



St. Mary's School, Altona

Newsletter 2018

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Dear Parents

Yesterday we sent via Care Monkey a notice from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the **department**), to advise you that the department has requested that your child's school provide a statement of addresses, in accordance with the Australian Education Regulation 2013 (Cth) (the **Regulation**). This form is also available on our school website NEWS: Notes & Forms. We will upload this information next Wednesday afternoon.

WALKATHON:

My apologies for any confusion caused about what the money raised from this Walkathon will go towards. There are always so many things that we would love to spend more money on. From this Walkathon we intend to upgrade our take home reading books and literacy texts, computer technology equipment and adventure playground improvements. We certainly value the contributions from families and friends and endeavour to spend the money raised as wisely as possible.

ARTS SPECTACULAR:

With only just 6 weeks to go until our Arts Spectacular, class performances are being finalised for our concert, "St Mary's Presents . . ." If you are aware that your child will not be able to be part of the concert could you please inform either your child's class teacher or our Performing Arts teacher, Mrs Hamilton, as soon as possible.
Hopefully you have this date marked in your diaries: **Arts Spectacular Wednesday 12th December, 6.00 pm.**



Congratulations to our October Aussie of the Month students – Lorenzo, Melina & Jesse.
[Click here](#) to see their smiling faces.



REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

This year we will once again be involved in the **Kids off the Kerb "In Your Shoes"** campaign.

In Your Shoes is an unwanted footwear collection program which aims to divert shoes from landfill.

Your shoes will be redistributed to people less fortunate. They will also be provided to affordable markets and help create employment and training opportunities for disadvantaged young people.

In Your Shoes also cuts down the amount of discarded shoes that end up in the landfill.

Send all unwanted (but clean) footwear to school on **Friday 16th November.**

- Shoe collection will be on the netball court before school.
- House points will be given for each pair of shoes brought along.
- Be sure to pair them up together by their laces or with rubber bands.

SCHOOL FEES:

Thank you to the many parents that have settled their school fees. This is a polite reminder to any families that might be having difficulty settling their account please arrange a meeting with myself so we can put in place a mutually agreeable Payment Plan.

David Kelly
Principal

EDUCATION IN FAITH

2019 Sacrament Dates

TERM TWO:

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: - Friday, 26th April, 2019 at 7pm

(The Sponsor must be a baptised Catholic over the age of 16)

Dates for Confirmation Rite of Commitment Masses weekend and Confirmation Family Workshop: T.B.A.



"Have good courage for God is so very good to us all." (1870)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.



Weekly Class Mass:

On Friday 16th November, Year 1/2S will be attending the 9:15am parish mass. All family and friends are invited to celebrate and join the children in prayer.



November 2 is the Commemoration of **All Souls**.

On this **day**, we **pray** that **all** those who have died — our loved ones, and also those people around the world who we will never meet — through the mercy of God, will rest in peace. ... And **pray** for their joyful reunion with you, their loving creator. Amen



PRINCIPALS AWARDS WEEK BEGINNING 29th October 2018

PREP D	Alessio B for his enthusiasm towards all tasks
PREP S	Alisha S for her detailed sentences about Prep Breakfast
YEAR 1/2G	Keira L for working hard and being a wonderful classmate
YEAR 1/2S	Denise T for adding lots of detail to her writing
YEAR 1/2D	Ashley T for persevering during reading and sounding out unfamiliar words
YEAR 1/2K	Hannah L for completing her work to a high standard
YEAR 3/4M	Joshua V for his persistence and dedication to learning his times tables
YEAR 3/4HK	Christian G for making an extra effort to complete his homework
YEAR 3/4V	Amber S for confidently solving multiplication algorithms
YEAR 5/6C	Mia A for her punctual and independent completion of homework
YEAR 5/6L	Shannon W for her resilient and responsible nature
YEAR 5/6H	David T for his enthusiastic participation in debating

TUCKSHOP HELPERS Week beginning 5th November 2018



Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

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Congratulations to the outstanding group of senior students commissioned, at the College assembly, as College Leaders for 2019. They provided powerful reflections on how the Marianist identity of the College informs their leadership in committing to their roles of service. It was also exciting to welcome, to our recent information evening, the parents of our 2019 Year 7s – the Class of 2024!