

St Marys Public School

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Darug word for storyteller

Where every child is excited to learn and grow every day.

Term 2 Week 5

From the Principal

Dear Families,

As the weather starts to turn colder (especially in the mornings) please search through your wardrobes / drawers to find your child's winter uniform. I have noticed many children are arriving in their full school uniform with the school jumper, jacket or hoodie, but sometimes children are turning up with non school uniform jumpers and jackets. I do not want any child to be cold, so if you have no choice, please dress them warmly - but to foster a sense of belonging to the school, please try to send your child in full school uniform. If you need new uniform items, please contact the office and they can let you know how to purchase uniform items for your child.

Mothers Day Stall

Thank you to our amazing P&C and Mrs McKenzie for the great Mothers Day Stall held in Week 3. I hope everyone had a wonderful Mothers Day, whether celebrating with Mums, Grandmothers, Sisters, Aunties or Foster Mums.

Cardboard Arcade

What a brilliant day our Stage 3 students created for the Cardboard Arcade. Not only did the whole school get to take part in fun activities, our Stage 3 students created amazing arcade activities using cardboard, science, technology, art, mathematics and ingenuity. This was a wonderful STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) activity with a real purpose and with very appreciative participants. Well done Mr Cohen, Miss Tree, Mrs Hemmings and Stage 3 students.

Parent Cafe

We had another Parent Cafe last Tuesday. When speaking with parents who attend I hear about a safe place where parents can share their journey with each other. We will be having the next Parent Cafe in Week 10. Watch out for the invite that will come later in the term. We would love to see you there.

Stage 2 maths games



Cross Country Carnival

Last Monday we had our annual K-6 Cross Country Carnival. Last week teachers and students were preparing as they practised the course. It was wonderful to see parents come into the school to cheer the children on. Thank you Mr Cohen and Mrs Giles for your organisation of this event. Congratulations to the children who will be going to the District Cross Country on the 5th of June. A note for those children will be sent home.

Our School Leaders

It was wonderful to see our school Captains, Ellyse and Joshua acknowledged and applauded at the Penrith City Council Primary School Leaders Reception that was held at Penrith Panthers. The Mayor of Penrith Council met our captains and they were awarded a special certificate. Ellyse, Joshua and all of our student leadership team do an amazing job at leading by example and building a culture of learning and respect.



COVID SMART MEASURES

Thank you for your continued support in helping to keep our students, staff and community safe while COVID-19 is still circulating in the community. With winter approaching, we will also see an increase in respiratory illnesses and by working together, we will keep our school community healthy this term.

Our COVID-smart measures continue to be in place to help reduce the risk of transmission for students and staff members and are vital in allowing us to keep our schools operational while prioritising student and staff wellbeing. These measures include:

- Staying home if unwell and test for COVID-19 if showing any symptoms
- Strongly encouraging up-to-date vaccinations for our staff and students, including COVID-19 booster shots for anyone eligible
- Maintaining natural ventilation with windows and doors open whenever possible, including when cooling/heating systems are in use

Please continue to notify our school if your child tests positive to COVID-19 as we will continue to regularly notify the school community of any known positive cases, to prioritise student and staff safety and wellbeing. Although no longer mandatory, NSW Health recommends you register your result with Service NSW; this helps you to access medical support and advice from NSW Health, including antiviral medicines, if eligible.

Every Day Matters

Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to create an engaging learning environment for our students. Over the next few weeks, you may see the Every Day Matters campaign highlighting that good school attendance is key for your child to being able to fulfil their potential and make good progress at school.



We know that the classroom is the best place for your child to learn and we are here to support your child to feel ready and motivated for school every day. Please let us know if your child needs to miss school so we can make sure your child's learning and wellbeing are supported when they return to school.

Have an enjoyable and safe weekend.

Robert Linas
Principal, St Marys Public School

Our Visit to the Cardboard Arcade

Epic year 6 fun arcade

When I walked into the hall there was an amazing cardboard arcade. You should have seen it! There were entertaining games! I saw games called Bowling, Basketball, Whack-a-mole and so many more! My favourite game was called the Alien game. You have to toss the cardboard ball into the hole in the wall. It was very fun. I think it should get a sponsor or become a real game!



Samreen

Year 6 Fun Cardboard Arcade

Today, year 6 have prepared an entertaining cardboard arcade that everyone absolutely loved. They put all their effort in this and the games are way cheaper than local arcades. There were loads of games such as the alien game, bowling, marble run, ball toss, duck game, air hockey, golf and more! They should be very proud of themselves. I thought everything game was fantastic but I enjoyed air hockey the most. Thank you teachers and students for donating also thank you year 6, Mr Cohen, and Ms Tree.

Samreen



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Merit Certificates Term 2 Week 2

K-Barrugin- Elijah, Isabella
K-Wumbat -Charra, Faith
1/2Garad- Ibrahim
1Djubi- Emily, Ishwindar
2Bugari- Jax, Ariesha
3/4Dingu- Sophia, Mia-Rose
3/4Gugulug- Zeina, Pia
4/5Bunmurra- Josiah, Edith
5/6Malya- Jake, Alisha
5/6Wirriga-Leah, Sam

PBL Term 2 Week 2

K-Barrugin- Darren, Willow
K-Wumbat-Adrey, Isla
1/2Garad- Hayden, Zyon
1Djubi- Azaria, Woody
2Bugari- Fifi, Abigail
3/4Dingu- Omena, Elexis
3/4Gugulug- Michael, Aiden
4/5Bunmurra- Logan, Fatuma
5/6Malya- Liana, Florence
5/6Wirriga- Zahra, Maxton

Calendar

Every Friday: 9am - 10:30am Helping Hands

Primary Check In Assessments this week (Year 4 and Year 6)

Friday 26 May: National Sorry Day

Friday 2 June: Assembly 9.15am

Monday 5 June: District Cross Country

Reminders- Hearing Assessment Notes due in

- Headphones sent in to classroom teachers