



St Margaret Mary's School

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Wednesday, 22nd February

Bulletin

2023 Term 1, Week 5

Diary Dates

Thursday, 23 rd February	Cerdon visiting Year Six Girls St Pauls visiting Year Six & Year Five Boys
Monday, 27 th February	Whole School Morning Assembly & Prayer
Sunday 5 th March	Catholic Schools Week Commences

Water Bottles

Students are reminded they must have a drink bottle at school every day.

Enrolments

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2024 are now taking place. If your child was born between 1st August, 2018 and 31st July, 2019, please collect an enrolment form from the school office.

St Margaret Mary's School Parents & Friends

Annual General meeting has been **Postponed** from Wednesday 22nd February until further notice. Please keep an eye on our Bulletins and Compass for a new date in the coming weeks.



Lent Begins
Ash Wednesday

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers and Students

I asked our school leaders "What is Leadership?" and this is the reply from some of the leaders.

1. Leadership is an action of kindness to one another. Like Dylan Alcott said "We deserve the same opportunities as absolutely everybody else". Leadership is an action not a position. We treat others the way they want to be treated. Leaders help teach and learn, help show the right path and show others how they can be themselves. *Chanelle H*
2. What Leadership means to me is courage, kindness and faith. It is an action of leading and guiding a group. Leaders are representatives and help others to have an understanding to influence peers and younger students. Leadership shows collaboration and inspires others to their own influential self. *Ruby S*
3. Leadership is when someone sets an example for everyone around them. Leadership is an action of caring, courage and guiding others around you. Leadership is showing faith, being considerate and thoughtful for others feelings. A leadership quote from John C. Maxwell states "A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way" and if we all follow this quote, I believe that we can all be good leaders. *Jayda S*
4. Whatever you do they will follow. Leadership is the act of leading a group or organisation. This means you will have to help those in need by telling/guiding them on the right path. Leadership is an action done by people who want to lead people. They will have to be a role model to their younger peers, so the younger peers will be able to become leaders themselves. *Jacob N*
5. Leadership is action. It is leading and being a responsible role model for anyone and everyone. A leader is not perfect, a leader does not know everything. Sheryl Sandberg once said, 'the ability to learn is the most important quality a leader can have.' To me leadership is the action of courage, kindness, faith, hope, direction, initiative and being a good influence to whoever you come across. Leadership is not about putting yourself first but putting your community first. Having a badge is not what defines a leader but what really defines leadership is action. As a leader I won't only help but teach, I would not only follow but lead. I would guide the lower grades and future leaders and show what leadership really means and how to be a good role model. *Alexander K*

Great words of wisdom!

God Bless



Kevin Mills

Kevin Mills
Principal

Administration

Welcome

St Margaret Mary's School community would like to welcome all of our new students and their families to our school community. The students have settled in nicely.

We would also like to welcome Caitlin Grainger as one of our school counsellors.

Parent Teacher Connections

Now that we have moved away from our Covid restrictions we are hoping to reconnect with our parents and the student community.

The staff are finalising their formats for our first Parent Teacher interaction for 2023 and these will be discussed at our Professional Learning meeting this afternoon.

We will be trialling a range of formats in a variety of classes and will keep our community UpToDate.

These connections will happen before the end of Term 1. In the meantime, if you have any issues or concerns, please contact the office by email and it will be forwarded to the staff member to follow up on.

School Fees

All Invoices/Statements have been sent out by CSPD. If you have not received your statement, please contact Maria in the school office. Term One School Fees are due by 17th March unless you have entered into an arrangement with the school or with CSPD details as per your statement.

If you have any questions regarding your 2023 statement or arrangement, please contact Maria at the school office.

School Hours

Parents are reminded that lessons begin at 8:40am and finish at 3:00pm. Children should be at school by 8:30am. There is no supervision in the mornings before the 8:15am bell. Between 8:15am until 8:30am it is a walk and talk time only. Students are reminded that there is to be NO running or ball games in the playground in the mornings.

