**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Assembly:**
Tomorrow there will be an Assembly in the Multi-Purpose at 9.00am.

**Week 9:**
The annual bookfair will be held during Week 9 from Monday, November 28th to Friday, December 2nd.

**Seedbank Visit to Horsham**
Horsham will be held on Wednesday, November 30th (5/6 class).

**Friday, December 9th** at 9.00am in the Multi-Purpose Room there will be the last Assembly. The Grade 5 & 6 Class will be leading the Assembly.

**Bendigo Excursion:** Last Friday the Grade Prep, One and Two had a fun day in Bendigo. All students enjoyed the day and learnt lots while having fun.

**Banyena Tie Dyeing Day:** The Grade 5 & 6 students had a very enjoyable day out at Banyena. The silk tie dyeing was very interesting and looks great and the food was delicious.

**Annual Book Fair:** The annual bookfair will be held next week from Monday, November 28th to Friday, December 2nd. There are a wide variety of books available and they would be a great addition to any Christmas gift.
The bookfair will be open before and after school and at lunchtime on Monday and Tuesday. Any parent who wishes to come in at another time please contact the Office. The display is set up and students will be having a sneek peek this week.
Let’s Read Donald - Pop Up Libraries to Come to Town!

In an effort to bring more books to the community both the Donald Primary and St Mary’s Primary Schools are combining forces and planning to launch a number of Pop-Up libraries across the Donald Township.

Both Schools are now sourcing new and donated books appropriate for pre-school and primary school aged children. Any books may be dropped into the school as there is a box in the Office Foyer. Donated books can also be left in the black tubs at both schools and at the Donald Newsagency.

**Assembly:** Tomorrow, Friday, November 25th at 9.00am in the Multi-Purpose Room the Foundation, Year One and Two will be leading Assembly. All families are invited to attend.

**Awards:**
Foundation, Grade One and Grade Two: Parker Bicket, Cameron Belleville and Lyric Davis.
Grade Three and Four: Toby Smith, Zackery Menhenett, Xavier Birch and Zac Melling.
Grade Five and Six: Zac Livingston and Ebony Frank.

**Grade Five and Six Reminders:**
The Grade 6 students will participate in a Kids Helpline session on Monday morning called ‘The Transition to High School.
Excursion to Seed Bank in Horsham on Wednesday 30th November. Students are permitted to wear casual clothes but MUST have closed shoes, a jumper and hair tied back please.
Grade 5 & 6 students will be given the opportunity to participate in Reconciliation at 10:30am on Thursday the 1st of December at 10.30am.

**Pastoral Care Worker: Anne Boadle**
Works at St. Mary’s each Thursday 8.30am – 4.30pm.
Contact Details: Through the school 5497 1116 or by ringing directly on 0409 598 481.
Email: Anne.Boadle@centacareballarat.org.au

**The Bounce Back Program!**
This week in our class activities, we will be talking about how humour should not hurt others, by using humour to put someone down, make someone look stupid, or maintain/re-inforce a stereotype.

**Key messages from the BounceBack program that parents can communicate to their child about humour.**
Humour shouldn’t be used to hurt someone’s feelings. It’s unkind to laugh at someone else’s problems or bad luck, or make fun of the way another person looks, thinks, speaks or acts. It is also unkind to use humour to trivialize something that is important to another person, or to deny a problem they are having.

**Principal’s Award:** Congratulations to Piper Smith.

**Advent:** This Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of the Church Year A. Mass will be celebrated at 8.30am at St. Mary’s.
Bairnsdale High School Band: Thank-you to Mr Forrest and the Donald Primary School for inviting the students to listen to this talented band in the Big Shed yesterday. It was great to also see two Donald students from the High School play with this group.

St Mary’s Weekly Tuck Shop Order:
Due back with payment – Wednesday November 30th.

Family Name ________________________________

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Friday, November December 2nd  
sc – sour cream  g- gravy

Helpers:  
| Nachos | $4.00 | sc | sc | sc |
| Roast Chicken Roll | $4.00 | g | g | g |
| Prima Juice | $1.00 |  |  |  |
| Zooper Doopers | $0.80 |  |  |  |

Total Enclosed

Bendigo Excursion
**Dates To Remember:**

**Friday, December 9th:** Reports go home. If any parent would like an appointment to discuss their child’s report please contact the Office and make the appointment during Week 11 – Monday, December 12th – Friday, December 16th.

**Monday, December 12th:** End of Year Mass at St. Mary’s Church at 6.30pm. This Mass is to give thanks for the School year, to acknowledge the Grade Six students and families leaving St. Mary’s this year. All students and their families are requested to attend if possible.

After Mass there will be an early supper in the Multi-Purpose room. All students, families and parishioners are invited to attend this Christmas get together.

**Grandparents and Special Friends’ Day:** On Tuesday, December 13th Grandparents and Special Friends Day will be held commencing at 9.00am with a Liturgy and Nativity Play. There will be Christmas activities followed by morning tea at 11.15am. All families are very warmly invited to attend.

**Visiting the Johnson Goodwin Village:** The students will be visiting the residents at the Village to wish them Christmas greeting and performing a short Nativity Play and some Christmas songs during the last week of school.

**Friday, December 16th:** Students finish school for the 2016 school year at 3.30pm. On this day there will be swimming in the afternoon from 1.50pm. Students are required to bring their bathers, swimming vest or T-shirt.

**Tuesday, December 20th:** The staff finishes for the 2016 School year and the Office will be closed for holidays.