Dear Parents,

Last week we had our first independent Prep Orientation session and we were VERY impressed with the children. They were very settled and are obviously ready for school. Congratulations to the children and their parents on such a successful beginning!

This week our photos are of the Smart Start incursion which the classes are undertaking and more of the Senior Carnival Day activities. The Smart Start incursions are teaching children about money and its forms as well as the difference between spending for their needs and wants and the importance of goal setting with their money. It is a program for students from Year 1 to 6 and has a different focus for each level.

One of the things that the Carnival Day reminded us of was how much fun the children have playing table tennis so, starting today, table tennis will be added to our playtime activities. The tables will be situated in the piazza area outside the Italian room.

We are very excited as the Art Show is happening this Thursday between 4 and 5.30p.m. to showcase the children’s learning in the Visual Arts. This year we shall also be retaining the exhibition a little longer so that classes can use it to develop the skills of art appreciation and gallery etiquette. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday!

Congratulations to our Students of the Week:

PB: Milla K  
PF: Bridie McC
1/2F: Maya B  
1/2U: Phoebe R
1/2H: Emily C  
1/2R: Wyatt B
3/4M: James McL  
3/4C: Blake M
3/4N: Riley L  
3/4T: Samuel R
5/6B: Tori W  
5/6L: Reece T
5/6F: Braedyn K  
5/6S: Jaimee W

With my prayers and best wishes for the coming week,

Mrs Lynne O’Meara  Principal
Lord Jesus
I give you my hands to do your work
I give you my feet to go your way
I give you my eyes to see as you do
I give you my tongue to speak your words
I give you my mind that you may think in me
I give you my spirit that you may pray in me
Above all, I give you my heart
that you may love in me
your Father and all humanity
I give you my whole self that you may grow in me
so that it is you Lord Jesus
who live and work and pray in me,
Amen

http://www.catholicsocialteaching.org.uk/themes/solidarity/reflection/grail-prayer/
Uniforms

All St. Mary’s students are required to wear the full correct school uniform. We believe that the wearing of uniforms promotes the children’s pride in their school and self-discipline. Uniform items can be purchased or made at little cost. The uniform shop at St. Mary’s carries all uniform items, including school and library bags. There is a small amount of second hand uniforms available in the shop.

Children are expected to have a school bag with the St Mary’s School logo.

Please ensure that your children bring their correct school bag.

Girls’ Winter Uniform
- Navy tunic or tailored pants
- Length of dresses and tunics should not be above the knee
- (no jeans, jean style or cargo pants)
- St Mary's polo shirt
- St Mary's windcheater
- Navy socks or tights
- Black polished shoes
- (no sneakers/runners)
- Navy gloves and scarf (optional)

Boys’ Winter Uniform
- Navy Trousers
- (no jeans, jean style or cargo pants)
- St Mary’s polo shirt
- St Mary’s windcheater
- Navy socks
- Black polished shoes
- (no sneakers/runners)
- Navy gloves and scarf (optional)

Girls’ Winter Sports Uniform
- Navy track suit pants
- St Mary’s windcheater
- Navy unisex sports shorts or navy skirt.
- St Mary’s polo shirt
- White St. Mary’s sports socks or plain white socks and runners

Boys’ Winter Sports Uniform
- Navy track suit pants
- St Mary’s windcheater
- Navy unisex sports shorts
- St Mary’s polo shirt
- White St. Mary’s sports socks or plain white socks and runners

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HEADBANDS FOR SALE

- 3 STYLES IN SCHOOL COLOUR
- SAMPLES AND ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE.
- $5 EACH.

HEADBAND ORDER FORM:

Name ____________________________ Class _____________

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$ 5.00 each

Amount Enclosed $ ____________ (Exact money only/Cash Only/No change given)

The Naplan test results for Grades 3 & 5 are available for collection. We ask that when reading your children’s results that you remember that they are based on one test, on one occasion, back in May of this year. We monitor and assess your child’s progress on an ongoing basis to maintain a complete picture of their strengths and learning needs. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make a time to speak to the classroom teacher.
**ST MARY’S NEWS**

**CAR PARK RULES……. CAR PARK RULES……. CAR PARK RULES…….**

**PARKING IN THE DRIVEWAY BEFORE 3.15pm IS PROHIBITED UNLESS ALL CAR PARKING SPACES ARE TAKEN…..**

**ST MARY’S MASS TIMES MOUNT EVELYN**
Saturday 5.00pm & Sunday 10.30am & 5.00pm

**REMINDER THAT SCHOOL FEES……….**
need to be paid in full by the 20th of November unless other arrangements have been made with the office.

