Welcome back to students, families and staff to another busy and productive term. A special welcome also to all new members of staff who have commenced this week including a number of student teachers completing their teaching practicum.

Thank you to everyone for a warm welcome back to school after my long service leave. It was a good feeling to touch down at Broome airport and finally be home and back at work after many weeks abroad. Mr Clem Mulcahy thoroughly enjoyed his time as Principal in our school community and I thank students, parents and staff for the teamwork and support which made his time here special.

The term has got off to a busy start. In preparation for their final weeks of schooling, a number of Year 12’s attended five days of intensive study and tuition over the holiday at the University of WA. Thank you to Ms Carrie – Anne for taking the students to Perth for this opportunity. Our Melbourne Exchange students are experiencing life in a new school and city and we look forward to their return at the end of next week. We have number of students in the Catholic Performing Arts Festival in the coming term including Byron Pigram and Jada Hunter who are heading to Perth next week to represent St Mary’s College in the Contemporary Band section. Thank you to Ms Robyn for her preparation of the Music students and to Ms Vicki and Ms Emily for their preparation of the Dance and Drama students who will be competing in Perth later in the term. Next week our Year 3’s, 5’s, 7’s and 9’s will complete their Bishop’s Literacy tests. Our Year 6’s are beginning preparations for their coming Confirmation and they are also excited and working hard in the lead up to their Canberra trip.

Thank you to Mr Dave, Ms Harriet and everyone who has worked so hard to make this trip possible.

Over the holidays a number of projects to further improve school facilities were undertaken. Thank you to Ms Amy Hyett our Business Manager for continuing her work to provide the best possible facilities for our students. Thank you to Mr Phil Belfrage for his work in coordinating the installation of the new kindergarten play equipment, to Mr Joe Giancono for the re sealing of the driveway and to our wonderful Grounds and Maintenance Team for their work in getting the College ready for the first day of term.

CENSUS DAY AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Friday 7 August is WA Schools Census Day. On this day we report to the Federal Government upon our enrolments. It is important that our census details and enrolments are accurate to ensure we receive the funds required to deliver teaching and learning programs in 2016. I take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of your children’s regular attendance at school, not just on census day. Our desire is that all students have the best possible attendance at school to enable each and every child to reach their full potential. Support and guidance is always available at St Mary’s and parental support is critical in ensuring that we work together to achieve this goal in education.

Dear God,
Thank you for making enough light
To cover the whole world.
Come to me and be my light.
Light up my way and show me how to be like you,
Now and always.

24th July, 2015

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FROM ASSISTANT HEAD OF PRIMARY

Keryn Moase

YEAR SIX FUNDRAISING

This Friday the Year 6s have a fundraising event at Sun Pictures Outdoor Theatre. Tickets are to be purchased at the box office. Miss Harriett, Mr Dave and their helpers will be selling sausage sizzles and cakes inside the venue from 5:30pm. It would be great to see our families and friends supporting this event. Next Friday there will be a Free Dress Day and students have the option to purchase a sausage sizzle for their lunch. Please return the forms and money to Miss Sarah at the front office by Monday 27th July.
Thank you for the ongoing support that the school community has shown to supporting the staff and students making the trip to Canberra in Week 4 this term.

**Bishop’s Literacy Assessment**
Next Monday the Year Three and Five students will be taking part in the Bishop’s Literacy Assessment for Religious Education. Notes were sent home earlier this week outlining further information about this. Please see your child’s teacher if you have any further questions or queries.

**ICAS International Competitions and Assessment for Schools**
There have been a number of students sitting ICAS competitions across a variety of subjects. Our first results came in over the holidays for Digital Technologies and Shae-Ella Bradley from 3B received a certificate of Distinction! Congratulations to Shae-Ella and all other students that participated. Next Tuesday 28th July will be the English assessment for any students that nominated to take part. Good Luck!

**Kindy Playground**
Over the school holidays the Kindy Playground had a fantastic make over. The students have been very excited to explore and play with all the new equipment. Their smiling faces say it all!

**Confirmation Information Night**
An information night will be held at the Nicholas Emo Centre on Wednesday 29th July at 5pm. All parents/carers and students that wish to take part in this sacramental program are asked to attend this information session.
MUSICAL MOMENTS, A BEAUTIFUL BROOME SUNSET SOIREE AT SMC
During the evening of June 25 the elective music students from Year 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 put on a great showcase of their hard work for semester one. The sunset soiree started with an exciting ‘bang’ of three drummers on the balcony of the music room with the parents and friends settled on the grassy slope on chairs and picnic rugs. It ended with a fantastic performance of the famous “At Last”. In between these two acts there was everything from “Thinking Out Loud” and “All About the Bass /Cake” from our Year 8 class to Red Hot Chilli Peppers and Rihanna and more form the Year 9 and 10 ensembles. All up there was over eight different combinations of ensembles performing on the night. All involved performed with the utmost professionalism for young musicians. Something that their parent were very proud of. Congratulations to you all. It was a night to remember and one I certainly enjoyed being part of. It was very exciting to have over 30 students involved. My sincere thanks to the Performing Arts team and many other staff and students for their help and support in setting up and packing up for the evening. Miss Robyn, SMC Music Teacher

KIMBERLEY MUMPS OUTBREAK!
The East Kimberley experienced a Mumps outbreak in March 2015, this has now spread to Broome and surrounding communities. To date there are 49 confirmed cases with many more mild or cases that may have gone unreported. The ages of people affected range from nine to 22 years and all have received two prior doses of Mumps vaccine. Mumps is highly infectious and easily spread to others. People with Mumps are infectious from 6 days before the onset of symptoms up to 9 days after. Flu like symptoms with swelling of glands around the ear and neck are the most common symptoms. Any students that become unwell should be excluded from school and should attend their local Medical Centre for further tests. Please contact Kimberley Population Health Unit for further details – 9194 1630.

