Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

Speaking with a colleague the other day he was looking forward to the upcoming holiday break with some enthusiasm, which I completely understand. It’s good to renew and refresh for the rest of the year ahead. However he said he couldn’t wait to be ‘happy’ once the holidays had begun. Whilst no one would complain about time off to pursue one’s own interests, it got me wondering how many wish their lives away waiting to be happy for the next holiday, house, boat, car, weight loss etc.

Happiness is the spontaneous feeling of inner-peace, joy and contentment. Part of being able to achieve this feeling about ourselves, is to be able to be satisfied with our personal limitations whether they are associated with skills, health, wealth or whatever. This does not mean that we don’t strive to improve in these areas; it means that we don’t mope around feeling depressed or unhappy about them. If we are able to accept who we are and where we are at any particular time in our lives, others will accept us as well. We will have established the right to be who we are and not have to live up to live up to the expectations of others. Our kids pick up on this, they can easily see if we are happy or not about our own lives, and in turn this is reflected in their behaviour and attitudes.

Parent modelling never ceases.

So, this break, whilst the kids are enjoying their holiday happiness, I hope you get some too.

Have a relaxing, enjoyable and happy holiday.

**EXTENDED BREAK**

Miss Kate Chilvers, St Mary’s Religious Education Coordinator, is taking extended Long Service Leave from the end of this semester till 2016.

We wish Miss Chilvers all the very best and trust she has a very relaxing and rewarding break.

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**F R O M  T H E  P R I N C I P A L ’ S  D E S K**

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Friday 3rd July**  NAIDOC Liturgy  Tabloid sports  
**Monday 20th July**  Last day of Term 2
**Thursday 23rd July**  Confirmation Parent/Child Meeting 6pm  First day of Term 3
**Sunday 26th July**  MS6 Home room Celebration 10am
**Wednesday 29th July**  MS Parent Meetings 4pm to 7pm
**Sunday 2nd August**  Confirmation Mass - 10am
**Friday 7th August**  PUPIL FREE DAY

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**Prayer:**

Creator of all things, both seen and unseen, speak to us in your great wisdom.

Make us strong as we seek your help and guidance.

Teach us to love all people regardless of race or colour or belief.

May we listen with great care to the heartbeat of this land and to its people who cared for it so well and for so long.

May the peace these people and their land have always enjoyed continue to be strengthened and preserved by all who wish to come and be part of this country and its ‘Ancient Dreaming’.

Glory to you, God of Life, Creating, nurturing, reconciling.

Amen

MATERNITY LEAVE
Kindergarten Teacher, Mrs Sheree Barden, is taking 12 months Maternity Leave from the end of Term 2. We wish all the very best for the Barden’s as they await the birth of their second child.

NAIDOC WEEK
This week we are celebrating NAIDOC Week, when we recognize and celebrate the traditional custodians of our land, especially our local Aboriginal people. Activities are planned in all classes this week, culminating in a day of rotational activities on Friday. It promises to be an exciting week and a fitting and fun way to finish the term.

IMPORTANT DATES
The last day of school for students for Term 2 is Friday, July 3rd. The first day back for Term 3 is Monday, July 20th.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS TERM 3
Can all parents please note there are two professional development days in Term 3. These are Friday August 7, and Friday September 18.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE
The gates to St Mary’s School do not open till 8:25 each morning. Classes begin at 8:50. This is a 25 minute time frame for students to arrive and get ready for the day. We have a significant number of students who are arriving much earlier than 8:25 and hence have to wait in front of the Admin Block. Please note that the school does not take responsibility for students till the gates are open at 8:25.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2016
Applications for enrolment are currently being taken for Kindergarten 2016. Parents who wish to enrol their children need to contact the office or download the application form from the school website. Interviews will be conducted in August.

SPORTS DRESS FRIDAY
There are a number of exciting activities planned for this Friday involving movement and sport. As such, all students are expected to wear their sports uniform on the day.

God Bless

Mr Steve O’Halloran
Principal
From the REC – Kate Chilvers

The following are our celebrations for the term. Families are most welcome to join us for these celebrations.

School Liturgies – Term 2
Whole School NAIDOC Liturgy – outdoor stage area - Friday 3 July 9:15am

Parish Notices

Confirmation
As a service to the parish St Mary’s School organises the printing, verification and laminating of certificates for each of the Sacraments; this is quite an involved process and usually takes 3-4 days. Notifying the school community that a child has been enrolled in a Sacramental program is the responsibility of parents. A number of families who began the Confirmation program have not yet submitted their child’s enrolment form to the school or parish. To avoid disappointment please ensure that this form has been received by the school no later than Thursday 23 July.

Children’s Liturgy
St Mary’s Parish is happy to announce that Children’s Liturgy has recommenced; children will now be able to participate in a children’s Liturgy during the 10am Mass.

Altar Server Program
St Mary’s parish has commenced Altar Server Training. Children who have returned an involvement slip have three training sessions scheduled in period 6 on Wednesday 11 June, 24 June and 1 July. Rosters will be distributed at the end of the term and children will begin to serve officially in the parish from the start of Term 3. A special ceremony of commissioning will take place during the 10am Mass on Sunday 26 July.

