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Monday, Wednesday, & Friday

Uniform Shop:
Tuesday 8:00 - 10:30am
Thursday 2:00 - 4:00pm



*Mary MacKillop
Catholic Community
Primary School,
Ballajura, as a
growing faith
community seeks to
be enlivened by
Christ to live in
truth, love and
dignity.*

In 1861, Mary MacKillop went to work in Penola, a small town in South Australia. Here she met a Catholic priest, Father Julian Woods. Together they opened Australia's first free Catholic school. At that time only the rich could afford schooling.

Penola

Principal's Post

Dear Parents

Welcome back to a brand new term filled with fantastic learning at Mary Mac! You may have noticed the new fence around the front lawn outside the Year 1 and 2 classrooms, which has given them a wonderful outdoor learning space. Whilst that job was completed over the holidays, our community garden has been delayed by a few weeks unfortunately. However, it should be ready to go some time this term.

At the start of this week, the staff were involved with two excellent days of professional development. We had our next instalment of Cooperative Learning as well as a day of looking at Number, Place Value and Problem Solving in Maths. The feedback from the Kagan Australia presenter was very positive and she believes that our teachers are very advanced at implementing the Cooperative Learning structures. During the holidays, another four teachers completed the Kagan Coaching course (well done to Alisia Tardrew, Sue Curtis, Sara Blair and Diana Ballarotta). This means we now have 12 teachers who have completed the coaching course. I believe that this is a powerful statement about their commitment to our teaching and learning focus. As well as that, Lisa Liebregts spent four days of intensive one on one coaching to become a Kagan Trainer. This means that Lisa is now qualified to train teachers. It is a great achievement, as there are only about 10 people in Australia who are working at this advanced level. This of course benefits our students most of all as we have a strong focus on student engagement and positive social skill development using brain friendly structures. We have another busy term upon us with a number of activities occurring over the next few weeks.

Interschool Cross Country Next Tuesday 30 July, Mr Power and a couple of staff members will be accompanying our interschool squad to the annual interschool carnival. Mr Power has already sent all the details out to the parents of the students involved and I'm sure everyone will give it their best shot. I am always impressed with the positive sense of sportsmanship displayed by our students. They are a true credit to our school and their families.

School Photos These will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week and all students are reminded to make sure they wear their correct full winter uniform and to look their best. These photos always go on to make special memories.

Confirmation Commitment Masses Over the following weekend, our Year 6 students will be making their pledges for the Confirmation programme at either the **6pm Saturday night (3 August)** or **9.30am Sunday morning (4 August)** Masses in our parish. All members of our community are invited to come along and support our senior students. If you can't make it to one of the Masses, then please keep them in your prayers during this special time. This will be followed up with another Leadership Retreat day for them on **Monday 5 August** and Servite College staff and students will lead it. Once again, the focus will be on social justice

and servant leadership. This will be another great opportunity for our students to experience.

Mary MacKillop Week Week 3 is once again our popular Mary Mac Week where we take the time to reflect upon the fine achievements and example of our school's patron saint. It is a week of celebration and service where we come together as a community of faith. It is one of the highlights of the year for everyone and I'm sure we will make Mary proud of us.

I will be at the CEWA Leaders' Forum next Monday with Loretta Hutcheson and Lisa Liebrechts as we take the time to focus on the strategic directions of our system. All Principals and Assistant Principals across the state will be in attendance. After that, I will be attending the Catholic Primary Principals' Association Conference on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week (I have to be at that one as I am the Conference Convenor on the Principals' Association and I have organised the keynote presenters). I will be back next Friday. Please see Mrs Hutcheson or Mrs Liebrechts in my absence.

Yours sincerely
Laurie Bechelli

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday	25 th July	Yr 5 Excursion Art Gallery
Friday	26th July	Term 3 School Fees Due
Tuesday	30 th July	CPSSA Cross Country
Wednesday	31 st July	School Photos
Thursday	1 st August	School Photos
Thursday	1 st August	Excursion Year 3&4 Regal Theatre
Friday	2 nd August	School Photos
Saturday	3 rd August	Confirmation Commitment Mass 6pm
Sunday	4 th August	Confirmation Commitment Mass 9.30am
Monday	5 th August	Mary MacKillop Week
Monday	5 th August	Yr 6 Leadership Retreat (Servite)
Monday	5 th August	MMCCPS Art Gallery (Church Hall)
Wednesday	6 th August	Bishop's RE Test Yr 5
Wednesday	7 th August	Cup Cake Day
Wednesday	7 th August	Confirmation Parent Workshop
Thursday	8 th August	Mary MacKillop Feast Day (Whole School Mass)
Thursday	8 th August	Bishop's RE Test Yr 3
Friday	9 th August	Assembly (Yrs 4-6)
Friday	9 th August	Mission Mini Fete Day

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS- next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 31st July – 2nd August

Please be aware that school photographs will take place next week- Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All students must be in the correct, full, winter school uniform (**NOT SPORTS UNIFORM all three days**) on these days. We ask that they wear their school winter uniform even if they have had their photo taken, as we may need to take further photos later in the week. Students who have PE or Sports scheduled on these days will complete these classes, wearing their school uniform. They may pack their sports shoes (to change into at PE/ Sports time) if you wish.

