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Term 2 Week 2

Important Dates

SCMS students First
Aid 4 Kids Day
Wednesday 26 May

School Photo Day
Friday 28 May

Calm, Confident
Communicators
Tuesday 1 June

School Mass @
9:15am
Thursday 3 June

Calm, Confident
Communicators
Wednesday 9 June

Student Free Day
Thursday 10 June

Student Free Day
Friday 11 June

Queen's Birthday
long weekend
Monday 14 June

Parents and Friends
meeting @ 9am
Tuesday 15 June

5/6/7 Assembly @
2.15pm
Thursday 17 June

Year 1/2 Mass @
9:15am
Thursday 24 June

Principal's Report

It has been a decent effort to get it to this point, but we hope that it brings you into the classrooms a little bit more. As the term progresses, we are going to add picture galleries, and videos that will help add to the reading/viewing of the piece.

You will be able to find our newsletter each fortnight by clicking the News section of our website and clicking the enewsletter section.

NAPLAN

This year our school will complete the 2021 NAPLAN tests online. Over a 2-week period from Tuesday 11 May until Thursday 20 May, our Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN. It is important for all our students to understand that NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type of test. It is about assessing student progress. As a school, we use this data to assist with improving our teaching and learning programs. As the tests are online this year, we hopefully will receive the results much faster than in previous years.

The timetable for the tests is below:

	Tuesday 11th May - 9:00am Year 3's Writing - Written Test 11:00am Year 7's Writing - Online	Wednesday 12th of May 9:00am Year 5's Writing - Online	Thursday the 13th of May 9:00am - Year 3's, 5's and 7's Reading - Online	
Monday 17th May - 9:00am Conventions of Language - Year 3s, 5s, and 7s - Online			Thursday 20th of May 9:00am- Numeracy - Year 3/5/7	Friday the 21st of May 9:00am - Catch up day

Catholic Education Week is this week from May 3 – 9, 2021. It is a great opportunity for families to explore the benefits of a Catholic Education. This year, our focus is on promoting our free mid-year intake for Reception students.

We will conclude Catholic Education Week with our Mother's Day Liturgy, and an afternoon tea for these amazing women with open classrooms until the end of the day.

Mid-Year Reception Intake

One of many initiatives announced by the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) is to reduce the financial burden on families.

All Diocesan schools, including St Columba's will offer the 2021 Term 3 Reception intake, to parents **free of charge**. The free intake includes tuition fees excluding uniforms and extra-curricular costs.

Scott March

Principal

Recent News

RE News

Hello! And welcome back to school. We have had a busy start to the term with preparations being made for our Mother's Day liturgy being held tomorrow at 1:45pm and our first whole school Mass next Thursday May 13 at 9:15am. Looking back at this time last year when we were not able to have whole school masses or parents on site, we are so fortunate to be back holding these beautiful services for our school community. We look forward to seeing as many mothers, grandmothers, aunts and other family members at our liturgy tomorrow which will be followed by an afternoon tea and an opportunity to have a look at your child's/ren's classroom.

Next Thursday's Mass we will be honouring Mary, Mother of Jesus, in this month of May which is traditionally dedicated to her. Mass will start at 9:15am and you are all most welcome to join us for this special celebration.

Finally, our Project Compassion campaign is officially over, and we raised a total of \$398! Whilst not hitting our target of \$500, this is a huge increase from last years \$101!!! So, thank you so very much to everyone that helped to raise money for such a worthy cause.

God Bless,

Miriam

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Catholic Education Week



This week we are celebrating Catholic Education Week. The Junior Primary Unit have been involved with different activities all week to celebrate the theme of 'Raising Hearts and Minds to the wonder and awe of God's creation'. They have enjoyed writing gratitude prayers, making bookmarks to share within the community, planting seeds in our school

garden and participating in our liturgy.

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Middle Primary News



The Middle Primary Class has had a busy start to Term 2 with many learning challenges presented to them. We have been very busy preparing for the upcoming NAPLAN tests as well as settling back into school, for a busy term ahead. In Literacy we have been focusing on developing persuasive texts by using muscle words to enhance our arguments as well as developing our language conventions. In Mathematics the class has been working on money and how we calculate change. As a class we created our own scenarios where we would shop for materials. Throughout all of this, the focus for our Social Emotional Learning has been Growth Mindset. With this uncertain time of NAPLAN approaching, this has been incredibly important for all students. It has been quite common to hear students continuously apply Growth Mindset language into their lessons and continuing to show perseverance.

