# ST. MALACHY'S SCHOOL

TERM 2 WEEK 1

19/04/24

Pursuing fullness of life for all by inspiring faith, lifelong learning and community engagement."



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We acknowledge the traditional owner groups of this land. We learn, work, live and recognise their connection to land, water and community. We pay respect to elders past, present and emerging, believing we can walk together for a better future.

### SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL:

President: Chris White Vice-President: Elise Coxon Parent Rep: Leanne Dillon Maintenance Representative: Mark McClure School Uniform Representative: Beck Merrett Staff Representative: Gorgia Craig Ex Officio Members: John O'Sullivan and Barb Ryan

#### Principal's Report

#### Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone and I hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday break. It was great to hear the sound of happy and excited children filling our school buildings and playgrounds on Monday. Some of you had very interesting adventures in Japan, Tasmania, Melbourne, sleepovers and visiting grandparents. I hope you are all looking forward to our upcoming term as much as we are. We have many exciting things happening across the term.

On Thursday, April 25, we have no school due to the ANZAC Day public holiday. Students and families are invited to join us for the community service on this day.

We remember at this time, all of those involved in the tragic events in Sydney over the weekend. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who died or suffered injuries and also with their families; to those who witnessed these terrible events and the first responders and emergency services who assisted people on the day. May all involved receive the support and attention that they need to help them through this challenging situation.

I wish all our staff, students and families a wonderful Term 2 full of challenges, opportunities and growth and remember 'alone we can do so little; together we can do so much'. (Helen Keller) Regards,





### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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#### Prayer

Amen

#### Autumn Prayer

God is red. God is orange. Let us thank Him for this harvest.

And for the yellow sky and sun,

the hands that give – God bless them, every one.

for the backs that bend,



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### Sacramental program

The school's Sacramental Program will run every second year. In 2025, students will have the opportunity to participate in the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

The Sacrament of Baptism can occur at any time, please see John or Fr George for further details in regards to sacramental preparation.

#### Church mass times

1st Sunday: 9 a.m. 2nd Sunday: 9 a.m. 3rd Sunday: 11 a.m. 4th Sunday: Lay led



# Child safety - webinars for parents and carers

#### https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars

Join one of the free webinars for parents and carers. These live webinars give parents and carers the knowledge, skills and tools to support their children to have safe online experiences.

- eSafety 101: How eSafety can help
- Wellbeing and digital technologies
- Consent and online boundaries: how to support your primary-aged child
- Setting your child up for success online
- 2024 parent and carer webinar schedule (PDF, 99.3KB)

## Term 2 Travel arrangements

Term 2 already and the after school activities continue with football and netball season now in full swina.

If your child/ren's usual travel arrangements change, please let the school know before 2.30 p.m. so the lists can be changed and we know which way the students are heading amongst the craziness of the end of the day. E.g. Billy going on Tilly's bus, Bartholomew is walking to training every Thursday night, car every Tuesday night, etc.

If your child is requiring a bus pass, please contact the College, send us a message and we can arrange pick up at this end.



#### PARENTS and FRIENDS

All parents, family and friends are welcome. 10:15 Welcome.

First race commencing with 12 year olds at 10:30am

#### STUDENTS

Pack Water bottle and all food.

Wear school uniform or house coloured shirt.

Bus departing school at 9:30am.



The Project Compassion boxes have been gathered up and activities' proceeds tallied and this year, we raised \$94.30. Thank you to everyone who organised activities and donated goods and money -\$65 can help provide a goat for a family in rural Malawi so staff will top up this amount to \$130 so we can help provide 2 goats.







Net Set Go

Registrations are now open for Net Set Go in 2024 (link above).

Start week 1 of Term 2 • Thursday's 3:45-4:30pm • 10 week program

Please contact our Net Set Go coach Bryony Brinckman if you have any question

#### Sneak a Peek tours

As we start to look towards 2025 already, we're throwing our front door open to anyone who wants to



have a peek at our School. We quite often hear feedback how good the school looks, how quiet the classrooms are, ohhhh never knew what it looked like inside, etc. so it's a great opportunity for anyone to come and have a look. We do encourage families to look at both schools as it's an important decision where you'd like your child/ren to begin their school education. You may know someone who'd like to have a look at St. Mal's so spread the word and encourage them to make contact or you may bring them for a peek. The first official Sneak a Peek tour will be on Thursday, 2nd May @ 10 a.m. but we welcome anyone at anytime.