P AND F CRAZY HAIR DISCO
7TH AUGUST
Kindy-2: 4-5pm
Years 3-6: 5.15-6.30
Please email Rose Mitchell if you can help( cook sausages, popcorn, source dance prizes, help set up or pack away)
Rosieo74@hotmail.com
Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 students will be participating a week-long work placement from 21st to 25th September – the final week of term. Over the years, students have had some amazing experiences during Work Experience week. It is an opportunity that not only assists students in their career development, but also provides consolidation of generic employability skills and personal growth. Students are likely to be working with people they have never met and engaging in new and unfamiliar workplace tasks and routines.

To obtain the greatest career and personal growth benefits from Work Experience, students are encouraged to seek a placement that reflects a genuine career interest they would like to explore. Where possible, students should avoid working in familiar workplace environments they regularly frequent, for example in family businesses or where they are already in part-time employment. Although students don’t get paid, (it is illegal!), the more enduring personal benefits of Work Experience are a far greater reward.

Please contact Mr Aidan on 9194 9535 for any queries or if you can offer a Work Experience placement to one of our students.

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PRIMARY INTERHOUSE FOOTBALL

COMPETITION

The Primary Inter-House Football Competition was held over 3 weeks each lunchtime on the Primary Campus at the end of Term 3. There was a great turnout of boys and girls from each House playing each lunchtime and the support and cheering on the sidelines was fantastic. There was a definite buzz around the school as the finals approached and it came down to Barbier vs. Ward, a titanic match up with the previous encounter being won by Barbier in a thriller. The two teams were vying for the inaugural Tim Clear Trophy, a prestigious and much coveted shield. In the end Ward were victorious in an incredibly close game with lots of twists and turns – congratulations Ward! The competition was played in great spirit and the students are already looking forward to next year. Congratulations must also go to Jack Dann for winning the Sonny Dann Medal for the most goals in the competition and to Jyrique Johnson who was awarded the Brian Kane Medal for the best player of the competition. A huge thank you to Sonny Dann and Joseph Davies who helped organise and umpire the games.

Enya Lippert, Year 7, was a finalist in the Act Belong Commit World Environment Day competition!

Enya entered an image titled ‘Beautiful Colours, Beautiful Minds!’ taken during the Kimberley Cup photographic elective sunset shoot at Riddell Beach, with the following caption……

“I took this photo at Riddell Beach, when my friends and I went down there for a sunset photo shoot. It was so nice to see the sun go down and the beautiful colours of the sky. We all went home with happy and positive minds”
SMC Grade 6 Movie Night

Friday 24th July @ Sun Pictures

BBQ & Cakes from 5:30pm
Movie starts @ 6:30pm

ILLUMINATION presents

minions

TICKETS ON SALE NOW AND ON THE NIGHT AT SUN PICTURES, CARNARVON ST., BROOME

This is a fundraising event for the 2015 St. Mary's Grade 6 Canberra Camp
Broome Basketball Competition starts next Thursday 30th July at BRAC for children in Yr4 to Yr12 at Registrations are being taken now!!! If you would like a registration form please see Miss Sarah on Primary or Miss Renee on Secondary. If you would like to know more about the competition please call Monica on 0488468677.

ACCESS TO FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER ONLINE
http://www.stmarysbroome.wa.edu.au/home/newsletter/

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Lock in these fantastic P&F Events on your calendar for Term 3!

Tuesday 4th August - P&F Meeting 7.00pm at the Primary staff room. It’s a relaxed evening putting forward ideas; discussing and creating fun events all aimed at looking after our kids whilst raising money to benefit their education. You also get to hear more about what goes on in the school community from the Principal and from the School Board.

Friday 7th August - Primary Disco. If you feel like grooving and dancing while helping out to make it a great night please email Rose at rosieo74@hotmail.com, she would love to hear from you.

Friday 21st August - Cake Stall at Primary Athletics Carnival
Friday 4th September – Cake Stall at Interschool Athletics Carnival

Helpers or Bakers would be appreciated at either of these Cake Stalls, please contact belinda.dwyer@yahoo.com.au

Stay tuned also for the date of the St Mary’s Annual Movie Night – a night under the stars with the big screen, bean bags, curries, popcorn and more!

Like us on Facebook @ St Mary’s College Broome Parents and Friends Association if you would like to be kept up to date with all these P and F upcoming events and more.

Belinda Dwyer (President) 0419 895 367

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

MONDAY 7.30 - 10.00
WEDNESDAY 7.30 - 10.00
FRIDAY 730 - 10.00

LOCATED ON SECONDARY CAMPUS

ST MARY’S CRAFT GROUP

A relaxed, social and casual meeting place where you can “get your craft on”. St Marys supply the materials, you supply the handwork and together we can make beautiful things for sale and donation in our community. We meet weekly during term at The Holy Place (primary campus) after school on Wednesdays 2:15 till 4:15. Bring some healthy snacks to share. We will be working with beautiful 100% wool felt, pure cottons and silks, Australian made, ethical and non toxic supplies. Children are welcome to participate too. Complete beginners especially encouraged to participate!

Anna Barnes
0490345782

BROOME PCYC

JOIN OUR JUNIOR BOXING CLASS FOR
Fun • Fitness • Coordination
Self Confidence • Self Discipline

Juniors (7-13 years) Monday and Wednesday
4:30-5:30pm
$5 Per Class

STARTING TERM 3 2015
On Monday 20 July

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