



Term 2 | Week 1 | Date: 21st April 2021

436 Moppett St , Hay

02 6993 1775

admin.hay@wf.catholic.edu.au

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends of St Mary's

A warm welcome back to everyone as we begin a new term and it was terrific to see the children back at school ready and eager to learn.

During the holiday period there has been a lot going on around St Mary's with some great new additions to our school site. Our new fence is just about complete, requiring only a few small finishing touches and it looks terrific, incorporating a lovely undercover area at the entrance.



Our new drink bottle filling station has now been installed and is working a treat!



Our cubby house has had a total makeover and is really looking like a showhome, light, airy and with freshly painted walls. Many thanks to Mr and Mrs Tripney for your great work over the holiday period. We appreciate your time, efforts and skill so much. Thank you!



We've had some serious work done at the back end of the school with the installation of our rainwater tank, complete with plumbing that facilitates the harvesting of rainwater falling on the roof of our Nano Nagle (hall) Centre and using it to irrigate our garden beds. Additionally we have had the concrete path around the perimeter of our garden beds area ripped out to allow for the installation of the irrigation pipes to water the gardens. This work will be continuing over the coming weeks as we start to reinvigorate our garden beds and use them as a valuable learning and teaching resource. We have great plans for some

tree planting along the fence adjacent to the church, the installation of an outdoor sink, as well as the establishment of an Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden along the fence line of the residential property behind the Nano Nagle Centre.

And last but not least, we have our Peace Pole in place. This was kindly donated to us by the Canberra Rotarians from Burley Griffin as part of their national Peace Pole project which has seen over 100 Peace Poles donated to schools across Australia, including Hay Public and Memorial High Schools. Many thanks to Mr Rick Nelson for his expertise in installing our Peace Pole in pride of place at the top of our garden bed area over the holiday period in readiness for yesterday's special ceremony of commemoration. It was great to have Rick on hand yesterday also to assist with the ceremonial planting of our olive tree and to prepare the site ready for our special visitors from the Canberra Rotary Club, along with a number of Rotarians from the former Hay Rotary Club, a special visitor from the Australia Japan Society as well as Mr Satoshi Maema, representing the Japanese ambassador to Australia and Fr Chris from St Mary's Church next door to the school. It was a big occasion for our little school and the children listened and participated beautifully as a number of our visiting dignitaries spoke to them. We heard from Mr Satoshi Maema about the enduring values shared between Australia and Japan and from Mr Alan Japp from Hay who read out a special message from the United Nations on the importance of Peace. Prior to the arrival of our visitors, the children listened to the story of young Japanese schoolgirl heroine Sadako Sasaki who became a victim of the US wartime bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Before she died, Sadako folded 1000 origami paper cranes and since this time the paper cranes have become an enduring symbol of peace throughout the world. During the ceremony, each child and staff member joined our visitors in placing an origami-folded paper crane in the garden bed containing the Peace Pole alongside a young olive tree that was planted for the occasion.

Peace is a wonderful quality indeed and when we cultivate it within ourselves it helps make us stronger and well, for sure. As parents and teachers it is so important for us to help our children experience a sense of peace through providing them with times for quietness, reflection, prayer, gratitude and mindful appreciation of the blessings we enjoy living where we are in this world. It is only when we experience peace within ourselves that we can be truly effective at bringing peace into our homes, our schools and our workplaces.

I look forward to seeing many of you at this Sunday's ANZAC Day March in Hay where St Mary's will be participating. On the march we lovingly commemorate the many brave Anzacs, non-indigenous and indigenous alike, who fought so valiantly to gift us with the legacy of peace that is ours to enjoy here today in our great country.

God Bless

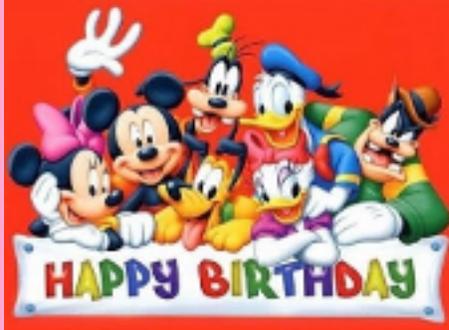
Vince



We would like to wish the following student a very

Happy Birthday

Leah Curtis for 22nd April



Lunch Order Deal Friday

3 Steamed Dim Sims

w/Tomato or Soy Sauce

\$2.50



The Spot

*Happy
Mother's
Day !!!!*

*Let's make mum a
cool creative art
piece for Mother's
Day*

Classes 3.30-4.30 @

The Spot

Only \$20

Monday April

26th and

Monday 3rd May

Phone Steph

0429953779

Parenting Tip:

Don't try to fix everything. Give young children a chance to find their own solutions. When you lovingly acknowledge a child's minor frustrations without immediately rushing in to save them, you teach your child self-reliance and resilience.

