

St Mary's Primary School Newsletter

"Learning that lasts a lifetime"



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we work and live, the Gumbaynggirr nation and we pay respects to Elders both past and present

Dates For Your Diary

Assembly Friday @ 2.45 pm – Please join us

Weds 19/12 - Last day Term 4

Wed 30/01/19, Thurs 31/01/19 & Fri

01/02/19 - Kindergarten Best Start Interviews

Wed 30/01/19- Thurs 31/01/19 -

Assessment Interviews

Frid 01/01/19 - First day for students 1-6

Mon 04/02/19 - First day for Kindergarten students

FLEXI-SCHOOL IS HERE

Online canteen ordering has arrived and it works! No more scraping around for change on canteen days. Please follow the directions below and you too will be able to order school lunches via your phone. Next term we plan to broaden the scope of Flexi-Schools to include excursions, performances and fund-raising



Flexischools makes it possible to:

- Order school lunches online at anytime
- Easily monitor special dietary requirements
- Select healthy choice options
- Pay for orders through Visa, Mastercard, Paypal or direct deposit

To set up your account follow the steps below:

REGISTER

- 1 Go to flexischools.com.au, select the REGISTER button and enter your email address.
- 2 You will be sent a registration email with a link to the registration page.
- 3 Follow the instructions in the email to set up your account.
- 4 Once your account is set up, add your students and select their school and class.

ORDER

- 1 Go to flexischools.com.au and select the 'My Account' button and login.
- 2 To place an order, click on the 'Online Ordering' button for your student.
- 3 Select the items you wish to order.
- 4 Select your payment option and complete payment to place your order.



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10 years supporting the school community



Committed to healthy eating



Over 1,200 happy schools

A Message From The Principal



Dear Parents, Families and Caregivers,
And so here we are at the end of the 2018 school year and what a great year it has been.

A huge thank you to all our wonderful students, staff and parents who give their all to make St Mary's the great place it is. Over these last two weeks everyone has gone above and beyond to ensure our students finish their school year full of love and celebration; including prize-giving and Giving Tree, School Picnic, Year 6 Graduation and fabulous graduation party, Parish Mass, Wet and Wild, Talent Quest and Swimming Carnival. Too many people to mention individually, but you know who you are and we are very grateful that you are part of our St Mary's community. Thank you. Your efforts make a huge difference to our students' lives.

Please don't forget to log into the parent portal and book your child/rens' for their assessment interviews for the beginning of next term.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas full of peace, love, joy and hope.

You can join the Parish in celebrating Christmas at the following times;

Christmas Mass Times

24/12 Vigil Mass Urunga 5.30pm, Bellingen 7.30pm

25/12 Christmas Day Urunga 8.30am, Dorrigo 10.00am

Kind Regards,
Claire Mellon
Principal



2018 Swimming Champions



Class Awards: Term 4 Week 9

K: Sebastian Harfield, Pascal Oliver, Ki-eesha Rokosuka

Yr 1 / 2: Alakai Grimson, Walter Wadick, Ruby Degenhard

Yr 3 / 4: Pallas Gale, Hunter Papandrea, Enam Hunter

Yr 5 / 6: Charlie Halpin, Byron Elmaloglou

PBS - "I am kind to others" K - Billy Murcott, Yr 1 - Ivy Bertram, Yr 2 - Finn Oliver, Yr 3 - Oliver Smith, Yr 4 - Luca Mighell, Yr 5 - Matthew Reeson, Yr 6 - Melody Pass.

Happy Birthday to: Darcy Brown & Tatiana D'Arcy-Ryan for 20/12, Keene Andrade & Jesse Clack 25/12, Elliot & Pippa Nolan 27/12, Lily Moss 28/12, Hazel Garrett 04/01, Jayda Crawford 06/01, Frankie English 09/01, Eleanor Frost 15/01, Marlon Ward 16/01, Flynn Tsang 19/01, Jaz Srilawong 22/01

Nut Free School

We have several students who have an anaphylactic reaction to NUTS & BYPRODUCTS Therefore when packing lunches etc for the day, please remember, St. Mary's is a 'nut free' zone Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Scooter Safety

Please remember that scooters are not to be used in the school grounds at any time for safety reasons. All students on bikes and scooters must wear helmets. The school's duty of care requires us to prevent students to ride bikes or scooters without a helmet.