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Choir News



This term, the 5/6/7 class is continuing their choir training to perform in September at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre. (Date to be announced in the next two weeks) we are currently learning the accompanying choreography for specific songs.

Our musical repertoire is vast and varied! It encompasses a variety of genres which the children thoroughly enjoy. The concert's finale will showcase a "Beatles" Medley. In total, we are covering sixty eight pages of music!

Over the next two terms, we will have the opportunities to combine with the total South Australian Catholic Music Festival Choir to rehearse with the band and orchestra. That's where the real fun begins!

Angela Grigoras-Oates

Choir Facilitator

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Library News Book Fair



How exciting! We have our first Book Fair for 2021. Come and visit the library over the next two weeks and stock up with some fantastic books. We also have a large variety of novelty items for sale.

The Book Fair is open from the 28th of April to the 11th of May, before and after school.

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ANZAC Day 2021



They were thanked in person after the service by RSL sub-branch president Greg Crotty.

Lest we Forget.

Cross Country 2021



The event was held at Yorketown Area School with a 2km track set up for the Under 10's while the Under 11's, 12's and 13s.

As this was the first time in many, many years that they had held an interschool event in the SYP, our students were recording their personal bests for the first time.

Our goal for the day was for each student to finish the race which we were able to achieve.

Many of our students finished in the top 6 in their age group, which makes them eligible to compete in the State finals in Oakbank later this term.

I was so proud of this group of children.

Scott

Little Collie's 2nd Birthday



Little Collie's celebrated their second birthday last week with cupcakes and crafts!

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Outdoor Movie Nights

ST COLUMBA'S PRESENT

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHTS

FREE ADMISSION!

FRIDAY EVENINGS
WEEKS 2, 3 & 4

SCHOOL COURTYARD
6.00PM START



Week 2
Friday 8th May



Week 3
Friday 15th May



Week 4
Friday 22nd May

Popcorn and hot drinks (tea, coffee, milo and hot chocolate)
provided free of charge.

BYO sleeping bags/blankets to stay warm, outdoor chairs etc!

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An Australian Government Initiative

5 Cent Fridays



Our Mini Vinnies are fundraising for Love Your Sister this term, taking part in Five Cent Fridays! Talking about this charity, almost all of the students involved in Mini Vinnies have been impacted by cancer in some way. Students can bring 5c (or any other silver coins) to school to be placed in collection jars each Friday. The last Friday of term we hope to create a large sparkly heart of coins before donating to the Love Your Sister charity.

WHAT IS A FIVE CENT FRIDAY?

In 2017, just months before she passed away, Connie Johnson came up with a magical fundraising idea . . . to create the largest, twinkliest love-heart the country had ever seen, filled to the brim with five cent coins.

50 million coins later, Connie's idea was an epic success, raising a whopping \$2.57M for cancer research!

And now, in homage to Connie's 'Big Heart' project, we are again in search of five cent pieces, and we'd be chuffed if all the schools in the land could help us out by hosting their very own Five

Cent Friday fundraiser.

The beauty of the Five Cent Friday campaign is that there are no fundraising minimums or expectations, and Love Your Sister will pass on 100% of all the money you raise to medical researchers!

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School Photos May 28th

Dear Families,

Today children were given a pre-named envelope for their photo to be taken on May 28th to take home.

All envelopes need to be returned either before or on the day of the photos, whether parents are purchasing photos or not.

The envelopes are **NOT** to be photocopied as they have a unique ShootKey allotted to each individual student.

Payment of photos can be made online (follow the links on the envelope); or by cash, cheque or money order (addressed to MSP Photography **NOT** the school).

The school has spare envelopes available if yours has been misplaced. Family photo envelopes are available from the front office and will be handed out upon request.

Thank you

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What's happening on the SYP for 0-5 y.o.?



What's happening on the Southern Yorke Peninsula for 0-5 y.o.?