Parents are also reminded that they need to collect their child/ren from school at 3:00pm. If you are running late please contact the school office. The school office is open from 8:15am to 3:15pm every day.

Leaving

If you know your child/ren will be leaving StMM's during 2023, please let the office know as soon as possible, in writing. It is a CSPD Policy that 10 school weeks notice is given to the principal before the removal of your child/ren from the school, otherwise a full terms fees will be required to be paid.

Faith Community

Opening School Mass



On Friday, 17th February, we had our first whole school mass. We celebrated it together led by Father Janusz. We thank all the



students for their behaviour and participation. It was the first time that kindergarten students celebrated a mass with the whole school. We also thank the parents and the parishioners who joined us in the celebration. After



mass the Year Six leaders were given their badges. The School Captains, Vice Captains, Pillar Leaders, Colour Captains, IT,

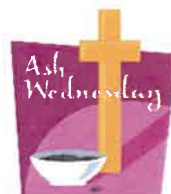
Jigsaw Leaders as well as the new teachers were all given their badges.

By: Rebecca S and Louna M



Ash Wednesday

Today all the students at StMM's received the ashes during liturgies held at school.



Shrove Tuesday

Pancake Tuesday in Year Five!

On Tuesday we celebrated Shrove Tuesday. Shrove Tuesday is a Christian tradition that we celebrate every year.

We honour Shrove Tuesday because it is the day before Lent. In Lent we give up something to honour our love about the sacrifice of Jesus. This day we eat pancakes to get ready for the fasting, so the teachers made remarkable pancakes with wonderful toppings: jam, butter, maple syrup and sprinkles. The students had a marvellous time eating pancakes as we now prepare for lent.

By: Zara L & Klara S



Pancake Tuesday in Year Two!

During Lent, we are called to give up something we enjoy for 40 days. This is to remind us to be more like Jesus as we come closer to Easter. Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Tuesday is celebrated the day before Ash Wednesday and in Year Two, the teachers made pancakes for all of us! We could cover them in maple syrup or raspberry jam. They were delicious!



Thank you to our teachers for preparing over 90 pancakes for us, we loved celebrating this special day.

Personal Growth

Monday Assembly

This week's assembly was led by Mr Mills. Starting off, Mr Mills brought the Year Six up to be praised for their leadership and the correct way that they are behaving.



Unfortunately, on the weekend someone broke into the hall. They kicked the door down, turned the fan on and destroyed equipment that Mr Mills was saving up to use for another day.

Mr Mills encouraged parents to go to the Parish Mass for Ash Wednesday. The primary will have their own liturgy together, then a couple of students would go to infants to distribute the ashes, at an infant's liturgy to be held in their learning spaces.

By Rien Z & Marcus P



Sports News

Primary Cross Country

On Thursday 9th March, students from Years 3 - 6 will participate in our school cross country. Students turning 8, 9 and 10 will need to be able to run 2kms. Students turning 11 and 12 will need to be able to run 3kms. Students are required to wear their sports uniform on this day.

During our class PE lessons, students in grades 3 - 6 have been participating in training activities to prepare them for the cross country.

Students are reminded that they must have their water bottles each day and especially on sports days.

Good Luck

Congratulations to Thanasi G (year 6) who will be trialling in Catholic Schools Parramatta Boys football trial on Tuesday 28th February at Bernie Mullane Sports Complex, Kellyville. We wish Thanasi the best of luck!

Partnership

LOWES School Uniforms

Update for St Margaret Mary's School Merrylands

A meeting was held with Lowes representatives who have advised Mr Mills that they have signed a new lease with Parramatta Westfields for a nicer and bigger premises which will be ready in approximately 3 months. In the meantime a Parramatta store representative is working at the Fairfield store in order to support our parents and community with all St Margaret Mary's School uniform needs.

