ST. MALACHY'S SCHOOL



TERM 3 WEEK 1

19/07/24

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



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,

Welcome back everyone! I hope that you all had a relaxing and restful holiday break and I hope that you were lucky enough to find some warm weather and sunshine. We are excited to see everyone back filling our classrooms and playgrounds with laughter and learning and hearing stories of your holiday adventures.

On Monday, we welcomed a new family to the St. Malachy's Community, the Hillyer family. Welcome Natasha and Jake with Connor in Year 4, Alora in Year 2 and Alec in the Foundation class. We hope your transition to St. Malachy's and the Edenhope community is a smooth one.

Today's newsletter will just be a short one to welcome everyone back and to inform families of some upcoming dates and events.

Term 3 is always a very busy term with many different events happening inside the classrooms and in the wider school community. I encourage all families to keep an eye on Class Seesaw, our Facebook page and future newsletters for reminders and updates.

Regards,

-John



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Prayer for the beginning of Term 3

Heavenly Father,

As we begin this new term, we come before You with gratitude for the opportunity to learn and grow. We ask for Your guidance and wisdom throughout this term.

Bless our teachers, staff and students with patience, understanding and enthusiasm. May we all work together in harmony and respect, fostering a positive and supportive learning environment.

Help us to overcome challenges and embrace opportunities for growth. Grant us the strength and perseverance to achieve our goals and to support one another in our educational journey. We pray for Your protection over our school, that it may be a place of safety, inspiration and joy. Fill our hearts with a love for learning and a desire to use our knowledge to make a positive impact on the

world. We ask all this in Your

holy name.

-Amen



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

The school thanks the presence of the local police parked outside the school at the start and end of the school day.

Remember the speed limit outside the two schools is signposted 40 km at all times.



Tinnies for Vinnies

Tinnies for Vinnies is a winter appeal
Mini Vinnies have going on at the
moment at school. The Tinnies For
Vinnies campaign is run by St. Vincent
de Paul and sees tinned food
distributed amongst those in our
town who need a little extra help.



The tubs are just near the office so feel free to drop your donation in. Continued support of social justice activities we do at St Malachy's is a part of our Religious Education and Social Justice Programs.

Around the Rooms

Foundation/Year 1: Mrs. Chadwick

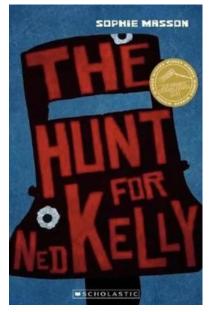
Our Literacy F-1 class has transitioned smoothly into Term 3 with several teachers commenting on how clever and content students were during Wacky Wednesday. Throughout Literacy, we have used this week to focus on letter formation, sentence structure and using the VCOP wall to uplevel the Year 1 writing. In Numeracy, we've also revisited bundling numbers to understand place value. At home, you can support your child by providing rubber bands or something similar and pencils/spoons for practising bundling groups of ten and counting.

Year 2: Mrs. Craig

The Year 2 class has come back to school firing with energy! Sustainability is a large theme for this term. We will be looking at what's happening around the world in this area, as well as conducting our own experiments to test different theories and potential solutions. In reading, we are reading the classic "Storm Boy" with the beloved characters Mr. Percival and Fingerbone Bill.

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

Welcome back to Term 3 and we have a busy term ahead. In Literacy, we will be reading Storm Boy and working on all facets of information reports. Our inquiry unit will see us look into the Coorong while Science is seeing us look at Chemical Sciences. We will have a sustainability lens and be linking as much as we can back to Storm Boy in these areas. Maths sees us recap some key areas from last term in place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division then move into new learning in fractions, decimals and time. Sport this term, is Athletics and finishing up with some team sports.



Year 5/6: Ms. Simpson:

How exciting to be back for Term 3 and it will be a ripper! In class, we will be learning about Victoria's Gold Rush and Bushranger era. Our reading focus will be centered around the novel 'Hunt for Ned Kelly' and our writing focus is informative texts (including notetaking, summarising and putting information into our own words). Science has a focus on chemistry and we will be investigating the properties of gold. Maths continues to delve into multiplication and division leading into fractions and problem solving across all four operations. Religion has the study of 'Promise' - discovering the Covenant and what that means in our lives today. Our sports focus is Athletics and the best bit about Term 3?--camp!!





<u>Mum's cuppa - Thursday, 25th July @ 8.30 a.m.</u>



We have a number of vacancies on our S.A.C. coming up this term after our A.G.M. which will be held on Wednesday, 21st August.

