St. Margaret Mary's School

Term 4 Week 7 **Thursday 26th November 2020**

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

Friday 4th December
Assembly Yr 2
Yr 5/6 Outreach Day

Tuesday 8th December
Carols 9.15 - 10.45am

Wednesday 9th December
Last Day of School—3pm dismissal

Wednesday 27th January
First Day of School 2021

SCHOOL TIMES

Eldon St Gates open	8:20am
Front Office	8:30am - 3:45 pm
Supervision	8:30am - 3:20 pm
Classes	8:45am - 3:00 pm

PRESCHOOL

Full Day Sessions	8:45am - 2:45pm
Wednesdays	
Morning Session	8:45am - 11:45am
Afternoon Session	12:15pm - 3:15pm

UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday	2:30pm - 3:30pm
Friday	8:30am - 10:00am

OSHC

Phone	1300 105 343
Morning Session	6:30am - 8:30am
Afternoon Session	3:00pm - 6:15pm

STUDENT ABSENTEES

Phone: **8245 5855**
(answering service call anytime)
Email:
absent@smms.catholic.edu.au
SMS: **0407 682 137**

Dear Parents and Carers,

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

End of Year Events

I would like to thank you all for flexibility and patience as we have worked our way through the last week. I understand that it has been quite unsettling for everyone in our community, but we have been blessed with a safe and healthy community. We do need to put some restrictions in place to assist us in maintaining health and safety.

I understand that this is not what we had hoped for at the end of our year, especially for our graduating Year 6 students and their families.

Please note the following changes to whole school events:

Playgroup is cancelled for the remainder of the year.

Occasional Care will go ahead on Wednesdays.

Tuesday 1st December: Our *playgroup picnic* may go ahead at Carnarvon Park, (restrictions will be in place and these will communicated to playgroup families).

Thursday 3rd December: *Preschool picnic* may go ahead at Carnarvon Park, (restrictions will be in place and these will communicated to Preschool families).

Friday 4th December: *Outreach Day* - NO parents to attend.

Monday 7th December: *Preschool Celebration of Learning* – ONE parent per child may attend.

Tuesday 8th December: *Carols morning.* Children will perform their carols, but NO parents are able to attend. We will film and share on SeeSaw.

Wednesday 9th December: *Preschool Celebration of Learning* – ONE parent per child may attend.

Wednesday 9th December: *Final school assembly* – NO parents are able to attend. We will film and share on SeeSaw.

Wednesday 9th December: *Year 6 lunch* - this will go ahead with confirmation from venue.

Wednesday 9th December 6pm: *Year 6 Graduation ceremony and liturgy.* Only PARENTS to attend, no other family or friends permitted. We will have a professional photographer to take a graduation photo for you to share with your family and friends!

Registration for events is required to support contact tracing.

I understand some restrictions may change before these events, but we have made a decision based on SA Health and Catholic Education SA guidelines.

Croydon Park Catholic Parish
Parish Priest: Fr. Charles Lukati
Ph: 8346 0944

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains.
We recognise and respect their cultural heritage,
beliefs and relationship with the land.
We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.
Approved by Kaurna Elder Uncle Lewis O'Brien 2004

Semester 2 Reports

The teachers have been very busy preparing student reports and finalising assessments. The reports will be handed out on Monday 7th December. Please do not hesitate to speak with your child's teachers if you have any questions. On Tuesday 8th December, all students will meet their 2021 teachers and spend some time with their 2021 classmates.

Year 5/6 Camp

I was very privileged to attend the 5/6 camp last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We just got it in before the lockdown was announced. The students all were fantastic and demonstrated wonderful manners and fantastic St Margaret Mary's values at all times. School camps are such a great way for children to move a bit out of their comfort zone, spend time with friends, experience new adventures and make great memories. Hopefully all the students slept well on Wednesday night! A huge thank you to all staff who prepared and attended.

School drop off and pick up arrangements

I ask that parents continue to drop off their children at the gate in the mornings. In the afternoon, the Tungara St gate will open at 2.30pm and parents may enter the school yard. Please sanitise your hands upon entry and maintain social distancing on the basketball court. NO parents are permitted upstairs or to wait outside the classrooms.

