



SMJ NEWSLETTER

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Caring, Learning, Growing: Every Child, Every Day

Dear Families,

What an incredible term of learning and fun it has been. On reflection it is amazing to see how much we have achieved. Congratulations to our Foundation students and their families who have navigated their first term of school. It has been so lovely to get to know all of the children and their personalities. We hope that all our new families have felt welcomed by the SMJ school community and we look forward to continuing our journey with you all.

A huge thank you must go to all our families who have supported, organised, contributed to and helped with our Easter raffles, hot cross bun drive, end of term lunch, Harmony day and any other event over the term. Your support ensures we are a vibrant, supportive community. At the forefront of all of this is our children. Everything we do in partnership ensures our children get the best possible education.

Many thanks to the families who filled in the online reporting survey and to those who attended the community conversation evening last Monday night. We appreciate the way in which you brought your voice to this conversation and we look forward to other opportunities across the year to seek your feedback. Thank you to all those families who assisted at our Athletics Sports Carnival today and to Miss Dortmans for surviving her first big event. It was great to see the day celebrated in great spirit and joy.

As we move into the holidays we wish everyone a great break. Many people gather together at Easter so may it be a time to celebrate family and friends.

'May the risen Christ fill your heart with joy, bring you new hope, and bless you with peace'

Louise

**SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.25pm
TOMORROW, HAPPY HOLIDAYS...**

LAST DAY OF TERM STUDENT LUNCH



\$5 per child / \$10 a family
Please pay the school
office or your child's
homeroom teacher.

Bakers Delight

**Hot Cross Bun
delivery
tomorrow.**



**Caring Learning Growing:
Every Child, Every Day**



Sherman Learning Community (Foundation)

We have come to the end of the Prep's first term of school! It has been a wonderful 10 weeks filled with learning and developing great relationships.

This week we will be sending home letter and letter sound cards to highlight what the students need to continue practising at home. We do not take readers or library books home over the holidays, however we still encourage that children are reading at home regularly.

Have a lovely holiday!! !



Brigid Learning Community (1/2)

It has been an enjoyable, busy term and we wish you all a peaceful, happy break.

Love from all the Junior teachers and LSOs.



LYNCH LEARNING COMMUNITY (3/4)

The grade 4's went on camp and the grade 3's were left alone with different teachers. Our teachers were Mrs Sudholz and Mrs Lang and on Wednesday our teachers changed to Mr Taylor and Mrs Friend. We have done fun activities as 1 big group. The activities included a maths colouring in sheet and an Easter egg character that we coloured in. We also listened to the Easter story called Jesus sacrifice. Jewell's mum had a baby boy called Ryan!!! He went home on Wednesday at lunch time and that was his first time home and it was so exciting!!!

Written by Jewell B ,Makaira O and Nyah D

FISHING CLUB...

Fishing Club Update:

Yesterday Elliot got his fishing lure in the tree and he lost it. A man came and offered to help us but he couldn't get it down either so we left it and went back fishing. Mr Rowe decided to jump in the water to save his lure, even though he was wearing his work clothes. It was very funny. We didn't catch any fish again but we had lots of laughs.

Kalan





HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES in SMJ Church



Holy Week begins with Passion Sunday on April 14th
Saturday 6.30pm. Sunday 10.30am. Dimboola 8.30am.
Murtoa 8.30am. Nhill 10am

We gather outside the Church for the Blessing and Procession of Palms. *Branches are available at each Church. You are invited to take a blessed branch home as a symbol of God's peace abiding there.*

ANOINTING MASS Tuesday April 16th 2pm in SMJ Church.

Anointing with newly blessed Oil of the Sick. Cuppa in the Hall after.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Tuesday April 16th at 7pm in SMJ Church.

Hymns, Prayers, Scripture, Examination of Conscience,
individual absolution of sins at the end with two Priests.

HOLY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Thursday April 18th at 7.30pm in SMJ Church.

Reception of the New Oils, Washing of the Feet.

Mass ends with the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose
in the Church at the Tabernacle

All are invited to pray before the Blessed Sacrament to 10pm

"Could you not pray one hour with Me" said Jesus.

Children for the Sacraments this year are invited to have their feet washed.

Fr Peter will come to the children in their family seat for this washing.

Jesus washed his disciples' feet as a call to service of others.

GOOD FRIDAY

CEREMONY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Friday April 19th at 3pm in SMJ Church.

Nhill Ceremonies 3pm

The Passion of John is read, Intercessions prayed, Collection for the Holy Places,
Holy Communion, the Altar is tripped.

EASTER VIGIL AND MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

Saturday April 20th at 7.30pm in SMJ Church.

We begin outside the Church with the Lighting of the Easter Fire. We Process the Easter Candle
into the Church. The Exultet is sung. OT Readings. Mass of the Resurrection.