Many of the S.A.C. members have completed their two year stint and we are looking for some new interested parents.

If you are a parent who is interested or would like more information, please contact me at school via email at josullivan@smedenhope.catholic.edu.au.

School Advisory Council vacancies



Access Pobble 365. A **free**, readymade writing prompt every day to engage and motivate your class, or unlock 365 days of inspiration with a Pobble subscription. Pobble is a free resource that we often use in our lower years. Each day they release a new image and some sentence prompts ect. families are welcome to explore this site and use it at home if you wish. The images are highly engaging and aimed to spark curiosity and imagination.

Google Pobble and the link should be at the top!

A webinar with Michelle Mitchell and Karen Young

We go live in only 2 weeks time. Come join us. Hundreds have already signed up. This is your chance to gain some real insight and actionable tools to a very serious problem in our country.

4 million Australians of schooling age, as many as half of all students fall into the 'chronically absent' category – meaning they are missing 10 per cent or more school days per year. That's a lot of our kids!

In this webinar, Karen and I leave want to offer you comprehensive actionable insights and tools about:

- Why school anxiety happens even for us as big people!
- Specific triggers and symptoms that manifest in our homes and at every school (even the best ones).
- Why anxiety isn't the problem, but how our response can cause trouble for them.
- · How we can support our kids and teens to respond in a way that doesn't stifle them.
- What happens if we support kids in avoiding school.
- Some language (and tools) to use when our kids and teens are overwhelmed about school and want to avoid it.
- · How to communicate with the school and advocate for their needs.
- · The three things that helps our kids stay connected to their education.
- · A discussion about alternative school options, our kid's diverse needs and strengths.

This webinar is also ideal for professional development and parent nights. School licences are available. If you have further question please contact shop@michellemitchell.org
Please submit your questions on registration. P.S. The earlier we receive your questions the better.

You will find more details if you click on the following Register link or paste into your browser https://michellemitchell.org/school-anxiety-in-tweens-and-teens/



Lifeforce Edenhope presents Have You Met My Grief



R.S.V.P. a.s.a.p. to this wonderful Sunday Afternoon Cabaret in Edenhope on August 4th.

There are limited (FREE) tickets, so R.S.V.P. as soon as possible to reserve your seat.

Please respond and share this event on Facebook, but your RSVP can only be locked in by phoning 5585 9845.

Lifeforce Edenhope is delighted to bring this Adelaide Fringe award-winning show to our community. "The show is about exploring a relatively taboo topic with compassion, empathy and humour."

This FREE event includes finger food, limited beer and champagne and a baby-sitting service, so lock it into the calendar!

Jodie Atkinson (nee Hateley) has strong connections to the district. Have You Met My Grief?' is based on her book, by the same name, and explores how grief can show up in our lives.

"Exploring the ups and downs of life, its light and shade, the heart-warming and heartbreaking, we learn grief and humour can co-exist, there is beauty, connection, and love in even the harshest of realities," Jodie said, "And it is a great show for Men and Women".

Jodie's show is a reason to get out of the house, enjoy some award-winning entertainment and bring our community together.

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	15th <u>Jul</u> y	16th	17th	18th	19th
Week 2 Olympics	22nd	23rd	24th	25th Mum's cuppa @ 8.30. Little Desert Hockey 7s @ Horsham	26th
Week 3 Olympics	29th	30th Foundation 100 days of school	31st Parent-Teacher interviews	1st <u>August</u>	2nd
Week 4	5th	6th Mum's cuppa @ 2.15	7th	8th	9th
Week 5 Science Week	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th Grandparent's Science Trivia Day
Week 6 Book Week	19th	20th Mum's cuppa @ 8.30	21st Kowree Athletics S.A.C. A.G.M.	22nd Structured Literacy School Closure Day	23rd
Week 7	26th	27th	28th Year 5/6 Camp @ Sovereign Hill	29th Year 5/6 Camp @ Sovereign Hill	30th Year 5/6 Camp @ Sovereign Hill
Week 8	2nd <u>September</u> Numeracy @ Casterton School Closure Day	3rd	4th	5th Mum's cuppa @ 2.15	6th
Week 9	9th	10th	11th	12th Little Desert Athletics @ Stawell	13th
Week 10	16th	Mum's cuppa @ 8.30	18th	19th	20th Footy Colours Day End of term - early finish @ 2.20 p.m.