KINDY FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS: Families with children in Kindy will have their family photo taken on the Wednesday or Friday as these are the days that the Kindy students will be at school when the photographers will be present.

MSP Photography

Online Ordering System

Mary MacKillop Catholic Community Primary School

SCHOOL PHOTOS INFORMATION

Our School Photos will be taken on:

Wednesday 31st July 2019, Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd August 2019

Class Photos/Portraits:

- Every Student will have their photo taken, whether they are purchasing photos or not.
- The school has chosen to use the online ordering system. Your child will be given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student shootkey. Log onto www.msp.com.au and follow the prompts to place your order.
- If you lose your shootkey the school reception will have a copy to quote back to you.
- The expiry date for online ordering is the **8.08.2019**. Any orders received after this date will incur a \$30.00 archive fee. You can email your order request through to reorders.perth@msp.com.au or call our office on 08 9240 8000

Family Photos:

- Envelopes can be obtained from Administration. .
- Please ensure that your family envelope and payment are handed to the School Office on or before photo day.
- Please ensure you have correct money in envelop as no change is given
- Family photos **cannot** be ordered online.

Special/Sports Group Photos:

- If your child is in a Special/Sports photo you will receive a link and password to the online gallery after photo day. You can then view and order if required. Photos will be delivered with the school's bulk order.

Please Note: Class Groups, Individuals and Family Photos are *not* available to view online

MAKE JESUS REAL BEARS

Congratulations to our MJR winners.

Jonah Casley - 2A
Anthony Vuong - 4P
Ashton Rankin - 6P



CANTEEN NEWS

The new Semester 2 CANTEEN MENU for 2019 is available on the MMCCPS website or alternatively if you require a hard copy, at the office or canteen. Please refer to this new menu ONLY, as many changes have taken place, with freshly made products.

The canteen operates on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. To alleviate using money, **Mary MacKillop Catholic Community Primary School has an online ordering system for Canteen orders. This enables a more efficient and effective service available to you and your family.**



You can visit www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au if you wish, just to have a look at what the school is offering.

If you have any queries, please come and see either myself or Kath and we will be happy to help.

Regards,
Sylvia Campbell

UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday
Morning 8.00am-10.30am

Thursday
Afternoon 2.00pm-4pm

EFTPOS AVAILABLE

Julie
Uniform Shop Manager



P&F SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Mrs Wendy Jacques will be running the second hand uniform shop. If you require any items please contact Wendy on 0417 092796.

The P&F Second Hand Uniform Shop gladly accepts donations of second hand uniforms. All proceeds from the sale of these uniforms go back to the students and the school.

KINDERGARTEN 2020 ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS

If you have a child born between 1st July 2015 – 30th June 2016, they are due to attend Kindergarten in 2020.

Application forms are available at the office or online at our website www.mmccps.wa.edu.au

Please return application forms to the school office ASAP.
All sibling applications need to be lodged as the enrolment process has now started.

We don't want you to miss out.

WASTE WISE

Recycling at Mary Mac

We have a number of recycling projects going at our school and we encourage our families and community to join us in our efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle and to minimise the amount of waste from going into landfill.

Our recycling projects include:

1. **Batteries** – In partnership with Battery World Malaga
2. **Old mobile phones and accessories** – In partnership with Mobile Muster
3. **Oral hygiene products** (empty toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, dental floss containers and all their packaging) – through Terracycle
4. **Soft plastics** – part of Redcycle
5. **Aluminium cans** – through Auscon (so far we have raised \$12.60 for our Cash for Cans)
6. **Plastic bread tags** – through Terracycle



Our **worm farms** and **compost tumblers** are collecting all leftover fruit and vegetable scraps on a daily basis. Even the Canteen saves their food scraps for our worms.

'Worm Wizz' For Sale at Assemblies

We have been able to collect some amazing 'Worm Wizz' which is great for the garden. Please have a look as we will have some bottles available at assemblies so first in best dressed. A gold coin donation will give you a bottle of 'nature's nutrients' that your garden and plants will love.