*St Mary’s BSB/ACCOUNT Details*

*Please see below our BSB details for online transfers*

St Marys Primary School  
BSB 083-347 Account Number 676054930

**UNIFORM SHOP - NEW OPENING TIMES**

*Opening hours*

Tuesday Afternoon 3.00pm - 3.30pm &  
Thursday Morning 8.30am - 9.00am

*Order forms available at the office. Payment of cash or cheque MUST be included with your order.*

**ST MARY’S NEW WEBSITE**

Check out our new website…. The newsletter and other items are uploaded every week for your convenience. *(Weekly newsletters will no longer be emailed)*

Also including this week, Uniform Order Form  
Tuckshop Menu & Car Park Rules  
[www.smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au)

**2016 FEE INCREASE NOTICE**

2016 annual family fee will stay the same at $990.00, the student levy will increase slightly to $245.00 per child.

School fees include course and subject levies, and the costs of all curriculum excursions and activities. School Fee Statements will be issued at the commencement of the school year on 3rd February 2016 with payment schedules and forms for direct debits. Reminder Statements will be issued at the beginning of each term for your information.

To pre pay fees or set up your own payment schedule through your internet banking, please include your eldest child’s name as the reference.

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Dear Parents,

On behalf of Mt.Evelyn Primary School OSHC we would like to invite you to our Vacation Care Program open to your wonderful school. You can receive your Booking Form for January School Holidays from your school office. You may also email, phone or pop in and see Melissa at the School OSHC office at Mt.Evelyn Primary School 9736 2233  osh@mtevelynps.vic.edu.au Monday – Friday 7.00am – 3.00pm

Melissa will be very happy to assist you and organise an enrolment package for your child/children. It is a great opportunity for our local school community to support a wonderful program. Kind regards, Melissa Mc Donald

ITALIAN DAY- ST. MARY’S 2015

Dear Parents,

The annual St. Mary’s Italian Day will be held this year on Tuesday, November 24th 2015.

The day will include:

* Fun activities at each level

A fashion parade to rival the catwalks of Milan and Rome

Artworks that would amaze even Michelangelo

Mouth-watering pizza and gelato.

Students can join in the fun by dressing in Italian colours or as their favourite character.

Please complete the form below and return to the class teacher no later than-

Thursday, November 13th.

Looking forward to an enjoyable day.

Signora Bartilotta
(Italian teacher)

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PLEASE RETURN BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13th 2015

CHILD’S NAME: .............................................................. GRADE: ....................

PIZZA: $1.50 per slice

MARGHERITA ________ slices @ $1.50 ____________

HAWAIIAN ________ slices @ $1.50 ____________

GELATO: Max 1 Dixie cup per child @ $1.00 Chocolate/Lemon flavour

TOTAL: $________________

(Please enclose correct amount no change will be given!)
Religious Education News

Sunday, 8 Nov 2015: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
Mk 12:38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, ‘Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.’

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.’ The Gospel of the Lord

Spot the difference Can you spot the seven differences between these two pictures?

Class Masses this week: 3 / 4 C and 1 / 2 U will celebrate Mass in the church on Thursday at 9.00a.m. All welcome to attend.
**St. Mary’s Parish School Community**

warmly invite your family to our

**ANNUAL ART SHOW**

to be held between 4.00pm & 5.30pm

on

Thursday 12th November

in the hall

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**Mount Lilydale Mercy College Old Collegians Memorial Mass**

You are cordially invited to a special Mass for Old Collegians and their families who have entered into Eternal Life.

**Venue:** Our Lady of Mercy Old Collegians’ Memorial Chapel
**Address:** 120 Anderson Street Lilydale
**Date:** Sunday 15 November **Time:** 2pm.

