Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope that you enjoyed the break from the school routine. We begin Term 3, knowing that it will be another busy and productive one. Rehearsals have begun for our annual production for Years 3 to 6, which will take place on the 24th and 25th of August, so the children are excited and looking forward to showcasing their learning in Performing Arts.

We warmly welcome our new Parish Priest, Fr Michel Corriveau, and look forward to working with him in continuing to build our parish community of St Mary’s. We also extend a warm welcome to Harry C and Noah S and their families and wish them all a very happy and rewarding association with St Mary’s community. Harry and Noah have joined the Prep R class.

During the holidays we have farewelled the Elliott family; Hannah from 5/6L and Liam of 3/4F, as they have moved to Geelong. We thank them for their contribution to our community and wish them well for their new venture.

To complete their topics, our 3/4 level shared their Science learning with a Science Expo and the 5/6’s shared their learning around Geography with some interesting presentations. Thank you to everyone who came along to be involved in the experiences.

Congratulations to our Students of the Term for Term 2:


Congratulations to our Students of the Week for the last week of Term 2:


With my prayers and best wishes for the coming week,
Mrs Lynne O’Meara  Principal
As we begin a new term, we look for new opportunities to be people of hope and courage.

Lord Jesus, through your parables you challenge our thinking and behaviour. We pray for the courage to be people of the gospel, who are prepared to rethink our values and points of view so that we may include and embrace all those we meet.

May the Lord bless us and keep us.
May the Lord let his face shine upon us and show us his mercy.
May the blessing of almighty God come down on us and remain with us forever.

What's Coming Up?

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Dates to Highlight for Term 2
Annual School Production August 24th & 25th
Last Day of Term ~ 24th June -2.30pm

School Closure Days for 2016
Monday, 31st October (Day before Cup Day) – Reporting
St Mary’s Mass Times
Mount Evelyn
Saturday 6.00pm &
Sunday 10.30am & 5.00pm
St Mary’s Catholic Parish
58 Clegg Road, Mt Evelyn
Mass: 6pm Saturdays, 10:30am & 5pm Sundays

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish
Park Road, Warburton
Mass: 4:30pm Sundays

St Thomas a Becket Church
40 Milners Road, Yarra Junction
Mass: 9am Sundays

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND
Invest in your most precious asset......Your Marriage!
Forget life’s tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.
There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend.
It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.
2016 Melbourne weekend dates:
17-19 June, 19-21 Aug, 11-13 Nov
Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.
Information/Bookings: PH: Marianne & Marcel
(03) 9733
097 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website:www.wwme.org.au
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**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
- 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

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- Navy track suit pants
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Please ensure that all items of uniform are well maintained, including sports uniform and hats.

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**HEADBANDS FOR SALE**

- **3 STYLES TO CHOOSE FROM**
- **SAMPLES AT THE OFFICE**

**HEADBAND ORDER FORM:**

Name ___________________________________________ Class __________

Style A. (select quantity) _____ Style B. (select quantity) _____ Style C. (select quantity) _____

$ 5.00 each

Amount Enclosed $ __________ (Exact money only/Cash Only/No change given)
Do you find that your child is having emotional or behavioral issues or is overly anxious?

OnPsych are a team of fully qualified and registered psychologists who specialise in child and adolescent services working in primary and secondary schools in both individual and group settings.

Services are performed on site at school, at NO COST to the school, student or parent, through Medicare bulk billing.

These services are also available to parents.

We now have an OnPsych psychologist, Arabella Mayne, working here at our school. The approaches that Arabella use include:

- CBT (cognitive behaviour therapy)
- Client centred and solution focussed therapy.
- Employs a collaborative approach.

Issues covered by a mental health plan include: Anxiety, Attention deficit, Alcohol/drug abuse, Adjustment disorders, Bereavement, Conduct disorder, Depression, Eating disorders, Enuresis (non organic), Neurasthenia, Obsessive compulsive disorder, Panic, Phobia, Psychosis, Post- traumatic, Stress, Sleep disorders, Mood disorders, Spectrum disorders, Interpersonal, learning or behavioural disorders, exam stress, harming and adjustment difficulties (social and situational)

If you believe that this service may benefit your child or yourselves, please contact Lynne O'Meara or Angela Glennie on 9736 2219 for further information on how to access Arabella’s services.

Our School Pastoral Care Worker has also returned from overseas and her details are:

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Religious Education News

Sunday, 10 Jul 2016: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Lk 10:25-37) Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, ‘Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ He said to him, ‘What is written in the Law? What do you read there?’ He replied, ‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.’ ‘You have answered right,’ said Jesus, ‘do this and life is yours.’ But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbour?’

Jesus replied, ‘A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. “Look after him,” he said, “and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have.” Which do you think, proved himself the man who fell into the brigands’ hands?’ ‘The one who took pity on him,’ he replied. Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do the same yourself.’

The Gospel of the Lord

Children are well aware that there are lots of rules that they have to obey. Do they understand why we have rules and laws? The story of the good Samaritan is challenging in that it suggests that there are times when God's law (love your neighbour) overrides man-made customs and laws. We can't withhold compassion by hiding behind customs and laws. Can you think of any times in your life when this has caused a conflict for you?

Class Mass this week: 3 / 4 C and 1 / 2 H will attend Mass at 9.00a.m. this Thursday in the church. All most welcome!

