Dear Families

2017 Prep Interviews
Late last term I had the great privilege of meeting with many of the 2017 Prep students and their parents. It was wonderful to see the joy and excitement from both children and parents at these meetings. Anyone still wishing to enrol their child at St Mary’s next year should contact the Office for an enrolment application form and an interview time will be arranged.

Year 5/6 School Camp - This week July 27th to 29th
Great excitement is building in the Year 5/6 classes this week. The students are preparing to go to the Mt Evelyn School Camp for 3 days. We wish all students and staff a safe, enjoyable and happy time!

Learning Circle
All parents and children are welcome to come along to the Learning Circle this Thursday 28th July in the Family Space. The session is being presented by 2 of our Year 1/2 teachers, Faye Canty and Steph Prince on the Numeracy topic of Partitions of 5.

Literacy and Numeracy - Family Fun Night
Please read the important details in this week’s newsletter of our upcoming Literacy and Numeracy Family Fun Night, scheduled for next week, Wednesday 3rd August from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

Welcome
A big welcome to 2 new children, Gurdit (3/4 Ono/Hendy) and Prabjot (1/2 Carter). If you see them in the playground make sure you say hello.

Have a great week.

Greg White
Principal

Thank you
I would like to thank all the members of the St Mary’s Community for the great support you have given me since the passing of my mother. It is much appreciated.

Steve Carter

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**July**
- Wed 27th - Fri 29th
- Year 5/6 Camp
- Thurs 28th @ 3.25pm
- Learning Circle
- With Miss Canty & Miss Prince
- and the topic is
- Partitions of 5
- Fri 29th @ 2.40pm
- Assembly - 1/2 Anstis

**August**
- Mon 1st @ 9.15am
- Class Mass - 3/4 Silva/Blom & 1/2 Carter
- Tues 2nd
- 100 Days of Prep Celebration
- Thurs 4th @ 3.25pm
- Learning Circle
- With Mr Carter and the topic is Maths on the Computer
- Fri 5th @ 2.40pm
- Assembly - 5/6 Stapleton
- Mon 8th
- Year 5/6 HoopTime Excursion
- Thurs 11th @ 8.50am & 3.25pm
- “Storytime with the Principal”

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**Birthdays**
- JULY
- 28th Moses
- 28th Jasmeen

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**Free After School Sport-Extra Curricula Activities**
Every Monday:
- Year Prep, 1, 2
Every Wednesday:
- Years 3 - 6

Begins this week.
We have raised $1,520. We still need $1,480. Help Us Reach Our Goal

St Mary's worked hard last year to raise money for our sister school, St Mary's in Uganda. After an amazing effort we raised $7,100. With the money raised we want to purchase a water bore hole for the community.

After a brilliant effort last week we raised another $1,520.00 towards our target of $3,000.00. We still need your help so please watch the video and share it. The link below will direct you to the video. Thank you for your ongoing support.

http://www.pozible.com/project/kids-in-solidarity-1

Literacy and Numeracy Family Fun Night

Wednesday 3rd August
5.30 – 7.30pm

Prep – Prep classrooms
Year 1 & Year 2 – 1/2 classrooms
Year 3 & Year 4 – Reading Room/Family Space
Year 5 & Year 6 – 5/6 Community

Come and explore different Literacy & Numeracy activities.

Create learning activities for home.
1/2 Anstis

The students in 1/2 Anstis were very lucky to have been visited by St John’s Ambulance, the Emergency Ambulance, the Police, the Fire Brigade and Katie the Crossing Supervisor.

- Tina from St John’s Ambulance taught us how to bandage someone’s arm. Lucy
- We learnt that if you can’t breathe the emergency ambulance will come and the paramedics will check your breathing. Manasseh
- Tina from St John’s Ambulance taught us that D is for Danger to me, to others and to the hurt person. Padiet
- John talked about the heart and he checked Ms Canty’s blood pressure. Mary
- We got to see the ambulance. It was fun to see John use the stretcher. Lucas
- Tina taught us safety and what to do when you have a blood nose, a burn or a cut hand. Aliyah
- The Police are always there to help us. Michaeliah & Tedial
- A bright red firetruck with 2 firemen came to visit us at school. Ashmeet
- If someone is lying on the ground and it is an emergency we dial 000. Gurlean
- We learnt why we need a stretcher and a stethoscope. Shahana
- We had a fire drill and went inside the fire truck. I was excited. Tedial
- Mrs Canty had a turn with the stethoscope. Vineet
- While we were sitting, John showed us the equipment inside the ambulance. Valentina
- A firetruck and firemen came to our school. There were lots of hoses. Fiona
- The siren on the police car was very loud. Priyam
- During first aid we learnt how to deal with a blood nose. Stephanie
- St John’s Ambulance visited us and my favourite part was when we bandaged our partner’s hand. Matthew
- Miss Prince’s dad John visited our school. He brought his stethoscope and he used Mrs Canty as a pretend patient. Talie
After School Sports
Come along to our FREE sports sessions!

**Prep – 2**
Every Monday
3.30pm - 4.30pm
Floorball & Mini Games
Volleyball

**Year 3 - 6**
Every Wednesday
3.30pm - 4.30pm
Cricket
Rugby

Let’s have fun and get fit together!!

### Fees
Fee statements went home on the 22nd July. Please check your child’s bag. All fees are due by the 9th September. Please contact Mr White immediately if you are having trouble.

### Enrolments
Enrolments for the Prep 2017 school year are open. If you or a friend has a child who turns five years old by April 30th, 2017, they are eligible to be considered for enrolment at St Mary’s.

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Uniform Shop: The Uniform Shop is open each Thursday 8.30am – 10.00am.

**St Mary’s Parish Education Board**
Chairperson: Father Declan O’Brien   Parish Pastoral Associate: Mrs Kathy Gottliebsen   Principal: Mr Greg White
Deputy Principal: Mr Terry Gardiner   Religious Education Coordinator: Miss Amerall Blom
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