Uniforms are readily available online and from **Lowes Fairfield, 54 Smart Street Neeta City Shopping Centre, Shop G44, Fairfield NSW 2165.**



Cerdon College



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OPEN DAY

SUNDAY, 12 MARCH | 11:30AM - 2:30PM

- College Tours
- Lesson Demonstrations
- Parents & Friends Association
- Staff and Students available to answer your questions

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OLMC PARRAMATTA OPEN DAY

Sunday, 5 March | 9.00am - 3.00pm

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St Margret Margaret Mary's Primary

Fresh Salad Box

Greek Salad Reg **\$3.50** Lrg **\$5.50**
Chicken Caesar Salad Reg **\$4.50** Lrg **\$6.50**
Tuna Salad Reg **\$4.00** Lrg **\$6.00**
Seasonal Fruit Salad Reg **3.50** Lrg **\$5.50**
Tub of Watermelon Reg **3.00** Lrg **\$4.50**

Hot Food

All foods are grilled or oven baked (No frying)

Baked Vegetable Spring Rolls **\$4.50**
Chicken Breast Nuggets **\$4.50**
Grilled lean Cheese Burger **\$5.50**
Chicken Burger **\$5.50**
Lean Meat Pie **\$4.50** Potato Pie **\$5.00**
Lean Hotdog **\$4.00** add Cheese **\$4.50**
Baked Potato Wedges **\$4.50**
Pizza Wraps (Cheese/BBQ/Meat) **\$5.50**
Lean Sausage Roll **\$4.50**
Beef or Vegetarian Lasagna **\$5.50**

Snacks

Garlic Bread 4 inch **\$3.00**
Baked Hash Brown **\$2.00**
Want Want Rice Snacks 2 for **0.50c**
Home made pizza slice **\$1.50**
Baked Potato Chip cup **\$2.00**
Noodle Cup **\$2.00**
Pretzel Cup **\$1.50**
Sugar Free Jelly **\$1.50**
Custard & Jelly **\$2.00**
Mini Pie/Sausage Roll **\$2.00**
Canteen Approved Chips from **\$2.00**
Pauls Choc Yogo **\$2.00**
Fresh Fruit Pieces **\$1.00**

Many more healthy snacks available on counter starting from . 50c

PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU

Sandwiches/Wraps

Cheese and Tomato **\$3.00**
Vegemite or Jam Sandwich **\$2.50**
Cheese & Salad Sandwich **\$4.50**
Chicken breast Sandwich **\$4.50**
Ham/Cheese/Tom **\$4.50**
Ham/Cheese **\$4.00**
Tuna sandwich **\$4.50**
Falafel Wrap **\$5.50**
Chicken Salad Wrap **\$6.00**
Kafta (lamb Mince) Wrap **\$6.50**
Ham Salad Wrap **\$6.00**
Tuna Salad Wrap **\$6.00**
Cheese Salad Wrap **\$6.00**

Extra toppings 0.50c

Gluten Free, Bread roll or Lebanese bread \$1.00

Alternating Daily Specials

Check the daily special board or Flexischools

Butter Chicken with Rice **\$5.00**
Pasta Bake (Chicken/Tuna/Vegetarian) **\$5.00**
2 Kafta patties, Hommus and Leb bread **\$5.00**
Sushi Chicken or Tuna **\$5.00**
Spaghetti Bolognaise **\$5.00**
Homemade Pumpkin Soup **\$5.00**
Spaghetti Napolitana **\$5.00**

Frozen Treat/Drinks

100% Orange Frozen Juice Cup **\$2.00**
Ice Block **\$1.50**
Icey Mony **\$2.00**
99% Fruit Juice Slushie **\$2.50**
Spring Water 600mls **\$2.50**
100% Juice (Apple/Orange) **\$2.50**
Chill J flavoured water **\$3.20**
Flavoured Milk 300ml **\$3.50** Plain **\$2.50**