

# St. Mary's Primary School Newsletter

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**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2023**

**Newsletter No: 15**

**Term: 4 - Week: 2**

## School Notices

### Yard Supervision:

Morning: 8:30 - 8:55am

Afternoon: 3:20 - 3:35pm

### Bell Times:

School Begins 8:55am

Recess: 11:10-11:30am

Lunch: 1:30 - 2:20pm

Finish: 3:20pm

### Student Absences:

Please phone the office by 9:00am if your child will not be at school on 57 521808.

Or mark absence on PAM.



### Term 4

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Last day for all Students

### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

### December

Last Day for Staff

### MASS TIMES

#### Myrtleford

Saturday @ 6:00pm

Sunday @ 9:00am

#### Bright

Sunday @ 11:00am

### St Patricks Whorouly

Last Sunday of the

Month @ 5:00pm



Click on the link

*Lord, as we prepare for the coming of a new term make us ready, attentive and available to hear you. Thank You for the gift of being able to rise each day with the assurance that You walk through it with us. Thank You for the gifts of creativity and uniqueness, and the energy to put them to good use. Amen*

Welcome back to all our St Mary's students and staff. I'm filled with anticipation as we embark on another term of quality teaching and learning. A huge shoutout to the 100 Year Committee and a special thanks to Jo Bennett for her unwavering commitment in orchestrating our centenary celebrations. Last Friday's activities, driven by our dedicated staff and enthusiastic students, were brilliant – and the photos are a testament to that!

We're also indebted to the staff who volunteered last Saturday for the various ceremonies and school tours. Their contributions ensured that we celebrated St Mary's rich history in a truly memorable fashion. To the Parish Ladies who gave up their time to provide a lovely lunch on Friday and Dinner Saturday night and the Parents Association for proving tea and scones on Saturday. Thank you to Brendan Wood for organising the Centenary wine drive.

As we navigate through this term, there are numerous events lined up, so keep an eye on our newsletters and calendar updates. Remember, Term 4 is SunSmart – it's wonderful to see everyone wearing hats. Please ensure that uniforms have names on them.

Exciting times ahead for our Year 5/6 students, as they've started rehearsals for the 'Festival of the Sacred' performance scheduled for Week 8. Meanwhile, our MLC Year 3/4 students are gearing up for their Beechworth camp adventure. We're also in the midst of preparing for our Christmas Carols Production and the upcoming Swimming Awareness Program, both of which promise to be fantastic.

Lastly, we send our heartfelt thoughts and prayers to Principal Kitty Hancock and wish her a swift recovery. As I'll be on pre-booked long service leave in Weeks 3 & 4, Gab Jackson will be taking over as Acting Principal. Having been fully briefed, Gab, together with our proficient staff, will ensure that St Mary's continues to thrive in my absence.

Regards,  
*Leigh Corcoran*  
Acting Principal



*St Mary's Primary is committed to students experiencing a sense of inclusion that is respectful of their giftedness, abilities, culture and contexts. Our student's experience learning and teaching in a child safe environment that is engaging and liberating.*

## SIGNING YOUR CHILD IN & OUT & LATE TO SCHOOL PROCESS

All Children who arrive at school after 8:55am or leave school before 3:20pm MUST be signed in/out at the office.

If for any reason, you need to take your child out of school during school hours, please come to the office to sign your child out.

## STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school for any reason, it is vital that you notify the school prior to 9am, giving the reason for the absence e.g. If your child is sick, attending an appointment, family holiday etc.

- Mark absence on PAM.
- Send a note with your child on their return to school, or beforehand if you know in advance
- School answering machine is on out of hours, so you can leave a message 57521808

### Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Make friends
- Build skills through fun

**Days missed = years lost**

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight	4 weeks	Over 1 year missed
1 day per week	8 weeks	Over 2.5 years missed

## CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

You can access information about the Child Safe Standards and St. Mary's commitment to the implementation of these standards, including resources, policies, procedures and links, via the school website ([www.smmmyrtleford.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smmmyrtleford.catholic.edu.au)).

