

ST MUNCHIN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Our Vision

St Munchin's Catholic School aspires to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.

Our Mission

In the tradition of Eucharistic sharing, St Munchin's Catholic School community aims to reflect the life and love of Christ for His people.

The school community works together to provide pastoral care for each person and to nurture the development of the whole child.

Term 4 Week 5
Thursday 12th November 2020

Term 4 Dates

Week 1 Friday 16 October *PP Excursion*
Whole School Mass 9:00am
Sunday 18 October
Parish after school Communion
Week 2 BOOK WEEK
Monday 19 October *Yr 6 Parliament House*
Yr 2 Excursion to Caversham
Tuesday 20 October *P&F Meeting*
Thursday 22 October *Book Week-Shared Reading*
Friday 23 October *Yr 6 Adventure Day*
Week 3
Monday 26 October *World of Maths Yrs 4 - 6*
Tuesday 27 October
Parent Information Night First Penance 6:30pm
Interschool Field Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 27 October *School Advisory Council*
Thursday 29 October
Interschool Track Athletics Carnival
P&F Colour Run (Kindy & Pre-Primary)
Friday 30 October *First Penance Retreat Day*
P&F Colour Run (Yrs 1 - 6)
Week 4
Tuesday 3 November *Scitech Incursion*
Wednesday 4 November *PP Excursion*
Thursday 5 November *Scitech Incursion*
Kindy Excursion
Friday 6 November *Yr 4 Bush Tucker Incursion*
Week 5 NAIDOC Week
Wednesday 11 November *First Penance 6:30pm*
Week 6
Tuesday 17 November
Fr Philip's 25th Anniversary
Wednesday 18 November *World of Maths Yrs 1-3*
Friday 20 November *Principals' Mass*
Sunday 22 November *Yr 6 Confirmation 11:30am*
Week 7 Tuesday 24 November
P&F & School Advisory Council AGM 7:00pm
Week 8
Tuesday 1 December *Yr 1 Excursion to Brownes*
Vinnies Sausage Sizzle
Wednesday 2 December *Stretch Crew 6:00pm*
Thursday 3 December *Kindy Parent Info Night*
Week 9
Monday 7 December *Rainbows Celebrate Me Day*
Wednesday 9 December *Yr 6 Graduation Mass*
Kindy Orientation 9:15am
Friday 11 December *Whole School Mass*
Yr 6 Disco
LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS



On Wednesday, Remembrance Day, we paused as a whole school to remember the end of the First World War and to honour all those who gave their lives to defend our Australian values.



Throughout November, the Church also honours and remembers all souls who have died.



Last night our Year 3 students celebrated for the first time the beautiful Sacrament of Penance, reflecting on and receiving the power of forgiveness to bring healing and hope to their lives and their world.



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

The term is certainly progressing quickly and we are at the midpoint of our final term for the 2020 school year. The students and teachers continue to work diligently consolidating teaching and learning as planned for this year.

On Wednesday, we welcomed Mr Kevin Duffy, new principal for 2021. Mr Duffy spent the morning at the school and had the opportunity to join us at our Remembrance Day service, view our facilities, meet the teachers and visit some classes. Mr Duffy is very excited, and is very much looking forward to joining the fantastic St Munchin's community as the school leader, and working closely with our families.

P and F Colour Run

Congratulations to our committee for organising the Colour Run held last Friday. The students thoroughly enjoyed this activity and participated enthusiastically raising a pleasing amount of funds both individually and as a group.

Thanks to the organisers, the students for their participation and to family and friends for supporting and encouraging the students.

Yr 3 Reconciliation

Congratulations to the boys and girls who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday evening. It was a very reverent service and the candidates were very excited as well as a little nervous but they participated beautifully. Thanks to Mr Menezes, Miss Hibben and Miss Harrison for preparing the students, to the parents and carers for their support and participation in the preparation program and to Fr Philip and the visiting priests for administering Reconciliation. Special thanks to Mrs Gonsalves for the music.

COVID-19 Reminder

Parents and carers are reminded that they may drop off students outside classes but must not enter classrooms. Children collected for appointments during the day must inform teachers and collect the children from the office directed by Mrs Campbell or Ms Carroll. Parents and Carers must not move around the school without school permission or arrangement.

