



SMJ NEWSLETTER

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Caring, Learning, Growing: Every Child, Every Day

Dear Parents and Friends of the SMJ Community,

This week is National eSmart Week. National eSmart Week is a celebration where schools, public libraries, workplaces and community groups come together to promote the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technology. eSmart is an initiative of the Alannah & Madeline Foundation and currently more than 2300 schools around Australia, including ours, are accredited 'eSmart schools'. The theme for eSmart week is 'Keeping Communities Safe Online', helping create awareness, solutions and ideas for community education on issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing.

Technology is a great tool which we encourage our students to use to further their educations and to enjoy for leisure time, however as you are aware there are a number of risks involved with exposing our children to the world wide web. At school this week, students have been learning about cyber safety in ways that are practical and will help them navigate any potential dangers. I would encourage all parents to read 'Online Safety: A guide for parents and carers'. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/online-safety-guide>. This is from the Australian Governments eSafety Commissioner and provides some great suggestions about what you can do at home to keep your children safe.

School Uniform

Last week we asked for parental feedback about our uniforms. At this stage we have only had one response. If you have any feedback to give us regarding the items listed below, please email your responses to office@smjhorsham.catholic.edu.au

The quality of garments.

The price of garments.

The availability of stock.

The fit of the garments and the sizing options.

Reminder

*Please be aware that as of 2020 that any uniforms that have not been purchased at Lowes will no longer be permitted to be worn.

Have a great week,

Michael Rowe
Deputy Principal

Dates to remember over the week...

Tomorrow	Assembly 5/6 Mr Millemaci Years 3/4 trip to Penola
Wed 11th	Lunch Orders Due 5/6 Mrs Hamilton Parish Mass
Fri 13th	GRANDPARENTS DAY



**The office will be unattended between 10am - 2pm tomorrow
Friday 6th of September. Sorry for any inconvenience!**



GRANDPARENTS DAY...FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

Our Grandparent's Day is next Friday 13th September. We begin by celebrating Mass in the church at 9.30am. Morning tea will follow in the Parish Centre at around 10.20am. All school families are asked to provide a plate for morning tea. We are also seeking some parent helpers to help serve the morning tea or help clean up after. If you are able to assist please see Jane in the office. We are also seeking photos of our children with their grandparents or special friends to include in the PowerPoint presentation for Mass. Photos can be brought to school by Monday 9th September. Please drop photos to the school office to be scanned or you can email them to office.smjhorsham.catholic.edu.au.



SHERMAN LEARNING COMMUNITY (FOUNDATION)



In Religion we have been learning about prayer. Each day during our prayer times, the children have been offering their own prayers of thanks, praise, sorrow or asking. We have also been learning about the many things in our world that are beautiful and wondrous. This has been a great link to our focus on the natural environment. When asked about what things they consider to be beautiful and wondrous in our world they have talked about flowers, waterfalls, trees and animals. Today we started to make our very own 'Prayer Bags' in which we can place items which might inspire us when we pray. We made a cross out of sticks and twine and we will be adding new items each week. If the children have a photo at home that they would like to bring to add to their prayer bag next Thursday, they may bring it along!

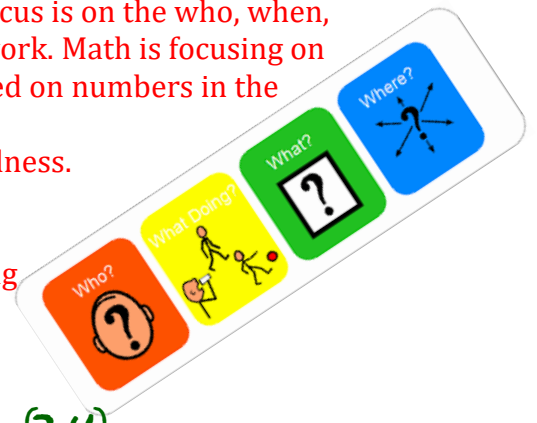
Brigid Learning Community (1/2)

We have been very busy writing using, colourful Semantics. The focus is on the who, when, where and what doing. We are writing some very good pieces of work. Math is focusing on the place value of numbers. A lot of our games and groups are based on numbers in the hundreds and for some the thousands and tens of thousands.

Religion and Resilience Project focus is around Prayer and mindfulness.

We loved Grace's dog, Molly, visiting us last Friday.

We are enjoying Mrs Friend teaching in our Learning Community and have heard from Mrs C. She is very much enjoying experiencing all that Italy has to offer. We are looking forward to hearing all about her trip when she returns.



LYNCH LEARNING COMMUNITY (3/4)



In math we have been measuring height, length and width. We have had to design a box for a toy that we were given. We also had to figure out the perimeter of our box. Tomorrow we are going to Penola in South Australia to learn about Mary Mackillop and her first school that she made and the importance of being Australian. We are looking forward to it!

