

ST MARYS PUBLIC SCHOOL

THE HEART OF ST MARYS

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From the Principal

Active Mornings

As a part of our plan to help children learn through an active lifestyle, we are going to trial active mornings on Mondays, Wednesdays Thursdays and Fridays. This will take place before school at 8:30am. A staff member will be on duty at the basketball court next to E Block. This is an extra duty and it shows us how committed our staff are to the learning of our children. We will trial this plan for the rest of the term to see if it has a positive impact. Thank you Ms Ventura for leading this initiative.

Director Visit to St Marys

Mrs Lisa Porter, the Reliving Director of NSW Schools Cambridge Park network, visited our school last Tuesday. She was delighted to walk around and see the wonderful learning our children were doing. She told me that our children display kindness and are

4 MARCH 2019



KEY DATES

**11
Mar**

**SCHOOL PHOTO
DAY!**

**13
Mar**

P&C AGM

9.15am in Hall

**16
Mar**

WORKING BEE

10am - 2pm



occur through a filtered browsing environment. While this helps create a safe environment at school, such systems are difficult to arrange in the home. Being online can offer your child opportunities to learn through exploration, play and social interaction. But there may also be some

incredibly welcoming. I wanted to pass that on to you all as it is fantastic when others see how amazing our young people at St Marys are.

PSSA District Trials

A number of our children will be attending the PSSA District team trials next Friday the 8th of March. I would like to wish all of our students all the very best during these trials.

School Photos

School photos will be on Monday 11th March. Information about this has already been sent home. If you would like any information regarding this, please contact the school office.

Online Safety For Your Children

While at school our children learn about using technology and the internet safely. All online activities

risks if your child uses connected devices without supervision or for extended periods of time. Please take the time to know what your children are doing when they are online.

There are some excellent resources for parents available on the Australian Government's E-safety website. You can access these by following the link below.

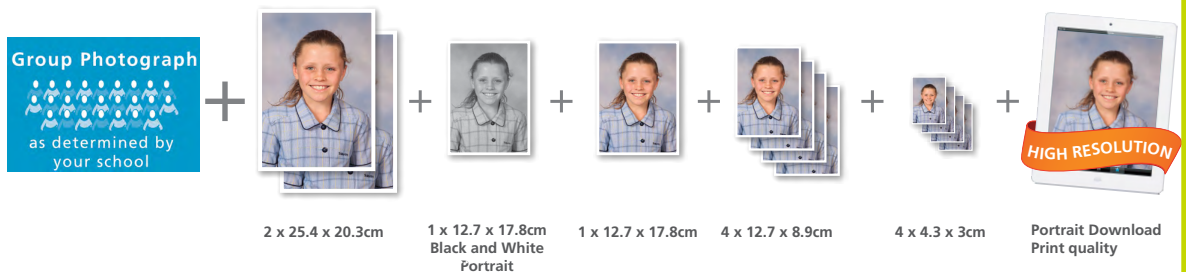
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Robert Linas
Principal