Thank you once again for your understanding and support,

Kelly Campbell

Principal

The year is rapidly coming to an end!
Please make sure that you are regularly checking SkoolBag and SeeSaw, and of course the Newsletter, to make sure that you are keeping up-to-date with what is happening!

Holiday Club

It is now time to register your child for Holiday Club. This service is provided by Camp Australia in our OSHC Room. You might like to register your child as part of holiday activities, or to attend regularly while you are at work. Please click on the link and go to Camp Australia to find out more about costs and services provided by Camp Australia at St Margaret Mary's School.

Occasional Care

Occasional Care will continue to run on Wednesday mornings for the next two weeks. We are getting close to capacity, so please contact the Front Office to let us know if you are coming or not.

Transition Visits

Children who are beginning Preschool and Reception in 2021 are continuing with their transition visits. The children have been visiting their classrooms, playing in the playground and getting to know their teachers. It is also a wonderful opportunity for the children to get to know a few more children.

New Enrolments

There are limited positions still available across the school for 2021. Please let anyone you know, who may be thinking about sending their children to St Margaret Mary's, to contact the Front Office as soon as possible.

Stay cool and safe and enjoy your weekend!

Alicia Boylan

Deputy Principal

We wish the following students who celebrate a birthday in December a very happy and blessed birthday:

Vivian	5/6LO
Kingston	PRE2
Diamond	5/6GG
Habity	1VE
Justin	5/6GG
Kevin	3/4KD
Hannah	RRB
Dominic	5/6LO
Erik	5/6LC
Suthan	5/6GG
Patrick	PRE1
Bonnie	5/6LO
Hannah	2AF
Andrew	PRE1
Antony	3/4MM
Jamie	3/4KD
Zian	1VE
Dakota	3/4MK
Winny	2AF
Tyler	RRB
Sifat	3/4MK
Jayden	RRB
Elena	2AL
Lily	1VE
Thien	5/6GG
Sovanthavy	RRB
Ryan	RWB

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CROSSING MONITORS
Term 4, 2020

ELDON STREET

Wk 7	• Huy • Chaise • Kayden
Wk 8	• Paxton • Kristian • Danijela
Wk 9	• Lucy • Giselle • Emily K

Yr 5/6 Outreach - 'WORK FOR CHARITY DAY'

Friday, 4th December 2020 (Week 8 Term 4)

The 5/6 students have organised a variety of events and stalls in order to raise money for local catholic charities.

All events, stalls and casual day will be held on Friday 4th December, week 8.

Stalls - a variety of different stalls including zooper-doopers and other **individually wrapped** items.

Events - include a Haunted House, Nerf Battle, Water Balloon Toss and Casual Clothes Day. Each student will be required to bring a gold coin donation for Casual Clothes Day.

**We ask that you support our year 5/6 students and their chosen charities by giving your child/ren some money to spend at the stalls/events.

How much? Stalls - prices range from 50c to $2.50.

Thank you,
Year 5/6 Teachers

Advent 2020

This Sunday is the First Day of Advent and marks the beginning of a new year in the Church. The season of Advent allows us to reflect on what it means to wait and to look for the presence of God in all moments, wherever we are, all the time. With the hustle and bustle of people preparing for Christmas celebrations, the art of being still and seeing the joy in waiting tends to be forgotten, we don't think we have the time. Make time for yourselves this Advent to stop and notice the things around you that bring you joy and ways that you might bring the peace of God into your life and the lives of others. The following link is a short clip that talks about Advent, it might be good to watch it with your children and see if you find out anything you didn't already know!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S02KOlw7dlA

Sacramental Program

Enrolment forms for the next Sacramental Program have been sent to families whose children are eligible to enrol in the Sacramental Program for next year. These are due back by Friday December 4th, 2020. If you have not received one but would like your child to participate, please contact David Hillard either via the front office or by email, davidh@smms.catholic.edu.au

Croydon Park Parish
New Mass Attendance Information

Due to new restrictions announced by the South Australian Premier last week, the number of people allowed to attend Mass in the Parish until further notice are:

- 60 attendees - Mater Dei Church (Saturday 6pm, Sunday 11 am and Sunday 5pm)
- 60 attendees - St. Patrick's Church (Sunday 8.30am)
- 90 attendees - St. Margaret Mary's Church (Sunday 10.30am)

As numbers are strictly limited, we will only allow those that have booked in to attend. Walk-ins will unfortunately not be allowed.

