



Newsletter 31st October 2018 Week 4 Term 4

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**SHOW SUPPORT FOR
YOUR TEACHER**



Congratulations to Mr Mick West, our Year 6 teacher, who has been nominated for River 94.9's Apple for the Teacher Award. Voting for the top ten teachers has commenced and we need your help in voting Mr West in to the top ten. We love his dedication, professionalism and enthusiasm for teaching and want to share our appreciation for all that he does for the students and staff at St Monica's.

To vote, use the camera app on your iPhone or iPad to scan the Qr Code. On android devices, scan the QR Code using a QR Code Scanner app. You can also vote online via the River 949 website.

Use the drop down box to select St Monica's Primary School and then select Mr Mick West and click submit. You can vote as often and as regularly as you wish!

The leader board is live and updated daily. We'd love your help to vote Mr Mick West as River 949's 2018 Apple for the Teacher as he is certainly our top pick!



Mission Friday

Next Friday, we will be having a Crazy Sock Day. Students are invited to wear their craziest socks to school for a gold coin donation. The money will go to The Mission for Mercy and Hope, who support and run orphanages in India. Father Thomas is a member of this religious order.

We will have some prizes for the Craziest Socks on the day.



Day for Daniel Fun Run

The Day for Daniel was a great success, our students raised an amazing \$2,378.03.

Well Done St Monica's!



Teacher Talk

Prep

I have had a wonderful welcome back to St Monica's from both staff and children; thank you. Having taken the prep class on several occasions during the year, taking over from Mrs Thomas for the remainder of the term, has been quite an easy transition for all involved. I enjoy coming to St Monica's, as it holds a special place in my heart, having first taught here on a part time basis, 29 years ago !

The remainder of term four shall be spent consolidating concepts in literacy and numeracy and we have begun viewing and reading some stories from The Old Testament during religion classes. They have also been busy learning a dance with Mrs Cavanagh, which I believe they performed as a surprise for Mrs Thomas's on her final day. Parents shall get to see it at the end of year concert.

A busy and enjoyable couple of days.

Mrs Jenny Shellshear

Year One

During Mathematics students have been practicing simple addition and subtraction problems to increase speed and accuracy. They are developing their understanding of one half of a collection. This week we have been detectives and searching text for clues to answer questions during reading groups. Students are exploring how speech marks are used when reading and writing. During HaSS lessons students are exploring weather and seasons of places and the ways in which different cultural groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, describe them.

Mrs Chris Conneely

Year Two

In Maths we have continued to investigate the capacity of boxes. We measured the volume of boxes using cubes and explored the rows and layers of each stack of blocks. This week we have explored the <ie> spelling for the /ee/ sound and investigated the <er> and <est> suffixes in grammar. We are drafting a persuasive letter to convince our parents to buy a new family pet in our unit on persuasive writing. Students explored interesting words and worked together to brainstorm different ways to say went, walked and good in their writing. In Health we explored what it feels like to be included and excluded. Students thought about the feelings associated with belonging to a group and what it means to exclude others or be excluded and suggested ways we can make sure people feel they belong in a group.

Yours in Christ,

Mrs Rowena Staude

Year Three

Welcome to Week Four! In Year Three this week we have been revising our spelling rules and sounds and how to use these sounds when spelling new words. We have also been practising maths strategies and how to use them in word problems. In Art, we created a picture of God's Creation, linking in with our Religion Unit.

Thank you to all of the students who dressed up in red for the Day for Daniel. It was great to reiterate that "Recognise, React, Report" message to each of the students.

God Bless,

Miss Ayden-Skye Wolff

Year Four

We've had a busy week learning new concepts, specifically converting between different units of measurement. This is a tricky concept to begin with, however I've seen some great individual progress already. I will be away assisting at the year 5/6 camp this Thursday and Friday, so I will see you all on Monday.

Mr Callum Duncan

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2018

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| Sat Nov 3rd | St Monica's Race Day |
| Mon Nov 12th | Open Forum |
| Thurs Nov 15th | Swimming Lessons |
| Mon Nov 19th | P&F Meeting 7pm |
| Tue Nov 20th | Swimming Lessons |
| Thurs Nov 22nd | Swimming Lessons |
| Fri Nov 23rd | Swimming Lessons |
| Tue Nov 27th | Swimming Lessons |
| Thurs Nov 29th | Swimming Lessons |
| Thurs Nov 29th | End of Year Concert & Disco |

December 2018

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| Tue Dec 4th | Swimming Carnival |
| Thurs Dec 6th | Year 6 Farewell Celebrations |
| Fri Dec 7th | Last Day of School |

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| Tue 29th January | School Resumes |
| Sun 12th May | Centenary of St Monica's Parish |
| Fri 7th June | Confirmation |
| Sun 9th June | First communion |

Tuckshop Helpers

Monday 5th November 2018

Linda Leerentveld

Tanya Weber

Shannon McBride

Thank you ladies for
volunteering your time!

Weekend Masses

St Monica's Parish

1st, 4th & 5th Sunday – Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

2nd Sunday – 8.00am

3rd Sunday – 8.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

Our Lady of the Annunciation, Peranga

2nd Sunday – 10.00am

4th Sunday – 10.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

Oakey: Saturday 6pm

Peranga: Sunday 10am

SUPERlearners Term 4 Week 4

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| Prep: | Claire |
| Yr 1: | Xianne |
| Yr 2: | Amy |
| Yr 3: | Henry |
| Yr 4: | Paulo |
| Yr 5: | Camp |
| Yr 6: | Camp |

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Important Notices

Saint Monica's Parish

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON



Tuesday 6th November • 11am start

St Monica's Parish Hall

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| Tickets \$20 incl lunch Lucky door prize Multi-draw raffles Race Sweeps Wine on sale | Prizes for: Best hat/fascinator Best dressed lady & man Lady & man wearing winning jockey's colours |
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Tickets available from School Office 46911067
For bookings contact Marie 4691 3423 or Mirna 0429928878

Raffle Tickets

Melbourne Cup Raffle Tickets have been issued to the eldest child in each family.

Please support St Monica's Parish Ladies in their major fundraiser for the year!

Tickets are \$2.00 each, please returned money and tickets to the school office.

Situation Vacant

Tuckshop Convenor needed for the 2019 School Year.

If you are interested, come in and talk to our current convenors who will inform you on the workings of our Tuckshop, or leave your name in the office.

Centenary of St Monica's Parish

Sunday May 12th 2019, 9am Mass followed by Morning Tea.

Photographs of Marriages, Baptisms, Confirmation, First Communion at St Monica's over the past 100 years are required for Souvenir Booklet. Please see Father Thomas or the school office for further details.

STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS

Every school has student protection contacts that act as a point of call for reporting, advice or information. These people are provided with training each year.

At St Monica's, the student protection contacts are:

Kaylene Bruggemann
Rowena Staude
Susan Rodd

The school principal is also able to provide assistance for any students or members of the school community. You will notice posters around the school making everyone aware of who the contacts are.