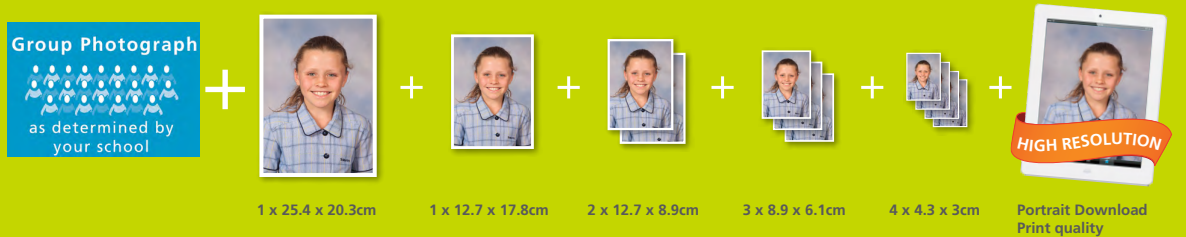
PHOTO DAY

MONDAY 11 MARCH

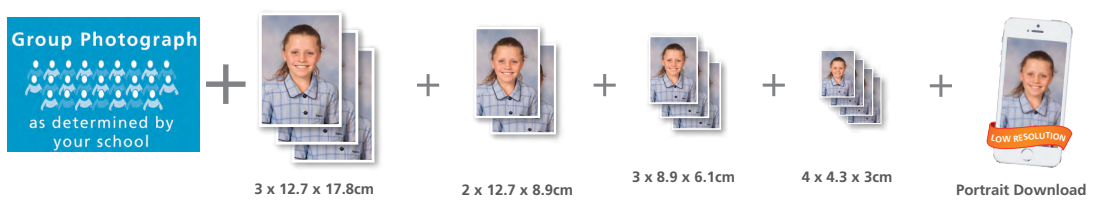
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Classic Pack



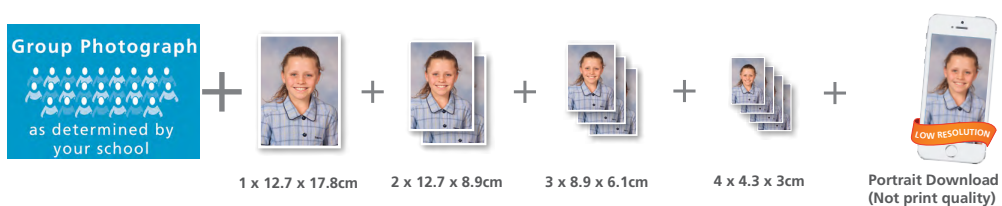
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Essential Pack



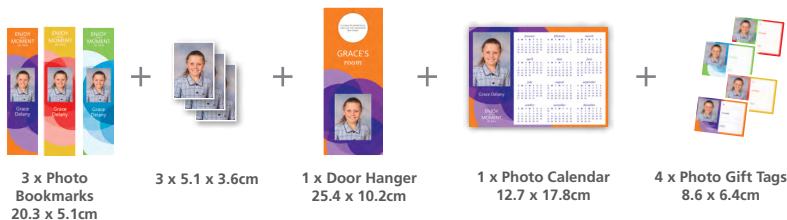
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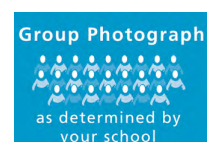
* Only available when purchasing one of the packs listed above.

Gift Pack*

All 12 items



Class Group Photo





St Marys Public School

Photo Day 2019

Monday 11th March 2019

Cashless Made Simple!

Australia is on the brink of becoming a cashless society. MSP Photography have embraced this new change to help improve your school photography experience!

To Order Photos.

Once the school have handed out your photo order form, go to www.msp.com.au, enter your unique shootkey and follow the prompts. If you're missing your shootkey, please give us a call on 02 9831 5505.

Family Photos.

Please order online prior to photo day with your unique shootkey. One shootkey per family.

Please note - All orders placed after photo day incur a \$20 late fee.

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St Marys Public School Parents and Citizens Association



Wednesday 13 March 2019

9:15am in the school hall

In accordance with the P & C constitution, ALL committee positions fall vacant and are up for election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting at St Marys Public School in the school hall Wednesday 13th March 2019

President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

This is a great opportunity to have your voice heard, and to hear what the P&C is doing for your community. All members of our school community are welcome to attend, however only financial members of the association will be able to nominate, be nominated and or vote as per the P&C constitution.

Afterwards a general meeting will be held along with morning tea.

Helping Hands

Wednesday &
Thursday afternoons
2pm to 3pm
Block E



Uniform Shop

Opening Times

Monday afternoon :
2.30pm - 3.00pm

Wednesday morning :
8.30am - 9.00am

Friday morning :
8.30am - 9.00am

Playgroup

Every Wednesday 9.15 -11am
In the Community Room
All children aged 0-5 years welcome!



Note of Thanks

I'd just like to thank the St Marys Public School Community for

the wonderful and warm welcome I have received from you all.

I am excited to be able to work with our local families with the common goal of having our children become the best they can be.

Also a quick thank you to the Vince family and the Salvation Army from providing the coffee truck for our Thursday morning Community Cafe .

