

ST. MARY MACKILLOP PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Dear Community,

As we begin Term 3 and the second half our school year together; winter is well and truly setting in. I appreciate it can be a difficult time of the year as we struggle to get out of bed in the morning and then battle with our kids as we try to get them up and organised for school. Then there is the drive in the traffic, whilst it's raining and 'good luck' in the school carpark!

Thank you to everyone who takes care and is responsible in watching out for children in the carpark and thank you for respecting other drivers. We are all in a rush and we all have our day ahead to face, however we all share one common concern and that is the wellbeing of our children.

In the depths of winter and the busyness of life; it is good to take time to stop and reflect. I know I couldn't effectively manage my life without prayer. Prayer connects me to myself, my family, other people, those I have loved whom have passed on and something greater, which I call God the Father.

Prayer may seem daunting at times. It might even seem irrelevant, but really it is quite simple. Do it often enough and it becomes a habit. Prayer grows on you and becomes a necessity in life. Prayers of Praise, Prayers of Thanks and Prayers of Petition all lead us to an inner peace and that sense of connection which we all desire so much in our modern world.

I invite you to reflect...

A Winter Way of Approaching God

Each time you go into your temple to dwell,
go as though it is the first time
you have ever really prayed.

When you do something for the first time,
you may be excited, but also a little fearful.



Let this be your winter-way of approaching God.

As you enter into that sacred space within,
let this become your prayer:

I am the one for whom God waits!

I am awaiting the One who is awaiting me!

Embrace the season of winter with hope.

It is a good teacher.

It will lead you to your inmost depths
where God is contemplating you.

Macrina Wiederkehr

Have a happy term together everyone, full of God's blessings.

Handwritten signature of Anthony McCluskey.

Anthony McCluskey
Principal

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

The school is closed to all students on Friday 9 August 2019

On this day, staff will be engaging in a Retreat Day in Nth Sydney, at Mary MacKillop Place. Monsignor Portelli will accompany us and celebrate Mass in the Chapel of St. Joseph at St. Mary MacKillop's tomb. We will then have a directed tour of Mary MacKillop Museum which tells us a lot about the life and times of Mary MacKillop. A Sister of St. Joseph, the order of nuns Mary founded, will address us on the charism of Mary MacKillop.

In visiting Mary MacKillop Place and engaging in this day, we are building our knowledge of Australia's first saint and our school patron, so that we might be able to live more fully in our vision, which calls us to be 'inspired by the Gospel and the spirit of St. Mary MacKillop...'.

Thank you for your support of this initiative.

Anthony McCluskey

RE NEWS

St Mary MacKillop Feast Day -Thursday the 8th of August - 12.00pm - All are welcome to come to mass on this day. Children will be involved in activities about St Mary MacKillop throughout the day. We will also have a sausage in a roll for lunch on this day. Funds raised for this will be donated to the Josephite Sisters at Joseph's Corner. Get onto flexischools.com.au to order

Feast of the Assumption of Mary -Thursday the 15th of August - 12.00pm - All are welcome to come to mass on this day. Cupcakes can be ordered for this day. Funds raised for this will be donated to the Josephite Sisters at Joseph's Corner. NOT available yet to order, we will let you know when to get onto flexischools.com.au

Anthony McCluskey

CANTEEN TERM 3

Friday 2 August - Donut Day

Thursday 8 August - Sausage Sizzle (St Mary MacKillop Feast Day)

Thursday 15 August - Cupcake Day (Feast of the Assumption)
not available to order yet

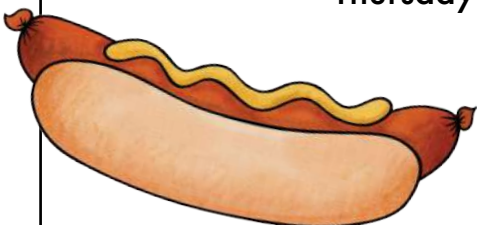
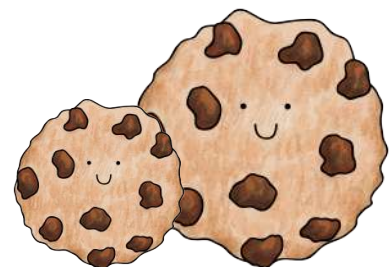
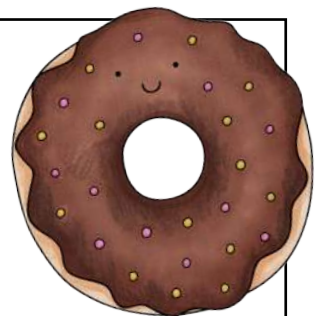
Friday 23 August - Pizza Day

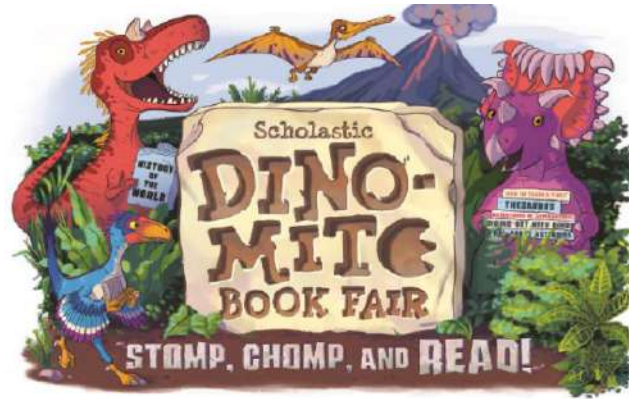
Thursday 29 August - Cookie Day

Friday 6 September - Subway Day

Friday 13 September - Sushi Day (not available to order yet)

Thursday 19 September - Pie Day (Footy Casual clothes day-gold coin donation)





The **DINO-MITE (STOMP, CHOMP & READ!)** Book Fair will be held from Monday 29th July- Friday 2nd August in the **Multi-Purpose Room**.

