



School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 9

September 16 2020

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IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER

Week 9

Wednesday Sept 16
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Thursday Sept 17
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Friday Sept 18
Sunday Sept 20

Kindy Sports Carnival 10.30am
Numeracy OLNA Yr 10-12
Board Meeting 7.30pm
Interschool Field Carnival (Yr 3-6)
P & F Meeting 2.45pm
Reconciliation Parent Meeting 6.30pm
Interschool Track Carnival (Yr 1-6)
Reconciliation Commitment Mass 9am

Week 10

Wednesday Sept 23
Thursday Sept 24
Friday Sept 25
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Year 11 & 12 Cert 3 Sport & Rec Camp
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Footy Colours Day
Last Day of School for Term 3

TERM 4

Week 1

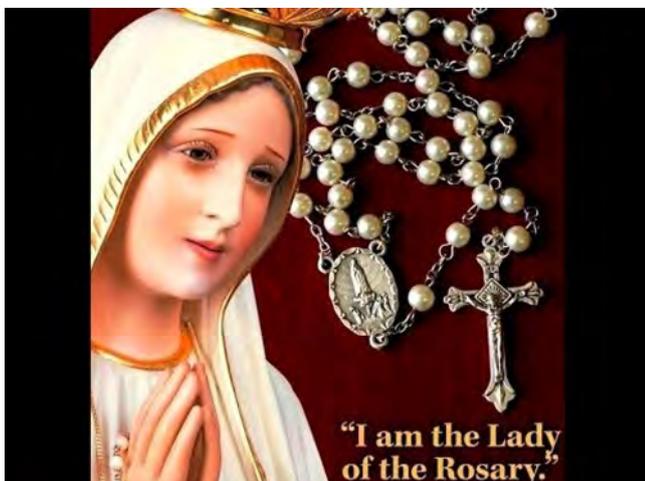
Monday October 12
Friday October 16

First Day of School for Term 4
Year 10, 11 & 12 School Ball 6.30pm

Week 2

Thursday October 22

Book Week Parade



Prayer

"O Mother of God, accept this Rosary as a sign of my love and devotion to you.

I beg you to intercede for me with your divine Son,

and grant the favour I so earnestly desire
(*here: mention your request*).

O Blessed Virgin, remember your faithful servant by hearing my prayers and obtaining my petitions.

O most holy Queen of the Rosary, pray for me."

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

This Sunday, a group of students from St Mary's will make their commitment to the Reconciliation programme. This is the last of the sacraments that we will celebrate this year as a parish and a school. Reconciliation is also known as the 'forgiving sacrament'.

Jesus said that people would recognise us as His disciples by the way we love one another: "And now I give you a new commandment: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples". –*John 13: 34,35*. One of the main ways in which love is expressed is in forgiveness and forgiveness is the way in which we demonstrate Christ's presence and the way in which Christians make a real difference to the welfare of the world's people.

Forgiveness can be infectious; the impact of our act of forgiveness towards another person can make them rethink their circumstance and perhaps lead to further forgiveness. Of course, like most things, forgiveness begins "at home"; firstly, within ourselves to clean out the "baggage" we have been carrying around for perhaps years, then to our family, extended family and farther out.

Mahatma Ghandi once said that if everyone were to follow the "eye for an eye" principle of revenge, the whole world would go blind. So, too, might it be said that if everyone were to practise forgiveness what a splendid vision the world would offer.

The students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on 12th November. Till that time, we pray that they continue to develop their relationship with Jesus and find the act of forgiveness a means of building relationship, rather than harming it.

ACC CAMP

Our travellers returned from the ACC Carnival and camp tired yet happy and successful in that they had given their all to their events. Many thanks to the staff and parents who chaperoned the students. Special thanks to coordinating teacher, Miss Tiahn Barrett.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AND LITURGY

On Friday 4th September, there was a Father's Day breakfast and liturgy, presented by our Year 5 class. Numerous staff were present cooking and serving breakfast to those assembled. A big thank you to you all. Thanks also to our P & F ladies who set up and served at our Father's Day stall on Thursday and Friday.