Mass will be followed by afternoon tea in the Staff Dining Room. The Heritage Rooms will also be open for all those interested in our rich history at Mount Lilydale Mercy College.

If you have any queries, kindly contact Patricia Olson or Leonie Ziolkowski on 9735 4022

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**St. Mary’s Christmas Eve Family Mass**

**“Oh Come all ye Faithful”**

Thursday 24th December 2015

If your child would like to participate in this special occasion, please fill out the form below and return to the office by the 29th November.

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Please tick which part you would like to be considered for:

**Gospel Play:**
- Angel
- Mary
- Joseph
- 3 Inn Keepers
- 3 Wise Men
- Shepard

**Readings:**
- Prayers of the Faithful
- Offertory
- Collection
- Entrance Procession
- Choir

Childs Name: ___________________________________________ Grade: _____________
Parent Contact Mobile: _____________________ Email Address: __________________
CRAFT CLUB VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Fun with the kids

10.50am until 11.50am (1 hour duration approximately)....

If you can help plaaaaasssstee fill out the form below and return to the office....

Name ____________________________ Contact Phone Number ___________________

I am available on the following Friday/s from 10.50am - 11.50am

☐ Friday 30th October  ☐ Friday 27th November
☐ Friday 6th November  ☐ Friday 4th December
☐ Friday 13th November  ☐ Friday 11th December
☐ Friday 20th November  ☐ Friday 18th December

Please tick and return to the office...

ST MARY’S
Christmas
FAIR & CAROLS

Thursday 3rd Dec 2015
5pm - 7.30pm

MARKET STALLS
FACE PAINTING
JUMPING CASTLE
BBQ & REFRESHMENTS
CAROLS ON THE OVAL

So bring your picnic rug (no chairs) and come and enjoy a fun evening!

Located at St Mary’s Primary School
53 Clegg Rd, Mount Evelyn

In the case of inclement weather, please note that Market Stalls and BBQ will be held in the St Mary’s hall, while the Carols will be performed in Assembly prior to the end of the School term.
FACEBOOK  A reminder that there is a St Mary’s parent Facebook group (St Marys Mt Evelyn - parents). This group is run by the parents for the parents not by the school. It’s very handy if you need to ask for lost spelling words or find out which days uniform shop is open if you forget!

FOOD BANK - DONATIONS REQUIRED
We are still asking for donations of, lasagne sheets, pasta sauce, tomato paste, cheese, stock and anything else we can use to make up trays of yummy lasagne and Bolognese sauce. We would also appreciate monetary donations or gift vouchers so we can purchase food stuffs to try some new recipes.

If you know of anyone from St Mary’s Primary school that may need some help with a meal for their family, please contact the office.

NEXT COOK-UP TBA
AT ST MARY’S TUCKSHOP
HELPERS REQUIRED FOR ALL ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL
Karla
0418271755

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP OUT WITH MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR ST MARY’S
ST MARY’S DRINKS STALL @ ‘THE WANDIN CUSTOM CAR & BIKE SHOW
Wandin Recreation Reserve (Mel ref: 121 k9)
We need help on our St Mary’s drinks stall which is a massive annual fundraiser for our primary school…..

Dates and times required are as follows:

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Please contact Shelly on 0419 531 624 or Sam on 0408 562 282 for all enquiries or alternatively call the office on 9736 2219 to put your name on the roster or fill out the form above and return to the office.
LOST
1 x Brooklyn Nets Basketball
Black and White Stripes
Please return to the office or Jordan Vitale 1/2F

FOR SALE
Cubby House
Please call 0418353003 for details

LEARNING MUSIC IMPROVES RESULTS IN OTHER SUBJECTS eg Mathematics

YOUR CHILD DESERVES THIS CHANCE!!

Piano on keyboard lessons

Call NOW 0433 877 086

LOST PROPERTY
Lost property will be available for collection on Thursday afternoons outside the office. All other times lost property is located in 5/6S.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our School, St Mary’s is having a Christmas Fair!

DATE: Thursday 3rd December
TIME: 5:00 - 7:30pm

STALL HOLDERS WANTED
We are looking for people who are interested in holding a stall at this year’s Christmas Fair. If you are interested please contact either Michelle Jones, Jane Ward or Rebecca Dunn on the details below to secure your spot.
Stalls will be $20 each (This money will be donated to the school) and a donation of your product for the raffles.
To secure your spot we MUST know by Friday November 6th.

