

Important Dates

**Dream Big - My
Birthday - Yr 2 & 4
Incursion**

Monday 20 February

**Shrove Tuesday -
Come & Eat
Pancakes, Serving
from 8.30 to 8.45
am**

Tuesday 21 February

**Ash Wednesday
Service - Families
Invited, 2.15pm
Yarning Place**

Wednesday 22 February

**Adelaide Cup Long
Weekend (No
School)**

Monday 13 March

**Good Friday (No
School)**

Friday 7 April

Easter Sunday

Sunday 9 April

**Easter Monday (No
School)**

Monday 10 April

**End of Term 1 2023
- Finish School at
3pm**

Friday 14 April

Term 2 Begins

Monday 1 May

**Term 2 - Dental for
Schools Visit begins
for the week**

Monday 1 May

From the Leadership Team

Dear Families,

On Tuesday of this week, we held our first assembly for the year. It was great to be able to once again gather the whole school together and invite parents to join us. We celebrated with prayer, acknowledgement of country, shared some good learning, handed out some awards, welcomed our new people and sang Happy Birthday to those who have recently aged just a little bit more!

Thank you to those parents who were able to come to the Meet and Greet evening. I hope you found the information from the teachers useful as we begin this year together.

Thank you also to those families who have returned the 'Consent Forms' to the front office as requested. If you have not yet, could you please do this as a matter of priority.

Do you have Broadband access at home via the NBN? On 3 February the Hon Michelle Rowland MP issued a [media release](#) outlining the Australian Government's initiative to provide 12 months broadband for up to 30,000 families – for FREE! The only requirement is that you have a child(ren) attending school and you are currently not connected to the internet at home. If you do not have Broadband access and would like to have it, please contact the school and we will put your name forward and hope that you are successful.

This year we have begun our move from our students using laptops as their 'device' to using iPads. We consider that in a primary school setting they are a more appropriate device for learning, recording information (photos, videos, etc) and for displaying work to the class on the TV screens. Our new iPads (for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6) are here and almost ready to be handed out to children. We are just waiting

for their protective covers to arrive. Hence it is important for parents and students to sign and send back the ICT Agreement form as mentioned above. Without it your child may not be provided with a device.

I am sure you would have heard the 'beep, beep, beep' alarm and seen the red flashing light near the canteen window that has been going off quite a bit over the past year. This is a warning that something is not working properly in our sewerage system. I am pleased that we have finally been able to find the problem and have it rectified so hopefully we won't be bothered by that irritating noise anymore. Thank you to our staff and students who have been very patient in ignoring it and continuing with their work and learning.

Next Tuesday is Shrove Tuesday (also called Pancake Tuesday). This is the day before Ash Wednesday, the start of the season of Lent in our church calendar. Lent is a time when we consciously try to change our lives for the better. The intention is to try to stop doing the things that are harmful or unjust and try hard to do things in a better way. For example, do I swear a lot? Am I mean to other people? Have I 'cut off' my relationship with family or friends? This is the time that we are challenged or called to do something about these kinds of things.

In the old days people would 'fast' in the time of Lent and often spend much of the time in prayer. So that they didn't waste food, they would use up all their eggs and milk and make pancakes. Hence, we have pancakes on Shrove Tuesday as a reminder. More recently people would give up some of the niceties in life, whether it be chocolate, alcohol or dining out. In this time of Lent, instead of giving up things, I encourage you to go out of your way to mend any 'broken' relationships that you may have. Have courage and be the one to make the first move!

On Tuesday morning we will have pancakes available in Nelson Grove from 8:30-8:45am. We look forward to sharing them with you.

Next Monday will be Mr Maglai's last day with us for the year. Seb is taking leave for the remainder of the 2023 school year. You would be aware that Mr Cristian Morgado has already begun taking the PE lessons in preparation for Seb's leave. Cristian works across both St Mary Magdalene's and St Thomas More Schools teaching PE. We wish Seb all the best for his time of leave over the next 10 months or so. We hope it is full of relaxation, fun and renewal.

