



# St Margaret Mary's School

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## Bulletin

Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2020

### Diary Date

**Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September**

**Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September**

- Pyjama Day—Students to wear their Pyjamas to school.
- School Closes at 3pm for Term 3

**Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October**

- School Resumes for Term 4
- Students Return in full Summer Uniform

**Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October**

**Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September**

### Drink Bottles

We have made adjustments to our bubblers, so children are able to refill their bottles when needed. It is wonderful to see so many children using their new drink bottles with their names clearly marked.

### Lunch Orders & Canteen

The school canteen is open to students during the day. All lunch orders MUST be ordered through the Flexischools online ordering and must be ordered by 9am.

### Skoolbag App



Our School Name for Skoolbag App is SMMPM. The Skoolbag App is our main source of communication to our families. If you do not have this App on your phone you are missing out on a lot of information.

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

### Words of Wisdom from Psalm 62



My soul finds rest in God alone;  
My salvation comes from him.  
He alone is my rock and my salvation;  
He is my fortress; I will never be shaken.

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;  
My hope comes from him.  
He alone is my rock and my salvation;  
He is my fortress; I will not be shaken.

My salvation and my honour depend on God;  
He is my mighty rock, my refuge.  
Trust in him at all times, O people;  
Pour out your hearts to him,  
for God is our refuge.

These words from Psalm 62 show us the amazing power of our God. The image of the "rock" implies that God is our foundation, our stability and keeps us grounded in our world. The people in our family are our world and do whatever it takes to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the household. Sharing wisdom, physical strength or practical expertise. During this time of COVID -19 we need to rely on this connection to family. Every student at StMM's comes from a family who has chosen a Catholic school and in doing so supports our faith traditions, celebrations and teachings. These aspects along with our welcoming nature, clearly allows us to build a strong school family, one upon which we are able to rely on and gain strength from.

My great thanks to all the staff, students and especially our parents for working hard in journeying this difficult term. We have very much relied on the strength, wisdom and expertise of everyone in our school family.

Enjoy the time together as a family and plan to do something nice.

Take care & keep safe.

*Kevin Mills*

Kevin Mills  
Principal

*Have a great  
break  
everyone  
Kevin Mills*

## Administration

### End of Year Celebrations for Year 6

In a changing COVID world we continue to look at what events we will be able to hold for our Year 6 Graduation. We will review the guidelines at the beginning of Term 4 and inform our community.

We thank you for your understanding and patience.

### School Uniforms

Students return for Term 4 in Full Summer Uniform.

All uniforms must be worn neatly and correctly, including the correct socks. Our Sun Safe program—No Hat No Play requires students to wear our school cap or school hat when outside. These hats and caps are available to purchase at the school office.

## Personal Growth

### Pyjama Day

Pyjama Day will be held on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September. Please make sure to wear your pyjamas and bring a cuddly toy, such as a teddy bear or any other cuddly toy. Activities will be held on this day, such as trivia, who has the best pyjamas and who has the best cuddly toy.



## Faith Community

### The Feast of St Margaret Mary

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> October (Week 1, Term 4) marks the feast day of our school's patron saint, St Margaret Mary. To celebrate this significant day, a series of activities and events have been planned for the students to enjoy. Due to the continuing COVID-19 restrictions, this day will unfortunately be a **student only** event. Photos and student recounts from the day will be shared with our parent and family community. More detailed information will be made available in the lead up to the event.



*"I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus"*

*St Margaret Mary Alacoque*

## COVID-19 Information

### Sick Leave & Documentation

We ask all our families to follow the guidelines below as we value the well-being and health of the St Margaret Mary's Community.

- Currently, no student should attend school if they are unwell (Doctor's Certificate).
- Each student who is absent from school or who has been sent home because they have flu-like symptoms, need to see a doctor or must have a COVID-19 test.
- A negative COVID-19 test result must be provided to the school before a student can come back to school. The notification can be a NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre letter, SMS or email and / or a medical certificate.
- Students are not able to return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free.

### Doctor's Medical Certificates

We ask that when submitting a skoolbag absentee online for a child that is absent, and a medical certificate **has** been obtained from the doctor, please forward this certificate to the school email [stmargaretmarys@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:stmargaretmarys@parra.catholic.edu.au)

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