ST. MALACHY'S SCHOOL



TERM 2 WEEK 3

03/05/24

Pursuing fullness of life for all by inspiring faith, lifelong learning and community engagement." ANZAC day services @ Edenhope, Apsley, Harrow & Goroke

We acknowledge the traditional owner groups of this land. We learn, work, live and recognise their connection to land, water and community. We pay respect to elders past, present and emerging, believing we can walk together for a better future.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL:

President: Chris White Vice-President: Elise Coxon Parent Rep: Leanne Dillon Maintenance Representative: Mark McClure School Uniform Representative: Beck Merrett Staff Representative: Gorgia Craig Ex Officio Members: John O'Sullivan and Barb Ryan

Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Last Thursday was a good opportunity to stop, reflect and take a moment on ANZAC Day. We had a strong attendance at the 10:30 a.m. service. Thank you to the students who were able to attend with their families. Everyone in attendance was respectful and represented our school with pride.

Welcome to Catholic Education Week this week. The theme for the week is "be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer (Romans 12-12)". On Tuesday, Sherryn and I attended the Year 5/6 MacKillop Network Catholic Education Week festivities with five other schools. We shared Mass together with each of the schools taking an active part in the mass. Kazoom Sports from Melbourne entertained the students with a variety of fun activities which they all enjoyed.

Catholic Education Week (29 April - 3 May) is an annual opportunity for Catholic schools across the Diocese of Ballarat to celebrate their distinctive ethos and mission with our school and wider communities. It was a great day, the 140 students mixed well and were in good spirit for the festivities. A big thank you to Mrs. McManus from Sacred Heart, Casterton and Prue along with her many helpers.

On Monday to start the week, our enthusiastic Mini Vinnies visited Lakeside Living sharing a yarn, playing a board game and morning tea with the residents. This is a win-win as both students and residents get a great benefit from this.

-John



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Prayer

May the Holy Spirit guide us and give us new eyes, new ears and open hearts, helping us to bring your love to all we encounter. -Amen

Mothers' Day High Tea

When: Friday, 10th May Where: St. Malachy's School

Time: 1.30 p.m.

Who: All our special, lovely ladies....mums, nannas, grandmas, aunties, godmothers..... R.S.V.P.: Wednesday, 8th May for catering

purposes



Church mass times

1st Sunday: 9 a.m. 2nd Sunday: 9 a.m. 3rd Sunday: 11 a.m. 4th Sunday: Lay led @ 10 a.m.



Child safety

If any parents happened to see the Channel 7 "Spotlight Program " last Sunday night on TV, it was very frightening how easily young people can get "hooked" by predators and scammers preying on young people.

Please keep 23rd October free!!

A joint parent/student workshop is being organised by Apsley Primary School and St. Malachy's school for a Parent/Carer Information Night happening on **October 23**. Further details to come closer to the date. The Year 3-6 student presentation will be on the following day 24th October. Everyone is very welcome.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 29 APRIL - 3 MAY, 2024





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Around the rooms

Year Foundation/1 - Mrs. Chadwick

We were lucky enough to have some "smallish" C.F.A. outfits donated to our classroom to kick start our classroom dress up box.

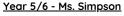
Year 2 - Mrs. Craig

Last week, we were lucky enough to have a visit from Ms. Hadden. We worked on using a bead string as a number line to solve subtraction sums. We are also working on recalling our doubles quickly, to enable us to solve near double sums.

Year 3/4 - Mrs. Thomson

What a busy week it has been in 3/4, with ANZAC Day celebrations, cross country and of course, our usual classwork. ANZAC Day gave us the opportunity to

investigate William Scurry and his ingenious drip rifle which allowed many Anzacs to evacuate safely. We tried our own hands at designing a drip system which would pop a balloon when triggered. It was an interesting challenge and required some high levels of persistence to keep trying new things and tweaking our designs. In other news, we have wrapped up place value in maths and will be moving onto addition and subtraction while poetry is still going strong in literacy - we will be masters of bush ballads in no time!



ANZAC biscuits have been around since WW1 and while the basic recipe has been the same, about 1920, coconut was added. This week, we made our own alterations to the traditional ANZAC recipe to see if we could discover a new amazing ANZAC. Watch out for our persuasive posters and I'm sure you will hear all about our flavours! We have been practising mental addition and subtraction strategies and will shortly progress onto written methods. This incorporates our knowledge of place value, estimation and rounding. A busy week out of the classroom has seen us visit Balmoral for cross country, Lakeside Living and Casterton for 150th celebrations of the Ballarat Diocese.

From the sports desk

Kowree Cross Country:

Congratulations to all our students for their sportsmanship during the cross country at Balmoral. There was lots of support given to runners as they completed their course. St. Malachy's finished 2nd overall. The following students qualified (with times) for the Little Desert Cross Country in Nhill on Monday, 13th May: Airlie, Sam, Felix, Archer, John, Elena, Lizzie, Rhianna, Sarah, Lucius & Finn.

Winter Sports:

Students in Year 5 & 6 have had one practise in their chosen Winter sport - Netball & A.F.L. This round robin event will take place in Horsham on May 29th. I would love a parent or two, who would be comfortable umpiring or leading a team, to help out on this day - so please check your diaries and let Sherryn know!





Wood Cut - Sunday, 5th May

Our woodcut starts at 8.30 a.m.

@ Anne-Maree and Neville
Robinson's property, 700 Ullswater
Mortat Road, Ullswater then moving
to Chris and Brooke White's property
@ 688 Edenhope Penola Road, Edenhope.
B.B.Q. lunch will be supplied and a text
message will be sent providing any
additional information.

Edenhope College Book Fair

Edenhope College is having their Book Fair during the week of Monday, 20th May to Thursday, 24th May and St. Malachy's School staff, students and parents have been invited to have a look and make any purchases. As a school, students will have an opportunity to have a look and then parents can have a look too and make any purchases if they wish.

St. Malachy's will be having their book fair next year in 2025.

<u>May @ 8.30 a.m.</u>

Next week's happenings

MAY

5th: School Woodcut - details above

7th: Mum's cuppa @ 8.30 a.m. - bring a friend for Sneak a Peek

9th: Walk to School Day

9th: Hip Hop Freestyle Dance @ St. Malachy's School 10th: Mother's Day High Tea @ St. Malachy's School

Upcoming dates

MAY

13th: Little Desert Cross Country @ Nhill 15th: School Advisory Council meeting

21st: Sneak a Peek/Learning Walk @ 11.30 a.m.

20th-24th: Edenhope College Book Fair 29th: Little Desert Winter Sports @ Horsham

<u>JUNE</u> 28th: End of term 2 <u>JULY</u> 15th: Start of term 3

