



ST. MONICA'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,
Tomorrow we celebrate the Nativity of
the Blessed Virgin Mary.



PRAYER TO MARY

Holy Mary, on this day,

we honour your life as the chosen

Mother of Jesus.

We remember your dedication to God

and the joy and heartache you had in

your life as you followed God's plan

for you.

We pray for the love you had for God,

the hope you had in Jesus, and the

joy you found in your heart.

Pray for us as we grow in love, hope

and joy...AMEN

Staff Announcement

Mr John Hermans has decided to retire at the end of the year after 43 years of teaching and leadership roles in Catholic Education.

I would like to congratulate John on his retirement and also thank him for his wonderful work here.

John has been an extremely hard working and dedicated member of our staff and he will be missed by many.

Planning for 2017

We will be looking at classes and staffing for next year over the next few weeks. If you are leaving the school at the end of this year, could you please let me know as soon as possible?

The numbers are very important as we look at class sizes etc.

Catholic School Sports

Well done to the selected students from Years 3-6 who braved the cold weather on Monday to participate in the Catholic School Sports. I would like to congratulate the following students who have now progressed through to Regional School Sports. Savannah Waters, Amalia Crouch, Gracie Grant, Brad Corevski, Kai O'Hehir, Jonty Davis and Balla Moore.

We wish all these children all the best in their events.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST!

A huge thanks to everyone who enjoyed or assisted with this day especially...

- Reuben and the school board as well as the parents who helped cook & assemble the muffins
- Our generous supporter for the day

LODDON VALLEY
EGGS

- Saint Monicas P&F for their planning & support
- Kirsten and Bron at the office
- All the dads/carers and kids who attended



**WHOLE SCHOOL
CLOSURE DAY
TOMORROW**

Children's Chatter Matters!

Language Learning activities to have a go at home.



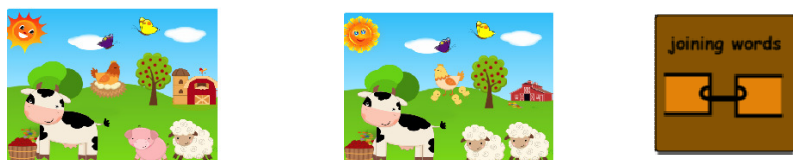
Ten activities will be provided over term three to help your child think a little bit deeper about the world around them and to use longer and more complex sentences. Expanding your child's oral language use will lead to significant improvements in their writing also. You may need to adjust the activity to suit your child's level:

If your child has Show and Tell or News in their class, practice what they will say the day before. Use these picture prompt to guide their language.



For example: Who gave it you? Where do I use it? What do I do with it? What's it like? (Encourage a detailed description) Use joining words to describe why I brought this item along today. For example: "I like my *brand new* Spongebob toothbrush because it's *really soft* and doesn't hurt my gums.

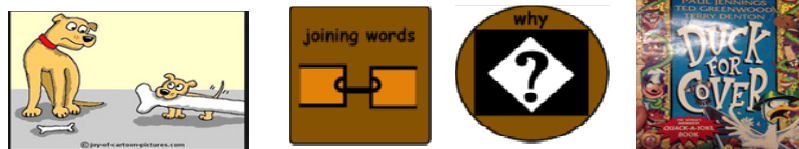
It is important for your child to make longer sentences by joining two smaller sentences together. This can be achieved by using conjunctions/joining words. We use the conjunctions *but*, *however*, *whereas* help to *compare* two things. Play 'spot the difference' with your child and get them to generate sentences while comparing the pictures. For instance:



This picture has 2 sheep **HOWEVER** that picture has 1 pig and 1 sheep.

This picture has chickens **WHEREAS** this picture has eggs. Spot the difference books can be purchased from newsagents or go to www.spotthedifference.com for extra resources.

The conjunction 'because' helps to explain cause and effect. You can use 'what's wrong pictures' to generate sentences and get your child to explain and justify why the picture is funny. For example:



This picture is silly **BECAUSE** the little dog has a bigger bone than big dog. Remember 'just because' is not an acceptable answer, make sure your child explains why.



Encourage older children to explain double meanings and word play in jokes. For example: this joke is funny **BECAUSE**..... Clocks tick, the lips are sticking to the clock and when the words are joined together it makes lipstick.

Encourage your child to use more interesting sentences by using a variety of adjectives (describing words) adverbs (words that describe verbs)



See how many adjectives your child think of about an object e.g. Cornflakes... (crunchy, delicious, sweet, small)
A dog... (furry, timid, ferocious)

How many adverbs can they add to these sentence stems:

(Swiftly, slowly) çThe old man walked è(quietly, timidly, with an odd gait)

(Loudly, energetically) çThe children played è (boisterously, peacefully)

We were all speaking.....