## SCHOOL NEWS

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### OCTOBER

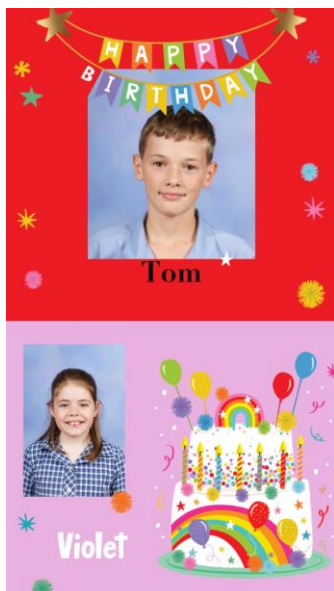
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Hume Region Track n Field Athletics – Albury
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 School Readiness Day 9:30 to 10:45am
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Assembly EMPAC 2:30pm
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 School Readiness Day 9:30 to 10:45am
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	School Nurse Visit (Foundation Students)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Hume Region Basketball- Shepparton
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Foundation 2024 School Readiness Day 9:30 to 10:45am

#### NOVEMBER

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Pupil Free Day (Report Writing Day)
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Public Holiday (Melbourne Cup Day)
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	MLC Beechworth Camp
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly EMPAC 2:30pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Festival of the Sacred Wangaratta Year 5/6
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Foundation Transition Day 9 to 11:30am
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Hume Region Kanga 8's Cricket Mooroopna
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation Transition Day 9 to 11:30am

#### DECEMBER

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly at EMPAC 2:30pm
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation Day Marian College for Year 6 Students
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Day 1
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Day 2
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Day 3
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming carnival
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	State Wide Orientation Day
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	End Of Year Whole School Mass 9:30am
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Final Assembly EMPAC 2:30pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Graduation Mass 6pm St Mary's Church
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term for all students
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pupil Free (Staff Planning Day for 2024)



## CATHOLIC IDENTITY NEWS

### ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CENTENARY YEAR

Our Centenary Celebrations on Friday and Saturday were a memorable way to come together and celebrate 100 years of Catholic Education here at St Mary's. We remembered the past and looked to the future, which I must say is very bright.



Friday's 'Olden Days' dress up and games day was well supported by the students and staff, and the parade took us back in time with so many wonderful costumes. Thank you to families and staff for putting in so much effort with your outfits. The staff dressed as Presentation Sisters and lay teachers from St Mary's early years, and we even had a visit from Mother Mary MacKillop.

It was a pleasure to have past Principal, Sister Barbara Daniels the last Presentation Sister who was a Principal here, past Principal Mr Ashley Marsh and past student Sister Frances join us for the parade. They expressed their joy at being a part of this day and commented on how wonderful the students were. After our parade, we took some amazing photos of the whole school and each class.

After recess, the students played games from the past: marbles, elastics, knuckle/jacks, hopscotch, egg and spoon race and of course skipping. Thank you to the SLC students who organised and ran the 'Olden day games', you were very clear with your instructions and so patient with the younger students. Well done.

Our beautiful 'Centenary Tree' a 'Maple Sensation' was planted on Friday afternoon and the students were so focused and involved during the planting and following speeches. It was so lovely to see past students come and join us in witnessing this event.

The Centenary Celebration Mass was held on Saturday morning and was attended by a number of current students and staff, and many past students and staff. Thank you to Madison Rae, Lachlan Earl, Javier Banigo-os, Lexi Piazza and all the staff for your roles within the Mass.

The blessing of the 'Old Church Bell Rock and Plaque' followed mass and everyone present was able to place their hands on the rock to offer a prayer or blessing while the old church bell tolled. This congregational blessing was deeply moving and meaningful. Father Tony then blessed the rock with holy water.

The plaque was donated to St Mary's Parish on behalf of the students and staff of St Mary's School in thanks for being the guiding force and foundation of our school.

We all convened on the school basketball court for the speeches and cutting of the cake. Mrs Hancock made a moving speech and welcomed the Executive Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst, Paul Desmond who made the trip from Bendigo for the day. Mrs Hancock and Mr Corcoran cut the Centenary cake and all present enjoyed the delicious cake.

The amazing staff at St Mary's then provided guided tours around the school for returning students and staff. Many stories were told of what once was and many people caught up with old classmates. Our staff and guests then enjoyed a delicious Devonshire Tea catered by the amazing St Mary's P & F.

On Saturday night, the 'Tuck Shop Ladies' catered a two-course dinner for 100 people. The evening was filled with great food, great company and fantastic music.



I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks to Kitty Hancock for being a great co-driver in the preparation for the Centenary Celebrations. A huge thanks to the indomitable Bev Rossato and the 'Tuck Shop Ladies' for planning, organising and catering the luncheon for 100 people on Friday and the two-course dinner for the same amount of people on the Saturday night. You are truly amazing.