Shaping the Future Together

Peter Mercer

Head of Campus

'Leaders aren't born ... they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that's the price we'll have to pay to achieve that goal or any goal.' ~ Vince Lombardi

Recent News

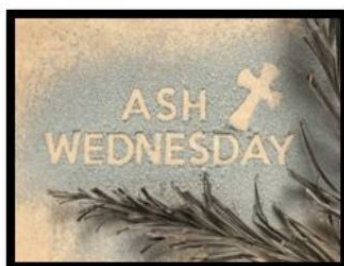


Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday continues to remain an important day of observance for Catholics and Christians to prepare for Lent. To prepare to fast during Lent, some people use up the extra food they have that are traditionally restricted during the season of Lent. One custom on this day is to 'feast' on pancakes, so we invite you to...

Join us for pancakes under the Nelson Grove Shelter served by SMM staff between 8.30am – 8.45am on February 21st to celebrate Shrove Tuesday in preparation for the Season of Lent.

Please inform your child's teacher of any food allergies by Friday 17.2.23



Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. The six weeks leading up to Easter.

We invite you to join us on *Wednesday February 22* for our *Ash Wednesday Service at 2.15pm in the Yarning Space.*

Year 4/5 Class



Welcome to Term 1 Week 3!

Time is flying by very quickly. I am so pleased that the students have settled back into school well. I would like to welcome Jia to the school and to the Year 4/5 class! This week we celebrated Valentine's Day. Prior to Valentine's Day, we posed the questions, "What is love?" and "How can we show love?" during our religion lesson. We also looked at the story of Saint Valentine and the reading from Corinthians 13:1-13 which was adapted for the students; "Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it does not show off, it is not proud. It does not put others down, it is not selfish, it is not easily angered, it forgives. It is unconditional."

The following lesson, the students were provided with a love heart with the statement "my friends love me because...", they were tasked with writing something they love about their classmates.

On Valentine's Day, we did a candy heart experiment with Vinegar, Soda, and Water. The students predicted what would happen to the heart-shaped candy once it was dropped into the solution and recorded their observations. For craft, we did two activities, 'You stole a Pizza my heart' and 'You make my heart soar'. Here's what some of the students have to say about our activities!

"I liked when we made the pizzas and finger balloons because it was fun and different. The science experiment was cool!" - Tina

"The experiment was fun; I did not expect the candy to foam up at the top" - Damien

“The activity I liked the most was the finger painting and how we turned our fingers into balloons” – Kaeleb

“I liked doing the experiment, it was cool watching the candies dissolve and foam up at the top” - Gabriella

Learning Through Music Lessons - at school!

LEARNING Through MUSIC



- Lessons are at school, once a week during school time
 - Instrument hire is available
 - Please call or email us for lesson prices

- Music books available at an additional cost
- Please enrol or enquire via our website
www.ltmusic.com.au

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Drums and Voice**



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Circle of Security Parenting

**Do you want to have more understanding about your child's behaviour?
Come along to this FREE 6 week course and learn how to:**

Help your child organise their feelings
Enjoy a more fulfilling relationship with your child
Help your child to feel secure, both now and into the future

Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm
Date: Wednesdays:
8, 15, 22, 29 March
5, 12 April

Venue: Junction Community Centre
2A May Terrace,
Ottoway 5013

*Please note childcare facilities are not available and children
cannot be present at this course*



**Bookings essential. Please contact Centacare on 8215 6700 or email your
details to: registrations@centacare.org.au**

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THE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CENTRE INC.

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The Fast Five

Parenting tips that really work

This two-hour workshop collects key concepts from current Australian research into effective parenting strategies. The workshop brings five key parenting activities designed to:

- ★ Cut through unnecessary parenting information ★
- ★ Provide strategies to assist improve children's behaviour, problem solving skills and emotional regulation ★
- ★ Improve the child/parent relationship ★

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Date: Wednesday 19 April 2023

Venue: Centacare
45 Wakefield St, Adelaide



Bookings are essential, please contact Centacare on 8215 6700 or email your details to: registrations@centacare.org.au

Children cannot be present at this course. No crèche available.