Mini Vinnies: Our next project involves dressing up with clothing and items from the Lilydale Vinnies store and having a photo taken in a “photo booth” for a gold coin donation. We are raising money for “Assist-a-student” program and St. Vincent de Paul society. Please see the ad on the next page!
Photo Booth

Thursday 21\textsuperscript{st} July at 1\textsuperscript{st} playtime

*Please come to the hall, dress up in items provided and have your photo taken.*

Mini Vinnies

Help us raise money!

It will be used for “Assist-a-student” and St. Vincent de Paul
Foster Carers Needed

If you have thought about foster care, please get in touch and ask the questions you have always wanted to.

Ring Key Assets 1800 932 237 or 1800 WE CARE
Email: info@keyassets.com.au
www.keyassets.com.au
Like us on Facebook: keyassets
The Spring/Summer season is fast approaching. Games will commence in the first week of Term 3 (on Friday 15th July 2016) with training commencing during that week.

We are looking for anyone interested in managing and/or coaching a team. We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Pritchard (Ronnie) who has done a great job coaching the Stringrays.

Please talk/text to Ilona Dorian (0408 558 630) if your child is interested in playing, and also if you are interested in helping out in your child’s sport as either a coach or team manager.

We currently have four teams of Prep to Grade 4 children and a new Grade 5-6 team (run by Laetitia Jones (0419 566 535). We will make more teams depending on interest.

This season each child has paid $8.00 per week (which covers venue hire for training and game fees on Friday nights). We will review this based on the number of children playing but hope it remains the same.

Futsal Oz has requested that we pay in advance for the whole term. However, we have negotiated payment in two parts with $40.00 due in week 1 and $40.00 due in Week 5 per child.

Name
Date of Birth
Parent/Guardian
Parent/Guardian Signature
Parent/Guardian Phone Number
Existing Top Number
Existing Top Size

Top Required  Size
Socks Required  Size

If your child is not playing next season please return your top to Ilona by 11th July 2016.

P.S. Our last training session for this season will be on Monday 20th June. It will be a fun session, and we welcome any children thinking of playing next term to come along and try!
TRIVIA NIGHT DONATIONS REQUIRED

This is our School's bi-annual Major Fundraiser. We hope you are able to attend. 13th of August at the School's hall. 7.30pm.
(Further information for bookings will follow very soon)
We have many, many generous families and friends in our midst at St Mary's and we are now taking donations- big and small- to help us to ensure we can raise much needed funds for the School.
If you have any donations of new goods, vouchers, hampers etc, please leave at the School's office or contact Belinda on 0408800713. Thanks families!

TRIVIA NIGHT SOLD OUT!

DONATIONS STILL REQUIRED
Building parent-school partnerships

Parenting ideas INSIGHTS

Tolerance: a vital ingredient for your child’s success

WORDS Michael Grose

Kids who accept differences in others are setting themselves up for success in the world of diversity that they will enter.

Want your child to be successful way past the confines of the school gate?

Then you need to make sure your child is tolerant of individual differences and accepting of children and adults who look and act differently to them.

There’s no doubt that success in today’s world depends on the ability to understand, appreciate and work with others. The child who is open to differences is likely to have more opportunities in school, in business and in life in general.

Schools are diverse places

Walk into any school ground in Australia and you’ll witness diversity firsthand. You’re likely to see children from many different cultural, racial and family backgrounds. You’ll also see kids with different needs and diverse ways of expressing themselves. Some kids will wear their hearts on their sleeves, while others will be taciturn and quiet. Tolerant kids are accepting of these differences.

They make friends with children and young people who may look and act differently to them.

Intolerance breeds bullying

Intolerance, or prejudice, is at the heart of a great deal of the bullying that occurs among children and young people. Kids who look and act differently or who are more isolated often experience bullying for no apparent reason other than the fact that they are ‘different’. Whole-hearted acceptance and even appreciation Tolerance: a vital ingredient for your child’s success of differences – whether they are racial, cultural, behavioural or in sexual orientation – then make tolerance a family trait.

Here’s how:

Help your child feel accepted, respected, and valued. When your child feels good about himself, he is more able to treat others respectfully.

Model acceptance. Kids learn what they live so make sure you welcome differences in others, and be sensitive to cultural or racial stereotypes. It also helps on a practical level to discuss prejudice and stereotypes when they occur in the media.

Challenge prejudice or narrow-minded views. Sometimes kids, knowingly or unknowingly, can say the cruellest things about others. As a parent respectfully remind your child or young person about the impact that a narrow view can have on his or her own behaviour as well as on those it may be directed towards. Intolerance of diversity is an attitude that parents should make a stand against.

Answer kids’ questions about differences honestly and respectfully. Teach your kids that it is acceptable to notice and discuss differences as long as it is done with respect.

Respect individual differences within your own family. Your ability to accept your children’s differing abilities, interests and styles will go a long way towards establishing an attitude of tolerance in the children themselves. By valuing the uniqueness of each member of your family you are teaching your kids to value the strengths in others, no matter how diverse.

Modern Australia is such a wonderful culturally-rich place. This diversity is part of its magic. One way to make sure our children fully appreciate this richness is to fully embrace tolerance in everything we do.

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Tolerance starts at home
Kids learn attitudes such as tolerance from those around them. Children in primary school usually reflect the attitudes of their parents. While adolescents are strongly influenced by their peers, parental attitudes still have a significant impact on their attitudes to other people. In short, if you want your child to be accepting of differences – whether they are racial, cultural, behavioural or in sexual orientation – then make tolerance a family trait.

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