Last, but not least, I cannot thank Leigh and our St Mary's staff enough for all their time, effort, energy and enthusiasm in preparing for Friday and Saturday. Without all these wonderful people, this celebration would never have happened.

Feeling blessed,  
Jo Bennett (Catholic Identity Leader)









## JUNIOR NEWS

The students have started Term 4 with much enthusiasm and positive attitudes.

A reminder that in Term 4 all students must have a hat on to play outside during recess, lunch and sport ("NO HAT, NO PLAY"). If you could please ensure your child's hat is clearly labelled, we would greatly appreciate it.

### FOUNDATION

Term 4 is a wonderful time to reflect on all the wonderful learning that has taken place thus far. This term, we focus on consolidating skills taught throughout the year in all areas of literacy and numeracy. It is important that the children continue practising their reading each night; please come see me if you need any help choosing a reader for your child. In addition, I have sent home a list of "weird words" that they are encouraged to practise at home. These are words we have been learning in class and fluency will help their daily reading immensely.



### YEAR 1

We welcome Milla McAlpine, Jack Piazza and Madelyn Cresswell back into the class after a wonderful break. News share has been popular each day, looking at photos, journals and souvenirs from abroad and up north! The holidays have been exciting with the birth of foals and moving houses. It is great to have everyone back and excited about learning.

The Year 1 students have been coming inside and reading in the mornings. They have brought books from home, borrowed from the library or reading their take home reader. This will be a focus this term.

In Literacy, like the Year 2 students, we continue working on phonemic awareness and phonics. We have been studying the vocabulary for picture books that we have used in class, one about the coral reef and one about bats. Some of the vocabulary we have been investigating are descriptive words like 'nocturnal, bold, trilled and yammered'. We have also learned words that relate to living things like 'polyp'. Picture storybooks are an amazing resource to build and extend your children's language capabilities.



In preparation for LETI, we have been learning all about plants and their parts. We have learned that living things need air, food, water and light in order to survive. Once the weather warms, we will look to spend time in the garden planting our sunflowers and hopefully a few vegetables.

In Religion, we are focusing on showing kindness to others and what this looks like at school, in our families and our community.

A special thank you to our Year 6 buddies who joined us for an hour on Tuesday afternoon. It was fantastic to get to spend time with them before they start their transitions off to high school, and we look forward to scheduling a few more sessions before we farewell them later this term.







In writing, we have continued to study the structure and extension of sentences using the vocabulary we have learned. Our writing includes 'Subjects' (eg. bats), 'Location' descriptions (eg. cave, Queensland, trees, forest and shed), 'Verbs' (eg. sleep, hang, fly, eat, squeak) and 'Timing' words (eg. day, night, cry, eat, talk).

In Big Write last week, the students responded to the topic 'It's Alive!' by writing narratives and informational texts. The topic this week is 'My Habitat' and the students have brainstormed different habitats in preparation to write on Thursday.

Our Inquiry/LETI focus this term is on 'Living Things'. Students have already come up with some wonderings about living things:

- 'How do bats hang in caves when there are no trees?'
- 'Do bats have nests?'
- 'How can bats see at night?'

We use these wondering questions to guide the investigation process in LETI.

In Maths, we have been revising concepts particularly place value, addition and subtraction. We have had a focus on counting patterns, counting by 3 and 5 from given numbers. We encourage children to practise this at home.

## YEAR 2

The Year 2 students have been learning to touch type each day on Typing.com. They are all engaged and have learnt correct finger positioning, and are practising their typing skills.

In Literacy, the students have continued with extending their phonemic awareness and phonics understanding through review each day and by adding new skills each week. We have been studying the vocabulary for classification of animals in reading and studying non-fiction text. In writing, we have continued to study the structure of sentences and have been extending sentences from a simple sentence. In Big Write last week, the students responded to the topic 'It's Alive!' by writing narratives and informational texts. The topic this week is 'My Habitat' and the students have researched information to prepare to write on Thursday.

Our Big Write topics and reading focus have been in line with our LETI focus this term on 'Living Things'.

In Maths last week, we reviewed previously taught concepts and have extended the complexity of the addition and subtraction equations that we are completing to include carrying and borrowing. This week we have been testing and will be investigating flip, slide and turn in regard to location and transformation.