Get your child to find the adjective and adverbs in their stories and act them out to help them develop meaning.

The last week at St Monica's After School Care, we've been getting messy in the kitchen and trying our hand at cooking all sorts of yummy things. We've made rice paper rolls, nachos, fried rice, and our favourite, damper! We all made our own from scratch and topped it with some raspberry jam. We've also been getting creative, with some of our leaders showing us how to create origami - our favourite thing to make is



This week at St Monica's After School Care, we've been having lots of fun getting involved in creating our own stories, drawings, and other creations to put into our new folios! We also got a visit from Chia, our awesome leader, Demy's, very cute and friendly puppy Labrador. We can't wait for Chia's next visit! To enrol or make a booking, head to www.bendigo.ymca.org.au or contact 5444 6666 for more information.



Assembly
Will be held every second Monday
in the Jaara Centre.
 Next Assembly 18th September at 2.50pm.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

Monday 11th	Senior Camp
Tuesday 12th	Senior Camp Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesday 13th	Senior Camp Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday 18th	Swimming
Tuesday 19th	Swimming
Wednesday 20th	Swimming
Thursday 21st	Swimming
Friday 22nd	Swimming End of Term 3 2.30pm Finish

October

Monday 9th	Term 4 Commences
Thursday 19th	CCB Experience Day Grade 5 Students
Monday 23rd	Athletics Day
Friday 27th	1/2 Unit Mass

November

Tuesday 1st	Bendigo Cup Public Holiday
Friday 3rd	Grandparents Day
Tuesday 7th	Information Evening For Students commencing 2018
Tuesday 21st	Prep Transition Day 9.15am-10.30am
Tuesday 28th	Prep Transition Day 9.15am-10.30am

December

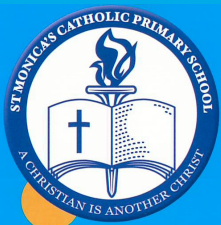
Tuesday 5th	Whole School Transition Day
Thursday 21st	Students Last Day of School
Friday 22nd	Last day of Term

Be Safe Award



Awarded to

Laura Curnow PP
Elliot Bird 1/2 D



Signed: R Johnson

Date: 28/08/2017

Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

PBIS

COOL CATS OF THE WEEK

Class of the Week

3/ 4 Delahunty

Attendance:

Vin Virk 5/6 T

Punctuality:

Tahlia Pluck 1/2 H

Are the cool cats of the week

WELL DONE!

School Is Cool!



Be a Learner Award

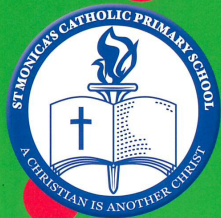


Awarded to

Sammy Reid P F
Sierra Greenwood P P
Oskar Pardo 1/2 D
Ethan Fletcher 1/2 HR
Harvey White 3/4 A
Lawrence Purton 3/4 O
Taylah Christie 5/6 F
Andre Anastasi 5/6 T

Indi Sobey P F
Aiden Hayes P P
Miller Bishop 1/2 H
Ashley Edwards 1/2 M
Charlotte Schofield 3/4 D
Charlie Jenkins 5/6 F
Zac Conroy 5/6 H
Alexandra Hooke 5/6 T

Elvis Ward P P
Ashton Ooi P P
Liam Pysing 1/2 HR
Lily Gillespie 1/2 M
Sophie Bennallack 3/4 D
Harry Mannix 5/6 F
Mitchell Brown 5/6 N
Giselle Poskus 5/6 T



Signed: R Johnson

Date: 28/08/2017

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Be Friendly Award



Awarded to

Milla Cooney 1/2 D
Makayla Collins 1/2 H
Lily-May Kirby 3/4 A
Natalie Pangrazio 5/6 H

Blake Wells 1 /2 H
Ashlyn Bird 1/2 M
Oliver Portelli 3/4 O
Ashley Sobina 5/6 N



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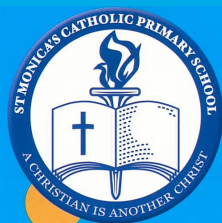
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Awarded to

Aidan Keena P F
Fraser Campbell P F
Jayden Fennell 1/2 H
Tahlee Gray 3/4 MK
Elly Conroy 5/6 T
Skye Griffiths 5/6 T



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 04/09/2017

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COOL CATS OF THE WEEK

Class of the Week

1/2 Driscoll

Attendance:

Remi Dunn Prep F

Punctuality:

Reide Walker 3/4 A

Are the cool cats of the week
WELL DONE!
School Is Cool!



