



## Term 3 Week 10

### Important Dates

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**Pupil Free Day**  
Friday 30 September

**Term 4 Commences**  
Monday 17 October

**School Dentist Visit**  
Monday 31 October

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Tuesday 1 November

**Sports Day**  
Friday 4 November

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**Year 5&6  
Parliament House  
Excursion**  
Tuesday 22 November

**Years 3 & 4  
Athletics Carnival**  
Friday 2 December

**Year 6 Graduation  
Mass and  
Graduation Dinner**  
Tuesday 13 December

### Principal's Report

As we come to the end of Term 3, I think we should all take a deep breath and be still for a moment. What a busy but productive term this has been. I suspect that many of you are feeling tired and waiting for a time just to stop and catch your breath. So, what have we done this term? Well...

A brand new class of Term 3 Receptions began

Sporting carnivals including netball, cross country, and touch football

After school sport – soccer and pottery classes

Celebration of the sacraments of initiation

Student led learning conversations

Staff Development through PD,

SALA exhibition

Feast Days of St Mary of the cross MacKillop and St Monica and St Monica's Fair

Father's Day Brekkie, Liturgy, and stall

Book Week and Italian Day

Camps for Years 4, 5 and 6

Indigenous artist, Lydia Gauci working in year 4

Lots of other incursions and excursions

Tournament of the Minds

Catholic Schools Music Festival

Girls in STEM Breakfast with Kildare College

And I am sure that I have left some highlights out but I would like to thank families for supporting so many of these events. A great community effort brings all these opportunities to life.

I would like to congratulate our Senior Choir who performed this week at the Catholic Schools Music Festival at the Festival Theatre. The enmasse choir led by Ms Denise Rothall is a spectacular sight to see and hear. I was so proud of our students for their commitment to the preparation needed for this event and their performance on the evening. Bravo to each of you and a special thank you to Mrs Sarah Tamblyn for her leadership and training of the choir.

**Sports Day is on Friday 4 November.** Information will be sent home in the first week of next term. It would be great to have as many family members join us for the day. Please put this date into your calendar now.

A gentle reminder that when you return to school on Monday 17 October, that summer uniform may be worn. We do have a two week 'grace' period when winter uniform can be worn if the weather is a bit chilly. Hats are a compulsory item next term and we do have the policy of No Hat, No Play. Please see the front office if you need to purchase another one.

Take care and I hope the school break provides you with some fun times together and maybe a couple of pyjama days.

Emily Sayer

## Children's University

The students and I are currently in the process of finalising their Children's University hours, which need to be finalised by the end of the term. If your child is worried about not achieving the minimum hours to graduate please ask them to come and see me as soon as possible. Our school has been allocated **WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER** for graduation. Once your child has had their passport stamped with the necessary amount of hours they will be given their invitation which contains more details about the event.



## **2022/2023 PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

We will begin the Greenacres Walkerville Parish 2022/2023 Sacramental Preparation Program for children wishing to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist with an Information Session on Sunday 18 September, after Sunday Mass at 10:30am at St Martin's Church Hall. We ask that you consider joining us for Mass first at 9:30am at St Martin's Church.

This session is for both parents and child/ren. It is an opportunity for you to hear about what our Parish offers and then decide whether you and your child would like to be a part of the Program.

If you are considering being part of our 2022/2023 Program attendance at this meeting is essential, although coming to this session does not commit you to participating in the Program.

If you have any questions please contact Rebecca at the Parish Office on telephone 8261 6200 or [admin@gwparish.org.au](mailto:admin@gwparish.org.au).

### **OSHC bookings**

Due to meeting correct staffing ratios and requirements (qualified staff), families must book their child/ren into afternoon OSHC by 1 pm of the day required. This then allows Ms Byrne or myself to try to organise extra staff if required. If you have a permanent booking each week, you do not need to make a daily booking. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Working with Lydia Gauci (Aboriginal Urban Artist.)**

Mrs Pitt's and Mrs Vivian's Year 4 classes have been very lucky to be working with Lydia Gauci (Carabetta), an Aboriginal woman. She was born in Darwin on Larrakia land however she identifies as Yamatji (WA) and Malak-Malak (NT) as that is where her family originate from.

