Fete: Congratulations to the members of the Parents and Friends and all families on the successful Fete held last Friday. The evening was very social and a happy community event as well as the main fund raiser for the year. Well done to the Grade 5 & 6 students on your entertaining and fun activities enjoyed by all students and younger visitors.

Warrnambool Camp: 17 excited students and four staff are enjoying a fun camp at Warrnambool. More detail next week.
**Guitar Lessons Cancelled:** There will be no guitar lessons during Term 4 owing to Bernadette Clark being unavailable. She will recommence lessons in 2017.

**Principal's Award:** Congratulations to Lexis Pratt, John Clapham, Charlie Frank, Zac Mellings, Jacob Donnellon, Zac Griffiths and Elijah Mansibang.

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**Pastoral Care Worker: Anne Boadle**
Works at St. Mary's each Thursday 8.30am – 4.30pm.
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**The Bounce Back! Program**

This week we will be continue to talk about what makes us laugh and the positive effects of laughter on our bodies. With the Gr. 5 & 6 class we are looking at the skill of telling a joke well, including choosing jokes that don’t hurt or demean others.

**Ideas from the Bounce Back program for parents, to help children learn about humour.**

Encourage your child to make a funny drawing/card to cheer up a family member or friend. Create opportunities for your child to have fun and laugh with friends. e.g. funny movies, playing a silly or funny game, funny dress ups.
Walk To School Program:
Again the Buloke Shire are supporting the Walk to School Program. St. Mary’s have received some funding to implement the program.
To conclude the program, the students and staff will take a bus out to Lake Wooroonook and enjoy a walk after lunch. The walk will be held on Monday, November 14th. **Note this venue may alter if the grass is too long at Lake Wooroonook.**

Banyena Art Day – Friday, November 18th at the Banyena Hall
Next Friday the Grade 5 & 6 students will be attending a silk printing session run by Hilary McAllister. The dyes for this activity come from the local environment.
Students will travel by bus leaving just after 9.00am and returning by the end of the school day.
Please fill in the below permission form and return by Wednesday, November 16th.

Permission Note: Banyena Art Day

Date: Friday, November 18th for the whole day. Students will be back at school prior to 3.25pm.

Venue: Banyena Hall

Activity: Silk Printing

Mode of Transport: Bus

Class: Grade Five and Six Class

Staff Attending: Mary Hogan and Cathryn Harrington Cumming

I hereby give my permission for my child/ children to travel by bus to Banyena Hall and participate in the Art Day. Students will leave at 9.15 am and return by 3.25pm.

Student / s:

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Parent’s Name................................................................. .................................................................

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Signature: .................................................. Date: ...........................................
Progressive Shopping Night

Friday 14th November
1pm-5pm

Theme "A Night at the Races"
Dress with a hint of retro and race wear

Tickets $20 available from The Clothes Bin, Donald House & Hardware, Bev’s Baubles, Menzland, Buloke Sand & Soil, EBC