Be a Learner Award



Awarded to

Mitchel Portelli P F
Alex Reid 1/2 D
Ethan Fletcher 1/2 HR
Zak Banks-Broome 1/2 HR
Anderson Campbell 1/2 M
Scarlett Randall 3/4 A
Emily Farman 5/6 F
Abbi Wells 5/6 T

Megan Comello P P
Jake Mannix 1/2 H
Leila Cooney 1/2 HR
Sienna Weber 1/2 M
Lincoln Symons 1/2 M
William McCullough 3/4 A
Jordyn Crosbie 5/6 H



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 04/09/2017

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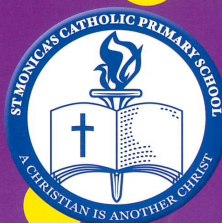
Be Friendly Award



Awarded to

Sonny Kennedy P P
Claudia Taylor 1/2 H
Damien Rossen 3/4 MK
Jemima Egan 5/6 H

Yasmin Scott 1/2 D
Phillipa Pearse 3/4 MK
Jorja Fennell 5/6 F



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 04/09/2017

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PARISH NEWS

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday - 6.00pm, St Monica's, Quarry Hill.
 Sunday - 8.30am, 11.00am, 6.00pm Cathedral
 9.00am, St Monica's

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Mon - 8.00am Poor Clare Convent
 Tues- 11.30am St John of God
 Wed- 8.00am Cathedral, 11.00am Bethlehem
 Thurs- 8.00am St Joseph's, 11.30am St John of God
 Fri- 8.00am Cathedral, 9.30am - St Monica's

RECONCILIATION

Cathedral, Sat. 10.30 - 11.30am

The Parish Office can be contacted on Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays after 10.00am. Messages left on the answer machine will be attended to as soon as possible. In the event of an emergency, please contact either Fr Tony Shallue or Fr Stephen at the Sacred Heart Cathedral - ph 5443 4400.

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW OF, NEED PRAYERS?

Parishioners are invited to pray our Parish Prayer each day at 8.00am and/or 8.00pm, for the needs of the parish and any other special intentions.

Our Parish Prayer:

God our Father...

*We give thanks for all your gifts to us.
 We ask you to bless our parish community,
 that we may know and love you more.*

*Help the parents of our parish
 to give good example to their children,
 and may our youth
 feel part of our parish community.*

*To the sick and lonely,
 grant health of mind and body;
 to the aged, bring serenity;
 to those in sorrow, peace.*

May each parishioner grow stronger in faith.

*May our love for each other
 become deeper in our day to day living.
 We make this prayer through Christ the Lord.
 Amen.*

New Arrival

***Congratulations
 to Ethan Fletcher 1/2 HR
 and family on the safe
 arrival of their beautiful baby girl. "
 Isla Grace Fletcher"***



Parish Vision

***The purpose of our Parish is to become a
 community
 where God is worshipped, the Gospel is lived,
 the faith is shared and we are servants to all.***

Over the last six weeks the community has gathered preparing 22 children for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Thanks must go to our Grade 3/4 Teachers Kate Delahunty, Helen Dyer, Nicole Knight, Lauren Miller & Shaun O'Brien, parents/carers and parish companions who participated in these weekly gatherings.

Special thanks to Father Stephen for his support and guidance over this time. Reconciliation on Tuesday and Wednesday evening. We pray for these children and their families during this important stage in their faith development.



2017 Sacrament Children

*Sophie Bennallack
 Seth Duggan
 Issobell Ellis
 Aidan Gaulton
 Tahlee Gray
 Vasey McKindley
 Ashton Oehms
 Keela O'Sullivan
 Bradley Savy
 Loviana Tuitupou
 Ella Waterman
 Tate Woodhatch*

*Byron Bullock
 Isabelle Egan
 Euan Flood
 Abbey Goudge
 Jack Ladner
 Lacey Newman
 Aleisha Ooi
 Ariela Sea
 April Scullie
 Reide Walker
 Savannah Waters*

Thank you to our Parish Companions

***Carol Friswell
 Clare McHugh
 Mary Mitchener
 Marg Trigg***



Congratulations to Jack 3/4 A and Eliza 1/2H Ladner on their recent Baptism.

Congratulations also to Fletcher 5/6 N and Savannah 3/4 D Waters on being welcomed into our Parish.



NETBALL NEWS

GRANDFINAL THIS SATURDAY AT 12.00 PM

Our Under 13's 5/6 St Monica's Maroon team play in the Grand final this Saturday at 12.00 at Schweppes Centre please come along to support them.