In Religious Education, the Year 1 and 2 students are investigating what it means to be 'Called to Mission.' We have discussed how we show kindness and care for people, and how that makes us feel. We are now looking at who in our world we should care for and show kindness to. We will investigate those who don't have the basic necessities and are treated poorly.

Have a fantastic week,  
Ashley, Carolyn, Jo, Sonia and Sandra





## 100 YEARS OLD - HAPPY BIRTHDAY ST MARY'S SCHOOL!

What a wonderful way to welcome in Term 4. The students spent the first week with a large focus on the 100 Year Centenary of St Mary's Primary School. At the end of Term 3, we were fortunate to have a visit from Bev Rossato and Barb Nannipieri who guided us through the history of St Mary's and shared some fascinating first hand experiences about life at our school, back in the day! We visited the old church, which is now the Parish Centre, the old convent and listened to lots of fascinating stories of what life was like at our school in the past.

The children did a lot of their own research, note taking and compiling of information to create their own slideshows about St Mary's turning 100 years old.

## CAMP - BEECHWORTH

We are getting excited about our upcoming camp to Beechworth on November 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to parents who completed paper forms and PAM permissions. Children will bring home a list of what to bring to camp by the end of this week. If there are any concerns/questions, please email Julie or April.

## INQUIRY - WHAT'S IN OUR UNIVERSE?

Our Inquiry topic this term is 'What's in Our Universe?' Our unit has started off with great excitement and enthusiasm and we are looking forward to a great term of learning and sharing our knowledge.

## MATHS WEEKLY HOMEWORK

A note went home at the beginning of term to inform families about our homework focus this term on Mental Arithmetic activities which are due back each Monday. Most of this work is revision but there may be some activities which require support to complete. The children have been reminded to place an asterix \* beside any questions they found particularly difficult, as this term is an opportunity to revise topics covered throughout the year.

Have a great weekend. Julie, April, Anna and Lucia





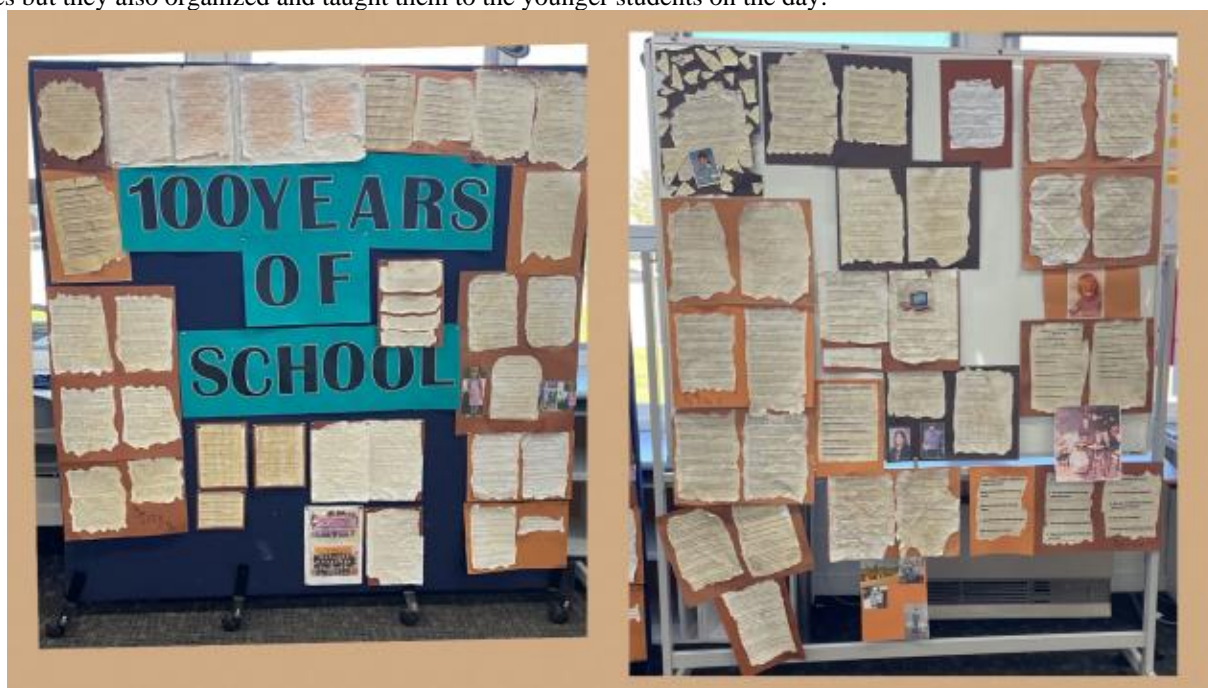


## SENIOR NEWS

Welcome to Term 4. We have had an excellent start to the new term. Students have participated in the 100 Year Celebrations, Zone Athletics and we have started practicing for our Festival of the Sacred performance.

