



DATES:

**Friday August 9th –
SCHOOL CLOSURE
DAY – NO STUDENTS**

Wednesday August 14th
– Donald High School
Year 7 Information Night

Friday August 16th –
Movie Night for students
in MPR. 6.00pm

Friday August 23rd –
Athletic Sports in Donald

Monday August 26th –
Book Week assembly.

Friday August 30th –
Fathers' Day Breakfast,
Father/student soccer
match & Stall

Vision Statement:

*St. Mary's community,
with Jesus as our
inspiration, aims to
educate and nurture the
development of the
whole child.*

Mission Statement:

Learning & Teaching:

Provide opportunities for
each student to achieve
their academic potential
in an engaging,
contemporary learning
environment.

School Closure Day:

**TOMORROW, FRIDAY AUGUST 9TH, WILL BE A
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY FOR A STAFF PD.
NO STUDENTS WILL ATTEND ON THIS DAY.**

Farewell & Thank you:

This week we say farewell to Bernadette Prestwood. Bernadette has been the Business Manager at St. Mary's for nearly seven years and we cannot thank her enough for the work she has done and the support she has given both myself, staff and parents at St. Mary's. She will be sorely missed. We wish her well in her new adventures and hope she will keep in touch. Thank you Bernadette!

Anne



Assembly:

Monday morning, Mrs. Hogan and the senior class organised a celebration at assembly for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Day (Sunday August 4th).

The morning started with an 'Acknowledgement of Country', a prayer and a beautifully sung 'Aboriginal Our Father'. Then Ethan, Nullah, John, Zachariah, Darnell, Nullah, Daniel, Jaya & River dipped their feet in paint trays filled with their flag colours and walked along making footprints on paper.



We also had Louise Staley present us with new Aboriginal, Torres Strait Island and Australian flags. More photos on website.

Thank you to Mrs. Hogan for a fantastic assembly.

Kindergarten Visit

On Tuesday, the children from the Donald Kindergarten came to St. Mary's to visit. They spent their time working with the Junior classroom, seeing what it is like to be at school and doing some classroom activities.

They completed cards for each other and decorated boomerangs to celebrate Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day. All students then enjoyed sharing some fresh fruit.



Athletic Sports Helpers Required:



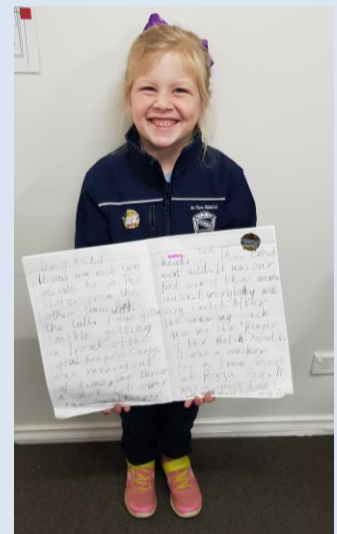
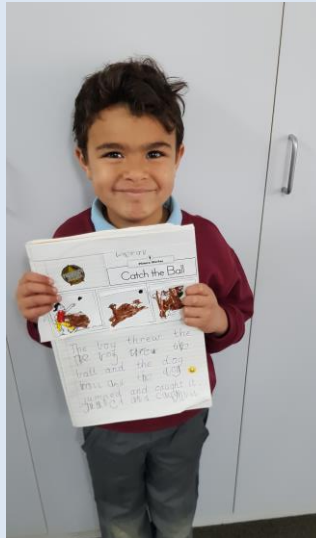
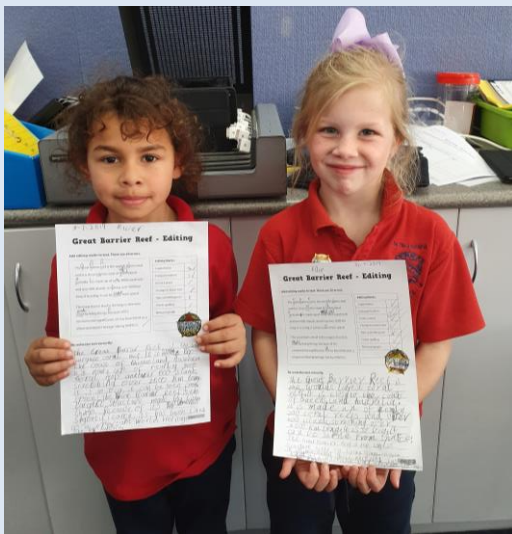
The Athletic Sports will be held at the Donald Recreation Reserve on...

Friday August 23rd.

Anyone who can spare some time on this day to help, on either the Junior oval (5-8 year olds) or the Senior oval (8-12 year olds), is asked to contact the office or complete the form sent home on Monday of this week.

Principal's Awards:

This week's Principal Award recipient were: Ellie & River.



Merit Awards:

This week the students acknowledged at assembly were: Hannah & Jaya.



SURVEY REMINDER:

A REMINDER TO THOSE FAMILIES WHO RECEIVED SCHOOL SURVEYS RECENTLY, COULD YOU PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORMS AND RETURN TO SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

If you have any queries, please contact the office.

Book Week 2019:

Book Week 2019
Saturday August 17th – Friday August 23rd
This year's theme is
'Reading is My Secret Power'



Term 3 Dates:

Monday August 5th – Assembly – Senior Class

Friday August 9th – SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY – NO STUDENTS

Saturday August 10th – Sunday August 18th – Science Week, 'Destination Moon'

Wednesday August 14th – Donald High School Information Night

Saturday August 17th – Friday August 23rd – Book Week – 'Reading is My Secret Power'

Friday August 23rd – Athletic Sports in Donald

Friday August 30th – Fathers' Day Stall

Friday August 30th – Fathers' Day Breakfast

Sunday September 1st – Fathers' Day

Wednesday September 4th – Black Ranges Athletics in Stawell

Thursday September 5th – School Feast Day – Mass at 9.00am

- Grandparents & Special Friends Day

Friday September 13th – SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - NO STUDENTS

Wednesday September 18th – Donald Cricket Blast Cup Day

Friday September 20th – Last Day of Term 3