EARLY YEARS ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

Following on from the Father's Day breakfast and liturgy, the Early Years Athletics Carnival was held, it was great to see so many parents and friends in attendance. Thanks to Mrs Alison O'Halloran and Mrs Sue Jordan for coordinating this day for our junior students.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Primary students from St Mary's will be competing with other students from schools across the Gascoyne region at the Interschool Athletics Carnival on Thursday and Friday. We wish them all the best for their events. Both days are being held at the Marmion Street CCC campus and parents and friends are welcome to come along and support the boys and girls.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Abby Punch, a Year 10 student of St Mary's who has been at school since Kindergarten, for coming equal 1st in the 2020 Australian Geography Competition for Western Australia. Abby's result is especially impressive given there were some 1400 students from all schools across Western Australia who participated in the competition. An outstanding result!

RUOK DAY

On Friday, our Year 11 Business students coordinated an RUOK day, to highlight the importance of mental health and well being for all children and adolescents. Many thanks to the Year 11 girls and Mr Ilai Matangi, who spoke to the students as to how they can support each other with mental health.

INAUGURAL SENIOR BALL

This year, being the first year we are teaching Year 11 and 12 students, St Mary's will be having a school ball. Students from Year 10 – 12 will be invited and partners are welcome, under certain conditions. Thank you to the Symonds family for allowing us to hold our event at Bentwater Plantation.

END OF TERM

The school term finishes for students on Friday, September 25. The first day for students Term 4 is Monday, October 12.

God Bless



Mr Steve O'Halloran
Principal



*Equal 1st 2020 Australian Geography Competition for Western Australia
Abby Punch and HASS Teacher Rebecca Meynell*



From the REC desk...

Mass Times: Saturday 7.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am

Please adhere to all COVID – Safe regulations. Hand sanitiser is available

Did you know that the Rosary is the most popular of the Marian devotions and consists of three groups of five decades? They are: the Joyful, the Sorrowful, and the Glorious Mysteries. The Rosary was revealed to St Dominic by the Blessed Mother and begun in the fifteenth century by Alan de Rupe, a Dominican preacher. This week's prayer is a rosary novena that enables you to insert your own personal petition before praying the Rosary.

Third term will soon come to a close – with so many events occurring throughout this term, one may be forgiven for feeling as if it was fourth term already! We celebrated two holy sacraments (Confirmation and First Eucharist) and are about to embark our preparation with the Year 3 students for their First Reconciliation. This Thursday September 17th, parents will come together in the school library at 6.30pm to find out more about this Sacrament, ahead of the Commitment Mass this coming Sunday.

We welcomed back our athletes from the ACC Camp in Perth and the Yr 10s found out that we had made some delicious goodies for the elderly residing at the PCU located at Carnarvon Hospital during their RE lessons. It was a great way to put into practice our Christian Service Learning principles and to also spread some love and joy in our community. Thank you to all students involved in that service – hopefully we may be able to continue similar acts of service in the future (please refer to photos in this edition of the newsletter).

Saint-sations! is rocking out in their rehearsals! They have been working hard on certain items that they hope to perform at the end of year presentations. Songs from *The Greatest Showman*, contrast with classics from Cyndi Lauper and INXS to more modern-day artists. They can't wait for their first dance workshop with Chloe in Year 9 and we look forward to unveiling our new shirts too! After-school rehearsals will need to be called to ensure that they are performance ready. Letters to parents will be going out soon.

As this will be the last newsletter for the term, I wish you all safe travels if you are leaving town for the holiday break and can't wait to celebrate Socktober with everyone next term. The Year 10s will be coordinating this fundraising project for the month of October (Missions month) to employ "Head, Heart and Hands" in socking it to poverty! Stay tuned for exciting challenges ...

Until next time, God bless ...

Sam Da Luz
Religious Education Coordinator

YEAR 10s Baking up a Storm for Christian Service Learning (CSL)!



The Year 10s baked up a storm for the Palliative Care Unit (PCU) on Wednesday during Week 6 putting into practice our Christian service values during RE Class time, whilst the other students were away on ACC Camp.