END OF SEASON BREAKUP/FUNDRAISER

SEPT 21st THURSDAY NIGHT 6.00PM AT

SCHWEPES CENTRE

Please RSVP to Kristi 0409 575 070.

TWILIGHT NETBALL

Wednesday nights at Schweppes Centre from 4.00pm

Season commences on Wed 13th Sept.

Cost is \$20 per player for the season, to be paid the first week to your coach.

UNIFORMS

Please return your washed uniforms in a named bag to the office if you are not playing Twilight netball, then you will receive an envelope with your refund.

NEW UNIFORMS:-We are in the process of looking at designs and costs for new uniforms for next year.

THANKYOU TO OUR SPONSORS:-

FEELGOOD FITNESS, TODD NEWMAN BUILDERS, O'FARRELL, ROBERTSON, MCMAHON LAWYERS, BIRDS R US , THE BROKER TEAM, THE ZONE and FRO CREATION ICE CREAMERY.

CANTEEN

DATE	TIME	NAME
Thursday 14th Sept	9am—11am	Kelly McCuskey Bonnie Roberts
Friday 15th Sept	10.30am - Midday	Kathleen Canterford
Thursday 21st Sept	9am—11am	TBA
Friday 22nd Sept	10.30am - Midday	TBA
All Drinks \$2.00	Zings \$1.00	Frozen Fuzz \$2.00

All Canteen Items require correct Money!

FOOTBALL NEWS

27/08/2017 - Qualifying Finals

St Monica's B 5.12.42 def. St Kilian's St Peters 3.3.21
Goals: Zac Bird 2, Josh Scott, Jay Newman, Taije Shelton
Best: Zac Bird, Noah Cain, Josh Scott, Taije Shelton, Aaron Nevins

03/09/2017 - 2nd Semi Final

St Therese's 6.3.39 def. St Monica's 5.0.30
Goals: Ollie Macartney 3, Balla Moore 2
Best: Ollie Macartney, Aaron Nevins, Cale Woodhatch, Bryce Goudge, Noah Cain

Great effort by the boys this week fighting every inch of the way, we still have one more chance to make Grand Final . We will play St Kilian's St Peters in the Preliminary Final this Sunday 8.30am at Weeroona Oval . We would love to see some more royal blue and white in the crowd to support us and make the Grand Final next week.

Reminder Presentation Day Sunday 08th October, please remember to RSVP to Tammie for catering .
Go St Mon's

INDONESIAN

Selamat siang semua!

This year all our students from P-6 are learning Indonesian through drama.

We are studying Bahasa Indonesia, the official language of Indonesia. By learning it through drama the children are practising using Indonesian in role plays of real life conversations. Each week every class in the school will be practising new Indonesian phrases daily.

We invite you to practise these phrases with your children as well!

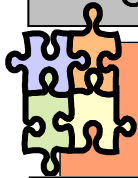
The phrases for last week and this week are:

Happy birthday	Selamat ulang tahun
Have a good weekend	Selamat akhir minggu
Merry Christmas	Selamat Hari Natal
Happy Easter	Selamat Hari Paskah

Ibu Cath:)



SCHOOL WELFARE SUPPORT



The National School Chaplaincy Program is proudly funded by the



That one day in September...

ALL money raised go towards helping students (aged 3-18) who are fighting cancer continue their education.

**Friday 15th
September**

Kicking contest

- P-2 COMPETITION
- 3-6 COMPETITION
- GOLD COIN DONATION

Handball contest

- P-2 COMPETITION
- 3-6 COMPETITION
- GOLD COIN DONATION

Gold coin
donation to wear
your footy
colours.



LET'S SEE WHICH IS THE MOST POPULAR FOOTBALL TEAM!

Term DATES FOR 2017

Term 4

Monday October 9- Friday December 22

Term DATES FOR 2018

Teachers Return Monday January 29

First day of school for Children Tuesday January 30

Term 1

Monday January 30- March 29

Term 2

Monday April 16- Friday June 29

Term 3

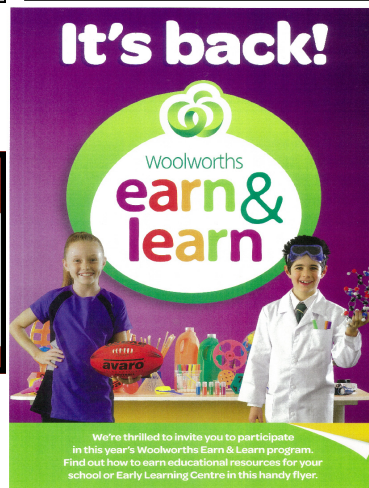
Monday July 16-Friday September 21

Term 4

Monday October 8- Friday December 21



COMMUNITY NEWS



Thanks to Lenard's Market Place for their kind donation of Sausages for our Sausage Sizzle on Saint Monica's Feast Day.

