



St Margaret Mary's School

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Bulletin

Wednesday, 1st December, 2021

Diary Dates

Thursday, 2nd December

Friday, 3rd December

- StMM's Paper Crane Day
Students are to wear 1 item of colour

Monday, 6th December

Tuesday, 7th December

Wednesday, 8th December

Thursday, 9th December

- Year 6 Liturgy & Graduation Ceremony

Friday, 10th December

- Thanksgiving Liturgy. This is the Last official function for the school year.
- Reports go home with students today.
- Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Monday, 13th December

- Year 6 Fun Day

Tuesday, 14th December

Wednesday, 15th December

- Last day of school for Students
- School Closes for students at 3pm.

Thursday, 16th December

- Staff Professional Learning Day.

Friday, 17th December

- Staff Professional Learning Day.
- School closes for 2021

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As indicated in a recent Skoolbag App we must follow and adhere to NSW Health Public Orders. With the continued positive cases in local educational settings we understand the reluctance of families sending their children back to school so late in the term.

In light of this challenging situation, we have decided to provide 'Home learning' to those families in isolation and the families that have emailed the school stmargaretmarys@parra.catholic.edu.au indicating their concerns with regard to their child's return to school. The Home Learning will be available via our school website from Monday 29th November for the next two weeks.

Thank you for your understanding, if you have any questions, please email the school office.

God Bless and take care

Mr Kevin Mills
Principal

Faith Community

Advent/Thanksgiving Liturgy

To celebrate the season of Advent and the closing of the 2021 school year, a liturgy will be held on Friday 10th December. This will be an opportunity to reflect and give thanks for the many blessings we have been graced with, as well as our tradition of the 2021 captains passing the school candle to the soon to be elected 2022 captains.



The liturgy will be in accordance with St Margaret Mary's COVID-19 Safe Plan. As per the current restrictions for NSW schools, this will be a **student and staff only event**.

The liturgy will be the last official school event for 2021 with Semester 2 reports being sent home with students.

Teaching & Learning

StMM's Semester 2 Reports

StMM's 2021 Semester 2 reports will be sent home with students on Friday 10th December. We are happy to post reports home to students who are completing remote learning. Please ensure that your postal details are correct and up to date by emailing the school no later than Wednesday 8th December .



Skoolbag App

All parents are encouraged to have the Skoolbag App, as this is the main preference for communication to all parents. Our **School Name** for Skoolbag App is **SMMPM**.



Administration

School Fees

School fees are now overdue, unless you have opted for an arrangement with the school. Final day for payment of school fees at the office will be Friday 10th December. If you have any queries regarding your statement please contact Maria in the office.



Purchasing Hats & Library Bags

The final day for purchasing hats and library bags at the office will be end of day Friday 10th December.

Leaving

If you know your child/ren will not be returning to this school in 2022, please let the office know as soon as possible, in writing. It is a CEDP Policy that 10 school weeks notice is given to the principal before the removal of your child from the school, otherwise a full term fees will be required to be paid.

Teaching & Learning

MAI 2022

Today each child from Kindy to Year 5 will receive a note regarding the [2022 MAI booking information](#). The MAI provides teachers with the opportunity to get to know their students and collect information about 'how' students are thinking and solving problems mathematically early in the year.

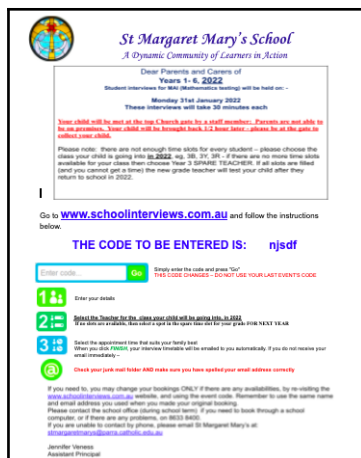
Please read this carefully.

You will need to:

1. Click on the [school interviews website link](#).
2. Enter the code 'njsfd'.
3. Follow the steps to book a time slot for your child in their 2022 grades.
4. Check you receive a confirmation email.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Ms Veness and Miss Fardella



St Margaret Mary's School
A Dynamic Community of Learners in Action

Dear Parents and Carers of
Years 1 - 6, 2022

Student interviews for 2022 (Mathematics) will be held on:
Monday 24th January 2022
These interviews will take 30 minutes each.

YOUR CHILD WILL BE ASKED TO BRING A BOOK AND TO AVOID ANYTHING TO BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL. PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME AND BE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERVIEW. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Please note: there are not enough time slots for every student - please choose the class your child is going into in 2022 (eg. 2B, 2C, 2E) - if there are no more time slots available for your class then choose Year 2 (GENERAL TEACHERS). If all slots are filled then you should get a text from the new grade teacher will test your child after they return to school in 2022.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow the instructions below.

THE CODE TO BE ENTERED IS: njsfd

Enter code: Simply enter the code and press 'GO' TO CONFIRM - DON'T USE 'YOUR LAST EVENTS CODE'

1. Enter your details

2. Select the teacher for the class your child will be going into in 2022. You can select the class your child will be going into in 2022.

3. Select the appointment time that suits your family best. When you click 'YES' your interview invitation will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately:

Check your junk mail folder AND make sure you have spelled your email address correctly.

If you need to, you may change your bookings ONLY if there are any availabilities, by re-logging the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.

Please contact the school office during school hours if you need to book through a school computer, or if there are any problems, on 0025 8400.

If you are unable to contact by phone, please email St Margaret Mary's at: stmarys@stmarys.catholic.edu.au

Jennifer Veness
Assistant Principal

Personal Growth

Paper Crane Day

On Friday, 3rd December we are celebrating 'Sadako and The Thousand Paper Cranes Day'. On this day, the whole school will be doing fun activities. Students will be learning about the history of Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes and take the time to reflect on her, in remembrance. To raise awareness all students are asked to wear **one** item of colour. For example, a coloured t-shirt, coloured **one** socks, coloured headband.

Lily, Adriana and Isabella
Year 5

2022 Parramatta Diocese Team Sport Trials

Dear Parents,
Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2022 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team sport trails during Term one & Two in 2022.

Students in year 4 in 2022 may nominate for the sports of Basketball, Hockey, softball, Tennis & Touch Football only.

ELIGIBILITY - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) NOMINATION FORM OPEN 23rd November

To be eligible for selection for these trials the **2022 CEDP Primary Sport TEAM Registration Form** must be completed. Please visit the Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport website or Facebook for the link and information.

This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)** for the 2022 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. Parents may complete this form to attend a selection trial. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Access the information using any below:

Registration (Expression of Interest) link
[2022 CEDP Primary Sport TEAM Registration Form \(Expression of Interest\) - Sport Trials](#)

Primary Sport Parramatta WEBSITE link
www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au

FACEBOOK link
[Primary Sport Parramatta Diocese](#)