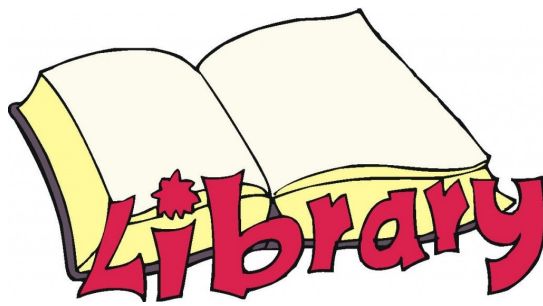
Renewal of our Baptismal Promises. Blessing with Easter Water.

*At the end of Mass you are invited to take home a bottle of blessed
Easter to bless your family and home.*

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES APRIL 21st:

Horsham 10.30am. Dimboola 8.30am.

Murtoa 8.30am. Nhill 10am



Premier's Reading Challenge

We are again participating in the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge. The Challenge has already started and will run until the last week of Term 3. Students from Foundation to Year 2 are encouraged to read or "experience" 30 books with their parents and teachers. Students from Year 3 to Year 6 are challenged to read 15 books.

All of our students have been registered and can access their accounts via www.education.vic.gov.au/prc. From here, you will need to go to student login and enter your child's username and password. All usernames begin with your child's year level (two digits beginning with zero for foundation - 00, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05 and 06), followed by your child's first name (first letter is a capital) and last name initial (also a capital). So for example, if I was in foundation my username would be 00LindaM. All passwords are the child's teacher name followed by 1234 (all lowercase). For example marr1234, haase1234 etc. Passwords can be changed when you first login. Alternatively, you can complete the attached checklists and hand back to the library.

This year there will be prizes available. First prize will be awarded to the person who reads the most books. Second and third prizes will be drawn out randomly. Only those students who have successfully completed the Challenge will be eligible to go into the draw.

Number of books you need to read

- * **Prep to year 2**
Number of books: 30
Number of books from the challenge book list: 20 or more
- * **Year 3 to year 9**
Number of books: 15
Number of books from the challenge book list: 10 or more

If you require more information or are having trouble logging into your account, please feel free to contact our Librarian, Linda McCall. You can also visit the above webpage and check out frequently asked questions.

Happy reading!



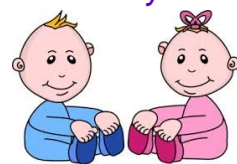
HOLY THURSDAY MASS

On Thursday 18th of April at 7.30pm, it is recommended that any student who is completing the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist attend and be part of the washing of the feet ritual.

Regards Father Peter

BABY NEWS

*Congratulation to Jewel's family
on the safe arrival of her little
bother Ryan.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...
Riley O, Ben K & Oscar M



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FRIDAY
14TH JUNE
2019



SMJ HORSHAM COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN



1PM FRI 26 APRIL
SAWYER PARK



Bright Sparks PROGRAM

STARTS
14 MAY
2019!



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Check out our free workshops to see if you can be extended and challenged
in an area of interest to you.



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WEARABLE ART

Get creative in this workshop and make your
own wearable art! You will be guided through
the process of using ceramics to create your own
jewellery designs - the only limitation is your
imagination!



SHUTTERBUGS

Using digital cameras and some photographic
accessories, you will work outside and be
exposed to taking sharper photographs and
focus on using camera controls manually. You'll
be taking professional shots with ease in no time!



THE GREAT OUTDOORS

In this workshop, you will use your initiative,
work as a team and test your camp set-up and
navigation skills in order to survive the elements!



iROBOT

Investigate the world of robotics and
programming by challenging your critical and
creative thinking.



MARVELLOUS MATHS

Fancy some fraction action? In this workshop,
you will explore things like the Möbius strip,
everyday probability and describe yourself
using mathematics.



WORLD ISSUES

Do you know the world in which we live?
Expand your knowledge and opinions on current
issues and get ready to become a global
citizen!



FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

Dazzle your tastebuds and refine your culinary
skills in this workshop where food is adored and
celebrated!

The Bright Sparks Program is open to all Wimmera students in Grade 5/6 and Year 7.
The program will run on Wednesday afternoons (3.45pm - 5.00pm) from 14th May - 5th June 2019.
Students will be provided with drinks and a fruit snack prior to each workshop.

Please visit www.stbc.vic.edu.au for more details
and to apply to take part in these exciting free workshops.

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WHERE: DUDLEY W CORNELL PARK, 20
GERTRUDE STREET, HORSHAM,
3400

TIMES: 08.30 TO 11.30AM (BOTH
DAYS)

COST: \$99

 **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**








YOU'RE INVITED.

Bendigo Bank Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Come and join us for chocolate eggs and a sausage sizzle! Children will need to register to participate for the Easter Egg Hunt with a \$2 gold coin donation. All proceeds will be donated to the Good Friday Appeal. Activities for the night include face painting, jumping castle, mini-games, and a special guest appearance from the Easter Bunny and Piggy. Coffee, tea, cordial, and hot cross buns available for purchase.