DONATIONS WANTED
We are currently seeking donations to put together raffles for the event. If you know of any businesses that may like to donated some vouchers or gifts, or you have any new unused gifts you’d like to donate we would appreciate your help and donations.
The donation box will be located in the office from Monday 26th October.

Michelle Jones - 0425 754 906
Jane Ward - 0425 712 144
Rebecca Dunn - 0418 352 88

FOR SALE
Cubby House
Please call 0418353003 for details
ST. MARY’S TUCKSHOP  
Term 4, 2015

**ORDERING:** Please put your child’s Name, Grade, Order and Amount (and change) clearly on a paper bag. Correct change if possible (wrap money in paper) For Families paying together, please write on each bag name and grade of each child.

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Let the consequences do the teaching

Behavioural consequences are a parent’s best friends. When consistently applied consequences will improve kids’ behaviour and increase personal responsibility.

Too often parents will overtalk or repeat themselves to get cooperation from their kids. Too much talk and most modern kids tune out. Alternatively, parents who protect their kids from the consequences of poor or selfish behaviour aren’t doing them any favours as they are robbing them of terrific learning opportunities. I love the notion of behavioural consequences as they teach kids to take responsibility for their lives and to make smarter choices.

Parents can use two types of consequences – logical and natural consequences. A logical consequence is used more frequently in family situations.

They require adult intervention and are used when their behaviour disturbs other people. A child who makes a noise in the family room is asked to leave; children who refuse to clean their toys lose them for a period of time; and teenagers who come home late from a party lose the right to go out next time.

The 3 R’s of consequences
Consequences often involve the withdrawal of a privilege or a right. For example, a teenager who spends more time than agreed on Facebook, may lose access to technology for a day or two.

Restitution, or making up to someone for unfair treatment or for loss of a possession is another form of consequence. A child who willfully breaks his sister’s toy may make full or part payment for a replacement. In both these examples the consequences are related to children’s misdemeanours, and are reasonable and respectful of their dignity.

A natural consequence involves NO adult interference. For instance, a child who leaves an excursion note at home will miss the excursion; a child who spends all his pocket money on the first day will have nothing for the weekend and a child who oversleeps and misses the bus walks to school. In these examples, children learn from the direct consequences of their own decisions and thus they are not protected from negative outcomes from their parents.

“It’s your fault, mum!”
Some kids are experts at manipulating their parents to rescue them from experiencing the consequences of their poor choice. They’ll blame their parents for not getting them out of bed on time, or for not reminding them about their responsibilities. It’s best to stand back and let the consequences work their magic! Note you shouldn’t use natural consequences when safety is an issue. Act decisively to ensure your child is safe.

Here are four simple tips to help make sure your consequences are effective:

1. Set consequences like a neutral cop
Issue a consequence using sarcasm or anger and your kids will be angry at you. Issue it like a neutral cop free from emotion or without being heavy-handed and your kids are more likely to be mad at themselves.

2. When possible, negotiate consequences prior to engaging in new activities
If your young person is going out for the first time with friends at night, talk about their behaviour and home time. Also discuss the likely consequences if kids don’t stick to the agreement. As a rule, kids are more likely to abide by consequences when they’ve had a say in deciding them.

3. Avoid life sentences
Ban a child from going out for a few days rather than leaving the duration open-ended. Set a time-frame for the consequences and remember the second of the 3R’s – reasonable – means that parents shouldn’t go overboard with consequences.

4. Don’t acquiesce to terrorism or guilt
If your child issues a threat saying something like, “There’s no way you can make me come home at six o’clock,” don’t rise to the bait. Deflect it by saying, “We’ll talk about this tomorrow.” Don’t give into the threats of running away or non-cooperation. “I hope you don’t run away. It’s great having you at home. I want what is best for you.” Avoid stating what you would love to say, which maybe something like, “Yeah, try running away. You wouldn’t last inside two days before you are back here begging for a good feed and comfortable bed!” Bite your tongue instead, and let the consequences do the teaching!