SECONDARY NEWS

Term 3 is traditionally known as the busiest term and this year it has proven to be no different. It is the term where athletics meets academics! Miss Barrett and Miss Jordan have been busily preparing students for the athletic carnivals, with the former also training and planning for the ACC camp and to top it off, she is now busily putting the final touches on the Cert III Sport and Rec camp for our Year 11 and 12 students who will be visiting both Coral Bay and Exmouth! On top of our athletics and Sport and Rec, our students have also been celebrating Humanities Week, Science Week and Miss Ward has been building a virtual art gallery using art pieces from across the school community. Humanities Week was a real brain teaser with some very testing quiz questions ... testing the geographical knowledge of teachers and students alike! Science Week was a blast of activity with creating, building, blasting and explosions from Kindy all way up to the Year 12 students! Miss Ward will be releasing her virtual gallery this week ... can't wait to see the end result!

Speaking of the virtual world! This year was the first year where parents and students who were unable to attend the ACC were able to watch our team participate in their individual events. The students who remained at school loved the fact they could see friends on the big screen and their performances! All the students excelled in their performances and deserve to be congratulated for participating in such a large competition. Although the students competed against 7 other schools on the day, they are actually competing against 40 other schools at the same time! A special mention to the following students who achieved in the student top scorer results for I Division:

Rian Paynter	Male Open	2 nd Place
Suade Watts	Female Open	3 rd Place
Luke Jordan	Male U/14	1 st Place
Xavier Cox	Male U/14	4 th Place



We also need to make special mention of the 'Ultimate Athlete' Luke Jordan, who at the beginning of the last leg of the 400m relay came crashing to the ground, picked himself back up and completed the last leg ... With a broken collarbone!

Four of our Year 11 students are working through their Cert III in Business via ViSN! Despite it being an online course, our students are excelling throughout the course. As a part of their course, the students had to put together a 'business venture'. To do this, the girls were asked to run a whole school event based on RUOk day! Students flooded the gates dressed in yellow and carrying gold coins to donate to the cause. In return for their gold coin donation, students received a yellow ribbon to wear on their wrist for the day. After lunch the primary students met at the outside stage where Mr Matangi explained the concept of RUOk and how students can check on their 'mates' and family. He then broke out in song with 'Lean on Me' and accompanied with his guitar. To end the session there was fierce competition between the houses with a tug-of-war competition. This was replicated with the Secondary students with the added involvement of a teacher vs student competition. Sadly, the teachers had to let the students win! It was a fantastic day and we were so very proud of the effort of our four ladies; Tessa Matangi; Helen Tipton; Tara Simmons and Tayissa Mihovilovic. A day to remember!

RUOK?

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For the past few weeks, our Year 11 and 12 students have been busily preparing Saint Mary's first Year 12 School Ball! The date is set for the 16th October, the first Friday of Week 1, Term 4 and the last day of school for our Year 12 students!!! We have been fortunate enough to obtain Bentwater Plantation as our location and Mrs Symonds has said she will leave the lights (as set up for the Long Table Lunch) until our ball! The theme is 'Starry Night' and the students will be receiving a beautiful meal by the very clever and talented Valeria Andreoli! Invitations are open to the Year 10 – 12 students and they are allowed to apply to have external partners to the ball. This will be at the final discretion of the principal. Tickets are on sale now and are \$50 per person. It should be a night to remember and a wonderful celebration for our Year 12 students at the end of their very last day of school!

Next week we will be having another 'Good Standing' afternoon to recognise all those students who are productive and considerate members of the school community throughout the term. The Good Standing afternoon will take place on Friday afternoon with a quick assembly before to hand our merit certificates to those students who are always trying or demonstrating Improvement in the individual learning areas.

We wish everyone a safe holiday with lots of time to catch up on family and friend time!

Kind regards

Narelle Holtham

Acting Head of Secondary



R U OK DAY 2020



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JUNIOR SPORTS CARNIVAL



The Junior Athletics Carnival, for PP to Year 2, was held on Friday 4 September. It was great to see students out in their faction colours and full of enthusiasm. Although they are young the competition over the nine events was fierce. Well done to all for their participation and congratulations on your wonderful sportsmanship.



FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4th



To view more pictures, please visit the School Facebook page

Thank you to everyone who helped with the organisation and running of the day. Special thanks to the parents and friends who volunteered on the day. Your assistance is appreciated. Thanks also to the Year 6 Faction captains, and Year 9 and 10 students who helped on the day. *Mrs Jordan*

INTER SCHOOL CARNIVAL

The Interschool Athletics Carnival for Year 1 to Year 6 is on Thursday 17 and Friday 18 September at Carnarvon Community College. Parents are most welcome to attend but should observe 1.5m social distancing between families. Please enter through the oval gate on Iles Road. Please find following the event schedule.

