



SMJ NEWSLETTER

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Caring, Learning, Growing: Every Child, Every Day

Dear Parents and Friends of the SMJ Community,

A very warm welcome back to all our families for Term 2 and what a busy start to the term it has been. It began with the Stations of the Cross and culminating with the 'Colour Run' on Friday which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. A huge thank you to all the staff involved in preparing for these events.

Congratulations to all those students who participated in the Horsham Primary Schools Cross Country this week. Our students performed outstandingly with many reports of good sportsmanship being relayed back to the school. Well done to Max, Tadhg, James, Jarhyn, Henry, Iris, Acacia, Greta & Jaida who have made it to the Greater Western Region Cross Country Championships.

Every year Grade 3 and 5 students partake in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). Parents have the right to ask for their child to be withdrawn from the assessments which occur Tuesday 14th, Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th May. If you would like your child withdrawn from the assessments, please contact the either myself, Mr Rowe or Mrs Chesterfield.

Prep Enrolments for 2020 are now open. If you are an existing family with a prep age child, please call in and see Jane at Reception. Please also pass on to any friends who may be considering Ss Michael and John's for their child. Further information is available on the school facebook page, 'SMJ Horsham'.

While we have all relished the lovely weather, especially over Easter, we are very conscious of the need for good soaking rains for our farming community. It was heartbreaking while travelling over the term break, to see areas so devoid of grass cover with topsoil beginning to drift. Drought impacts a whole region, not just the farmers. Whilst last night brought some rain we continue to pray for more.

We pray for the land

We hear the promise you have spoken in Isaiah
of the refreshment of the creation;
of water in the desert,
of renewal for the land,
of hope, of life.

We name our simple need – rain for our thirsty land.
Please, loving God, bring us rain
to renew the ground, to replenish our dams,
to bring some chance of feed,
to bring the possibility of some reward
to those who have toiled so hard.



Yours in Christ,
Andrea

Dates to remember over the next week...

Tomorrow 3 rd	Assembly - Sports Presentations
Tues 7 th	SAC meeting - 7.30pm Parish Centre
Wed 8 th	Energy Breakthrough Parent Information Meeting
Thurs 9 th	HCPSSA Athletics
Fri 10 th	Mothers Day Breakfast - 8.00am parish centre (please RSVP) Liturgy after Mothers Day Breakfast Winter Sports Years 5 & 6

Sherman Learning Community (Foundation)

Thank you to those people who came along to our first Liturgy yesterday, it was wonderful to see so many families and friends come to share in our special prayer time about Palm Sunday.

This week we have started our morning reading. The children each have a given day that they read to an adult in the space when they first get to school. Please see Seesaw or the poster in our space for your child's reading day. If you are available to assist with our morning reading between 8.30-9am please let Tina or Rhi know! We would love some more helpers! Also, we are seeking some more fresh herbs for our Sensory Area if you have any to spare. Thank you!

LYNCH LEARNING COMMUNITY (3/4)

Last week we had the colour fun run, green came last, yellow came third, red came second and blue came first. This week in math's we have been looking at addition and have been learning how to complete algorithms. In reading we are learning to write well crafted sentences. Also this week some students ran in the cross country, they raced against other schools and some students made it to the next level. We also did some learning about ANZAC Day

By Blake, Dayne and Mariann

MADDEN LEARNING COMMUNITY (5/6)

Monday

We welcomed Mrs Hamilton to our school (Miss Perkins got married over the holidays). We did a pre assessment persuasive writing piece which we be uploaded to our google site.

Tuesday

Year sixes did K.I.P which is: knowledge is power which is alcohol and drugs education and some of us ran in the cross country.

Wednesday

We cooked with Ibu Brennan. We cooked nasi goreng which is fried rice, it was heaps of fun.

Thursday

We had a math post test on number lines. We go to the town library on Thursday afternoons.

Friday

We have sport presentations instead of assembly in the morning.



Deepest Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Carracher, Wright, Tucker and Egan Families on the passing of Anne. Nan to Maddie and Liam, Great Nana to Murphy, Madden, Cruz & Ryan and Aunty to Mrs Egan.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Just a reminder the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge has started and it's great to see some of our students already logging their reading. All student accounts can be accessed 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. If you have any questions or are having trouble logging in, please contact our Librarian.

Alternatively, you can grab a reading checklist from either the reception area or the library and hand into the library when completed.

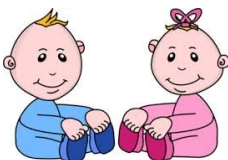
It's back ... Earn and Learn

Starting on May 1st through to June 25th, for every \$10.00 you spend at Woolworths they will give you an Earn and Learn sticker. Sticker sheets will be available from the office or library shortly. Please collect the Woolworth stickers for our school. Every sticker helps our school receive great resources from Modern Teaching Aids.



