Reading Buddies

With the weather cooling down in Bowen, the Year 2, 3 and 6 students have decided that reading outdoors is a wonderful way to warm up their little bodies.

Reading is a fundamental skill of which we place great importance on each day at our school. The students are engaged in a variety of rich learning experiences to engage with quality literature such as; shared, guided and independent reading.

You may ask “Why is reading important?” There seems to be so many other things to do with one’s time. Research shows that reading is important for a variety of reasons.

Reading:

1. Gives Satisfaction
2. Enhances Concentration
3. Enhances the Imparting of Knowledge
4. An Exercise of the Brain
5. Reduces Stress
6. Enhances Analytical Thinking
7. Improves Vocabulary
8. Improves Writing Skills

There is simply nothing better than curling up with a book at this time of year and we actively foster the love of reading at our school.

Each week your child is provided with homework and reading is one major component. We encourage all parents to spend time with your child / children and read with them every single day. I especially enjoy climbing into bed each night with my son and listening to him read. I then read a book that he has selected from the Library and we talk about the pictures, the characters and the message in the book.

Please come and speak to your child’s teacher if you have any questions about how to foster a love of reading.

Colette Williams
Principal
Thank you to all families who were able to attend our Family Mass on Sunday. The children certainly make the Church feel alive! Thank you also to all families who provided a plate of food to share.

Gathering as a school community for Mass is a very special time and one that is enjoyed by all at our school. On Wednesday this week, our Year 1 class were lucky to be chosen as our Prayer Leaders for the Mass. We were very proud of how confidently they read their readings and prayers of the faithful. We thank Mrs Farley, Mrs Muir and Miss Lindy for preparing the children for this Mass.

Our Confirmation students have been very busy over the past five weeks learning all about Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

Each week over the course of ten weeks, we gather as a group to deepen their understanding of what it means to be Catholic. I have been incredibly impressed with how all children are progressing through the program. I would like to thank Mrs Gloria Fisher and Mrs Mikki Menzies from our Parish, who have been integral in assisting with leading the program and guiding the children through their learning journey.

The children are currently preparing for First Reconciliation. The sacrament of penance is when the children will recognise their sinfulness and with the desire to turn to God, they will ask for God’s forgiveness. To prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the children have been encouraged to reflect on their lives in light of the Ten Commandments.

We will continue to keep all children who are undertaking their Confirmation Program in our thoughts and prayers. Thank you to all families who are attending this program with their children.

God Bless

Colette Williams

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Congratulations to the YCDI Awardees for Week 9:
Middle L to R: Laila Beath, Bonnie Nane, Ruby Prossor, Ines del Solar and Sienna Arenas-Evans.

Congratulations to Principal Awardees for Week 9
Front L to R: Harry Menzies, Anna Schultz and Evan Moxham

Congratulations to Domingo del Solar Yr 2 who was this week’s YCDI awardee.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

3 Jul  Cody Busch
3 Jul  Ruby Busch
7 Jul  Jeramious Murdock
9 Jul  Sienna Arenas-Evans
14 Jul  Sophia Honnery
Week 10 | Term 2 | 2019

Term 2  23 Apr—28 June

Week 10
28 June  Mary’s Marvellous Big Day Out!!!

Term 3  15 July—20 September
SCHOOL RESUMES ON MONDAY
15 July 2019 at 8.30am

Week 1
15 July  School resumes
18 July  P and F Meeting 5.30pm
21—26 Jul  Mulkadee Arts Festival

St Mary’s Catholic Parish Centre will be open from
9am—11am each day
Monday to Friday
Phone: 4786 4416

**Upcoming EVENTS**

**PLEDGE YOUR ACT OF KINDNESS FOR KIND JULY —STAY KIND!**

During Term 3 in Weeks 1—4, students will be encouraged to participate in *Random Acts of Kindness* to raise awareness that violence is not the answer. This is an initiative by the Kelly Family who lost a son to a violent one punch incident.

Teachers will be on the lookout for student who engage in Random Acts of Kindness. Tickets will be issued to students who will then go into the draw for a Tuckshop Voucher to be drawn during Week 5!!!

So remember,

We all have the right to feel safe all of the time.

Develop a personal network of adults you can trust.

Talk to these people if you feel unsafe at school or away from school.

Nothing is so awful that we can’t talk about it with someone.

Keep talking until someone listens to you and something is done to help you feel safe again.

**St Mary’s Catholic Parish Centre**
Hello St Mary’s Community,

Our exciting new winter Tuckshop menu will commence in Term 3. Please note that on a Monday, Tuckshop is First Break only and Friday it is available First and Second break. We are always needing helpers in our Tuckshop. If you are available to help out on Monday or a Friday, please leave your name at the school office.

Join the fun in Tuckshop. There will be a volunteers’ roster for Tuckshop starting in Term 3. You can put your name down for a few hours, one day, a couple of days or every Tuckshop day.

Our next P and F Association meeting will be on Thursday 18th July at 5.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us in the staffroom.

Thank you

Mrs Aleisha Johnson
President
P & F Association

SAVE THE DATES
18 July - P and F Association Mtg

5.30pm in Staffroom

26 Aug - Donut Drive

14 Sept - Trivia Night

TUCKSHOP TERM 3 WINTER MENU
MONDAY 1ST BREAK ONLY, FRIDAY 1ST & 2ND BREAK

HOT FOOD

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PLEASE USE A PAPER BAG TO ORDER. INCLUDE YOUR CHILD’S NAME, CLASS, 1ST OR 2ND BREAK, ORDER LISTED AND MONEY ENCLOSED. TUCKSHOP ORDERS CAN BE DROPPED OFF TO THE TUCKSHOP FROM 8AM MONDAY AND FRIDAY.
A BIG thank you to everyone who has sent in their Earn and Learn Stickers. We will be redeeming them for some new learning resources from MTA in Term 3. Thank you also to Woolworths and MTA for helping our students learn.

You are invited to attend our
NAIDOC Day 2019
The theme this year is;
“Voice, Treaty, Truth”

Friday 2nd August 9:30am—2:30pm
Liturgy, Activities, Shared Morning Tea and much, much more!

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DO YOU KNOW A ST MARY’S LOCAL LEGEND?

ST MARY’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNISE OUR PAST STUDENTS, TEACHERS OR PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH THE SCHOOL WHO DESERVE TO BE LOCAL LEGENDS.

They may be people who have achieved great things academically, in the sporting world or people who have made a significant contribution to our community.

St Mary’s Catholic School is celebrating its proud history in Bowen, recognising eight Local Legends in 2019.

If you know someone who deserves to be a Local Legend, fill out the nomination form on our website by Monday, 15 July and submit it online.

www.smbsv.catholic.edu.au
PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE FINISHES ON FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR COMPLETED FORMS BY THIS DATE.

WHITSUNDAY REGIONAL LIBRARIES PRESENT

FRESH FROM MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL

SEAN MURPHY
GAMES BOY 18

FREE INTERACTIVE COMEDY SHOW
& WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN 5-12

PROSERPINE LIBRARY  MONDAY 1 JULY
CANNONVALE LIBRARY  TUESDAY 2 JULY
BOWEN LIBRARY  WEDNESDAY 3 JULY
COLLINSVILLE LIBRARY  THURSDAY 4 JULY

10 AM – 12 NOON ALL VENUES

LAUGH & LEARN as you take on challenges unlike any you’ve ever seen! Gain insight into languages, cultures & customs from around the globe DISCOVER THE WORLD THROUGH FUN!

Bookings not required
Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian

Every Friday