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

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

There will be an opportunity for parents to preview & purchase books-
Tues 30th July 2.45-3.15 (preview only)
Thurs 1st Aug 2.45-3.15 (sales)

The book fair will also be open before & after school on the following days-
Wed 31st July- 3.15- 4.00 pm
Thurs 1st Aug- 8.15 -8.50 am & 3.15-4.00 pm
Fri 2nd Aug- 8.15-8.50 am

Cash, On-line payments & EFTPOS will be available

JOSEPH'S CORNER

Once again we will be asking families to purchase a book at the fair & donate the book to Joseph's Corner for those less fortunate.

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

SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE 2019

Please see published below our new school uniform expectations.

SCHOOL UNIFORM 2019

SUMMER UNIFORM – TERMS 1 & 4

- Summer dress (school design)
- Shorts (grey with longer leg)
- Shirt (with embroidered crest): short sleeve
- Pullover (charcoal with embroidered crest)
- Socks (white)
- School shoes (black)
- Hat (slouch with embroidered logo)
- Hair ties, small bows or headbands need to be pale blue, royal blue, navy blue or white.

WINTER UNIFORM – TERMS 2 & 3

- Winter pinafore (school design)
- Trousers (grey, double knee) or
- Long straight leg pants (grey)
- Shirt (with embroidered crest): long sleeve
- Blouse (blue 'Peter Pan' collar)
- Pullover (charcoal with embroidered crest)
- Tights (navy)
- Socks (grey)
- School shoes (black)
- Hair ties, small bows or headbands need to be pale blue, royal blue, navy blue or white.

SPORTS UNIFORM – DESIGNATED DAYS ONLY

- Polo top (with embroidered crest)
- Sports shorts (navy)
- Sports socks (white)
- Sport shoes
- Windcheater (with embroidered logo)
- Track pants (navy)
- School Bag
- House Coloured T-Shirt (for school sport days)

BOOK FAIR

PARENT HELPERS

This year's book fair (see flyer) will be held from

Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August.

If anyone is interested in helping at the book fair and has a current Working with Children's Check and a Parent Code of Conduct please leave your name, number and the day/days you can help with Kellie & then I will contact you.

Regards

Denise Thorne
Library Technician



The artroom needs your help!

Do you have any of the following?

- Newspapers
- Old CDs - used or unused (for printmaking, doesn't matter what's on them)
- Margarine containers - or similar

We'd love whatever you can donate. Please drop donations directly to the Art room anytime on Tues/Wed/Thurs until the end of term.

Thank you for the wool & other things!

Thank you for the huge donation of wool & other things that were received in the Art room last week. It is much appreciated and perfect timing!



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PREP 2020 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

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SHE WHO SUCCEEDS



Applications for Year 7 in 2021 close on Friday, 23 August 2019.
Find out more by visiting our website at www.avemaria.vic.edu.au

Ave Maria College

in support of St Maria Mazzarello School,
Venilale, Timor-Leste



Join us in celebrating this fun and entertaining Community Event !

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND ?

This is a great opportunity to have a fun night out with parents, staff and friends of the Ave Maria Community, and at the same time help to raise funds for the College's sister school St Maria Mazzarello school in Venilale, Timor-lesté

WHO IS IT FOR ?

parents and friends of Ave Maria College along with staff and year 10-12 students

WHAT TO BRING....

BYO food and drinks, themed table, sense of fun and bring some gold coins for mini games and the raffle

alcohol is permitted - please note that the College supports the responsible service of alcohol. Ave Maria College students, regardless of age, are not permitted to consume alcohol at all during this event.

Friday, 19 July 2019
6.30-10.30 pm
Francis Hall

Trivia starts at 7pm sharp!

Tickets \$25

100% of ticket sales go directly to St Maria Mazzarello school

Tickets on sale NOW
www.trybooking.com/BCXVR





Australian
Air League

TRY BEFORE YOU FLY!

Come and see **Niddrie Squadron**

Every Thursday at 7:30pm (during school term)

Location: Community Hall, 56 Lake Street, Avondale Heights

Learn and participate in Drill!

Learn about flying and go flying!

Participate in sports events!

Be part of social activities!

Take part in community projects and the ANZAC Day march!

Membership open to Girls & Boys from 8-18 years old!



Parade and Drill



Make Friends



Modelling and Community



Annual Flying Day

Would you like to know more?...

Simply email OC.NIDDRIE@AIRLEAGUE.COM.AU and let us know when you would like to come in for a no-obligation complimentary session.



<https://www.airleague.com.au/>



1800 502 175

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 15 July

School resumes for Term 3 at 9am

Monday 29 July - Friday 2 August

Book Fair

See Flyer

Thursday 8 August

Whole School Mass at 12.00pm

St Mary MacKillop Feast Day

Friday 9 August

School Closure Day

See details

Thursday 15 August

Whole School Mass at 12.00pm

Feast of the Assumption

Friday 20 September

End of Term 3

School finishes at 1.00pm