If you have any suggestions or for what you would like to see happen at your school or any programs featured in the newsletter please do not hesitate to contact me .

Sylvia McKenzie
Community Liaison Officer



Now Thursday mornings
8.30am to 9am
Join us for coffee, biscuit
and a chat.

Lost Property



Lost Property

Please ensure that your child's belongings are labeled with their name. We have already collected a number of lunch boxes and hats. Any lost property will be laid out for collection Thursday mornings during Community Cafe.



\$500 to help with education costs for you or your children

Find out more

saverplus

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to all the students for your hard work this week.

Merit Awards - Week 4

KM

Mia
Hayley

1E

Liana
Jason

2/3V

Isaac
TJ

4/5P

Charlotte
Sean

KD

Scott
Razon

1M

Krishiv
Bryson
Louren-Joy

2/3J

Ritika
Emmanuel

5/6C

Jayme
Jhai

KR

Pragik
Zander

2S

Iannna
Nate

3/4S

Lisanga
Taonga

5/6D

Bailey
Jerome

PBL Award

Positive Behaviour for Learning

KM

Keanu

1M

Ali
Kendell

2/3J

Harper
Chace

5/6C

Shania
Micah

KD

Edmund

2S

Thiago
Samiha

3/4S

Shanell

5/6D

Souad
Allerah

KR

Katrina

4/5P

Lachlan
Taliyah

1E

Ayush
Kopiki

2/3V

Ata
Mele

Kim's Boot Camp



It's all about the journey

Kim's Bootcamp

When : Mondays

Time: 11.45 - 12.45pm

Where: St Marys Public School Hall

cost: \$5 per session

Free child minding on site

Suited to all levels from beginners and to the more experienced

Bring a towel, water & maybe a friend!

MISSION
AUSTRALIA | together
we stand

familiesnsw
supporting families to raise children

What is Saver Plus?



A free ten-month savings program providing financial education, budgeting and savings tips.



Participants receive up to \$500 in matched savings for education costs for themselves or their children.



Delivered by Brotherhood of St Laurence, Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community organisations.



Offered in communities across Australia in every state and territory.

A Saver Plus Participant's Journey



Goal

Talks to a Saver Plus Coordinator from a community organisation and, if eligible for the program, sets a goal to save a regular amount of money over 10 months



Saving

Opens an ANZ Progress Saver account and makes regular deposits



Education

Completes the MoneyMinded financial education program with support from a Saver Plus Coordinator



Matching

Reaches savings goal and receives matched funds, up to \$500, for their own or their children's education costs

Who can join?

Participants must meet all of the below criteria:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- be at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (themselves or their partner)
- have a child at school or attend vocational education themselves.

Benefits for participants¹



87%

continue to save the same amount or more up to three years after completing the program



81%

were better equipped for unexpected expenses



93%

reported increased self-esteem



85%

had more control over their finances

How did it start?

Saver Plus began in 2003 as a Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ pilot program with 268 participants in three sites across Victoria and New South Wales.

Since then, the program has expanded to all Australian states and territories, reaching more than 32,000 people, making it the largest and longest-running program of its kind in the world.

Since 2004¹:



32,000+ participants



\$17.3m - total amount saved by participants



\$14m - matched funds paid by ANZ



\$753 average amount saved per participant

Find out more

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🌐 www.saverplus.org.au


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¹ RMIT University, 2016. A number of Saver Plus program evaluations have been carried out since 2004. For more information see anz.com/saverplus

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

WORKING BEE

SATURDAY MARCH 16

10 AM - 2PM



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our main focus will be gardens & grounds.

Removing the excess sticks and debris from gardens and pathways.

We will be cleaning up, and replanting, in areas designated by our staff team.

Clearing out of old furniture.

Painting the Community Cafe area.

Please bring with you wheelbarrows, gardening tools, gloves, sunscreen and your goodwill.

Water & light refreshments will be provided

If you are able to assist on the day please reply to the notice on the skoolbag app or let us know in the office.

Huge thanks to those of you who have already expressed interest.

We'll see you there !

