



IMPORTANT DATES 2017 Term Dates

Term 3

17 July-22 September

Term 4

9 October-20 December

2017-Term 3

Thursday 27 July

Wakakirri Performance at
Clocktower Moonee Ponds
from 1.00pm

Tuesday 1 August

100 Days of Prep-See
CareMonkey for details

Monday 7 August-

Friday 11 August

Book Fair

Monday 7 August

Casual Clothes Day-See
details overpage

Tuesday 8 August

Feast of St. Mary
MacKillop-Whole School
Mass at 12.00pm

Tuesday 15 August

Feast of St. Mary of the
Assumption-Whole School
Mass at 9.30am

Monday 21 August

Book Week

Monday 11

September-Thursday

14 September

Sydney/Canberra
Experience for Year 6

Friday 22 September

Last Day of Term 3
School finishes at 1.00pm

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Dear Community,

At our school assembly on Monday, we introduced the concept to the students of being a '**Mary MacKillop Kid**'. Our students know Mary MacKillop is a woman who lived and worked caring for others. Many of our students can articulate that Mary MacKillop is a role model for all people.

The concept of being a "**Mary MacKillop Kid**" makes sense. It is a means by which we can all explore and identify ways in which we can be more like Mary MacKillop. If we lived in our school, community and world, in the spirit of this great woman, what a wonderful world it would be.

Our Prayer for Mary MacKillop Kids.

*God, I am a Mary MacKillop Kid,
I am a friend of Mary MacKillop,
And I am trying to live up to my name by:*

*Listening to God's voice
Doing my bit
Having an attitude of gratitude
Making room for all
Forgiving hurts.*

*God, I am a Mary MacKillop Kid,
A friend of St. Mary MacKillop
And I want to love you as she did.*

AMEN

Have a good week everybody.

Anthony McCluskey
Principal

*The wisdom of
St. Mary MacKillop*

*"When a duty is clear to
me it must be done at
any cost"*

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Parent Assistance in the Classroom

Parents as Reading Partners.

This **Thursday 27th July** we will be holding another **Parent as Reading Partners** briefing in the school library at **2.00pm**. Parents as Reading Partners give children the much needed opportunity to read aloud to a supportive adult and thus build their confidence as a reader.

All interested volunteers (**this includes parents who have previously participated in Parents as Reading Partners**) will need to attend to sign a Child Safety Code of Conduct before assisting at SMMPs. You will also be required to produce or apply for a Working with Children's Check.

Once this induction has been completed we will work through the role of a parent assisting as a reading partner in a classroom. We will discuss how children make meaning from print and various strategies to support their reading.

Your support is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday afternoon.

Rita Krnac , Anna Yorston & Jenny Melki

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

UP COMING EVENTS

Our next meeting will be held this Thursday 27th July. It will be nice to see some new faces.

TERM THREE

Ladies Night – August – Date and venue to be confirmed

Father's Day Stall – 31st August (all classes) - 1st September (first break only)

Dance Party– Date to be confirmed

TERM FOUR

Sausage Sizzle– Date to be confirmed

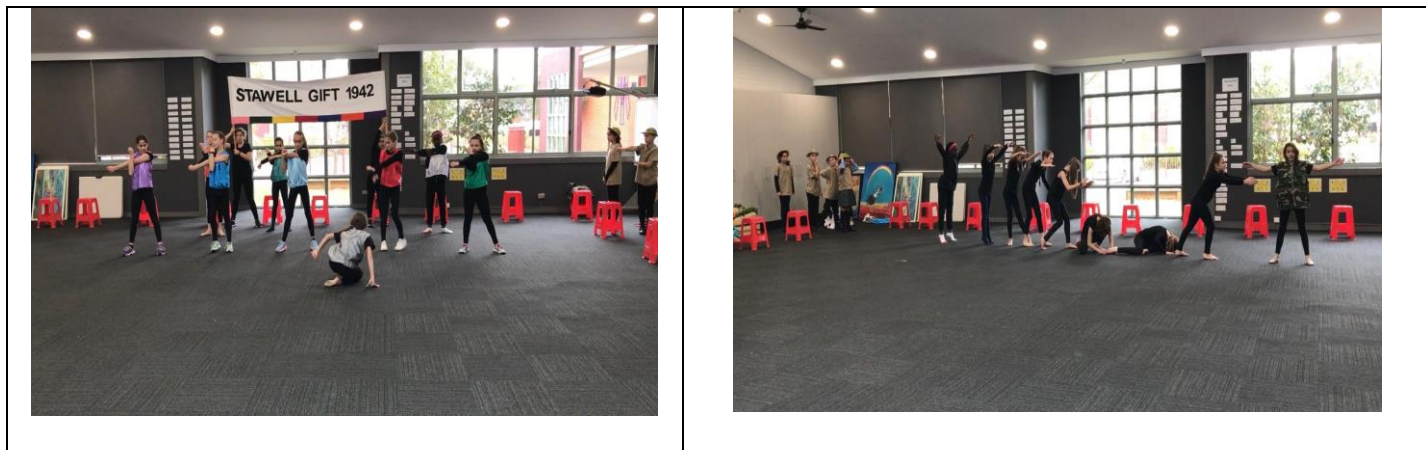
Christmas Carols Night– Date to be confirmed

St. Mary Mackillop Primary School is Fundraising with Entertainment Books!

The brand NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment Hard Copy Books are no longer in stock. Digital memberships are just \$70 each and are packed full of great offers. Not only will you receiving amazing discounts to a variety of venues and restaurants, but you will also be helping our school. St Mary Mackillop P.S. will receive 20% of all membership sales! If you would like to order your digital membership, just visit www.entbook.com.au/9127y31

Wakakirri

This Thursday, 27th July, the Wakakirri students will take the stage against St Peter Apostle Primary School, Altona North Primary School, Ballarat Grammar Junior School and Springside College. Wish us all the luck as we prepare for our big day.



