

St. Mary's School, Altona Newsletter 2017

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Dear Parents.

No.23 4th August, 2017

I would like to remind parents to make sure that you park legally and appropriately around the school obeying the various PARKING and especially the NO STANDING signs. I have been informed that the Council Camera car has been circling the school at drop off and pick up times photographing cars that are parked illegally. Thank you for your co-operation.

EARN & LEARN:

This year we will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school - all you have to do is when you shop for your groceries at Woolworths collect the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers.

This program has started and concludes on Tuesday 19th September or while stock lasts. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards).

Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet - which is attached to this newsletter email and when it is complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box in the school office foyer. Or you can send the stickers to school and we will place them on the Sticker Sheets.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students - including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you would like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

SAFETY:

Please remind your children about looking both ways before crossing roads especially if they are on scooters and/or bikes. A neighbour contacted the school yesterday saying they saw a couple of our students cross McBain Street yesterday afternoon without looking.

FATHER'S DAY MASS:

We will be celebrating Father's Day with our upcoming Parish / School Father's Day Mass on Sunday 3rd September at 10.30 am. Traditionally we have one or two dads who speak on their experiences of being a dad. So we are looking for a volunteer/s. Please contact either myself or Olive Chodowski (Religious Education Leader) if you are able to assist us.

ST. MARY'S DAD'S NIGHT:

I received this email from a dad who has been a parent at our school for a number of years that I thought was worth sharing:

"I finally went along to the Dad's night last Friday. It was a really friendly atmosphere with fun competition thrown in as well. Some fluky dart throwing and a dodgy Pool table accidental bump?? to move the balls?? Not to mention the Final pool game won by the white going in off after the 8 ball went in.

I got to meet all the 18 or so blokes. Some I already knew and others are dads with young kids up to grade three. This is especially important as we would like to get them involved in the school community to carry on the teamwork in the years ahead. A great benefit to the blokes to relax and have fun"

So Thank you to Ben London on behalf of the P & F for organising these nights and hopefully we'll see some more dads at the next one.

SCOUTS MONSTER RAFFLE:

A reminder that ALL SOLD TICKETS, MONEY AND UNSOLD TICKETS MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY MONDAY 14th AUGUST. Extra Raffle Books are available from the school office.

FOOTY TIPPING:

Nobody correctly selected all nine winners in Round 19 so the jackpot this week is \$15.00. With 4 rounds to go there are now 12 people within 5 of the lead. Good Luck!

David Kelly Principal

Note: On Grandparents day, a truck whilst reversing, hit the side mirror of a parked car on Sargood Street. The driver has kindly passed on his details so if you know of the car in question please contact the school office for further information.



Mount St Joseph Girls' College - Next Open Day Morning

Thursday 10th August 2017 9.30am – 10.30am Applications for year 7, 2019 will close on the 25th August, 2017 Limited places available 2018

Enrolment application forms can be obtained from the website www.mjs.vic.edu.au or by contacting the school on 8398 2000 or emailing the College Registrar, Sherri Collins at registrar@msj.vic.edu.au

EDUCATION IN FAITH



Sacrament of Confirmation - Friday 18th August, 7pm



Whole school Mass:

On Tuesday 8th August, all school families and friends are invited to our whole school mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Time: 9.15am



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- * Our Year 6 students as they prepare to celebrate their Confirmation.
- * All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.



Parish News



Future Maintenance Works - a number of photos are displayed in the Narthex highlighting major roof/draining to be carried out to the Presbytery, Church and Narthex roof as well as the Chapel area. Works to the Presbytery roof have now commenced. Other works will commence in September/October. Further updates will be provided should there be disruption to Church activities. All works are subject to weather conditions.

Monthly Holy Hour - All welcome to share in our Holy Hour on *Monday 7 August at 7.30pm* to pray for peace & reconciliation in the world. Rosary, Exposition and Prayers through the intercession of **ST. PIO** will be followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All Welcome

The Feast of the Assumption, a Holy Day of Obligation will be celebrated with a Mass on Tuesday 15th August, 2017 at 9.15am & 7pm.

Altar Servers Mass - Sunday 27th August, 2017, 10.30am. Fr. Shabin would like to acknowledge our Altar Servers for being active participants in the life of our parish. This special occasion is a 'Thank You' celebration for the time and commitment that Altar Servers have made to the life of our church. There will be pizza & some activities lead by the Youth Group, for our Altar Servers in the school hall after Mass.

Our next **Family & Youth Mass** will be on Sunday 13th August, 2017 at 5pm. Music & Youth Programme will be led by the NET Team (National Evangelisation Team) All welcome!



Uniform Shop: Open Thursdays 2.30-3.00pm

Uniform can be order via email, stmarysaltonauniforms@gmail.com. Simply use the description on the form adding size and quantity.

Payments can be made with either cash to the shop, or direct deposit (details at the bottom of the uniform order form). The order form can be found on the school website under NEWS then Notes & Forms.

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PRINCIPALS AWARDS 4th August, 2017

PREP D	Rush A for working hard to avoid distraction during writing time.
PREP S	Hannah L for the neat and confident way she completes all her work.
YEAR 1/2HT	Joshua V for persisting through some of the challenging activities during
	our Task Works excursion.
YEAR 1/2S	Mia T for her persisting in Maths tasks.
YEAR 1/2N	Aggy G for her reverence and input during class prayer time.
YEAR 1/2G	Toby T for completing his writing pieces independently.
YEAR 3/4M	Eyob T for his persistent attitude in being organised each day.
YEAR 3/4HK	Alana V for her consistently positive attitude and hard work.
YEAR 3/4V	James L for working hard on all classroom activities.
YEAR 5/6C	Gabrielle M for her high level of interest and participation in all class
	activities.
YEAR 5/6L	Emma K for attempting all challenging activities with a smile.
YEAR 5/6K	Taj T for completing all tasks to a high standard.



Week beginning 4th August, 2017



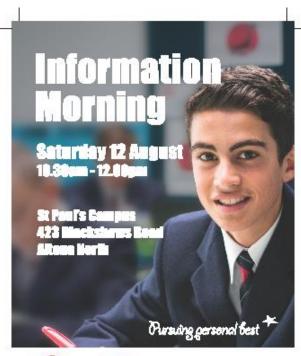
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Come and join us for afternoon tea to help celebrate 60 fantastic years at Altona Kindergarten!!!

It's a great opportunity to meet or catch up with parents from previous, current and future years and learn and share stories about all the wonderful things that make Altona Kindergarten so special to this day. There will be various activities for the kids including a movie, art, craft and outdoor play.

Where: Altona Kindergarten

When: Saturday 12th August 2017

Time: 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Cost: FREE

Please RSVP by Saturday 5th August 2017

(For catering purposes, please state how many adults and how many children will be attending.

RSVP List at Kindergarten or via email to jo_roberts16@yahoo.co.uk)

