



"Pursuing fullness of life for all by inspiring faith, lifelong learning and community engagement."



Court opening

Students and staff were excited to have the court finished with its new surface and basketball and netball lines marked out. The basketballs and netballs have been bouncing whenever there's a chance.

Thanks to the S.A.C., parents and families for raising the funds to make this project happen.

We had our official opening and cutting of the ribbon on Monday.

Let the bouncing of balls and shooting of goals begin!



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:

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Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Winter has certainly hit us hard this week, very chilly on the fingers and toes! We hope everyone enjoys the break over the King's Birthday long weekend and the extra day allows yourselves and your children to have some downtime. As I mentioned a few weeks back, we are noticing the students are very tired so the long weekend is very timely. Enjoy!

It was very exciting this week, seeing the final coating and lines go on the basketball/netball court. The court is getting lots of use. The official opening was held on Monday morning with some super keen students cutting the ribbon. The final stage will be for the school to landscape the surroundings in the coming months.

This weekend, Bishop Paul Bird is visiting Edenhope and will celebrate 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday with the parish. Bishop Paul will return on Monday, 17th June and visit our three Western Trinity Schools. We look forward to welcoming Bishop Paul back to St. Mal's.

A good number of exciting things are on the school calendar in the final weeks of term. We look forward to sharing these events in the next few weeks. Next week being a short week there will be no newsletter.

-John

Prayer for Reconciliation Week

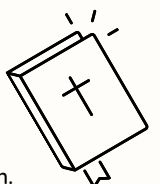


We pray during this National Reconciliation Week for a spirit of cooperation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Australia, so that every form of the gap will be bridged and every disadvantage be overcome.

Lord, hear us.

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.



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Child Safety

As part of our ongoing Child Safety Awareness, the staff will be undergoing their annual Anaphylaxis Training on June 18 after school.

Sergeant Andrew North from Edenhope Police will visit the school on Friday at assembly time at 2:15 p.m. as part of the Community Policing Program. We look forward to welcoming Andrew back.

A few reminders to the children, won't hurt! Seat belts must be worn at all times.



Student PROFILE OF THE WEEK

Favourite book:
Enid Blyton

If I could travel anywhere I would go to:
Western Australia

when I grow up I want to:
Be an Author

If I was Prime Minister I would:
Make Australia more environmentally friendly.

My teacher always says:
"Fixed mindset, growth mindset"

Mr O says...

"Don't be fooled by Elena's quiet disposition! Her true nature as a wildcard sought after by all. With her passion for reading and writing, along with her exceptional problem-solving skills, she's a valuable addition to any group!"

Elena Pillone



Around the Rooms

Foundation/Year 1: Mrs. Chadwick

In our Science class, we've been creating edible maps to visualise different land formations. We've been using colourful icing to represent forests and water, with biscuits serving as islands and chocolate biscuits forming mountains. It's been a fun and creative way to learn about geography. We've had to think critically about the colours and shapes we use to accurately depict the features of the land. Our maps are not only visually appealing but also a tasty way to remember the different types of land formations!

Year 2: Mrs. Craig

This week, we have been burning holes through our books writing narratives! We have nailed our orientations ensuring we have our 'w' words (who, what, when, where and why). Next, we are trying to jazz things up with some amazing descriptions and wow words. From this week onwards, there will be a pile of multiplication sheets on my desk for any students to take home to practise. They have been disappearing surprisingly quickly!

Year 3/4: Mrs. Thomson & Ms. Watt

Nice to be back in the classroom this week after my false start last week! We are flying along in literacy and numeracy, finishing off addition and subtraction and moving in to multiplication and division and writing some great narratives. As the end of term barrels towards us, we are also working hard on inquiry research and learning lots in Science about our Earth's crust and the forces which act on it. Keep remembering to bring diaries in and record your reading!

Year 5/6: Ms. Simpson

This week, we have launched into learning about Earth's timeline and the Australian Mega-fauna. This complements our reading book where our characters encountered a Diprotodon, and some other wild megafauna. We have been learning about the Olympics and this week, we will be viewing images from previous Olympics that capture important social events as well as the sports. We will be adding thought bubbles to suggest what growth mindset thought may have been happening in the athlete's mind. In Religious studies, we have been learning about gratefulness and the Beatitudes, and will be moving into understanding Subsidiary and Participation which is thinking about our right to making decisions but also the decision-making structures and possible consequences of decisions on self, others and the environment. We will then consider how Christian decision making involves reflecting on the teaching of Jesus and apply this to student thinking around issues of government and citizenship.

From the Sports Desk

On Wednesday, the 4/5/6s went to the Winter Sports Day - Netball. There were three teams that had about eight girls (or seven girls and one boy) in each team. One team played a competitive game, the other two teams that played non-competitive netball. Every goal that was scored was greatly celebrated.

Everybody had a go at many different positions and had a lot of fun and enjoyed their day. We built a relationship with our team even though we knew them very little at the beginning. All the netballers had great coaches that really encouraged the players.

By Airlie & Scarlett

On Wednesday, the 5/6s (with some year 4s) went to Horsham to play football at Dudley Cornell Park. It was a tough competition but we enjoyed it and found it a lot of fun. We had great coaches - a huge thank you to Chris White and Nic Pekin - it was a great day and we hope we get the opportunity to go next year. Thank you to all the students and school teachers and parents who helped on the day.

By Sam & Henry



Mum's cuppa - Thursday, 20th June @ 8.30 a.m.



Upcoming Dates

JUNE

6th: Mum's cuppa @ 2 p.m.

10th: King's Birthday Holiday

20th: Mum's cuppa @ 8.30 a.m.

20th/21st: 2024 Space Camp

28th: End of Term 2

JULY 15th: Start of Term 3

