

Term 4

27 October 2021

# The Link

St Mary's Primary School

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## School Vision Statement

*St Mary's Primary School, as part of the Goldfields community, draws on the Spirit of the past and the gifts of the present as we share our Catholic Faith. The Christian values of trust, respect and love for God and one another are nurtured within the whole person as they grow to their fullest potential. Our school endeavours to create a learning environment that will enable students to meet the challenges of the future.*

### Calendar Term 4

### *From the Principal's desk*

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Monday 25 October to  
Friday 29 October -**  
Year 6 camp,  
Woodman Point

On Monday our Year Six children and Teachers left bright and early on the train to Perth. All reports from the Teachers are positive and they are having a wonderful time. The weather has been a bit challenging, but they have a flexible timetable and have managed to move some beach activities around. We hope and pray for clear skies over the next few days.

**Friday 29 October**—Year  
5S Assembly 8.45am in  
the undercover area

In the Link today you will find information and nomination forms for the School Advisory Council and the Parents and Friends Association. These parent bodies are very important in the smooth running of the school. Please take the time to read the information relating to the School Advisory Council and the Parents and Friends Association. The AGM for both these bodies is on the 24th November at 7pm.

The Leadership Team will be travelling to Merredin on Monday and Tuesday of next week. Together with the Leadership Teams from Boulder, Esperance, Southern Cross and Merredin we will be engaged in forward planning for 2022.

### Liturgical Calendar

**Friday 29 October** —  
Pre Primary Tuart  
Liturgy – 9:30am –  
Chapel

Last Newsletter I encouraged all parents to be aware of the School Uniform Policy when taking children to get their hair cut for school. Thank you to the parents who have already had their child's hair cut in a conservative style. This week, I would like to remind parents about the uniform rules for watches, so that if you are purchasing a watch for your child for Christmas it complies with the Uniform Policy.

"Watches should be plain with a silver, gold, brown, black or navy blue band."

**Friday 5 November** —  
Year 3 Reconciliation Re-  
treat Day School Hall

Once again, we have the problem of parents parking in the pick-up lanes before and after school. This causes congestion and stops the traffic flow of the lanes. If you need to park, please park in the appropriate parking bays. Also, when using the pick-up line at the front of the school, please remember not to queue into Maritana St. If the line is full, you will need to either park in a bay and collect your child or go around the block and try again. Hopefully, the queue will have moved forward.

If you know you will be leaving St Mary's at the end of the year, can you please inform the Office by email. This will assist us in our planning for 2022.

The P&F is once again planning Sunset at St Mary's which is a family fun night on the 26th November. Please see the flyer in today's Link for further information. The Sunset night is a fantastic school community event which is very popular with the children. Thank you once again to Merle and her hardworking P&F team.



God bless,

Elizabeth Browner *Principal*

**MANDATE LETTER- NEW EVANGELISATION AND PARTICULAR GOSPEL CONCERNS**

Finally, the healthy growth of the seed described by Jesus in the parable occurs in well prepared soil. This has many implications for new evangelisation. For every Catholic school, it means proclaiming the Word of God through its Christian Witness and its curriculum in educationally appropriate ways, trusting always in 'the divine power of the Message.'

Monday 1 November is All Saints' Day, the first of a two-day celebration of the saints and of all who have died. The second of these days is All Souls' Day. During the month of November we turn our hearts to those who have fallen asleep in death.

**GOSPEL**

Listen to the words of the Holy Gospel according to Mark 12: 28-33

One of the people asked Jesus, "What is the most important commandment?" Jesus answered, "The most important one says: 'People of Israel, you have only one Lord and God. You must love him with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.' The second most important commandment says: 'Love others as much as you love yourself.' No other commandment is more important than these." The one who asked the question replied, "Teacher, you are certainly right to say there is only one God. It is also true that we must love God with all our heart, mind, and strength, and that we must love others as much as we love ourselves. These commandments are more important than all the sacrifices and offerings that we could possibly make."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**PRAYER**

Dear God

Help us to look at the example of the saints who have gone before us.

May we reflect on their faith and be inspired by their courage and determination.

When we feel weak, help us gain the strength we need from the example of the saints, so we can respond to your call.

Amen.



*All Saints' Day*





Financial  
Matters....



