



St Margaret Mary's School

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Monday, 19th September **Update** 2022 Term 3, Week 10

Diary Dates

Tuesday, 20th September	Principal's Award Morning Tea
Wednesday, 21st September	Year 1 Excursion to Sealife Aquarium
	Jersey Day - Students may wear their favourite team jersey.
	School closes at 3pm for Term 3.
Thursday, 22nd September	Public Holiday National Day of Morning. No School
Friday, 23rd September	Staff Professional Learning Day. <i>No School for Students</i>
Monday, 10th October	School Opens for Term 4 Staff Professional Learning Day <i>No School for Students</i>
Tuesday, 11th October	Student Return for Term 4. Students return in Full Summer Uniform.



A BIG
Thank
You

God Bless you!

Principal's Message

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This is our last bulletin for Term 3 2022. At the end of this week all staff and students will be back in their learning spaces after an excellent building program. I am very pleased and impressed with the positive attitude of our staff, students and community over the last nine months. It is important to realise the flexibility of our community that allowed StMM's to undergo this major refurbishment.

Without the supportive attitude and generosity, we would still have 1960s classrooms. A big thank you to our amazing staff and students for their patience and understanding during the building program. Special mention to Mrs Balogh-Caristo for giving over her library space to support the program by allowing classes to be held there for three terms.

I am looking forward to next term as a chance to return to normal. However, this will have to wait until after our 80 year celebration in Week 2 (an outline is listed in this bulletin).

Take care & stay safe

Kevin Mills
Principal

“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.”
- Jane D. Hull

Administration

Please note the following timeline

Wednesday	21 st September – Last day of Term 3
Thursday	22 nd September – Public holiday – Day of Mourning for Queen Elizabeth II
Friday	23 rd September — Staff Professional Learning Day. No School for Students
Monday	26 th September – Friday 7 th October 2 Weeks School Holidays
Term 4	
Monday	10 th October — Staff Professional Learning Day. No School for Students
Tuesday	11 th October – All students return to school for Term 4.

Principal's Morning Tea

Our Principal's Morning Tea for Term 3 will be held on Tuesday, 20th September. Students need to have received all 4 Pillar awards to be eligible to attend the morning tea.

Please be aware if your child misses the morning tea this term their names will be recorded and they will attend the next morning tea.

Jersey Day

Students and staff may wear their favourite Sports Team Jersey this **Wednesday**. Students may wear mufti on this day. Students are reminded to wear closed in shoes for safety reasons.

School Uniforms

Students return for Term 4 in Full Summer Uniform. All uniforms must be worn neatly and correctly, including the correct socks. It is expected that children have suitable hairstyles appropriate for their age and school expectations. Long hair must be tied back Our Sun Safe program – No Hat No play requires student to wear our school cap or school hat when outside. These hats and caps are available to purchase at the school office. Sleeper earrings and stud earrings may be worn. Please be aware that these can be dangerous during sports time. Simple signet rings may also be worn. No expensive jewellery is to be worn at school

Leaving

If you know your child/ren will not be returning to StMM's in Term 4 or at the end of 2022, please let the office know as soon as possible, in writing, as we have several families on our waiting list. It is a CEDP Policy that 10 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.

Michael McDowell Visit

Mr Michael McDowell is the author of a number of bestselling books and presents practical tools and resources to thousands of teachers and leaders. He will be visiting StMM's School on Tuesday 20th September. He will be working with teachers across grades, he will also be visiting the learning spaces across the school.

StMM's 80yrs Celebration Weeks 1 & 2 Term 4

Thursday 13 th October	StMM's Spring Clean
Friday, 14 th October	Yrs 5 & 6 Working Bee
Sunday, 16 th October	StMM's Parish Mass
Monday, 17 th October	StMM's Liturgy 2022 Students Leaders Morning Tea
Tuesday, 18 th October	JigSaw Launch
Wednesday, 19 th October	Indigenous Day
Thursday, 20 th October	Back to StMM's Day
Friday, 21 st October	StMM's Fun Day

Partnership

NRMA Visit

On Tuesday, 13th September children were taught about road safety and car safety.



While crossing the road get rid of any distractions like books, electronics or headphones and remember these rules: STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK.

There is confusion between bike helmets and skateboard helmets. Always make sure to have the correct helmet. While you're putting on a bike helmet use the 2 finger rule. The first step is to put 2 fingers on top of your eyebrow, make a tick sign and place it under your ear if there's a gap, tighten it and place 2 fingers on your chin so there's no gap.



All parents should know this but every child under the age of 7 is supposed to have a booster seat so they don't have any injuries because when you put your seatbelt on you need to have it across your hip and collarbone. All children under the age of 12 should not be in the front seat because of injuries because of their height and how weak their bones are.



When leaving the car, always go to the left where the footpath is so you don't get hit by a car and if you can't get an adult to open the door.



By Charlie B and Jessica H

Important Dates for Term 4

Monday, 10th October	School Opens for Term 4
	Staff Professional Learning Day. – No school for students
Tuesday, 11th October	Students return for Term 4 in Full Summer Uniform.
	Cerdon College Orientation for Yr 7 2023
Sunday, 16th October	St Margaret Mary's Feast Day
Monday, 17th October	StMM's Feast Day Celebration Week
Wednesday, 19th October	Yr 1 Incursion – Aboriginal Culture
Friday, 21st October	StMM's Fun Day
Tuesday, 25th October	Yr 4 Ninja Warrior Excursion
Wednesday, 26th October	Kindergarten 2023 Parent Information Evening
Thursday, 27th October	Yr 2 Excursion Creature Feature at Homebush
Friday, 28th October	Stage 2 & 3 Touch Football Gala Day
	World Teacher Day
Tuesday, 1st November	All Saints Day
Wednesday 2nd November	All Souls Day
	K2023 Orientation Morning.
Friday, 4th November	P&F Disco More Information later
Wednesday, 9th November	Yr 3 Motive8 Sport Incursion.
	K2023 Orientation Morning
	St Paul's Greystanes Orientation for Yr 7 2023
Thursday, 10th November	Yr 4 Incursion Science & Technology
Friday, 11th November	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 16th November	Diocesan Basketball Gala Day
	K2023 Orientation Morning
Friday, 18th November	Yr 5 Leadership Day
Sunday, 20th November	Feast of Christ the King
Sunday, 27th November	1st Sunday of Advent
Sunday, 4th December	2nd Sunday of Advent
Wednesday, 7th December	Yr 7 2023 Delany College Orientation Morning
Thursday, 8th December	Yr 6 Graduation Mass
Friday, 9th December	Yr 6 Graduation Dinner
Sunday, 11th December	3rd Sunday of Advent
Monday, 12th December	Yr 6 Fun Day
Sunday, 18th December	4th Sunday of Advent
Monday, 19th December	School, closes for 2022 for Students
Tuesday, 20th December	Staff Professional Learning Day – No school for students
	School Closes for 2022.
Friday, 27th January 2023	Staff return for 2023
Monday, 30th January	Staff Professional Learning Day – No school for students
Tuesday, 31st January	Students in Yr 1 – 6 Return for 2023
Thursday, 2nd February	Kindergarten Commence 2023