Gascoyne Primary Schools Athletics Carnival 2020

Main Oval
Carnarvon Community College
(spectator entry via gates on
Iles Road)

17th and 18th September



Thursday 17th September 2020

Time	Events
8.50-9.35	Yr3: Long Jump Yr4: Middle distance Yr5: Triple Jump Yr6: Tee-ball throw
9.35-10.20	Yr3: Tee-ball throw Yr5: Long Jump Yr6: Middle distance
10.20-11.05	Yr 3: Middle distance Yr4: Long Jump Yr5: Tee-ball throw Yr6: Triple Jump
11.05-11.50	Yr4: Tee-ball throw Yr5: Middle distance Yr6: Long Jump

All times are approximate; they
may change on the day.

Ribbons (1st – 4th) will be
presented after each event.

Friday 18th September 2020

Sprints			
9.00-10.00am			
Year	Group	Distance	Heat
1	Boys	50m	A
1	Boys	50m	B
1	Girls	50m	A
1	Girls	50m	B
2	Boys	50m	A
2	Boys	50m	B
2	Girls	50m	A
2	Girls	50m	B
3	Boys	50m	A
3	Boys	50m	B
3	Girls	50m	A
3	Girls	50m	B
4	Boys	75m	A
4	Boys	75m	B
4	Girls	75m	A
4	Girls	75m	B
5	Boys	75m	A
5	Boys	75m	B
5	Girls	75m	A
5	Girls	75m	B
6	Boys	100m	A
6	Boys	100m	B
6	Girls	100m	A
6	Girls	100m	B
Tunnel Ball			
10.00-10.50am			
Year	Group		
3	Boys		
3	Girls		
4	Boys		
4	Girls		
5	Boys		
5	Girls		
6	Boys		
6	Girls		

GO ST MARY'S!

Flag Race	
11.10-11.50am	
Year	Group
1	Boys
1	Girls
2	Boys
2	Girls
3	Boys
3	Girls
Flag race (continued)	
Year	Group
4	Boys
4	Girls
5	Boys
5	Girls
6	Boys
6	Girls
Pass Ball	
11.50am-12.20pm	
Year	Group
3	Boys
3	Girls
4	Boys
4	Girls
5	Boys
5	Girls
6	Boys
6	Girls
Leader Ball	
12.20-12.50pm	
Year	Group
5	Boys
5	Girls
6	Boys
6	Girls
Relays	
1.15-1.50pm	
Grand Relay	
1.50-2.00pm	
Mixed: year 1-6	
Presentations	
2.00-2.15pm	



LIBRARY NEWS

This is a reminder to all students and parents to please return their library books

If you have any queries about overdue notices or lost books, please don't hesitate to come and see me in the library and I will be happy to help.

The holidays are a great time to relax with some reading. One lexile book may be borrowed over the holiday break. Please take care of library books over the holidays, and it is a good idea not to take books away for holidays.

Term Four, Week Two is Book Week. You may like to look out for a costume, or create a unique design. The theme for this year is

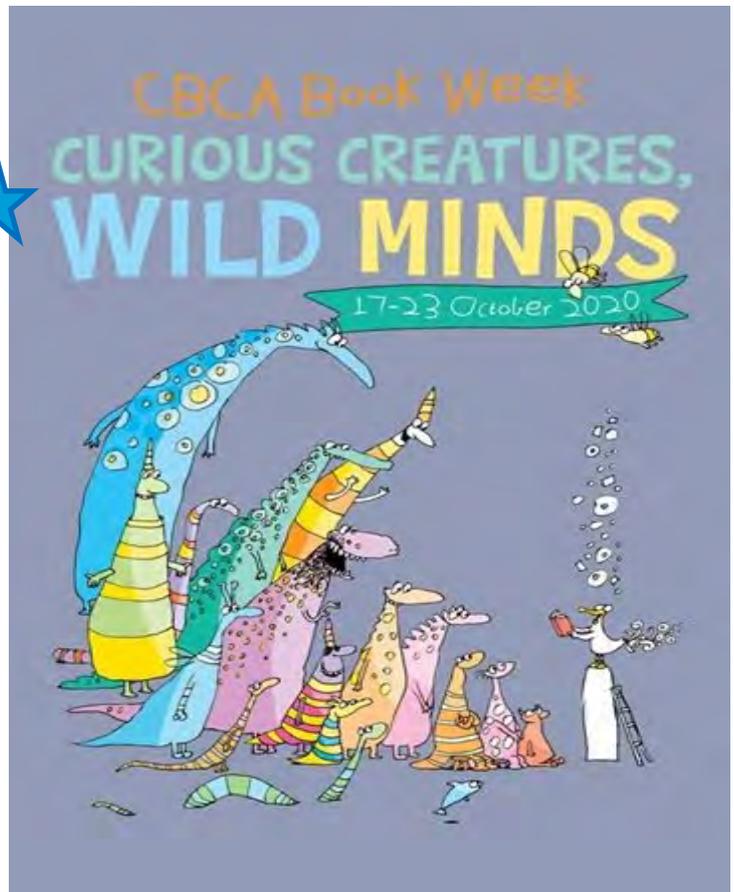
"Curious Creatures, Wild Minds"