*School Fees should have been  
finalised by the end of Term 3  
Please contact Karen Osmetti in the office  
at your earliest convenience.*



## UNIFORM SHOP



AMENDED OPENING TIMES (during term)

**MONDAY – CLOSED**

**WEDNESDAY – 8.30am to 9.00am**

**FRIDAY – 8.30am to 9.00am**

**CASH CHEQUE EFTPOS AVAILABLE**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE US TO PUT ITEMS ON HOLD WE DON'T MIND BUT FOR A LIMIT OF 1 MONTH. ITEMS WILL THEN BE RETURNED TO THE SHELF. UNIFORMS CAN BE RETURNED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF PURCHASE FOR EXCHANGE OR CREDIT, PROVIDING A RECEIPT IS SHOWN AND TAGS ARE INTACT. PLEASE SEE THE LADIES IN THE UNIFORM SHOP IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES.

***A REMINDER THAT THE UNIFORM SHOP IS ALL VOLUNTARY AND WE TRY OUR BEST.***

***Any Queries please phone Marcelle Caputo 0438941439***

## Second Hand Uniforms

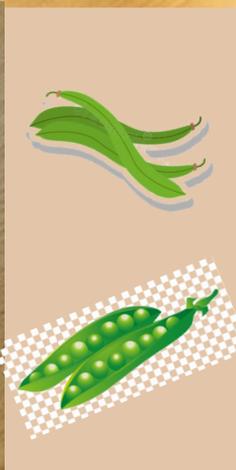
Open Thursday's from 8.30am to 9.00am

For second hand uniforms please contact Ingrid Fitzgibbins 0412327113



# HOW DOES THE GARDEN

This Term we have been looking at how seeds and plants grow. We put some paper towel and a seed in a plastic bag and then added water. Our teachers stuck them to a window to watch them grow.



# GROW IN KINDY



We planted out a garden salad bed outside with lettuce, candy stipe capsicum, snow peas, carrots, cucumbers and pink tomatoes



We have worms in our garden too; we feed them scraps.

# COMMUNITY



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COME & TRY  
**ARTISTIC  
SWIMMING**



Dive into artistic swimming for FREE!  
Open to boys and girls, aged 7-14  
**FREE EVENT**

**Goldfields Oasis - City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder**

**Saturday, October 30 | 12 M**

**Sunday, October 31 | 9 AM**

Bring along your usual swimming attire and goggles.  
Basic swimming ability and confidence in the water is essential.  
Please register your interest on Facebook on the SynchroWA event page.  
For more information, contact [development.officer@synchrowa.org.au](mailto:development.officer@synchrowa.org.au)



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## Background to School Advisory Council

This year has seen the former Catholic School Board transition to a Catholic School Advisory Council. The Advisory Council, comprised of parents and parish community members (including the Parish Priest). Retains a very valuable role in actively contributing to and enriching both the Catholic ethos and informed, proper governance of the school.

The Advisory Council shall carry out the following functions:

- ◆ Acts as a support and 'sounding board' for the Principal
- ◆ Advises the Principal regarding school financial matter, such as financial performance against budget, sustainability and recurrent and capital funding
- ◆ Endorses the Principal's annual school budget (including tuition fees and charges) before submission to CECWA for approval
- ◆ Provides panel membership on Principal appointment recommendation, in accordance with CECWA policy
- ◆ Provides planning and development advise to the Principal on meeting the present and future needs of the school's students, and
- ◆ Disseminates information within the school community

### Criteria For Membership Of The Advisory Council

Membership of the School Advisory Council is based on:

- ◆ possession of an enthusiasm for and a willingness to promote Catholic schooling;
- ◆ a deep interest in the welfare of all students and staff;
- ◆ a desire to give service to the Catholic School community;
- ◆ an ability to work co-operatively and constructively with all other members of the Advisory Council;
- ◆ sufficiency of time to devote to Advisory Council duties;
- ◆ an ability and desire to uphold confidentiality in Council matters; and possession of special skills that will be an asset to the Advisory Council.
- ◆ Membership of the Advisory Council is for a three year period up to a maximum of six consecutive years. P&F and Parish nominees hold their position for one year, but may renominate for an additional year, up to six consecutive years.

