



# St. Mary's School, Altona Newsletter 2017

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Dear Parents

No. 11 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

Thanks to the many parents and children who came along to the **Altona ANZAC Day Commemoration Service** last Sunday and to Millie, Jazmin Luke and Aiden who laid the wreath on behalf of our school.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

This was held last Wednesday. A very sincere thank you to the following parents who have agreed to continue their involvement in the P & F or have agreed to become involved:

President: Marilyn Fischer

Vice President: Ben London

Secretary: Andrea Herd

Assistant Secretary: Madeline Didenkowski

Treasurer: Cheri Steen

Assistant Treasurer: Jarrod Pye

General Committee: Emma Denys, Susie Holland, Garry Hills, Patrice Cassar, Sandra Camilleri.

There are a number of parents that we have to follow up on or you can still volunteer. So hopefully there will be some more names that we will be able to add next week.

## MOTHERS' DAY

We will hold our annual Mothers' Day stall on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May from 9 - 11 am.

We need some helpers to set up the stall after school on Thursday and people to run the stall on Friday.

Please complete the Google form linked to our newsletter email if you are able to assist.

Please ensure that you have read the **Student Residential Address Collection** form linked to this week's newsletter email by Tuesday.



## SUNSMART

As of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May students are not required to wear their hat when playing outside. We do still encourage them to pop it on if the UV levels are above 3. You can check the widget on the school website.

### Why do we stop wearing hats?

The sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation is both the major cause of skin cancer and the best source of vitamin D. In Australia, we need to balance the risk of skin cancer from too much sun exposure with maintaining adequate vitamin D levels. Sensible sun protection does not put people at risk of vitamin D deficiency.

For more information... <http://www.cancer.org.au/preventing-cancer/sun-protection/vitamin-d/>

## FOOTY TIPPING

The jackpot for picking all nine winners this week is \$5. Good luck!

I am away on Year 6 camp Monday to Wednesday next week. Marg Masseni will be Acting Principal in my absence.

David Kelly,  
Principal

# EDUCATION IN FAITH

## TERM TWO SACRAMENT DATES



### First Eucharist Dates

**Family Workshop: Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> May. 7pm**  
**Shared Meal/Practice Session: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. 7pm.**  
**Sacrament of First Eucharist: Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> June. 3pm.**



### Confirmation Date

**Rite of Acceptance Mass Weekend:**  
**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 6pm/Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June – 10.30am**



On Tuesday we gathered to remember all those who have served/are serving our country during conflict and crisis and who embody the human spirit.

We pray for peace in our communities, our hearts and families. May we learn from the courage and devotion of those who have served our country. Lest we forget.



*"Lean upon God."*

1873

### Social Justice News

#### **Term Two Social Justice initiative:**

1. Money boxes are now in each classrooms. We are raising money for our World Vision school sponsored child 'Win Naing.'
2. We will participate in CatholicCare Week with our annual Coin Trail money raiser (Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May). So start saving your coins. Big points for each House Team are on offer.

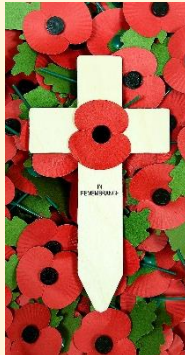
Sara Adani & Kyle Escobar  
 (Social Justice Leaders)

God of Life, in this season of Easter, through the new life your Son won for us, we rejoice in the hope and peace you offer us.

We thank you for this great land, Australia, and thank you for all the blessings we enjoy.

As we remember the Anzacs, and all who have fought for freedom, help us to strive for peace, tolerance and acceptance of all.

We make our prayer in the name of our risen Lord. Amen.



#### Weekly Class Mass:

**On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May Year 3/4HK will be attending the 9:15am parish mass. Family and friends are invited to celebrate and join the children in prayer.**



## Parish News

**Family Youth Mass – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm**  
 – all Welcome. See attached poster.

**Monthly Holy Hour – all welcome to share in our Holy Hour on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 7.30pm to pray for peace and reconciliation in the world through the intercession of St. Pio.**



*Mary, Help of Christians Parish, Altona*

### Youth & Family Mass

Date: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Time: 5pm

**ALL WELCOME**



*"For where two or three are gathered in my name,*

*I am there with them." Matthew 18:20*

## JSC – Water Saving Project

We need some buckets for our Water Saving Project. If you have some 2lt ice cream containers or other small buckets that we might be able to use, can you please send them to the office marked "JSC WATER SAVING PROJECT". Thank you. Gemma (3/4V), Xavier (1/2N) & Ruby (1/2HT).



Thanks to those who braved the cold and came to school in an active way yesterday! Come along to assembly to find who the most active class was.

**Our Next Walk / Ride to School Day will be on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May which is WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY.**

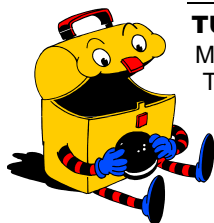
Our Walking School Buses will run on this day to help you come along in an active way!



**NEED 2 READ IS BACK**...Every **Tuesday and Thursday** from **8.20 to 8.40** am in the Library we have our **Need 2 Read Club**.

All school children and their family members are welcome to come along and enjoy reading. As a way to encourage children to come they will have a N2R card and each time they come will receive a stamp. When they reach 5, 10 and 15 they can choose a prize from our Lucky Prize Box. Children need to be in the library by 8.30 am to receive a stamp. See you there.

Cathy Sims & Lisa Vella  
Literacy Leaders



### **TUCKSHOP HELPERS** Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday Marylinda Abate

Manager: Eva Coppola Tel: 9315 0799

## Williamstown Literary Festival 2017: June 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

That's right, the incomparable **Andy Griffiths** is back for Willy Lit Fest 2017! You might remember from last year that Andy Griffith's session sold out faster than you can say BUMAGEDDON, so we recommend dropping everything you're doing and putting a giant post-it note, Task reminder, alarm, or book in a barbershop quartet to sing you a reminder because tickets to the Williamstown Literary Festival go on sale on **THURSDAY 4 MAY!** That's right, just one week until you can get your fill of literary goodness, right on your doorstep at the beautiful Williamstown Town Hall and Library.

[www.willylitfest.org.au](http://www.willylitfest.org.au)

[www.facebook.com/willylitfest](https://www.facebook.com/willylitfest)

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MOUNT ST. JOSEPH GIRLS' COLLEGE

## OPEN EVENTS 2017

We welcome you to meet our Principal, talk to our teachers and join a student-led tour of the College.

### TWILIGHT OPEN EVENING

Thursday 9 February 4:00pm-8:00pm  
Principal's address at 5:00pm & 7:00pm

### OPEN DAY

Sunday 28 May 10:00am – 2:00pm  
Principal's address at 11:00am & 1:00pm

Register online at [www.msaj.vic.edu.au](http://www.msaj.vic.edu.au)  
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## OPEN MORNINGS 2017

We invite you to visit us during the school day.

Meet the Principal, join a student-led tour of the College and see learning in action in the classrooms.

Visiting time: 9:30am – 10:30am

Dates:  
Monday 13 February  
Thursday 10 August  
Thursday 9 March  
Thursday 11 May  
Thursday 8 June  
Thursday 12 October  
Thursday 9 November

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Applications for Year 7, 2019 will  
Close on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017.  
Limited places available for 2017 & 2018

Enrolment form – [www.msaj.vic.edu.au](http://www.msaj.vic.edu.au) or contacting the school 8398 2000 or Sherri Collins – College Registrar [registrar@msaj.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@msaj.vic.edu.au)