Bookings via Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/d/australia--adelaide/mass-croydon-park/

Student Reflection Days

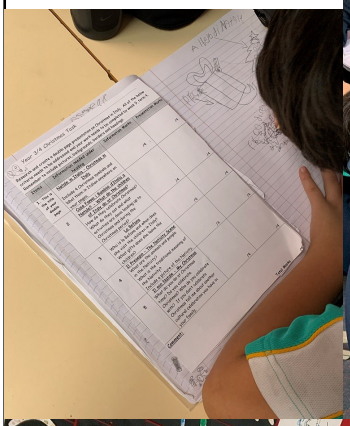
The children have been celebrating their Reflection Days this term, taking the opportunity to reflect on their year and to give thanks for the friendships they have made, the things they have learned and the person that they are continuing to become. It has been great to see the way they have engaged themselves in the activities and in learning more about themselves.

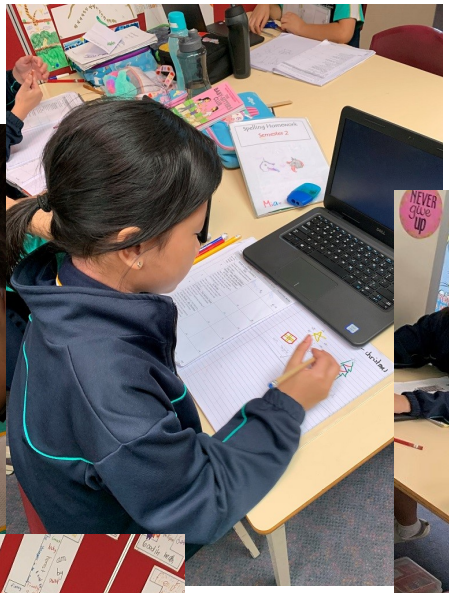
David Hillard
APRIM (Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission)

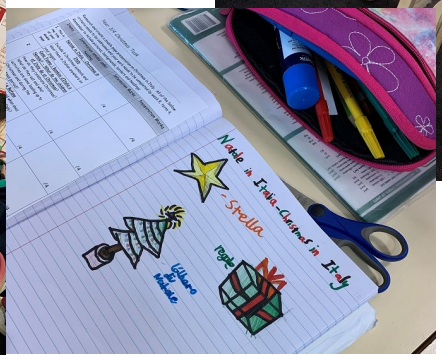
Anglo Italiano

Year 3/4 students are researching Christmas in Italy. They are using a rubric to address criteria for their research . It's wonderful to see the students engaged in their Italian learning & using the laptops with confidence.

Gina Armiento
Italian Teacher







A reminder....

Year 7 Enrolments

Year 7 enrolments for new students, including siblings must be submitted by the end of Year 4.

Applications for Year 7, 2023 must be received by 18 December, 2020.

For all enrolment information please visit

www.nazareth.org.au/college/enrolment

Nazareth
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

From Rosie in the Uniform Shop

It's great to see that almost all the children are wearing the new school uniform.

The 2 year grace period is coming to an end. All students must be wearing the new uniform as of Term 1, 2021.

The uniform can be purchased from the uniform shop which is now located at Number 9 Eldon Street, next door to the school.

Uniform Prices:

Polo tops short sleeve	$40.00
Polo tops long sleeve	$40.00
Shorts	$30.00
Track pants	$45.00
Jackets	$60.00
Hats	$20.00
School bag	$50.00

Thanks,
Rosie

Some photos from YR 5/6 CAMP- OPENLIGHT, TOC H VICTOR HARBOR

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