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## School Advisory Council Nomination Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_ wish to nominate for election to the 2022

(Name)

St Mary's School Advisory Council. I believe I can fulfil the criteria required of me as a School Advisory Council member and contribute to the School in this capacity.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Background to the Parents & Friends Association**

The Parents & Friends Association is looking for School Community members to nominate for all positions. Parents are encouraged to give consideration to nominating for one of these positions. The aims of the P&F association are to:

Adhere to the aims and objectives of the State Federation;

Strive to develop at the School a community of parents, teachers and students which reflects a truly Christian ethos;

Work closely with the School Authorities, in particular the School Principal, who is the leader of the school community, to achieve common goals;

Ensure that a high level of social and educational interaction exists between home and school, parents and teachers;

Endeavour to have all parents enjoy the exciting experience of their children's formal school years by active participation and personal involvement in the school's programs;

Provide a healthy forum for ideas and discussion on any relevant issue that will benefit the education of the children;

In particular, concern itself with further education for the parents of the school in their faith development and ensure that a clear understanding of the school's religious education program exists;

Assist in planning and organising functions associated with the social, sporting, cultural and educational life of the school community; work to provide additional resources which are considered necessary for the children or the teachers.

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## **Parents & Friends Nomination Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ wish to nominate for election to the 2022

(Name)

St Mary's Parents & Friends Association as I wish to serve on the P&F in the capacity as:

President (please tick)

Vice-President (please tick)

Secretary (please tick)

Treasurer (please tick)

General Committee Member (please tick)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ARE YOU READY FOR AN ADVENTURE?**

Travel back in time as the Museum of the Goldfields  
welcomes you to the Cretaceous period!



# DINOSAUR EXPLORE

LOST CREATURES OF THE CRETACEOUS

OPENS SAT 30 OCT  
BOOK NOW



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OF THE  
GOLDFIELDS



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# St Mary's SUNDOWNER

**NOVEMBER 26**

**5:30 - 8 pm**

- FOOD VANS
- FACE PAINTING
- BOUNCY CASTLES



**Tickets \$10 per Student**

PRE-KINDY & UNDER FREE

**PRE PURCHASE TICKETS FROM P&F**

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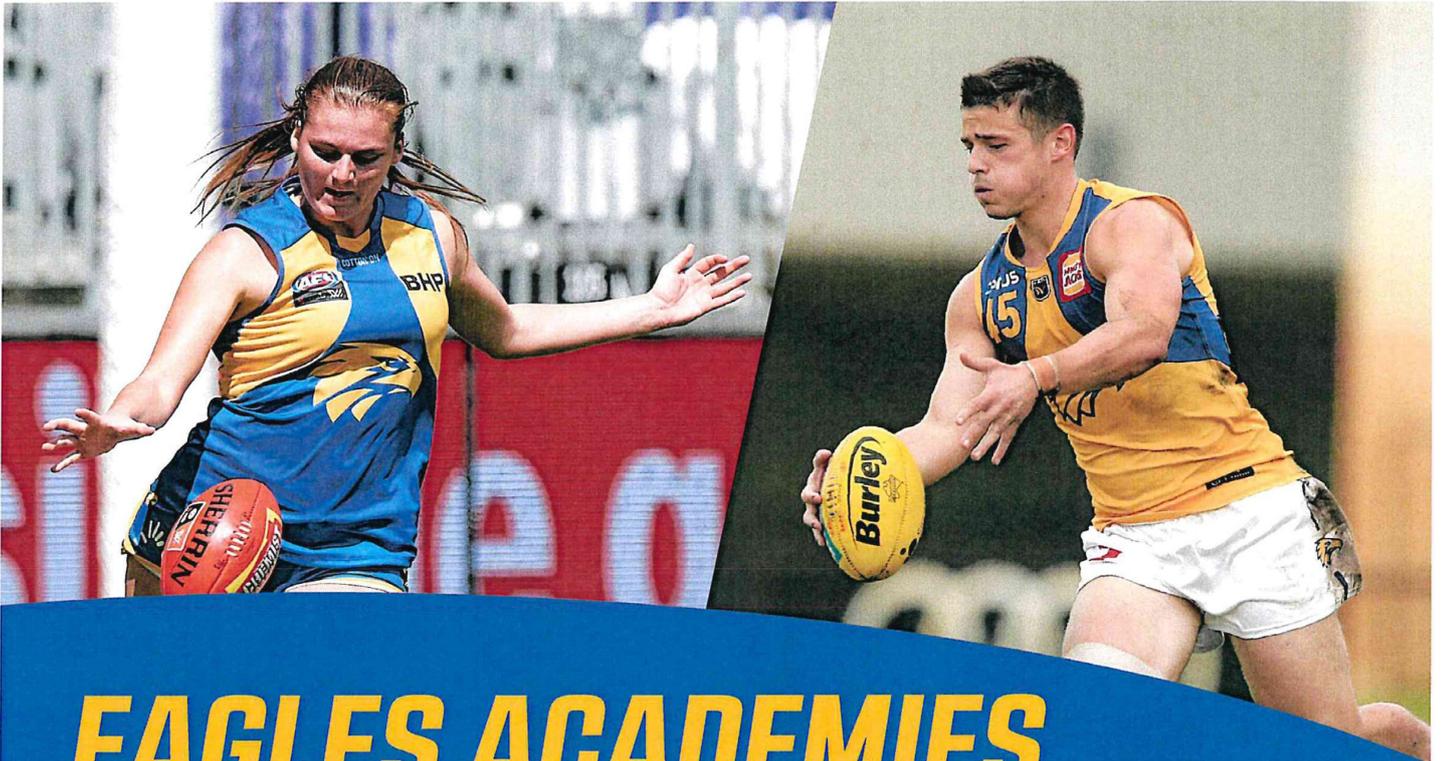
# VacSwim enrolments now open