When: Thursday 18 April 2019
Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm
Where: Maydale Pavilion (Showgrounds)
22 McBryde st, Horsham

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School Holiday Sports Program

The school holiday sports program is a great opportunity for all children (ages 8-12) to be active this school holidays. Listed below are the scheduled sports, all starting at **10:30am** and running for 1 hour. Each sport session will be held at the local sporting club facilities. The sessions are 100% FREE and all about getting active and playing sport this school holidays.

You can register for as many as you like, please go to <http://wrsa.org.au/regional-sport/school-holiday-program> or come to our office at 17 McLachlan St, Horsham or call on 53824599.

Date	Sport/Club/Location	Time
Tuesday 9 th April	Squash at Horsham Squash Club	10:30 – 11:30
Friday 12 th April	Volleyball at St Brigid's Stadium	10:30 – 11:30
Monday 15 th April	Croquet at Kalimna Park Croquet Club	10:30 – 12:00
Tuesday 16 th April	Ten-Pin Bowling at Horsham Lanes and Games	10:30 – 11:30
Thursday 18 th April	Table Tennis at Horsham Table Tennis (Harriett St)	10:30 – 11:30

AUTUMN HOLIDAY Program 2019

A riotous four days of art and all things creative for ages 5-12

Join Horsham Regional Art Gallery for 4 different workshops catering to all your creativity needs.

Pay and book at horshamtownhall.com.au or visit the Gallery to secure your child's place.

All workshops have limited capacity, book and pay early to avoid disappointment.

9-12 April, 2019

Cost: \$12 Full | \$10 Concession/HTH Members

Times: 10:30am - 12pm

Bookings: 5382 9575 | horshamtownhall.com.au

Children under the age of 7 **MUST** attend with a parent or guardian.

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AUTUMN HOLIDAY Program 2019

Autumn Wreaths
Why should Christmas get all the decorating fun? Explore colour, texture, paper and textiles. Head home with an explosion of colour for your bedroom door. **Tuesday 9 April**

Wacky Weaving
Fiddly fun for idle fingers. Experiment with yarn, plates and board. Retro wall hangings to Ender portals - try it in yarn! **Wednesday 10 April**

PVA Sun Catchers
Sticky sun art that won't stain at home. Create a see through master piece for your bedroom window. **Thursday 11 April**

Egg Painting
Come and try the age old Easter activity of egg painting. Delicate works of art to get you in the Easter mood. Inks, paints, sequins and glitter. Add some colour to your Easter holidays. **Friday 12 April**

Phone 03 5382 9575 or visit horshamtownhall.com.au to book on line

HORSHAM YOUTH 2019 WEEK

Horsham Lanes and Games
6 Jenkinson Ave, Horsham

LOCK IN 6-8pm
\$5 EnTry

TEN PIN BOWLING
INFLATABLE WORLD

Friday 5th April

Cr Mark Radford, Mayor
invites you to the
Official Opening
of the
Apex Adventure Island Stage 1 Project

Sunday 7 April 2019
11.45 am
Apex Adventure Island, Pump Track
Barnes Boulevard, Horsham

Between 11 am and 2 pm there will be a free BBQ, pump track action, competitions for best-dressed bike/scooter and enjoyment of Apex Adventure Island's natural space

This project has been a partnership between Horsham Apex Club, Wimmera Catchment Management Authority, Wimmera River Improvement Committee and Horsham Rural City Council

RSVP by Wednesday 3 April 2019
Email: fiona.kelly@hrc.vic.gov.au or phone 53829725

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DATES TO REMEMBER AT SMI

2019

APRIL		
FRI 5 th	9.00am	Assembly 1/2 Miss Murray
FRI 5 th		LAST DAY OF TERM 1 School finishes at 2.25pm
MON 22 nd		PUBLIC HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY
TUES 23 rd		TERM 2 COMMENCES
WED 24 th		Biblical Dress up day and Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY 25 th		PUBLIC HOLIDAY ANZAC DAY
FRIDAY 26 th		Colour Fun Run
MAY		
WED 8 th		Energy Breakthrough Parent information evening
FRI 10 th		Mothers Day Breakfast
FRI 24 th		School Photo Day
FRI 24 th	6.30pm	Parent social night ~ MUSIC BINGO Coughlin Park
TUES 28 th ~ FRI 31 st		Year 6 Camp to Melbourne



HOLY WEEK

On *Wednesday 24th April*, students are invited to dress up in Biblical Costume for the day for Holy Week.

We will be having a parade at 9am followed by Stations of the Cross.

No need to buy anything, use your imagination with an old sheet or piece of material, wear some angel wings or you may have a costume at home that already fits the brief.

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