ST. MALACHY'S SCHOOL



Term 3 Week 10

20/09/24

"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.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Families.

As we wrap up this term, we want to take a moment to thank you for your incredible support. Your involvement has truly helped create a warm and welcoming environment for our students.

This term was full of memorable moments, including our successful Grandparents' Day and Father's Day celebrations. It was wonderful to see so many families come together and make what we hope to be lasting memories. We have also had the privilege of welcoming the Hillyer and the Mulraney families this term. We hope they have enjoyed the transition to St. Malachy's.

We hope you enjoy this well-deserved break, taking time to relax and spend quality moments with your loved ones. We can't wait to see everyone back on October 7th, healthy and ready for a new term.

Please check the next page for details on our summer uniform and school hat policy. It's important to keep our students safe as the weather warms up.

Also, we've attached a calendar with key dates for Term 4, including our Week 10 swimming program. Be sure to mark those dates so you stay in the loop about all the exciting events coming up.

Thanks again for everything you do for our school community. Enjoy the holiday and we look forward to seeing you all soon!

-John

PRAYER

Dear God,

thank you for the gift of school holidays. May we find joy in rest, adventure, and connection with loved ones. Guide us to grow in spirit and kindness.

Amen

CHURCH MASS TIMES

1st Sunday: 9 a.m. 2nd Sunday: 9 a.m. 3rd Sunday: 11.15 a.m.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

4th Sunday: Lay led @ 10 a.m.



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TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

With the end of Term 3 and the football and netball season has now finished, so do the regular travel arrangements for after school. With the start of Term 4 and basketball, gymnastics, swimming, etc. beginning, please send through any changes in travel arrangements before 2.30 p.m. so the school lists can be updated. If you'd like the list marked for the whole term, please text through the details and what days and we can mark the whole term. We will require new texts for Term 4 even if they are unchanged from Term 3. Many thanks for your assistance.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

This is a reminder that Footy Colours Day is tomorrow! Students can wear their favourite team colors from any sport. Remember, dressing up doesn't have to be expensive - get creative with items you already have, like a coloured shirt, some ribbon, or face paint. Have fun!

SUMMER UNIFORM -TERM 4

A reminder the summer uniform consists of dark navy shorts or skorts and a polo shirt for both boys and girls, along with white socks and black runners. Girls may also wear the summer dress with white (unbranded) socks and black shoes. Students are welcome to wear singlets or other undergarments beneath their school shirt, but we ask that they remain tucked in and out of sight. Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled to help us return any lost items, especially during the swimming period. For safety reasons, earrings must be studs or sleepers and no necklaces or chains unless it's symbolic.

SCHOOL HATS

We've kept most students' hats at school for Term 4, but teachers will be sending them home for a wash either over the holiday or early next term. Please ensure that the name is clearly labelled and matches your child, as many students tend to wet their heads during playtime in hot weather, which can cause labels to smudge. If your child needs a new hat, these can be purchased from the School for \$10; please see Barb:)

EARLY FINISH!

A friendly reminder that school will end early tomorrow, Friday, September 20th, with dismissal at 2:15 p.m. Happy holidays!

CYBER SAFETY WORKSHOP

Are you interested in helping keep your child safe while they use devices? When is the right time to give your child a phone? Are you concerned about their increasing screen time or what they can access online? What control do I have as a parent? What if my kid knows more than me?

Don't forget to book a spot for our cyber safety seminar! Organise a carload of friends to join us in Apsley. This event is in partnership with Edenhope College and Apsley Primary School. Our guest speaker, Susan McLean, is a leading expert in online safety.

As of 2024, statistics show that 1 in 5 Australian children have experienced cyberbullying and many spend over 3 hours a day on screens. Let's work together to ensure our kids are safe online!

Wednesday 23rd October @ Apsley Rec Reserve 7pm

Cyber Safety Parent & Community
Information Session

Apsley Primary School with St Malachys PS and Edenhope College presents

Susan McLean

Australia's foremost expert in the area of cyber safety and was a member of Victoria Police for 27 years. Susan has a wealth of knowledge in this area and is also in demand internationally as a leading expert in online safety.







EDENHOPE LIBRARY

It was great to see every student borrowed from the Edenhope Library on Wednesday.

A reminder that your child is responsible for their borrowed book, they must look after it and most importantly, not lose it as you are responsible for the fines incurred for the replacement.

Don't forget that the Library is a great to visit during the school holidays not only for books but games, etc.



YEAR 3/4 VISIT TO COORONG

Today, the Year 3/4 class along with Mrs. Thomson, Mr. O and our fantastic bus driver, Mr. Simpson, headed off at 8 a.m. to have a day at Kingston and the Coorong.

The class has been reading Storm Boy so we look forward to hearing all about their big day and their adventures.







whenever he gets the chance

TERM 4					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	OCTOBER 7TH	8тн	9ТН	10TH	ШТН
WEEK 2	14TH	15TH	16TH	17TH	18TH
WEEK 3	21ST	22ND	23RD Years 3-6 Parent Cyber Safety Workshop @ Apsley	24TH Student Cyber Safety Workshops @ Apsley	25TH
WEEK 4	28TH Western Trinity Staff Retreat @ Halls Gap PUPIL FREE DAY	29TH Western Trinity Staff Retreat @ Halls Gap PUPIL FREE DAY	30ТН	31ST	NOVEMBER 1ST
Week 5	4TH	5TH Melbourne Cup Day	6TH	7TH	8ТН
WEEK 6	11TH Remembrance Day	12TH Art Show & Mission Day	13TH	14TH	15TH
WEEK 7	18TH	19ТН	20ТН	21ST	22ND
WEEK 8	25TH	26ТН	27ТН	28TH Years F-2 Excursion sleepove	29TH
WEEK 9	DECEMBER 2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH Reports go home
WEEK 10 Swimming	9тн	10TH Sears F-6 Orientation Day	11TH Graduation Mass & Gathering @ 5 p.m.	12TH	13TH Students finish school
WEEK 11	16ТН	17TH Edenhope College Awards Night	18TH	19ТН	20TH