Congratulations to the following children who have volunteered their time to serve in the parish this year:
Year 4: Magnus Warren, Laila Pidala, Marcus Benetti, Rhiannon Smyth, Jayne March, Grace Nuttall and Jorja Eyre
Year 5: Kailey Fistonich, Dale Lester, Candace Campbell, Robert Luis, Chloe Durmanich, Lachlan Bettini and Angela Lyall
Year 6: Angelina Smyth and Isobelle Warren

Community School Clean Up

Last Thursday, St Marys took part in the Community Clean Up and a total of 117kg of rubbish was picked up around St Marys, Carnarvon Hospital, Town Oval and Egan Street.
Well done St Marys and thank you to the Shire of Carnarvon.
The Year 9 and 10 social was held last Saturday night and we thank the following people for their generous support and donations: Warwick Hodgson, Miss Stela, Miss Yelash, Mrs Cook, Miss Slattery, Miss Ward, Miss McMeekin, Mr Notman, Mr O’Halloran, Mrs Da Luz, Year 8 helper Jessie Jarvis and Mr Khan.

Thanks for a great night!!!!

Best Group: Teaghan Black, Haylie Bumbak, Chelsea Botica, Alana Byron and Andreja Mladinov
Best Dancers: Ethan Cook and Carys Da Luz
Social Butterfly: Alana Byron
Social Dragonfly: Jai Perry
Best Couple Year 9: Men In Black—Edward Sipili and Karttar Andreoli
Best Couple Year 10: Chonte Steele and Roger Clark
Best Dressed Male: Cat in the Hat—Nick McKeiver
Best Dressed Female: Little Red Riding Hood—Lena Tuipulotu
NAIDOC Week—Visual Arts

Kindy Sand Art

Pre Primary Sand Art

Year Two Art

Year Three Animal Weaving

Year Four animal sculptures
Australian Chamber Orchestra Visit

The Australian Chamber Orchestra visited our school in week 9 of this term. The string quartet played a variety of pieces to demonstrate specific elements of music (mood, dynamics and tempo). They played music by Antonio Vivaldi to show how music can be used to tell a story through contrasting sections of the music. Noah White and Hana Jarvis participated as volunteers who played pizzicato (plucking the strings) to represent raindrops.

St Mary Star of the Sea Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Mariusz Adamczyk
Assistant Priest: Fr Chris
Phone: 99411768
Weekend Mass Times:
Saturday 7pm
Sunday 8am & 10am

The JLC requires the donation of concrete slabs for their sensory garden. If you are able to help, please contact the school office. We are looking for approximately 12 slabs.
Thank you in advance

Mrs Ali O’Halloran
Year One Teacher

Proud to be a
Waterwise School

EP Classes
Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Canteen News
Due to Naidoc lunch supplied by the school, there will be no canteen lunch orders available for this Friday. Recess will be offered as usual.
GARDENING CLUB
As part of the Lamp Lighters program all students at St. Mary’s school are invited to participate in a new garden club that will be working on restoring the Sacred Garden to its former glory. The garden club will run for half an hour on Mondays and Tuesdays, straight after school. This will involve weeding, repairing borders, paths and replanting the herb gardens. The garden club will commence on Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} June and Tuesday 23\textsuperscript{rd} June, 2015 and will be ongoing until the end of the year. Students can volunteer for one session or come along every week and they can choose the day that suits them the best. Parents, grandparents and siblings are also welcome. Permission slips are available at the front office or from Mrs Griffith’s room. Come along and have some great fun while creating something beautiful!!!!

Book Week 2015
24th—28th August

THEME: Books Light Up Our World / Under the Sea

PARADE:
Thursday 27th August 9am
Kindy—Year 6.

Come dressed as something to represent books lighting up the world or under the sea.

St Marys Footy Tipping Update

Competition has been fierce the last few rounds but CM Leca still holds the lead with 79 tips after 13 Rounds. He has broken away from the pack with a lead of 2 over Stan & Danijela Mladinov on 77 followed closely by Hic lone and 5 other tippers on 76

Recent Round Winners are:
Round 8 John Perry
Round 9 ANB
Round 10 Punch
Round 11 Ella - winner of 3 rounds
Round 12 Tims Tossers
Round 13 Bashistar

Looking forward to a strong finish in the second half of the year.

Ride for Health
Mark Milton and his daughter Emma will be riding their bikes from Geraldton to Carnarvon to raise money and awareness for the Cancer Council, during these July school holidays.

We have provided the school with a jar of jellybeans to be raffled off, tickets are $1 each so please show your support by purchasing some. The lucky winner will be announced next Friday 3rd July 2015.

For more information regarding Mark and Emma's ride please go to http://wa.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/rideforhealth
WOMEN’S URBAN SURVIVAL PROGRAM

Presented by
Sensai Paul Mitchell
#1 Taekwondo & World Titlist Instructor
of Carnarvon Martial International

This free program will provide you with the knowledge, confidence & skills to avoid becoming a victim of urban crime.

In support of
Australia’s message to stop gendered violence
White Ribbon

“Most valuable course for all women”

FREE EVENT

Places are limited & bookings essential
Contact us on 0439 902 970 or 99412273 during office hours

Shire of Carnarvon Presents

‘Live in the Moment’

SATURDAY 8th AUGUST

Multi Pitch Oval – Festival Grounds

Awesome line up of Australian Rock, Country & Local Artists

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO...