

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

St Malachy's School



Term 4 Calendar

November

Monday, 11th: Remembrance Day

Tuesday, 12th: Art Show & Mission Day

Thursday, 28th: Years F-2
Excursion/Sleepover

December

Friday, 6th: Reports go home

Monday, 9th: Swimming program begins

Tuesday, 10th: Orientation Day
Years F-6

Wednesday, 11th: Graduation
Mass & Gathering @ 5 p.m.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

Our staff retreat in Halls Gap last week was a valuable opportunity for reflection, connection, and renewal. Together, with staff from Coleraine and Casterton, we participated in reflective activities that helped strengthen our teamwork, trust and open communication. Catholic Education Ballarat led sessions that allowed us to reconnect with our shared educational mission and values.

This coming Monday, we will gather as a community to honour Remembrance Day. St. Malachy's students will be attending the memorial service.

Meanwhile, staff and students have been busy preparing for next Tuesday's Art Show and Mission Day activities. We are all looking forward to these special events!

2025 Staff PD

For parent planning, next year, our governing authority DOBCEL has made the suggestion that using the three days between Easter Monday and ANZAC Day for staff to collaborate with other school's through PD would be an excellent use of time! So...that means that the holiday break at the end of Term 1 will be three weeks long and staff will use those three days for PD with most other Catholic Schools.

-John

Prayer

POPE PRAYS FOR
PEACE IN ISRAEL
AND PALESTINE



*"Please stop the attacks and
the weapons, and understand
that terrorism and war do not
lead to any solution, but only
to the death and suffering of so
many innocent people."*



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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.

Cybersafety Day reflections from Year 3

Matthew:

Susan taught us about cyber bullying and how easy it is to pretend to be someone online. Susan is a police officer, she was surprised when she knew you could be bad online. We had to write on a worksheet. Susan taught us not to send 'no' photos online. A 'no' photo is where you have your clothes off. Don't send personal information like your name, address and school.

Lucius:

Susan was so scary. We watched a video about Simon. He was asking for naughty pics and he was lying about how old he was. He was asking for personal information. She (the girl) told her Mum and then he went to jail. You should not talk to people online you don't know.

Sarah:

Susan was nice.

3 things she taught us:

1. The T.H.I.N.K rule

T= is it thoughtful?

H= is it honest?

I= is it inspiring?

N= is it necessary?

K= is it kind?

2. You can easily change your pictures on the internet

3. When cyber bullying happens tell a trusted adult like parents, police and relatives.

P.A.M. – Parent Access Module – logging absences

It is a school requirement that all absences are logged in hence why you may receive a text now again saying your child is absent which requires a reply. If you know your child is going to be absent on the day, parents can log in the absence via P.A.M. and then the teacher knows the child is absent.

CHURCH MASS TIMES

1st Sunday: 9 a.m.

2nd Sunday: 9 a.m.

3rd Sunday: 11.15 a.m.

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

Parent teacher interviews

Parent teacher interviews will be happening on Wednesday, 20th November and the time slots have been released and available on P.A.M. notification that time slots are available and you'll be able to book in your preferred time. The end of the year parent teacher interviews are great chance to catch up with your classroom teacher/s and see how your child/ren have gone throughout the year. If a time doesn't suit you, please contact the teacher and some other arrangement can be made. We realise with shearing, baling, crutching, etc., it can be a busy time of the year.

Edenhope swap meet fundraiser

This Sunday, the Edenhope swap meet will be held at the Edenhope Showgrounds and St. Malachy's parents are on the gate roster. This is a great fundraiser for the school as we receive \$1,000. Sally Williams is co-ordinating the roster and is in need of a few more helpers to lighten the load of others rostered on. The more we have, the less of a chore it will be to fill the gaps. Send a message to the school mobile or contact Sally.

P.A.M. access via SIMON everywhere app

Did you know that the SIMON Everywhere app can be installed on your phone, giving you the ability to do all things P.A.M. related a mobile phone app.

The SIMON Everywhere app delivers P.A.M. accessibility with easy login using your existing P.A.M. credentials, plus the ability for parents to communicate directly with teachers and notify student absences.

SIMON Everywhere is available on both the Android Play Store and Apple App Store.

Mum's Cuppa

Tuesday, 12th November
@ 8.30 a.m.





St. Malachy's

MISSION DAY &

Art exhibition

Keep next Tuesday afternoon free!
Students will be running their mission
day activities for students in the
afternoon followed by our art exhibition -
open to the wider community.



Tuesday, 12th November
2-5:50pm



Mission Day Activities
2-3:30pm



Teacher Lead Activities
3:30-4pm



Art Show
4-5:50pm

Stay tuned for more information!

100th park run

St. Malachy's took over the roster for the 100th park run for Lake Wallace - thanks to Vicki and Callum for giving us a hand too.