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Inside Their Heads – Understanding Teenagers

This course is for families experiencing separation

A FREE workshop for Parents and Carers. Come along and learn about:

What's happening for today's teens

The task of adolescence

Adolescent brain development

Setting boundaries

Communication that encourages two-way respect and understanding

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Date: Wednesday 26 April 2023

Venue: Centacare Level 2
45 Wakefield Street,
Adelaide 5000



Please note childcare facilities are not available and children cannot be present at this course

**Bookings essential. Please contact Centacare on 8215 6700 or email your details to:
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TERM 1, 2023 TIMETABLE

All programs are FREE and open to the community - Everyone is welcome!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	ASK KERRYIN IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT:
<p>9am - 11am 27th March (Week 9) Centcare Workshop "THE FAST FIVE"</p> <p>Learn strategies to improve children's behaviour, problem solving skills and emotional regulation + more! *BOOKING REQUIRED *Free Child minding available</p>   <p>Digital English COMPUTER CLASS 1pm - 3pm</p> <p>Learn how to use a computer! Learn computing terms and how to use computer programs. *Limited spaces – Please Book to avoid disappointment. *Free Child Minding - 0437 609 976</p>	<p>Community Hub OP-SHOP</p>  <p>By Appointment or One-Off Events Only Follow our Hub Facebook Page!</p> <p>11am - 12:30pm CUPPA AND CRAFT</p> <p>Bring your own craft or join the group activity. *BOOKING REQUIRED *Free Child Minding - 0437 609 976</p>  <p>MyTime 1pm - 3pm 7th Feb – 14th March</p> <p>For Parents and carers of children with a disability or other special needs. *MyTime bookings only - 0414 912 816 *Free Child Minding</p>	<p>DO YOU NEED HELP WITH: FILLING IN FORMS CHILD HEALTH CHECKS MANAGING MONEY LINKS TO LOCAL SERVICES KINDY ENROLMENTS ANYTHING ELSE? WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER IN THE SCHOOL OR HUB? Please see Kerryin to book a time</p> <p>12:30 - 2:30pm SEWING GROUP</p> <p>*Sewing support provided *Limited spaces *BOOKING REQUIRED *Free Child Minding - 0437 609 976</p>  <p>THE ONE BOX 3pm Wednesday or 9am Thursday</p> <p>Uncollected boxes will be given away to another family on the waiting list. Join the waiting list today!</p>	<p>9am - 10:30am</p> <p>Little Maggies Playgroup</p> <p>Children learn through play, Make new friends and most importantly, Have fun! Children from Birth - 5 years</p>   <p>Conversational ENGLISH CLASS 12pm - 3pm</p> <p>Learn or practice your English in a safe and welcoming place. All levels welcome. Bring a friend! *Free Child Minding - 0437 609 976</p>	<p>HippyAustralia Families Learning Together Free play based learning program for Children aged 3 years!</p> <p>Kids Club After school Fun for School aged children.</p> <p>playford communities for children+ Fun for the whole family, Special events and more!</p> <p>St Mary Magdalene's School Elizabeth Grove Catholic primary school with no tuition fees.</p> <p>CONTACT KERRYIN 0437 609 976 kchambers@smm.catholic.edu.au</p>  <p>Follow us on Facebook for Reminders, Cancellations and Special Events. www.facebook.com/CommunityHubSMM</p>

Little Maggie's Playgroup



THURSDAY MORNINGS

9am

**Please
Bring a Fruit
Snack and
Water**



St Mary Magdalene's
Community Hub




St Mary Magdalene's School



FREE ENGLISH CLASSES

*Free Child Minding / Crèche for young children

TEXT OR CALL TO BOOK - 0437 609 976

TIMETABLE IS AVAILABLE ON FACEBOOK - @COMMUNITYHUBSMM

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