REMINDER

Please contact the office if any of the following points have changed since your child's enrolment at school.

- ♦ Your child has been diagnosed with a medical condition such as (anaphylaxis, allergy, asthma etc.)
- ♦ New address
- ♦ New phone number
- ♦ Emergency contacts have changed

Due to all the illness around at this time of year we need to be able to contact Parents/Carers.



BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL FAMILY IN 2018!

Hosting overseas students promotes an exchange of cultures, languages and traditions and will enrich your family's lifestyle. Students, aged 15-18, are wonderful role models for Australia's future generation. Become a volunteer host family with WEPI!



1,463 x Aussie families hosting
10,000 x Tim Tams consumed
Countless memories made

"Our daughter has a big sister now, someone to talk to other than mum or dad! If you're thinking about hosting, do it! It's the most rewarding experience for your family!"
Nicole, three-time host mum.

REQUEST YOUR FREE INFO PACK TODAY!

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INFO@WEP.ORG.AU
1300 884 733

Bunjil Basketball Club are looking for players:
Please contact Amanda on 0429944457

Under 10 girls & boys born 2009-2010
Under 12 girls & boys born 2007-2008
Under 14 girls & boys born 2005-2006
Under 16 girls & Boys born 2003-2004
Under 18 Girls & boys Born 2001-2002
Under 23 boys born 1999-2000

Club training on Thursdays from 4.30pm until 6.30pm
YMCA Eaglehawk during School terms.

Uniforms \$40, shorts \$10
Club fee \$20
Game fess from \$6 to 10
Insurance with stadium \$55
Club can assist with payment options



Step Up! For Down Syndrome

Let's support Down Syndrome Victoria in helping Ella, her family and other families, by joining this cause.

Sunday 29th October, 2017 at Lake Weeroona

Can't make it? That's OK, you can still support us in Stepping Up! For Down Syndrome, simply by opening a Fundraiser only page or donating to the St Monica's Primary School, Kangaroo Flat team.

Let's get our Purple on and walk together!

Ella is a twin, a very happy and shy girl, loves to dance and tries to sing any song you throw at her! Love to play outside until the sun goes down! Very positive and will give anything a try! Loves her friends, everyone in her class is her friend and loves them all to bits.

Some of the challenges Ella faces are unable to speak clearly due to the size of her tongue. Around 2yrs behind her peers. Low muscle tone, which means she's more flexible and gets tired very quickly. Ella faces some behaviour problems which unfortunately comes with Down Syndrome. Ella has a heart condition which is monitored by the Royal Children's Hospital. Struggles to breathe properly.

Let's help her receive the opportunities to lead a rewarding and healthy life, that she deserves.

StepUP!
for Down
syndrome

<https://stepup-bendigo2017.everydayhero.com.au/st-monica-s-primary-school-kangaroo-flat>

St. Therese's MUSIC TRIVIA NIGHT

First Prize \$200 Gift Voucher to Reservoir Hotel
Raffle, Spot prizes and a prize for the best decorated table up for grabs

Saturday 9th September

7pm Arrival for 7.30pm Start

At St. Therese's School Hall

Book a table NOW for 8-10 people (max) or

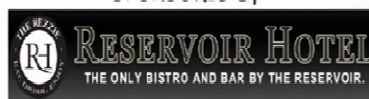
Come along with a few friends & we will group you with others \$10pp pay on the night

Book through Andrea 0418 325 142

BYO Nibbles & Drinks

All proceeds go to the school's Pastoral Care Program

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JUNIOR INDOOR SOCCER SUMMER COMPETITION

**STARTS TERM 4
OCTOBER 9**

MONDAY / WEDNESDAY NIGHTS:

6&u 7&u 9&u

11&u 13&u 15&u

\$50 TEAM REGISTRATION

\$55 WEEKLY TEAM FEE

GAMES TIMES 4.00, 4.40, 5.20, 6.00

5 A SIDE GAMES WITH SUBS

5 COURTS, CENTRAL LOCATION

CONTACT US

TO ENTER YOUR TEAM,

OR FOR ANY ENQUIRES

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Lost

- Library bag named Daphne Reyes.
- Bomber Jacket named Molly Lawlor.
- Bomber Jacket Named Arav Singh.
- Found
- Black Portfolio
- White Umbrella
- Black Framed Glasses