

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

MESSAGE STICK

Monday 06/04/20

Giinagay Families,

As we approach the special celebration of Easter, I would like to acknowledge the entire school community for the vital and important work that has been undertaken to ensure all of our students have been learning during these past weeks. It has been no easy journey and there is undoubtedly, still more uncertainty to come. However, take time for yourself and your family during the holidays to refresh, relax and recharge so that you can continue to respond to whatever challenges that may present in Term 2. Wishing everyone a blessed Holy Week and a joyous Easter season. Also, please be steadfast in the knowledge that you are loved by God!

Yours in Faith,
Warren Niethe
Principal

Communication

In light of the current circumstances clear communication between school and families is vitally important. To enhance communication please note the following dot points.

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- Hard copy newsletters and Message Sticks will be postponed until further notice. Due to the large number of absent students there is no way of adequately distributing these publications.
- All communication to families will be made using the St Mary's FaceBook page as well as the school's webpage. If you know of any families who are not already accessing these platforms please encourage them to do so ASAP.
- In terms of contacting your child's teacher regarding individual Student Learning Packs please phone the school as well as using email.

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Student Learning Packs

For those families who have decided to keep their children at home as an option for learning please note the following dot points

- Student Learning Packs are designed for individual students.
- They provide 2 weeks of learning activities for parents to do with their children. Both the parent and child will need to sign off on all completed activities. If the crisis continues into the future Student Learning Packs will be refreshed on a fortnightly cycle.
- At this point in time, English, Mathematics, Religious Education as well as an Integrated Unit will be the focus subject areas.
- Teachers will phone families weekly for feedback and how to improve future Student Learning Packs.
- Student Learning Packs will be delivered and collected by the school at a family's front gate.

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School Bus & Canteen Cancelled

Due to the ongoing logistical issues caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic our School Bus and Canteen services will be cancelled until further notice.

Easter Raffle Winners

Congratulations to our 5 winners! A huge thank you to all those families who supported our Easter Raffle in some way. The exact amount of money raised to purchase much needed school resources for our students will be published next term.

First	Isaac - Rowan Hall's brother
Second	Pauline McNally
Third	Kylie Chapman
Fourth	Harry Duncan
Fifth	Lleyton Jarrett-Biles

Date Claimers

Date	Day	Event
27/4/20	Monday	FIRST DAY Term 2 - Staff & Students who are not still working/learning from home.
29/4/20	Wednesday	Changeover of individual Student Learning Packs. The School Bus will be used to courier these packs to families throughout the day. Student Learning Packs will be changed over at the front gate. Families will be called by phone to alter them when the changeover is to occur.