

St Bernadette's School Newsletter

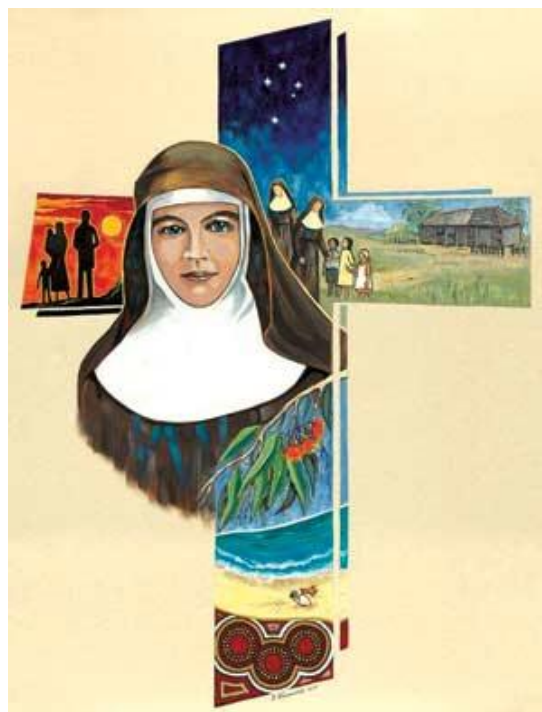
Wednesday 4th August 2021

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MacKILLOP

Create in us, O God, a new heart and renew a fresh spirit within us. Stir into flame the gifts you have given to each of us and the faith to use them without reserve as Mary MacKillop did.

*Mary, a woman of faith,
Mary, your life made a difference,
Let love guide us all our lives.
Mary, you worked for all people.
Mary, an inspiration for all Australians
Mary, a woman of your time.
Let love guide us all our lives.
Mary, a woman of strength and prayer.
Mary, a woman who dared to be different.
Let love guide us all our lives.*

*St Mary of the Cross - pray for us
St Bernadette - pray for us.*



Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday 8th August, the Catholic Church celebrates the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop — Australia's first saint. Her life and faith continues to inspire and guide us today, especially during this challenging time. Mary MacKillop lived a life of compassion, kindness, humility and patience - many of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, which the children are learning about this term in Religious Education. Mary was a woman of courage and determination, providing education for those in need. There is much in her life to celebrate and give thanks for today.

The School continues to operate under the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria's (CECV) Guidelines for schools during COVID-19. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR COOPERATION WITH THESE. THE DROP-OFFS AND PICK-UPS ARE GOING REALLY WELL - SO THANK YOU. The guidelines are updated regularly, and I will keep you up to date with any changes. I acknowledge that some of these regulations are difficult and challenging, however, it is only for a short time and as we all know, the aim of them is to safeguard the health and wellbeing of our school community.

I encourage you as always, to do the right thing, wear a mask, keep up to date with information and if you have any symptoms - get tested!!

GRANDPARENTS DAY LITURGY

It was lovely to see so many families join us for the liturgy on Grandparent's Day. Unfortunately some families were unable to join because of restrictions set by the platform, but hopefully you had a chance to watch the liturgy on Seesaw. Thank you Ms Browne for organising this and to the children who read.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST EUCHARIST - GRADE 4 AND 5 FAMILIES

I spoke with Fr John today about rescheduling the celebration of First Communion for students in Year 4 and 5. We agreed to wait until the State Government announcements next Tuesday and then we will inform families of new dates and times. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this.

HEALTH CARE CARD

If you have received a Health Care Card recently due to a change in circumstances and the CARD START DATE is prior to July 12th 2021, please contact the office to complete a CSEF Application form. THIS IS FOR NEW CARDS ONLY.

QR CODE

The school now has a **QR CODE** in place for visitors to sign into the school using the Service Victoria App. Please make sure you sign in using the QR CODE when you visit the school.

IMPORTANT DATES

Here are some important dates for Term 3:

Wednesday 4th August	Confirmation Family Night @ 7:00pm (Evodia Centre)
Monday 9th August	Year 6 Retreat at at Mary MacKillop Centre
Friday 13th August	Parents in Partnership Meeting
Thursday 19th August	Year 6 Cluster Transition Day
Friday 20th August	Catholic Secondary School Year 7 Enrolments for 2023 close
Thursday 2nd September	Confirmation Ceremony - Year 6
September 7th and 8th	Staff Conference - NO SCHOOL
Friday 17th September	Term 3 ends @ 1:00pm

COVID-19 TRANSLATED RESOURCES

Over the weekend, I came across this website with lots of COVID-19 information translated into many different languages. I thought it may be useful to share the link here. Please make sure you keep up to date with exposure sites and other important information.

Translated information about COVID-19

COVID-19 translated information for people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, health professionals and industry. Information includes factsheets and promotional materials.

<https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translated-information-about-coronavirus-covid-19>

Take care and stay safe,

Brendan
Principal

- GOD LOVES US - LET US LOVE GOD -

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ENROL NOW

ENROLMENTS FOR PREP 2022 ARE NOW OPEN.

IF YOUR CHILD TURNS 5 BY APRIL 30TH 2022, THEY ARE ELIGIBLE TO START SCHOOL NEXT YEAR. DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION FORM FROM OUR WEBSITE, OR COLLECT ONE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

EXPERIENCE MUSIC

Once again, Experience Music is offering their program to the students at St Bernadette's. For more information and how to enrol, please visit www.experiencemusic.com.au/enrolment or see the included flier.



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CAROLINE CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE, BRAYBROOK

Caroline Chisholm Catholic College, Braybrook invites applications for Year 7 in 2023 before the closing date of 20 August 2021. To apply, please follow this link to our website: <https://www.cccc.vic.edu.au/>

MARIAN COLLEGE, SUNSHINE WEST

Marian College, Sunshine West invites applications for Year 7 in 2023 before the closing date of 20 August 2021. To apply, please follow this link to our website: <http://www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au/>

MT ST JOSEPH GIRLS' COLLEGE, ALTONA

Mount St. Joseph Girls' College Altona invites applications for Year 7 in 2023 before the closing date of 20 August 2021. To apply, please follow this link to our website: <https://msj.digistormenrol.com.au/applications/application>

A reminder that all dates appear on the school website

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