BABY NEWS

*Congratulation to Aiden's family
on the safe arrival of his little
bother Oscar.*



SMJ School Photo Day

Friday 24th May

*All photo envelopes need to be returned to
the school office by Monday 20th May please.
Family forms are available at the office.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

*Wil D, Zeeahra, Abbey B, Laura B, Hansel, Liam, Vinny,
Ruby J, Charley W, Elodie, Flynn, Peter, James B, Scarlett,
Christopher, Ruby-Rose and Grace G*

**Ss Michael & John's
Primary School
Fundraiser**



MUSIC BINGO

**FRIDAY
24TH
MAY**



**COUGHLIN
PARK
COMMUNITY
CENTRE**

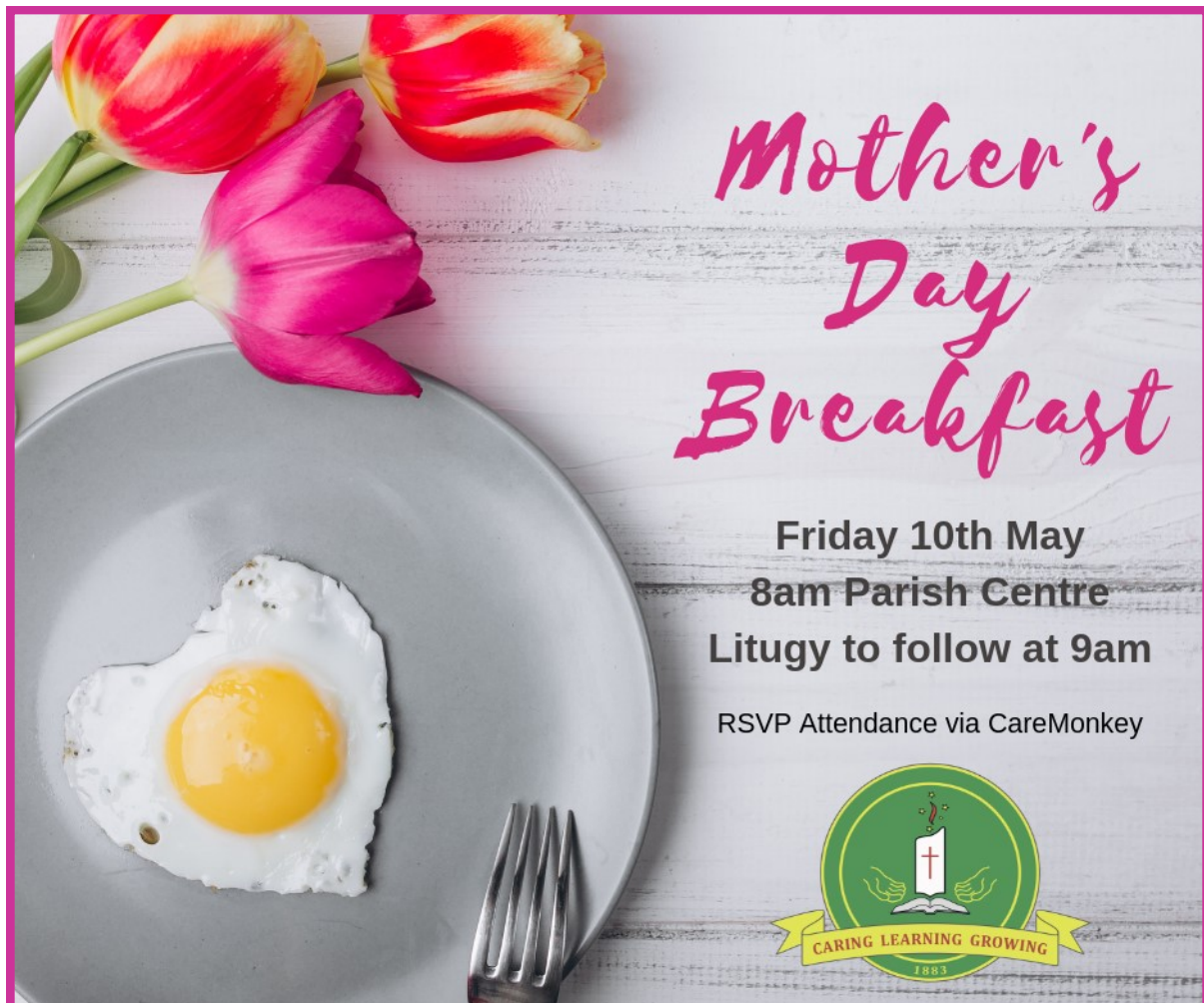


**7PM START
\$20 PER
ADULT**

**PRE-BOOKED TICKETS ONLY | PAY AT SMJ SCHOOL OFFICE
TICKET INCLUDES ENTRY & BINGO GAMES CARDS**

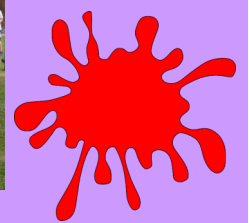
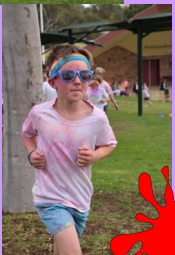
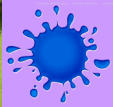
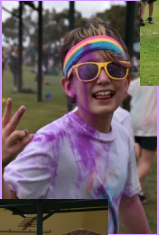
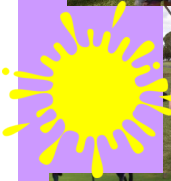
**ALL ADULT FAMILY & FRIENDS INVITED
PLEASE PAY THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

Please pay \$5 to the school office or your child's homeroom teacher. Thank you.





COLOUR RUN 2019



FREE
WORKSHOPS

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AUTISM?



My Child and Autism A workshop for parents

Date: Tues 21st May 2019
Time: 9.30am - 2.30pm
Venue: Stawell Health & Community Centre,
8-12 Patrick St, Stawell

REGISTER TODAY!

To register:
www.amaze.org.au/earlydays

It is highly recommended you attend this workshop prior to attending any other early days workshops

How Early Days can help:

Early Days provides workshops for parents and other family members of children 0-6 who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnosis or are going through the assessment and diagnosis process.

What this workshop offers:

- Learn about ASD and what it means for your child and your family
- Learn practical strategies that can make a difference to your child's development
- Learn how to navigate early intervention

More about Early Days workshops

- Free to attend
- Held in small groups of 4-15 and gives you an opportunity to meet other parents
- Lunch & light refreshments provided
- Childcare is NOT provided


earlydays
www.earlydays.com.au

promoting development of
young children on the autism spectrum

Gemstone & Mineral **Exhibition.**

Sat. 11th May. 10 am -5 pm. & Sun. 12th May. 10 am 4 pm.

Horsham & District Lapidary Clubrooms -24 Roberts Ave.

Displays

Gemstones, Minerals, Fossils, Jewellery.

Demonstrations.