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday. Enjoy!

Tina McMeekin



★ Book Week is fast approaching - Week 2 Term 4 GET YOUR COSTUMES ORGANISED! ★





Congratulations to the Winners -

Year 5

Runners Up - Year 4

Great effort by all involved - Remember active kids are Healthy Kids!

Class	Number of Walkers
Pre Primary	12
Yr 1	13
Yr 2	11
Yr 3	8
Yr 4	15
Yr 5	19
Yr 6	13



FORENSIC INVESTIGATORS



INTEGRATED SCIENCE

YEAR 11S HAVE STARTED BY LOOKING AT THE PROCESS OF EVIDENCE COLLECTION AND BLOOD SPATTER ANALYSIS.

APPROACH WITH EXTREME CAUTION

WALK PLENTY IN 2020!!



**St Mary Star of the Sea School
Carnarvon WA**

Qualified Teacher - Temporary

Part-Time FTE 0.4 (2 days per week)

IMMEDIATE START to 31 December 2020

Applications are invited for this teaching coordinator role of the **Aboriginal Families as First Educators Program (AFaFE)**. This program involves working with children from 0 – 3 years of age, and their parents.

Applicants must submit a curriculum vitae, addressed to the Principal, including the names and contact numbers of three referees, one of whom must be the current employer. Current TRBWA registration and Working with Children Card are required.

Applications to be addressed to: The Principal, Mr Steve O'Halloran, St Mary Star of the Sea Catholic School, P O Box 772, Carnarvon WA 6701.

BREAKFAST CLASS

What do you do when all the other Yr 12s are away? Go to the bakery for breakfast class of course! Head Girl Bianca Dei Giudici enjoying the beautiful weather and one-to-one tutorial with Mrs Da Luz.



Carnarvon Dental Therapy Clinic

The Carnarvon Dental Therapy Clinic will be closed from Friday 11th/9/20 to 12th/10/20, re-opening on Tuesday 13th/10/20.



Have a wonderful break over the school holidays.

JLC - SPECIAL VISIT

On Monday 31st August, the JLC had some very special visitors! Mrs Holla's husband, Matt, came to school with his friends on their very noisy and very cool Harley Davidsons! The bikers established Carnarvon Riders Association in February 2020. They are a not-for-profit organisation who wish to fundraise for charities and local community events while enjoying and sharing their passion for riding motorcycles.

The students soon realised that the black clothing, leather vests and beards were not scary at all, in fact the students had the opportunity to ask President, Mr Fernihough lots of questions about the very impressive bikes and enjoyed waving them goodbye as they roared out of the school grounds.

Feedback from the students was very positive with comments like, "Wow, that was awesome!" and "That was INCREDIBLE!" They now look forward to saying hello next time they see a CRA Member





St Mary Star of the Sea
Catholic School Parents &
Friends Association

@smsspandf



A huge thank you to all the wonderful families and friends who supported the Father's Day stall—it was very rewarding to see so many smiling faces whilst choosing the gifts! Thank you also to the lovely volunteers who helped man the stall on both Thursday and Friday.



We also had the Father's Day raffle drawn at the Father's Day Breakfast—this year our prizes were kindly donated by HALCO in Fremantle. 8 lucky dads walked away with some fantastic lures and merchandise.