Help keep your child safe in the water.  
Enrol now for the October 2021 and summer  
2022 school holidays.

[education.wa.edu.au/vacswim](https://education.wa.edu.au/vacswim)



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# EAGLES ACADEMIES GOLDFIELDS TRAINING

Supported by Players Amber Ward and Hamish Brayshaw  
plus West Coast Eagles community and game development staff

**Date:** Saturday, October 30

**Location:** Digger Daws Oval, Boulder WA 6432

**Age:** Born between 2004-2009

**NAITANUI  
ACADEMY**

**10.30 - 11.45 AM**

**FEMALE  
ACADEMY**

**12.00 - 1.00 PM**

**All players to RSVP via:**

**[westcoasteagles.com.au/goldfields](http://westcoasteagles.com.au/goldfields)**



**Naitanui Academy  
qualification guidelines  
can be found at:**  
[westcoasteagles.com.au/  
academies/naitanui](http://westcoasteagles.com.au/academies/naitanui)

**Further details contact:**  
Naitanui Academy Team  
[naitanuiacademy@wce.com.au](mailto:naitanuiacademy@wce.com.au)

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“Talking About Tricky Topics”



## Cyber Safety & Digital Wellness

Parenting in the digital age can be complex and challenging. Whilst there are many benefits for our children being online, there are also risks. As the trusted adults in our children's lives, we can support them to maximise the benefits and minimise the risks.

This parent/carer workshop will educate, equip, and empower you to talk with your child about cyber safety, digital wellness and so much more.

You will leave this workshop with conversation starters, practical strategies, and resource recommendations to support you.

**Where:** YMCA, 1 YMCCA Way, Kalgoorlie

**When:** 8<sup>th</sup> November 9.30-11.30 am or 6.30-8.30 pm

**Cost:** FREE

**Facilitator:** Kaylene Kerr from eSafeKids

**Phone:** (08) 90681821

**Email:**

[GoldfieldsEsperance.PCWA@anglicarewa.org.au](mailto:GoldfieldsEsperance.PCWA@anglicarewa.org.au)

**Registration:** <https://bit.ly/3gHGF3b>

### WORKSHOP CONTENT

- Protecting developing bodies, brains, and behaviour
- Screen time and healthy boundaries
- Social media and gaming
- Explicit content and pornography
- Predators and online grooming
- Youth produced sexual content and image-based abuse
- Positive digital footprint and reputation
- Parental controls – safer devices and homes

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For more information contact  
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## Talking About Tricky Topics

# Protective Behaviours

## Body Safety & Abuse Prevention

This comprehensive parent/carer workshop is filled with real world examples to educate, equip, and empower you to talk with your child about body safety and so much more.

You will leave this workshop with up-to-date information, conversation starters, practical strategies, and resource recommendations.

Talking about child abuse prevention is a sensitive topic and sometimes parents/carers don't know where to start. Thankfully there is a way to provide children with necessary life skills and strategies that is non-confronting and child friendly.

**Where:** YMCA, 1 YMCCA Way, Kalgoorlie

**When:** 9<sup>th</sup> November 6 pm to 8.30 pm

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### WORKSHOP CONTENT

- Being safe and feeling safe
- Emotional Intelligence and Feelings
- Early Warning Signs
- Safety – Assessing Risk
- Problem Solving
- Safe and Unsafe Secrets
- Public and Private
- Body Safety Rules
- Consent
- Assertiveness
- Personal Space
- Help seeking
- Persistence
- Grooming Behaviours

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