### 100 YEARS CELEBRATION

Congratulations to our amazing students who worked on some great interviews with parents and grandparents, discussing their experiences of school when they were children. The children created a wonderful visual display off these interviews and many of our visitors enjoyed reading them. We would like to thank the Year 5 and 6 students who ran olden day games for the students to participate in on our dress up day. These included: marbles - Owen and Benji, elastics - Hunter C and Billy, skipping - Daisy and Hunter S, hopscotch - Emily and Kirk, quoits - Charlotte and Nathan, jacks (or knuckles)- Shai and egg and spoon races- Mia and Judd. The children had researched and practiced these games during the week. On Friday not only were they looking great in their costumes but they also organized and taught them to the younger students on the day.







## ZONE ATHLETICS

Even the flood waters couldn't dampen the spirits of the students competing in Wangaratta last Friday. It was a fantastic day with all students demonstrating sportsmanship and representing the school with pride. Congratulations and good luck to those students who progressed to the next round of competition which will be held in Albury this Friday.

## INQUIRY

This term our inquiry focus is a science topic - Space exploration. We have begun by introducing our Solar System and exploring the planets. We will investigate astronomers and space related technology and inventions. We will also research what life as an astronaut might be like. Every student has a rubric with multiple tasks to complete over the course of the term. Some tasks are compulsory and others students are able to choose tasks that interest them, whether that be an artistic creation, designing a device, researching a space related song or discussing what life might be like on another planet. We are very excited to discover and learn more about our cosmos. The students will also participate in learning more about our solar system with a visit from the Planetarium Space Dome on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## MATHEMATICS

Term 4 will see many topics revisited to cement our understanding and application, including multiplication, division, factors and multiples. This will assist students to complete our end of year testing, in a few weeks' time, to the best of their ability. Regular practice of the times tables is really paying off and allows for instant recall of these facts. It also helps when tackling tricky multiplication and division questions.

## SOME DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

Pupil Free Day - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Festival of the Sacred - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Whole School End of Year Mass - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December - 9:30am

Year 6 End of Year Mass - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December - 6:00pm

Have a great week.

SLC Teachers.

## PE NEWS

The Ovens & Mitta Division Athletics in Wangaratta saw an enthusiastic representation from St Mary's, with 24 students giving it their all. Their commendable performance was a testament to our school's excellence in sports. We're immensely thankful to Anna Millar and Katrina Butler for their guidance, and to our parent helpers for their assistance. Six of our athletes went to compete at the Regional level in Albury today. Go St Mary's! Best wishes to our young stars!






## PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

### MANGO FUNDRAISER

The Parent's Association is running a Mango fundraiser this term. The forms were sent home today with the oldest in the family. Forms are due back with the correct money by Tuesday 24th October.

**ST MARY'S PARENTS ASSOCIATION**



**The MANGO FUNDRAISER**

**Fresh North Queensland Mangoes**  
Direct from the farm to you!

**Support Our Mango Fundraiser**


If you *love mangoes*, here's your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive.

We are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

Cost per Tray is: \$27  
Place your order by: October 24<sup>th</sup>  
For Further information contact:  
Kaelah Barnes 0487390409

Delivery: December 11<sup>th</sup>

\*Please note that while every effort will be made to deliver your order to your School/Club/Organisation on the preferred delivery date, the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control. Your coordinator will notify you of any changes. Thank you for your understanding.



**The MANGO FUNDRAISER**

**CUSTOMER ORDER FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator/Office use

Coordinators Name	Price	Expected Delivery week beginning	Return form with payment by
Kaelah Barnes	\$27	11/12/23	24/10/23

NAME	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
1.		\$	\$
2.		\$	\$
3.		\$	\$
4.		\$	\$
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9.		\$	\$
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12.		\$	\$
13.		\$	\$
14.		\$	\$
15.		\$	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

Participate in the exciting sport of Softball  
Ages 8 & Up

No equipment needed  
Every Thursday  
Starting September 7th  
4:30pm-5:30pm  
Gayview Park, Serpentine Ave,  
Wodonga.