Please be advised there will be a meeting on Thursday 17 September at 2.45PM on the outdoor stage area. All are welcome to attend and children are welcome to stay and play!

Don't forget that students have the opportunity to come dressed in their favourite AFL/Soccer/Rugby Team colours on the last day of term for the Footy Colours Day!

FOOTY COLOURS DAY!
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

LAST DAY OF TERM 3!

Come dressed in your favourite team colours!

P and F INITIATIVE FOR 2020

PIC-COLLAGES

School Holiday Workshops

Carnarvon

Gardening Gurus

8-11 years

This program is a great opportunity for kids to get creative, spend time outdoors and make new friends. Kids can get their hands dirty as they tend to the garden and connect with nature.

When

Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 September
9.30am - 12.30pm

Where

HelpingMinds, 5 Stuart Street, Carnarvon

Who

For children aged 8-11 years who have emotional difficulties or are at risk of developing mental health challenges; or have a family member or friend who is experiencing mental health challenges.

Wellbeing Wonderland

12-15 years

A two-day workshop designed to help young people boost their confidence and wellbeing. Young people will learn skills to manage stress and engage in mindfulness activities using the calming sounds of nature.

When

Monday 5 & Wednesday 7 October
9.30am - 12.30pm

Where

HelpingMinds, 5 Stuart Street, Carnarvon

Who

For children aged 12-15 years who have emotional difficulties or are at risk of developing mental health challenges; or have a family member or friend who is experiencing mental health challenges.



HAPPY MEALTIMES

Join us for a chat about happy mealtimes with our Dietitian – Nicole Bell and Occupational Therapist – Gemma Davies from the WACHS team.

IN THIS FREE SESSION YOU'LL LEARN

- Tips on make mealtime's happy times
- Information on nutrients requirements for your child
- Your Top Mealtime Problem Solved

Where: Carnarvon Playgroup, 9 Butcher Street, Carnarvon WA 6701

When: 9.30 -11.00am, Friday 18 September, 2020

Facilitator: Nicole Bell & Gemma Davies

Register: Call 0438991755 or email Gascoyne.PCWA@ngala.com.au



Online Open Day at The University of Notre Dame Australia

Exploring your university options? You're invite to our online Open Day on Sunday 20 September from 10am-4pm.

Open your mind to the next big thing in degrees and future careers:

- Explore your study options with degree information webinars
- Live Q&A sessions with academics and students
- Access on demand videos and resources
- Check out demonstrations and taster sessions

Interested? Register your place and plan your day at <http://openday.notredame.edu.au>



OPENING HOURS
MONDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY
2:45 - 4:30
(8-17YRS)

Youth Hub will provide a safe space for youth to hang out after school, participate in activities and get involved with the community

FOOD AND ACTIVITIES PROVIDED

MAYU-MIA **YOUTH HUB**



For more information, please contact Peta on 99410000 or via matahqip@carnarvon.gov.au
YOUTH HUB LOCATED ON EGAN STREET

Mayu-Mia

Youth Activity Program

OPENING MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd

MONDAY

- WK 1 - Mini Pizza's
- WK 2 - Spaghetti
- WK 3 - Cup Cakes
- WK 4 - Zucchini Slice

WEDNESDAY

- WK 1 - Dream Catcher making
- WK 2 - Outdoor Sporting Activities
- WK 3 - Arts & Crafts
- WK 4 - Outdoor Sporting Activities

FREE TIME FRIDAY'S

- Play pool
- Arts & crafts/colouring in
- Ps4 gaming
- Hang out



Carnarvon Amateur Swim Club
Season 20/21
Registration Day Sunday 11th October
10am - 12 noon @ Carnarvon Pool.



YOUTH FOOTBALL

CARNIVAL

PREMIER OVAL, CARNARVON

TUESDAY 29 AND WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

Day 1: 3pm – 6pm Day 2: 9am – 12pm

Who: Boys and girls aged 10-18 years

What: AFL Talent ID and Selection Match plus skills and matches

FREE EVENT
Meals and snacks provided

Come celebrate Youth Football with us! Test your skills and play modified matches with players from around the North West Region!

Players participating in this event will have the opportunity to be nominated to train and play in the South Fremantle Male and Female Talent Development Squads.

For more information please contact Bec Hunter on 0401 936 717 or rebecca@smtfoundation.org.au