No Hat No Play

St Mary's has a "No hat, No play" policy. Please ensure your child has a school hat to wear at school everyday.

REMINDER

The school uniform is runners/joggers on sports day. Every other day the uniform is black school shoes. Please ensure your children are in uniform.

For Your Information

Police School Liaison Officer -

Bernadette Snow - 0437774483

Police Youth Liaison Officer - Joe

Brooker - 66910799 -

Kids Help Line - 1800551800

<http://www.kidshelp.com.au/>

Cyber Safety - Incredible resource for

parents and children www.esafety.gov.au

Music Lessons at St. Mary's -

Piano = Victoria 6655 8782

Guitar = Glen 0422 440 647.

STAGGERED START 2019 **PLEASE BOOK ONLINE**

Next year, as we do every year, we will be having a staggered start in the first week of school. This means your child will come in for a one on one assessment interview with their teacher. This enables teachers to start building relationships with their students and know exactly where they are at in their learning. Shortly you will receive an invitation to book your child's 2019 interview online. Please if you have any difficulties doing so come into school and our friendly office ladies will assist you in doing so.

Kindergarten Wed 30/01, Thurs 31/01 and Friday

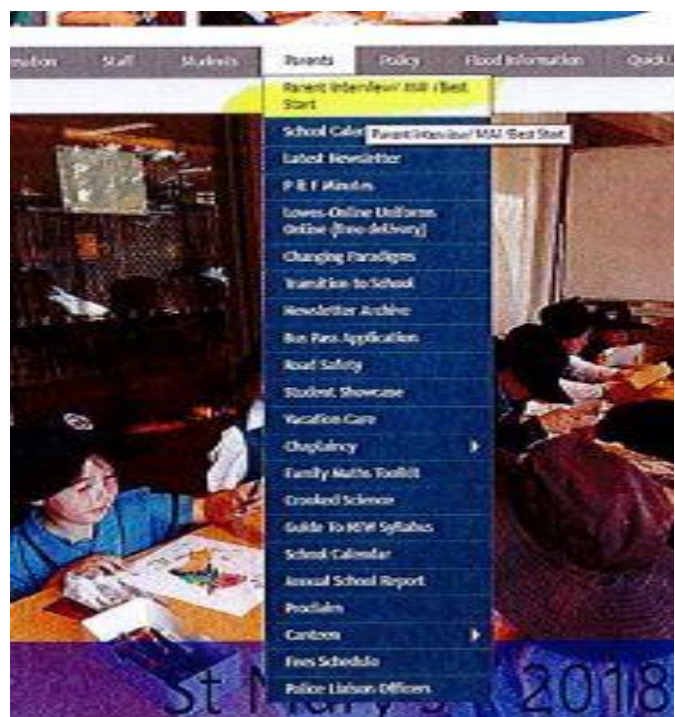
01/02/19 by appointment Kindergarten Maths Assessment Interview and Best Start Literacy Assessment, to book go to the school website and click on the "Parents" tab. Kindergarten classes commences on Monday 04/02/19.

Years 1 - 6 Wed 30/01 - Thurs 31/01 by appointment

Maths Assessment Interviews, to book go the school website and click on the parents tab. Years 1 - 6 classes commence on Friday 01/02/19.

Please follow the steps provided to make an appointment for each of your children. It is important that you make note of your selected time slot. You are able to unbook and rebook a time slot if you wish. You need to use the email address you have registered with the school (the one the school newsletter is sent to or is on the enrolment form for new parents).

We will advise when the portal is active.



2019 SCHEDULE OF FEES

We are reliant on your school fees to run this school. If you have outstanding fees please settle them before the end of the year. If you are having difficulties in paying your fees by the end of the year please contact the school.

School fees are going up 3.5% next year, as they do each year, in line with CPI (Consumer Price Index)

No. of Children	Per Fortnight commencing 1st January 2019	Per Month Commencing January 2019	Per Term X4	Total
1	\$72.65	\$157.42	\$472.25	\$1,889.00
2	\$117.65	\$254.92	\$764.75	\$3,059.00
3	\$146.46	\$317.34	\$952.00	\$3,808.00
Annual Technology Levy	\$75 per student which is not included in the fees and to be paid at the beginning of the school year.			