**Gem Faceting, Silversmithing, Bone Carving, Jewellery Cleaning,
Opal Cutting, Metal Detecting Display & Sales**

Children's Workshops. (Working with Gemstones)

Saturday 11th 1-30pm to 2-30 pm & Sunday 12th 1-30pm to 2-30 pm

Bookings - 53822874. Before 10th May.

Gems, Jewellery & Novelty Stalls

. Light Refreshments.

Fossick for Gemstones - Lucky Dips.

.Free - Lucky Door Prize Competition

**Admission: Adults \$ 4-00, Children (6-14) \$1-00,
Family. (2 Adults & Children) \$ 8-00**



Bright Sparks PROGRAM

STARTS
15 MAY
2019!

Are you **gifted, talented or highly interested** in a particular area?
Check out our free workshops to see if you can be extended and challenged
in an area of interest to you.



WEIRD SCIENCE

Explore the weird and wacky world of science!
Be prepared to have your mind blown by the
wonderful things that the science world offers.



SPORTS ACADEMY

Are you an aspiring sporting star?
Come and experience elements of strength and
conditioning and skill development within our
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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 15th 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.

Ph. 5382 3545

www.stbc.vic.edu.au



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DATES TO REMEMBER AT SMI

2019

MAY		
TUES 7 th	7.30pm	SAC meeting - Parish Centre
WED 8 th	7.00pm	Energy Breakthrough Parent information evening
THURS 9 th		HCPSSA Athletics
FRI 10 th		Mothers Day Breakfast 8.00am Parish Centre (Families must RSVP)
		Liturgy after Mothers Day Breakfast
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
FRI 17 th		Assembly 1/2 Mrs Consedine
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
MON 20 th		SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
TUES 21 st		Greater Western Region Cross Country Championships
WED 22 nd	5.30pm	Taste of Prep 2020
FRI 24 th		School Photo Day - NO ASSEMBLY
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
	6.30pm	Parent social night ~ MUSIC BINGO Coughlin Park
MON 27 th		SCHOOL MASS - more details to follow
TUES 28 th - FRI 31 st		Year 6 Camp to Melbourne
FRI 31 st		Assembly 1/2 Mrs Abbott
JUNE		
THURS 6 th		Junior Hooptime (years 3 & 4)
FRI 7 th		Assembly 5/6 Mrs Hamilton
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
MON 10 th		PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL
WED 12 th		Alpha Show
THURS 13 th		Senior Hooptime (years 5 & 6)
AUG		
12 th - 16 th		Meals on Wheels
OCT		
14 th - 18 th		Meals on Wheels



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