Lydia has grown up learning about her culture from her mother. Her mother has taken her to remote communities where she has had the privilege to learn traditional art techniques and experience her culture firsthand from elders, as well as art classes at Taondi

College.

Lydia has been working with the Year 4 students, here at St Monica's Parish School, sharing her experiences and culture with us. Traditionally, Aboriginal people had two forms of communication. These were oral storytelling and song as well as visual communication through drawing, painting, and the use of ceremonial design.

Lydia has shared her skills as a visual artist to teach our students about her culture as she believes art is a fun and interactive way for them to learn about Aboriginal culture.

For the first lesson the children were given activities to introduce them to Aboriginal symbols and the main art forms. The children then wrote a short story (fiction or non-fiction) and used symbols and art techniques to turn it into a painting on canvas. The project ties in with both the oral (story telling) and visual (painting) aspects of Aboriginal culture. The children have really embraced the project and have presented some great pieces of work.



## Year 4V and 4PE AFL Max Extended Excursion

The AFL Max was excellent. There was much more than I expected, with lots of activities like the Spiderweb, the trampolines, Bump and more! The night-time activities were fun, I thought it was an amazing extended excursion.

### **Ricky 4V**

I really liked the rock climbing because some of the climbing walls were challenging for me. I also really liked the Trampoline area.

### **Annabel 4V**

I liked rock climbing; I climbed up a pole 3 times! I really liked the Bump Zone; it had a slide and an obstacle course.

### **Archer 4 PE**

I really liked the AFL Max camp because I could hang out with my friends and have fun.

### **Abi 4V**

I loved the skills and aerial zones, the skills zone had holes in the wall to kick a footy into!

### **Angus 4PE**

I loved AFL Max it was fun! I would love to go back again. I kicked a footy into the goals. After dinner we watched a movie and had popcorn and donuts!

### **Tayla 4V**

I loved playing in the spider web and going down the slide, I loved playing Dead Bugs and tag

### **Chloe 4 PE**

I had a good time because there was a thing called BUMP ZONE! It was fun doing activities on the inflatable stuff. We did rock climbing. I

went on 3 different ones and went to the top of all of them.

**Harrison 4V**

I liked AFL Max because I like lasagne and it was yummy. I liked football fitness because I can kick a ball high

**Seb 4PE**

I really enjoyed rock climbing because it was challenging and fun to figure how to do the bits you get stuck on.

**Zara 4PE**



## QUIZ NIGHT ALL PROCEEDS TO ST VINCENT De PAUL

**FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

**ST.MARTIN'S SCHOOL HALL**

**64 – 80 PRINCES ROAD, GREENACRES**

**DOORS OPEN 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start**

**\$20 PER PERSON (TABLES OF 10)**

Or come on your own and join a table! Organisers of Tables of 10 are asked to advise Kaye of numbers by 10<sup>th</sup> October, collect cash payment from their team members and pay her prior to the event

***\* BYO supper and drinks***

***\*Tea and Coffee supplied***

***\* \$5 Pick a Box \* 20c Heads and tails***

***\*\$1 Coin Toss for Whiskey***

*\* Door Prize \* Winning and Last Table Prizes*

All expenses will have been covered by supporters prior to the event

Book single tickets by 10<sup>th</sup> October with Kaye PH: 82610549

These may be collected and paid in cash prior to or on the night

However . . . walk-ins on the night are welcome!

EFTPOS facilities will be available on the night.

## Acknowledgment of Country

St Monica's acknowledge the Kurna People as the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, learn and work. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual connection and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country and commit to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



# Kildare College Tours

## Term 3 2022

Saturday 6 August 11.00am

Saturday 20 August 11.00am

Saturday 3 September 11.00am

Visit [kildare.catholic.edu.au](http://kildare.catholic.edu.au) to book a College Tour