

Important Dates

**End of School for
2022**

Wednesday 14 December

Christmas Day 2022

Sunday 25 December

**New Year's Day
2023**

Sunday 1 January

**ALL Students
Return to School for
2023**

Monday 30 January

From the Leadership Team

Dear Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the contribution that they have made to the St Mary Magdalene's School community throughout 2022. It has been another year impacted by Covid-19 and we acknowledge the difficulty that has presented to our families, our staff and our community. We pray that we can soon put Covid-19 behind us.

Congratulations and thank you to our students for their dedication to their learning, the forging of friendships and for having some fun along the way. Thank you to our staff who do a fantastic job every day to ensure our students are safe, learning and developing into good citizens. I pray that everyone has a safe and restful holiday and returns renewed and refreshed in 2023.

This week we farewelled our Year 6 students as they graduated and now move on to secondary school. We also farewell some other students: Addison, Hurricane, Isaiah, Jayden, Lexi'Ann, Lola, Mallou, Penelope and Stella. We also farewell one of our Reception Teachers, Jasmine Fischer, who has accepted a position for 2023 at St Thomas More School. I wish all of those leaving the very best for their new schools and thank them and their families for the contribution they have made to our school.

Our Staff for 2023 will be:

Principal:	Chris Platten	Co-Educators:	Ged Hughes
Head of Campus:	Peter Mercer		Nick Doube
Assistant Principal RE:	Melissa Musolino		Cassie Craig
Leader of Learning:	Michelle Menadue	Front Office:	Lisa Daniele
Reception:	Laura Drewett		John Mathew
Year One:	Jade Shapcott	OSHC:	Jenn Firth
Year Two:	Heather Petersen	Community Hub:	Kerryn Chambers
Year Three:	Tara Haylock	Grounds:	Andrew Scott
Year Four/Five:	Sameera Sekhon	Playgroup:	Chantelle Care-Wickham
Year Five/Six:	Amiee Tullio		
Physical Education:	Seb Maglai/Cristian Morgado		
STEM:	Janie Gosling		

Remember that school reopens on Monday 30th January.

I wish you every blessing for this Christmas season and the school holiday

Working in Partnership

Peter Mercer

Head of Campus

'Show your instructions in your actions as much as you can.' ~ Catherine McAuley

Recent News

From the APRIM

Liturgical Events and Celebrations

End of Year Liturgy

Last week we gathered as a community for our end of year Liturgy. This was a chance for us to give thanks for the blessings we have had throughout the year. It was also an opportunity to celebrate our Year 6 students as they prepare to leave our school.

Getting ready for Christmas

During Advent we can prepare for Christmas by...

Decorating the Christmas tree and making ornaments

Making Christmas cards for school friends, neighbours and family members

Doing some Christmas baking

Singing Christmas carols

Donating old toys (in good condition) so they can be given to those who might need them

Creating a nativity scene

Watching a Christmas movie

Listening to some stories from the bible

Saying a prayer every day

Counting down the days to Christmas with an Advent calendar

Choosing an act of kindness to do each day until Christmas day

We wish all of our students, families and staff a Christmas filled with PEACE, JOY AND LOVE.

Never Ending Gratitude

To all students I say a very big thank you for always being so willing to help lead our liturgical celebrations throughout the year. You make those celebrations extra special for our school. The extra help you offer is always noticed by staff and we appreciate how you step up and take the lead at any opportunity.

Elizabeth Catholic Parish Mass Times

Saturday, 24th December Children's Mass St. Thomas More Church 6.30 pm

Carols and Evening Mass St. Ann's Church 9.30 pm – Carols 10.00 pm –

Sunday, 25th December Christmas Day Mass St. Ann's Church 8.30 am













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