# Become a Junior WARRIOR

Contact: Tracey Chadwick - 0407592722

<https://www.facebook.com/wodongasoftball>

**WODONGA**  
SOFTBALL CLUB  
DIGITAL CARD

**FREE**

Everyone is invited

## Family Frog Frolic

Do you have an interest in our local frogs?  
Then join us for a BBQ dinner  
as we learn about frogs at our  
information evening. Presented  
by Dr. Anna Turner

Saturday 21st Oct 6-8.30pm.  
Jubilee Park Myrtleford

Additional information Gayle 0448983109

Attendance  
registration  
& further  
information

Myrtleford & District  
Landcare  
& Sustainability Inc.

## LEARN TO DRIVE AGE 5.

### THERE'S GOLF FOR THAT.

The Myrtleford Golf Club -  
MyGolf Junior Program

Come and join us for the next MyGolf clinic. We have a session once a week that runs for 60mins. Lessons are conducted in small groups and focus on giving participants plenty of opportunities to explore skills and to build confidence to hit the golf course. The program is open to ages 5-17yrs.

Time: Friday 4.15pm - 5.15pm  
Dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> November for 7 weeks  
Cost: \$60

Registration: Register through the QR code or find us at [www.golf.org.au/mygolf](http://www.golf.org.au/mygolf)

Enquiries: 0448 591 292

Scan to find a program

[golf.org.au/mygolf](http://golf.org.au/mygolf)

Myrtleford & District Landcare & Sustainability Inc.

### WANGARATTA ART GALLERY

Just letting you know that *Evangeline Cachinero's Four Pillars* exhibition is currently showing in Gallery2 at Wangaratta Art Gallery.

The link to the show is: <https://www.wangarattaartgallery.com.au/Exhibitions/Current-Exhibitions/The-Four-Pillars-Evangeline-Cachinero>

Local Stanley artist *Mary Rose Riley* is delivering a kids textile workshop in response to Evangeline's work along with the works of *Judy Watson* and *Yhonnie Scarce* that are currently on show in Gallery 1 exhibition titled *Looking Glass*.

The workshop, *Stories through Stitch*, will enable kids to tell their personal stories using fabric thread and paper; is being held at Wangaratta Art Gallery on **Saturday 21 October** between **2.00pm - 4.00pm**.

Further information on the workshop and how to book: <https://www.wangarattaartgallery.com.au/Programs/Stories-Through-Stitch-Workshop-with-Mary-Rose-Riley>



## Parenting information sessions - Term 4 2023

FREE 2 hour sessions - Bookings are essential

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Adolescent Parenting	Raising Resilient Children (From the Triple P International)	Adolescent Parenting
For parents and carers of children aged between 10 and 17 years	For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 12 years	For parents and carers of children aged between 10 and 17 years
This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of teenagers - impacts and challenges</li> <li>How you can support your teenager's emotions and help them build resilience</li> <li>Connecting with your teenager</li> <li>Helping to problem solve</li> <li>Family values</li> </ul>	This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognising and accepting feelings</li> <li>Building a positive outlook</li> <li>Developing coping skills</li> <li>Dealing with negative feelings</li> <li>Stressful life events</li> </ul>	This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of teenagers - impacts and challenges</li> <li>How you can support your teenager's emotions and help them build resilience</li> <li>Connecting with your teenager</li> <li>Helping to problem solve</li> <li>Family values</li> </ul>
Monday 30th October 6:30pm - 8:30pm Berardius Community Centre <a href="#">Click here to register</a>	Monday 6th November 7pm - 9pm Via Zoom <a href="#">Click here to register</a>	Monday 13th November 6pm - 8pm Fellender Community Centre Wodonga <a href="#">Click here to register</a>

For more information on our programs phone 0457 279 796

gatewayhealth.org.au

## Dads Tuning in to Kids Group Program

For parents and carers of children aged between 3 and 12 years.

This seven-week program is aimed at male parents and carers.

This program will support you to help your child understand and manage feelings ('emotional intelligence').

Children with good emotional intelligence:

- have better concentration at school
- have better success making and keeping friends
- are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry.