Direct deposit details:

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL BELLINGEN
BANANACOAST CREDIT UNION
BSB: 533-000
A/C: 151863 (S11)

Stage 1 Science

In Science, Stage 1 looked at the ways in which Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have used or continue to use natural materials like rafia to make products that meet their needs. Most of us found it very tricky at first, but then with persistence many got to the final product, a beautiful woven basket.



Design and 3D Printing in Stage 2

Stage 2 have been having a great time this term exploring the design process. Their brief was to design a Christmas decoration and/or a keyring attachment for a Christmas present. The tools they had to use were the Tinkercad design app and a 3D printer.

The children made digital prototypes, tested them out and then went back to redesign until they got exactly what they wanted.





YMCA
Action
BREAK

**SWIMMING
INTENSIVES**

SUMMER 2018/19 SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Bellingen Shire Swim Centre
Prince Street, Bellingen
☎ 6655 1688 📧 ymcansw.org.au/bellingen



YMCA NSW EMPOWERMENT / HEALTHY LIVING / SOCIAL IMPACT



**CHRISTMAS
CAROLS**

by the

**CHRIST
LIGHT TREE**

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

Corner Hyde/Oak Streets

THURSDAY 20th DECEMBER

7.15pm for 7.30pm start

* Live Music * Local cafes open

*Pedestrians please use designated road crossings
and stay safe.*

Brought to you by the Combined Churches of Bellingen



**Have
A
Very
Merry
CHRISTMAS**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

For seniors, single parents and children ...
anyone who would otherwise be alone!

Little Red Kitchen

Hyde Street, Bellingen

Christmas Day 25th December 12pm



We'll supply the food and drink while you enjoy
some Christmas cheer and entertainment.

* Special diets catered * Transport available

If you would like to celebrate this special day
with us, or if you know someone else who will be
alone, please ring and book as soon as possible:

Bellingen Neighbourhood Centre Ph: 66551239

Organised by: Little Red Kitchen, St Vincent de Paul & St Margaret's Church

**TIEBREAK
TENNIS ACADEMY**
Advanced Performance Programs

TIEBREAK TENNIS ACADEMY
Cnr. HARBOUR DR & CURACOA ST COFFS
HARBOUR PH: 6651 1615
MOB: 0424 777 542

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
TENNIS CLINICS**

CLINIC DATES:

COFFS HARBOUR &

PLEASE NOTE: ALL CLINICS WILL BE DEPENDANT ON NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AND MAY VARY THE TO ALLOCATED TIMES AND DATES, IF NECESSARY.
CLINIC 1: MON 10TH – WED 12TH DEC
CLINIC 2: MON 17TH – WED 19TH DEC
CLINIC 3: MON 7ND – WED 9TH JAN
CLINIC 4: MON 14TH – TUES 15TH JAN.
CLINIC 5: MON 21ST – TUES 22ND JAN.

BELINGEN CLINIC DATES:

CLINIC 1: WED 12TH – FRI 14TH DEC
CLINIC 2: WED 19TH – FRI 21ST DEC
CLINIC 3: WED 3RD – FRI 5TH JAN
CLINIC 4: WED 9TH – FRI 11TH JAN
CLINIC 5: WED 16TH – FRI 18TH JAN
CLINIC 6: WED 23RD – FRI 25TH JAN

BEGINNERS:
RED & ORANGE BALL
AGES: 4 - 8yrs
TIME: 9:30 – 11am
COST: \$80 for 3 days

INTERMEDIATE:
ORANGE & GREEN BALL
AGES: 8 - 12yrs
TIME: 9:30am – 12:30pm
COST: \$90 for all 3 days

ADVANCED:
YELLOW BALL
AGES: 12+ yrs
TIME: 1:00pm – 4:00pm
COST: \$95 for 3 days

NOTE: 1 DAY any level \$35.00

For more information about our
Holiday Tennis Clinics, please
contact Jarred Kelly on
0424 777 542 or 6651 1615.

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