For more information about the services that Intereach offers:

P: 1300 488 226

contact@intereach.com.au

www.intereach.com.au

intereach

Parenting Tip:

Take charge.

Children crave limits, which help them understand and manage an often confusing world. Show your love by setting boundaries so your kids can explore and discover their passions safely.

For more information about the services that Intereach offers:

P: 1300 488 226

Cross Country

The school cross country took place on the final day of Term One under clear blue skies and warm sunshine. The students, showing no signs of tiredness at the end of a busy term, set off at a cracking pace eager to complete the course around Hay Park. Soon the grim reality that this was not a sprint dawned on many of them and it was not long before the pace slackened and they continued at a more gentle and civilised stroll, enjoying the opportunity to talk with friends and engage positively with their natural surroundings, looking to see what bugs were around. The principal, gamely trying to wind back the years to his glory days some decades previously, wisely counselled the youngsters to take it easy and to conserve energy for a sprint to the finish line. Leading by example he trotted off at the rear of the pack but after a leisurely first lap of the oval he too found himself struggling and decided to take a short cut, walking to the finish line and encouraging the finishers to go hard at the end. A small number of students completed the course at a canter and had plenty of fuel left in the tank at the end. These few will be eligible to represent the school at the next stage of the Diocesan Cross Country Championship to be held at Parkes. Well done to these students and best you practise hard as you will have hills to contend with in Parkes!

All in all it was a great day to conclude a busy first term with everyone being allowed to compete to the best of their ability and all enjoying the opportunity to cool down afterwards with a play in the park and some cooling drinks.



Sport Term 2

Sport: Week 1, Term 2, 2021.

Welcome back to Term 2 which is already looking very busy. The School Cross Country held on the last day of Term 1, was a great success. Well done to all the competitors!

The results are:

Age Group		Girls	Boys
8/9 Years	1 st	Riley Cooke	Sam Martin
	2 nd		Jye Scott
10 Years	1 st	Giselle Gill	Cooper Barnes-Heriot
	2 nd	Zoe Handford-Dunnett	Samarth Patel
	3 rd	Ava Headon	Frederick Nelson
11 Years	1 st	Emma Curtis	Uzair Shahzad
	2 nd	Tilly Weeks	Prince Patel
	3 rd	Hannah Edmonds	
12 Years	1 st	Olivia Barnes-Heriot	Archer Gill
	2 nd		Jaylen Dixon
	3 rd		Rhett Liu-Mealing

Congratulations to all these students who are eligible to attend the WF Cross Country on **Monday 3rd May, in Parkes.**

Today, you will also receive a note regarding the **School Athletics Carnival** to be held on **Thursday 6th May, 2021** commencing at **10.00am**. We look forward to seeing everyone at the carnival.

In week 2, we have been invited to attend an **AFL clinic at Hay Public School**. This will be on **Thursday 29th April** and students will need to wear sports uniforms on this day.



HAY NETBALL CLUB

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

TERM 2 Mondays @ 5pm

\$20 / term with registrations taken at the court

Enquiries to Lily 0497 273 143 or Jill 0429 930 691



ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL



LEST WE FORGET



ANZAC DAY

SUNDAY 25TH APRIL

ASSEMBLE FOR MARCH AT 9.45AM
AT THE HAY LIBRARY

**AT THE GOWING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN
THE MORNING, WE WILL REMEMBER THEM**

STUDENTS TO WEAR FULL SUMMER UNIFORM

MARCH COMMENCES AT 10.00AM

ANZAC Biscuit Making



Our K/1 students enjoyed making ANZAC biscuits with Mrs Mabon assisted by students from the 5/6 class. Everyone had fun measuring & adding ingredients while others got to stir the mixture and roll the biscuits. But most of all they enjoyed eating their delicious cookies.



ANZAC Biscuits

Ingredients:

- 1 cup plain flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup coconut
- 125g butter
- 2 tbs golden syrup
- 1 tbs water
- 1/2 tsp Bicarb Soda



Method:

1. Sift the flour into a bowl. Add the sugar, coconut and rolled oats.
2. Melt the butter in a saucepan, then add golden syrup and water.
3. Stir the Bicarb Soda into the liquid mixture.
4. Add the liquid to the dry ingredients and mix thoroughly.
5. Place walnut sized balls of mixture on a greased tray and bake at 175C for 15-20 minutes.
6. Biscuits will harden as they cool.

Weekly Compliance Articles

MON

TUES

WED

THU

FRI

every learner every day

ABSENCES ADD UP!



DID YOU KNOW



1 IN 6

PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY?

EACH DAY MISSED:

- Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up.
- Can lead to lower achievement in reading writing and numeracy.
- Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections.

GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY



Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life.

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

- BE FIRM.** Send your child to school every day unless they are sick.
- Develop good sleep and morning routines.
- Schedule appointments after school.
- Avoid taking holidays during term time.



SCHOOLS ARE THERE TO HELP



If you are having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it.

every learner every day 