Location	Date and Time	Cost
Pangerang Community Hub 38 Owens Street, Wangaratta,	Tuesdays 24th October - 28th November 6pm - 8pm	This is a free program

### To Register

Scan the QR Code or click [here](#) to RSVP by Sunday 22nd October.



For further information contact parenting team on 0457 279 796

Bookings are essential

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## Mother Goose Interacting with your baby

The Parent-Child Mother Goose program provides a group experience for parents and young children under the age of 2 years.

The program promotes parent-child relationships through the fun of song, rhyme and story. You will learn ways to:

- help your child settle
- help their language development
- grow and support your relationship with your child
- connect with your child.



Location	Date and Time	Cost
Gateway Health 155 High Street Wodonga	Wednesdays In School Terms 10.30am - 11.30am	This is a free program

### To Register

Scan the QR Code or click [here](#) to register any time during the term



For further information contact parenting team on 0457 279 796

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## Parenting Programs - Term 4 2023

\*There is no cost to attend these programs

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Location	Program	Duration	When	Where	Register
Wodonga	Tuning in to Kids Emotionally intelligent parenting (2 - 10 years)	6 weeks	Wednesdays 24th October - 28th November 10am - 12pm	Gateway Health 155 High Street Wodonga	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>
Wodonga	Parenting Trans & Gender Diverse Kids & Teens	8 weeks	Mondays 9th October - 27th November 11am - 1pm	Gateway Health 155 High Street Wodonga	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>
Wodonga	Mother Goose (0 - 2 years)	Full term	Wednesdays 4th October - 6th December 10.30am to 11.30am	Gateway Health 155 High Street Wodonga	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>
Wangaratta	Tuning in to Dads Emotionally intelligent parenting (3 - 10 years)	6 weeks	Wednesdays 24th October - 28th November 6pm - 8pm	Pangerang Community Hub 38 Owens St, Wangaratta	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>
Benalla	Tuning in to Teens Emotionally intelligent parenting (10 years and over)	6 weeks	Wednesdays 18th October - 22nd November 5.30pm - 7.30pm	Tomorrow Today Shop 10, 66 Num Street Benalla	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>
Lavington	Mother Goose (0 - 2 years)	Full term	Fridays 13th October - 8th December 10.30am to 11.30am	Orana Community Centre 40 Cardo Drive Springdale Heights	<a href="#">Click here to register</a>

For more information on our programs phone 0457 279 796

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## Positive Parenting Telephone Service

Our free 6 to 10 week program helps you to:

- have stronger, more positive relationships
- set rules and limits
- manage everyday behaviour problems.

Our program is for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 to 12 years.

Participants complete a workbook and are supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls with a trained parenting educator.

All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.

**1800 880 660**

This is a FREE service, and enrolments are taken all year round. Call us for more information or to enrol.

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## Raising Resilient Children (from the Triple P International)

For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 10 years

This session will provide information on:

- Recognising and accepting feelings
- Expression of feelings
- Building a positive outlook
- Developing coping skills
- Dealing with negative feelings
- Stressful life events



Location	Date and Time	Cost
Online (link will be provided)	Monday 6th November 7pm to 9pm	This is a free program

### To Register

Scan the QR Code or click [here](#) to rsvp by Sunday 12th November.



For further information contact parenting team on 0457 279 796

Bookings are essential

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Please note this information applies to Term 4 2023.

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# 2024 Foundation TRANSITIONS

During our 3 school readiness days and additional 3 transition sessions, families and students will have the opportunity to meet and become very familiar with their 2024 Foundation Teacher, classroom space, Year 6 buddies and classmates.

*We look forward to getting to know your child and family!*

## SCHOOL READINESS DAYS

**Tuesday, 17 October 2023**

**Tuesday, 24 October 2023**

**Tuesday, 31 October 2023**

**9:30 – 10:45am**

A healthy morning tea will be provided.

Note: Students at Kinder on Tuesdays will walk to the school with their educators. All others not at Kinder on Tuesdays are welcome to meet at the school.

## ADDITIONAL TRANSITION DAYS:

**Tuesday, 21 November 2023**

9:15–11:30am

**–and–**

**Tuesday 28 November 2023**

9:15 – 11:30am

Students will need to be dropped off and picked up at St Mary's by parents or carers. Please pack a drink bottle, hat and snack.

**Tuesday, 12 December 2023**

**Statewide Transition Day**

9:30am – 1:00pm

Please pack a drink bottle, hat, snack and lunch.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Ph: 5752 1808