Includes activities in Ardrossan, Maitland, Point Pearce, Minlaton, Curramulka, Port Vincent, Stansbury, Edithburgh, Yorketown, Warooka, Corny Point & Marion Bay

TERM 2 2021 [updated each term] Please email amanda.narroway@sa.gov.au to update or add your information.

Last update 20/4/21

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	All week
Minlaton Playgroup Minlaton Early Learning Centre 9.30-11.30am Ph 8853 2301 [\$]	New Mumma Meet Up St Columba's school hall Yorketown Mums of babies up to 6 mths 10.30am -12.00pm Ph 0429 166 392	Little Collies Play base learning program St Columba's School Yorketown 0-4yrs 9.30-11.20am Ph 8852 1461	Occasional Care Ardrossan Kindergarten under 2yo 8.45-11.45am over 2yo 12-2.45pm Ph 8837 3284 [*\$]	Occasional Care Minlaton Early Learning Centre 11mo-4yo 8.45-11.30am OR 2-4yo 12.15-3pm Ph 8853 2301 [*\$]	Rural Care at Central Yorke Early Learning Centre 0-5yo 8am-6pm Ph 8832 2613 [*\$]
Marion Bay Play Centre Marion Bay Community Hall 9.30-12pm Ph 0432 088 166	CYP Gym Jams Ardrossan Area School Gym 0-5yo 9.30-10.30am Ph 0400 020 294 [\$]	Corny Point Play Centre Corny Point Memorial Hall 0-5yo 9.00-11.00am Ph 0432 088 166	Mothers of Preschoolers Edithburgh Community Church Centre 0-6 yr 10am-12noon (fortnightly) Ph 0499016203 [\$]	Maitland Playgroup Central Yorke School—Early Learning Centre 0-5yo 9.30-10.30am Ph 8832 2613 [\$]	Rural Care at Yorketown Community Children's Centre 0-5yo 8am-6pm Ph 8852 1780 [*\$]
Yorketown Playgroup Yorketown Community Children's Centre 0-5yr 9.30-11.00am Ph 8852 1780 [\$]	<p>Key: * = booking required, \$ = cost involved. <i>Some activities only run during school terms.</i></p> <p><i>Contact the phone numbers listed for more information or to book. Many activities have Facebook pages/groups.</i></p>		Bounce & Rhyme Yorketown Area School Community Library 0-5 yo 10.00am fortnightly Ph 8852 1647	SYP Active Kids Yorketown Area School Gym 0-5yo 9-10.15am Ph TBA [*\$]	For Family Day Care Options please call 1300 551 890 or 8343 6533 [*\$]
Stansbury Play Centre Stansbury Primary School 0-5yo 9.00am-12noon Ph 8852 4286 [\$]			Jumping Jellybeans Craft & Activities for 0-5yo Maitland Lutheran School Thursday 6h May 9:30-11:00am Ph: 8832 2288	Point Pearce Playgroup 9am-12noon & 1-3pm Ph 8836 7210 [\$]	Family Activities Playgrounds: Point Turton Yorketown Edithburgh Coobowie Minlaton Warooka Maitland & Ardrossan
Music & Movement Minlaton Town Hall 2-4yo 2-4pm 4-6yo 4-6pm Ph 0431 335 057 (\$)			Point Pearce Occasional Care 9am-12noon & 1-3pm Ph 8836 7210 [\$]	Curramulka Playgroup Curramulka Primary School 0-5yo 9.30-11.00 am Ph 8854 2102 [\$]	
Warooka Playgroup Warooka school 9.00-11.00am Ph 8854 5034			<p align="center">LEGEND</p> <p>To find events located in each town look for the colours below</p> Minlaton = PURPLE Curramulka = BLACK Edithburgh = YELLOW Ardrossan = RED Point Pearce = PINK Stansbury = HOT PINK Warooka = LIGHT GREEN Maitland = ORANGE Yorketown = GREEN		

Child & Family Health Service (CaFHS) appointments: 1300 733 606 Parent Helpline: 1300 364 100 Aus Breastfeeding Assoc Helpline 1800 686 268

Activities for toddlers and babies from Ardrossan down.

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