to commence at 7.30pm

**Tickets available from Maffra
Neighbourhood House after
15th July or at the door.**

Ph: 5147 1487 to book tickets.

Alcohol free event.



WELLINGTON
SHIRE COUNCIL



Partnering with Wellington Shire Council to bring you this community event.



Family Movie Fundraiser

**Come and Support Maffra Dramatic Society Inc.
by Enjoying a Movie, Afternoon Tea, Raffle and Prizes**

Sunday 21st July at 2:40pm

**Sale Cinema - 50 Cunninghame St, Sale
Adult \$20; Child (12 and under) \$15**

Disney
**THE
LION KING**

Bookings Essential - Call or Message Vanessa on 0412 966 063

**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 3 STARTS JULY 20

Saturday mornings in the Hua Room at The Wedge

9am: Juniors (Prep-Year 2) -

PLACES STILL AVAILABLE

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

LIMITED PLACES

11am: Seniors (Years 7-10)

LIMITED PLACES

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

To enrol, call Deirdre on 0458 450 777

**THE
SATURDAY
DRAMA
SCHOOL**

**Building confident, resilient
and creative children**



Parent/Child Workshop for Sacrament of Confirmation



