

# St. Mary's School, Altona Newsletter 2018

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Dear Parents,

## SCHOOL DISCO:

A big Thank you to Jo McCall, Susie Holland, Marelize Agius, the Parents & Friends Committee and other parents that helped organise, set up, supervise and clean up after our school disco last night. By all reports the children had a wonderful time dancing the night away!

## BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

The Scholastic Book Fair is arriving at the beginning of next term. During the first week, the students will get a chance to preview the books with their class. Books, posters and other stationery items will be on sale during the second week of term.

This is a great opportunity for families to buy some good books at decent prices - and help our school to receive books for our library, classrooms and Literacy programs. Last year, we were able to choose more than \$1500 worth of books as our commission on sales!

**Date:** Monday 15th - Friday 19th October

**Time:** 8.30-9 am and 3-4 pm each day

**Place:** School Hall

## CAMP QUALITY

On Monday 8th October we will be having the Camp Quality Primary School Education Program come and do a performance at school. There will be two presentations, a Year 3 - 6 presentation (11.30 - 12.30 pm) and a Prep - 2 presentation (11.45 - 1.15pm).

Information was sent out via Care Monkey earlier in the week.

Parents are welcome to attend the sessions.

Please email me if you would like to attend either of the sessions or if you have any questions -

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## WeSTEM PD

On Thursday Miss Kirkwood, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Tucker attended a Professional Development Day at Scienceworks. They learnt about all things STEM and how to implement parts of STEM into our learning! They are looking forward to sharing what they learnt with the staff and students! They will be back to Scienceworks next term to continue their learning and start preparing for some fantastic STEM units for 2019.



**WALKATHON 2018**

Come and walk with us on **Friday 26th October** and raise funds for our school and the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. The Parent's and Friends Committee has committed to donating \$500 from this years' fundraising tally to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

**Sponsor Books were given to the children today....look out for yours.**

What to do:

1. Check out some of the amazing prizes up for grabs. For every \$20 raised = 1 x entry for a chance to win one of the raffle prizes drawn at a special assembly on Mon 19th November.
2. Ask friends and family to sponsor you per lap or give a flat donation.
3. Come walk with us on Walkathon day and do as many laps as possible.
4. Collect your pledge money after the walkathon and return to school before Fri 9th November.

**Check out our list of sponsors at the end of this newsletter ....THANKS TO THEM ALL!**



## WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Our next Walk / Ride to School day is Thursday 18th October. Walking School Buses will run on that day. **Please complete the Google form via the link on our newsletter email.** We need supervisors for both buses but especially the McIntyre Drive bus, so please consider whether you can help us out.



### Congratulations to...

Jamison who received an award for stalls he has run on behalf of CIKA selling products that they have donated to them as well as selling fruit and vegies grown at his grandparents farm. He was also very lucky to win a competition run by Village Roadshow in conjunction with the movie Wonder. It was a kindness challenge. He won \$1000 to donate to a charity of his choice and chose CIKA. Well done Jamison!



### Congratulations to

Nikita H who was awarded MVP of her Under 14 Altona Gators team at the presentation day last weekend.

Well done Nikita on your great season.

### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS IN TERM FOUR:

Week Five: Monday 5th November. (Monday before Tuesday's Melbourne Cup Public Holiday).

I hope all our school families have a restful and enjoyable break over the next two weeks.

School resumes for Term Four on Monday 8th October.

Marg Masseni  
Acting Principal

## EDUCATION IN FAITH



*"God loves generous souls.  
Let us try to be the generous  
ones" (1881)*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- \* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.
- \* Safe and peaceful holidays for all students, staff and families.



### Altar Servers Invitation

Dear parents/guardians,

I would like to invite all children in Years 3 to 6 who have made their First Communion to consider becoming an Altar Server at Mary Help of Christian's Parish, Altona. I would like to encourage you to allow your son or daughter to join in this very special service. It will take **their time and your commitment**. However, it will be a beautiful way for your children to express their active participation in the life of the Church and learn how to become more responsible members of their school and parish community. As part of their training your child will "shadow" one of the current more senior level Servers in order to gain a better sense of this Ministry.

I hope you consider my invitation and share it with your children.

If you are interested please see Mrs Chodowski for a form request.