Annual General Meeting - School Advisory Council and Parents and Friends Committee

School Advisory Council (formerly School Board) and the Parents and Friends Committee Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th November commencing at 7.00pm in the School hall to accommodate social distancing requirements. All parents, carers and friends are cordially invited. Further information will be provided closer to the date.

The School Advisory Council (School Board) requires at least two new members, and the Parents and Friends always welcome new committee members.

Please consider nominating for a position on either the School Advisory Council or Parents and Friends Committee. Nominations forms have been sent home and are also available on the website and in the office.

Wishing you all a happy, safe and enjoyable fortnight.

Kind regards

God Bless

Rob Romeo
Principal



Dates to Remember
Sacrament of Confirmation
Sunday 22nd November 11.30am in the church



Always Was, Always Will Be.

8-15 NOV 2020

We are walking through NAIDOC celebrations this week. "Always Was, Always Will Be" recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years. Our First Nations people are spiritually and culturally connected to this country. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were Australia's first explorers, first navigators, first engineers, first farmers, first botanists, first scientists, first diplomats, first astronomers and first artists. The very first footprints on this continent were those belonging to First Nations people. This week we celebrate the gifts, spirituality and wisdom they have bring to Australia.

(Taken from The Grapevine from Liturgy Ritual Prayer)

Our Monday Prayer for NAIDOC Week

Loving God,
we thank you and praise you for who you are,
for your unending love for us
and your creation of this land on which we now live.

We thank you for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the First Australians,
who you placed as stewards and custodians of this land.

Help us to value and celebrate the uniqueness
of our Indigenous culture and spirituality
and to listen to their wisdom,
so that we may know you as the one who
"Always was and always will be".
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Taken from NAIDOC Prayer by Bianca Manning (Aboriginal Christian Leader and Gomeri Woman)

Did you know there are 6 seasons in the Aboriginal calendar?



We are now in the 6th season called Kambarang— the season of birth- the second spring: October-November

During the Kambarang season, we see an abundance of colours and flowers. The yellows of many of the Acacias continue to abound, along with some of the Banksias and many other smaller delicate flowering plants including the Kangaroo Paw and Orchids.



One of the most striking displays of flowers to be seen during this season will be the "Mooja", or Australian Christmas Tree (*Nuytsia*). The bright orange/yellow flowers serve to signal the heat is on its way.

For the animals, October is also the most likely time of the year that you'll encounter a snake as the reptiles start to awaken from their hibernation and look to make the most of the warm to assist them in getting enough energy to look for food. It's also a time that many young families of birds will be singing out for their parents to feed them. Koolbardies (Magpies) will also be out protecting their nests and their babies.

<http://www.bom.gov.au/iwk/calendars/nyoongar.shtml>



P&F Colour Run



Everyone needs to give themselves a huge pat on the back. As a school we have done a fantastic job at raising money for our kids. Together we have raised:

Online	\$8070.03
Cash	<u>\$ 352.00</u>
Total	\$8422.03
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Class Leader Board

1. KM	\$1146.43
2. 4W	\$1081.21
3. 3W	\$ 921.50
4. PPW	\$ 700.27

Student Leader Board

1. Jonathan 3W	\$455.01
2. Georgia KM	\$413.71
3. Lachlan 2W	\$378.28
4. Olivia 4W	\$356.45

Check out the photos of this fun event on our Events Gallery:

<https://www.stmunchins.wa.edu.au/events.html>



Last week, on Tuesday and Thursday, we saw students from Years 1 to 6 attend the Interschool Athletics Carnival. The competition was very tough but the students had a great time representing their school. A special congratulations to

Tayo Adebayo on receiving Year 5 Third Place Boy
and

Jesstine Morales who achieved the Year 6 Runner Up Boy

Well done to all the students who represented St Munchin's, we are very proud of you all!



Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

Wednesday from 2pm to 3.30pm & Thursday from 8.30am to 10.30am

Please direct your enquiries to uniforms@stmunchins.wa.edu.au

Order forms are available on www.stmunchins.wa.edu.au

EFTPOS facilities now available

P&F Second Hand Uniform Shop

Open on Wednesday afternoon from 2.30pm