### Mum's cuppa - Wednesday, 24th April @ 8.30 a.m.



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### Next week's happenings

APRIL 24th: Mum's Cuppa @ 8.30 a.m. 25th: ANZAC Day - public holiday 26th: Kowree Cross Country @ Balmoral - Years 3-6

# Upcoming dates

29th: Catholic Education Week 30th: CEW Celebrations @ Casterton - Year 5/6 MAY 2nd: Sneak a Peek @ 10 a.m.

5th: School Woodcut - details to follow

#### Around the rooms

#### <u>Year 2 - Mrs. Craig</u>

The Year 2 class is off to a flying start this term! We have started our novel 'Matilda', experimenting with some interesting words such as formidable, nimble and devouring. I am sure the Year 2 class will be formidable at Cross Country on Friday after all of our practise!

#### Year 5/6 - Ms. Simpson

Term 2 will see us lift our work rate and expectations to the next level.

We will be reading a new novel - Walking the Boundaries by Jackie French. Hopefully no tears at the end of this one. We will be practicing our persuasive writing, impromptu speeches and being exposed to some amazing Australian poetry to practice our cursive writing skills on.

In Maths, we tackle mental and then written strategies for the four big operations - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our focus will be on showing our working processes to ensure efficiency and use of best strategy.

Religious Education tackles the big topic of 'Gratefulness' and the Beatitudes. How does switching from saying 'I am lucky' to 'I am blessed' change our view?

In Humanities, we will delve into the Olympics - from its origins to its telling moments and what affect the Olympics may have on our world today.

It will be a great term-so stay tuned!

#### <u>Science</u>

Term 2 is Earth Science and our first exciting moment - The Devils Comet!

In the early hours of Monday, April 22, a super, rare celestial event will grace the skies above Australia. At triple the size of Mount Everest, the Devil's Comet will be visible to the human eye for the first time in more than seven decades – and it won't be swinging by the sun again until 2095.

The celestial body is more commonly referred to as Devil Comet due to its resemblance to a horned tail. Looking to the west, keep an eye out for Venus, which is unmissably bright in the night sky, the comet should appear somewhere between the Sun and Venus. Although you don't need any equipment to spot it, a pair of binoculars or a telescope are recommended and those with advanced telescopes should have no trouble spotting the comet. The comet should be visible for a few nights.





### From the sports desk

#### Kowree Cross Country:

Kowree Cross Country will take place on Friday, 26th April. This event is for Years 3 to 6 students and those students finishing in the top 8 will progress onto Little Desert at Dimboola.

#### Winter Sports:

Students in Year 5 & 6 will participate in a round robin tournament in a sport of their choice from soccer, netball or AFL. The tournament takes place in Horsham and parents and friends are encouraged to come along and support. Year 3 & 4 students may be asked to make up teams if we require numbers. Further information will be made available closer to the date.



## 2024 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The 2024 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and the school will sign up for the Challenge and enjoy reading together. This year's theme is "explore, learn, enjoy." There are different goals for different reading stages, and thousands of books to choose from on the Premiers' Reading Challenge book list. At the end of the Challenge, readers will receive a certificate of achievement and most importantly, we hope the students will further develop a love of reading.



# *Mother's Day Classic Walk Run* Edenhope SUNDAY 12TH MAY, 2024

#### Run or walk for OVARIAN and BREAST Cancer research



# **Dress up PINK or PURPLE - Best dressed prize**

Register to walk or run online - Scan TO REGISTER NOW



## **Register on the day with Cash only**

\$35 Adult, \$30 concession, \$25 child

9 am On the day registration at Henley Park

9.20 am Event warm up and 'Stronger Together' minute of silence

9.30 am choose 1, 2 or 5.5 km walk/ run

Tribute Wall Music Raffle Fruit Giveaways Donation Tins

Coffee and Food available