Altar  
Servers



Thank you,

*Archpriest Michael Kalka*

### End of Term Three Prayer:

**We thank you Lord, for Term Three.**

**For the challenges, the successes,  
and the mistakes from which we have learnt.**

**Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.**

**Give us strength and courage to do what is right:**

**to be witnesses of our faith.**

**Help us to appreciate what others do for us,**

**and to give time and effort to help others.**

**To be peacemakers in our family.**

**Keep us safe in our activities;**

**give us good rest and good fun.**

**Bring us back refreshed and ready for Term Four.**

**We thank you for our classmates, staff members,  
parents and a community that cares for us.**

**May we always be conscious of you in our lives. Amen.**



## TUCKSHOP HELPERS – Week Beginning 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Monday:

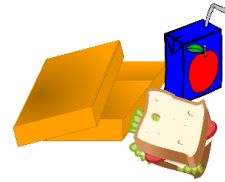
Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday: **Marylinda Abate**

Manager: Eva Coppola Tel: 9315 0799



## PRINCIPALS AWARDS WEEK BEGINNING 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018

PREP D	Ronan N for his enthusiasm towards reading
PREP S	Samuel P for his development of excellent sentences
YEAR 1/2G	Isabelle M for her fantastic spring acrostic poem
YEAR 1/2K	Grace T for doing a great job on her spelling
YEAR 1/2D	Isobelle A for an excellent acrostic poem about Spring
YEAR 1/2S	Michael C for his great effort with SMART spelling
YEAR 3/4M	Lachlan M for his kind and thoughtful attitude towards his peers
YEAR 3/4HK	Xavier B for his dedication to writing great poems independently
YEAR 3/4V	Xavier R for working efficiently and completing tasks within the time given
YEAR 5/6C	Thomas P for his automatic responses and sharp thinking in Maths
YEAR 5/6L	Gigi F for her bubbly attitude and positivity towards learning
YEAR 5/6H	Julie W for her positive approach to learning new concepts in Maths

### Divisional Athletics Results

A huge congratulations to all the 28 students in Year 3 to 6 who represented St Mary's at the Hobson Bay Divisional Athletics Carnival last week. It was a fantastic day and great achievement by all who competed at this level. The students displayed great sportsmanship, support for each other and teamwork which made it a great day. Special mentions to the following students who made it through to the Western Regional Finals to be held on 16th October:

**Anna Adani** - Triple jump, 200m

**Lachlan Green** - 100m, Long jump

**Aidan Long** - Discus

**Kiani Howell** - Shot Put

**Jordan Fenton** - 1500m, Relay

**Jett Porter** - Relay

Well done and we wish you all the best for your events.



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## "FAMOUS" DISCO

*This one is for the adults... our social event of the year*

Saturday 27 October @ Koorinal Golf Club

7pm - Midnight

Come dressed as someone famous or your famous self!

Tickets available at [www.trybooking.com/SLIK](http://www.trybooking.com/SLIK)

Tickets \$35

includes scrumptious gourmet finger food, glow sticks, photobooth access and drinks at club prices

So, organise a group of friends, get your costumes sorted and save this date in your diaries... Families and Friends of St Mary's welcome! There will be a DJ, a photo booth to capture the hilarity, raffle and much more.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

- Proficient Packaging – DJ Sponsor
- Budget Tyres Sunshine and Holeshot Motorcycle Accessories and Dirtbike Wreckers – Photobooth Sponsor
- Jean Clean and Funtabulous Affairs Event Management – Candy Buffet Sponsor

- **Coonawarra Farm Resort 2 night stay (Major Raffle Prize)**
- **Santorini Restaurant \$200 (Major Raffle Prize)**
- **Mildura Golf Resort Stay & Play Package (Silent Auction, over \$300 value)**
- Breeze: Massage Voucher
- BirdCage Dinner Voucher
- Hammamas Towels
- Mosaic Restaurant: 2 Dinner Vouchers
- Stella Pizza: Dinner Voucher
- Wildberry Flowers & Gifts Hamper
- Altona Dry Cleaners Voucher
- NV's Medispa Nail & Skin Clinic: Full Body Massage
- NV's Medispa Nail & Skin Clinic: Spa Pedicure
- Sweeney Swim School 5 Lessons
- Melbourne Road Health Group Chiropractic Consultation & Wheat Bag

# ALTONA BASKETBALL CLUB

FOR THE UPCOMING SUMMER SEASON (COMMENCING IN OCTOBER), THE ALTONA PIRATES ARE SEEKING NEW PLAYERS FOR THE BELOW TEAMS.

BEGINNERS OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME AT ALTONA'S OLDEST BASKETBALL CLUB.



***Please contact committee member Gary Manton (Dad of Anika 1/2S and Isla 5/6H) for more information.***

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