School National Tree Day

On Friday 26th July our school will be hosting a tree planting day and Rita Saffioti will be joining our tree planting ceremony. The ceremony will take place around 9.30am and we will be planting a number of trees around the school including:

- * 3 x Weeping Peppermint Native Trees
- * 4 x bush tucker plants
- * 4 x citrus trees which will be going into our new vegetable garden just behind the Canteen.

We would like to thank Galleria Toyota for their sponsorship and supply of blue tops and gardening gloves for the occasion.

Plastic Bottle Caps

Please start collecting and bringing in cleaned plastic bottle caps as we have a few projects underway and will be reusing bottle caps for these projects. The school canteen will have a collection container and they can be dropped off on any of their days open.

Thank you for all of your support
Waste Wise Team



Monday 5 August to Monday 12 August



ART EXHIBITION PARISH HALL

Thursday 8th August

MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY

MASS 8.45 am



Grandparents , parents and family members
are invited to

Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass at 8.45am
followed by

Morning Tea in the parish hall

Followed by our **OPEN DAY** where family members
are welcome to visit classrooms

10.00am - 12.00 noon

Cupcakes for students provided by P and F



Families are reminded that Mary MacKillop is an
Allergy-Friendly school.

Please **DO NOT** bring nuts or nut by-products onto the school
grounds.

Friday 9th August

MINI FETE

K - Yr 2: 9.30am - 10.45am

Yr 3 - Yr 5: 11.30am - 12.30pm



Yr 6 students will be running stalls & activities from 9.30am - 12.30pm

Students may wear
OLDEN DAY CLOTHES OR FREE DRESS

The ALEX & FLORA CLUB (Before and After School Care at the Church)



The Alex and Flora Club provide before and afterschool care for children from Kindergarten to Yr 6, and also offer vacation care for the holidays. They are situated in the basement of the Mary MacKillop Catholic Church.

Please contact the new co coordinator Melissa Tartaglia on 0447 019 567.

P&F NEWS

Welcome back to Term 3, planning is already underway for this term's events. We will be holding a Father's Day celebration followed by a Father's Day stall on Friday 30th August, stay tuned for dates and further information.

Hopefully you have all been collecting those 5 cent coins, we will begin accumulating them at school in Week 3. This year we will do our challenge with a twist. As a school community we will work together to raise funds for church pews. Our year 6 s are arranging our school incentives and prizes. Details will be sent home in Week 2 so keep an eye out for when to start bringing your 5 cent coins in.

As this year is Mary Mackillop's 30th Anniversary, we will also be ordering family name paving bricks for the pathway in our community garden between the school and the church. The bricks will be similar to previous years in which families or individuals can purchase a brick with their name engraved on it. This project will begin in the next few weeks and order forms will be sent home for interested families. We will have some new designs and prices will remain between \$25-\$35 a brick.

We have also begun planning our Quiz Night for 2019, which will be held on Saturday 26th October. Further details will be revealed shortly, however, we are keeping an eye out for sponsorships and donations from small businesses or families within our school. If you or someone you know owns a small business and would like to get promotions out to the community, please contact the P&F to find out further information. We are in need of items for raffle prizes, winner's prizes, decorations, bar items/staff, small monetary donations towards the hire of quiz masters, etc...if you are interested in joining the quiz night committee, please contact Joyce Jakob (pandf@mmccps.wa.edu.au) or Taryn Prior (t.prior82@hotmail.com).

Our second hand uniform shop still has uniforms on offer. Keep an eye out for pop up dates throughout the term. If you need to access second hand uniforms through the P & F, feel free to join the Second hand uniform Facebook page, 'Mary Mac Parent Secondhand Uniform Buy & Sell'.

Our next P&F Meeting will be on **19th August at 7:30pm** in the staffroom. Feel free to come along to join in discussions regarding our 5 cent Challenge, school fundraising projects and family oriented projects.

Taryn Prior
P&F President

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHISHOLM SWIM ACADEMY

After a very successful launch of the Chisholm Swim Academy in Term 2 this will again continue and grow at Chisholm Catholic College indoor heated pool in Term 3. This will include a comprehensive Learn to Swim program, private lessons as well as junior swim squads. The program is open to the community and all students are more than welcome to take part. Enrolment forms are now available for Term 3, 2019. More information available here:

<http://www.chisholm.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Chisholm-Swim-Squad-Information-June-2019-2.pdf>



BALLAJURA COMMUNITY FAIR

Lions Club

Cnr Illawarra Cres and Cassowary Drive

Sunday 25th August 2019

10am to 3.30pm

Craft stalls, animals, food, rides, Entertainment and Amusements

General Enquiries call Robert 0417 988125

Talent Competition X factor \$100

Registration are now open richardjill@bigpond.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BallajuraLionsClub/>