PMP News

Last week the Preps had their very first PMP session in our newly designed Multi-Purpose Space. It has been an exciting and worthwhile wait as this space has been transformed into an amazing open, well-lit and appointed space suitable for the successful running of the PMP program and many other varied activities within the school.

Well, what is PMP?

PMP develops perceptions and language through experiences that are sequential in design and progressively become more difficult and complex as the year goes by.

Perceptual deals with obtaining information and motor refers to the outcome of the movement. Perceptual motor activities require students to use their brain and body together to accomplish tasks; for example; walking along the beam whilst counting backwards from 10.

Thank you to all those who have become involved in their child's PMP. This program involvement gives you the opportunity to understand the learning process and how important the motor program is.

A big thankyou to all our volunteer helpers.

Skye Rando, Jessica Bruzzaniti, Ana Iacobaccio, Julie Pistikakis, Mirella Terranova, Tammy D'Nazareth, Narelle Galea, Stephanie Aquilina, Lil Alp, Elizabeth Grujoski, Stana Guerrisi, Rose Jakie, Danielle Fraser, Veronica Jandula, Lucy Laurita, Tina Potter, Vicky Parisella, Sofija Ivancic, Carmen Stefano, Catena Ventre, Zorka Dunstan and Paulene Syamanond.

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Your involvement is valued by all the teachers and the children.

If you want to find out more about the program or wish to be involved in Term 3 or 4, see me in the Sports office on a Monday morning or leave your name with your child's teacher. I am very happy to explain and answer any questions you may have.

Thankyou
Connie Simiele



Casual Clothes Day

As part of the Year 6 80/20 project, we would like to have a casual clothes day for the whole school on Monday 7th August.

We request that the students bring a gold coin donation, all money raised will go to support the sisters of Saint Joseph (Joseph's Corner).

Thankyou,

Jorja Brink 6R and Antonia Attard 6G

Book Fair

This year's book fair will be held from Monday 7th August - Friday 11th August in the library (formally PMP room). The theme is **READING RAINFORST (Go Wild for Books!)**

There will be a wide variety of books to purchase as well as posters & variety items.

Students will have an opportunity to preview the books & make a wish list (Mon & Tues) & to purchase books during class time (Wed – Fri).

There will also be an opportunity for parents to preview & purchase books - Dates & times to be confirmed in next week's newsletter.

Please support our book fair as the school receives a commission from the sales to purchase new books for the library.

Denise Thorne
Library Technician

Canteen Update-Term 3

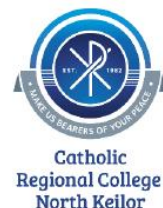
This Term, we will be providing some Subway Lunch Days, possibly every second Friday. We are currently in the process of organising it with Subway Keilor Downs.

There will also be a pasta day. A choice of beef lasagna, spaghetti bolognese and triple cheese macaroni.

Once the details are finalised, they will be put on flexichools.com.au and we will let you know when you can start ordering.

Enrolment Key Dates

YEAR 7, 2019



Wednesday, 24 May 2017

Applications Open

Twilight Tour 5.30 – 6.30pm

**For bookings please phone 9361 5900*

Enrolment Information Session 7pm (College Hall)

**Parents only Session. Bookings not required.*

Friday, 25 August 2017

Applications close.

Friday, 13 October 2017

1st Round offers posted.

Friday, 27 October 2017

Final date for acceptance of 1st Round offers.



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SMMPS Postcard Design Competition

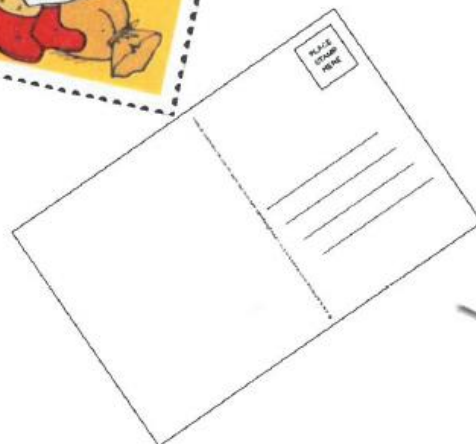
You are invited to design a Positive Behaviour Postcard.

The winning designs will be selected by staff and students. These designs will be turned into actual postcards and will be used by staff at the school to send home to parents of students who are displaying positive behaviours.

The design needs to;

- Include ideas that come from our 3rs Matrix.
- Be completed on an A5 piece of paper.
- Send a clear message about positive behaviour at SMMPS

The design can include pictures and writing or just writing or pictures.



If you're interested please submit your entries to any of the school captains by **Friday the 4th of August.**

Do you want to play tennis?



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Outside School Hours Care Program

Dear All,

Welcome back to Term 3. Last week we slowly got back into the routine of being back at school. Our activities were based around the holiday break. We used paints to paint pictures of the favourite things we did on the holidays. We discovered many travelled to Sovereign Hill to experience "Christmas in July".

We made Chocolate crackles and attempted Marble Bars. We continued on with our other indoor activities - Lego, Dodge Ball, Free Play, Drawing and Playdough.

The weather unfortunately still does not permit us to be outside and therefore our activities will continue to be indoors until the weather gets warmer.

We hope everyone has a wonderful Term 3.

From the OSHC Team.



Please remember to SMS Vicky/Mary on 0450 211 909 before 11.00 am all bookings and cancellations. Thank you.

CANCELLATIONS AFTER 11.00 AM WILL INCUR A FULL FEE CHARGE.