By Jett and Will Mc

MADDEN LEARNING COMMUNITY (5/6)

On Monday in math we learned about factors. In literacy, we looked at myths and legends on the Kraken. In the afternoon we worked on our inquiry projects. For performing arts we looked at a cool dance video and made up our own dances to music.

On Tuesday we learned about multiples in math. In literacy we continued on the Kraken and more myths and legends. We are getting ready for learning symposiums.

Yesterday we worked on our sewing projects. In Indonesian, we finished our puppets! We also got our photos taken and they are on seesaw. In sport, we practiced our softball skills.

Today in math we learnt about the percentages with money. We will be presenting our projects to our class soon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Violet, Layla & Mia



Library

Series of the week ...

Horrible histories (by Peter Hepplewhite, Terry Deary and Neil Tonge)

Horrible Histories are history books with the guts left in! These illustrated accounts present the unusual, gory, and unpleasant facts of history with tongue-in-cheek humour.

Tags: history, humour, non fiction

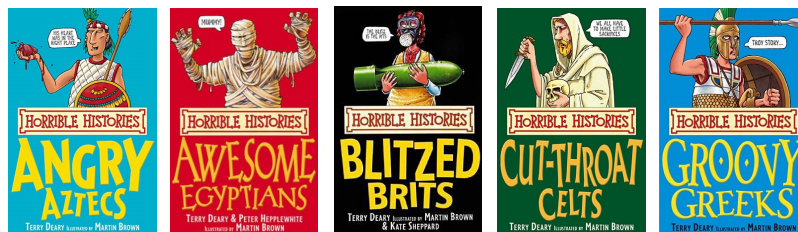
Reading level: 8+

Books in series: 23

Should you read in order: NO

Next release: finished

Website: www.horrible-histories.co.uk



Premier's Reading Challenge

Just a reminder the Premier's Reading Challenge ends tomorrow, Friday 6th September. If you still have reading that you need to have added please see Linda our Librarian before lunchtime tomorrow.

2019 Book of the Year Award Winners



SCHOOL FOOTY TIPPING WINNERS:



1st Prize : POPPY O'CONNOR \$400

2nd Prize: Equal STELLA SOSTHEIM & JETT MARTIN \$125 each

3rd Prize: BARTLETT FAMILY \$100

Wooden Spoon: TY JONES \$30

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N T O A L L

September is a time to 'SLAP ON A HAT'.

**In line with our Sunsmart Policy,
ALL children will need to be wearing their
SCHOOL hats By this Monday the 2nd September.**

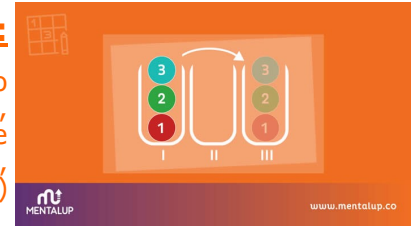


MEDIA TEAM

MATH PROBLEM

Visual Brain Teaser:

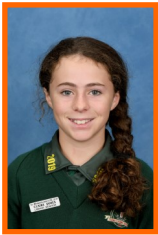
In order to transfer all the balls from the 1st tube to the 3rd tube by keeping them in their original order, how many moves should be done and what are those movements? (P.S: Name the balls like 1-2-3, and name the tubes I-II-III)



PUNS FOR KIDS...

What do you call a dinosaur that is sleeping?

(See next week's newsletter for the answers)



Student of the week

Claire James

Claire is student of the week for for consistently doing the right thing. Well done Claire!

Staff Member of the week

Mr Millemaci

Mr M is staff member of the week for designing a fun math activity for the grade 5/6's involving the big banana. Well done Mr M!

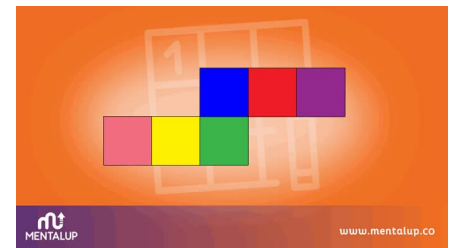


Last weeks answer's:

PUN: What do you call a rooster looking at lettuce?

A: A chicken sees a salad.

MATH:



Answer: Reciprocal squares will be: Yellow-Red / Blue-Purple / Green-Pink.



Our school is again participating in Walk to School month from October 7th – 1st November 2019. Every October, Walk to School encourages families to get active on the trip to and from school to help students build healthy habits for life. This year as part of Walk to School Horsham Rural City Council and Wimmera Health Care Group have organised for Active Paths to be installed leading from the school. The Active Paths initiative makes use of brightly coloured footpath decals as a means of engaging students. A map of the schools active paths will be included in future newsletters.

For further information regarding this activity please contact Janine Harfield, Community Health Coordinator, Wimmera Health Care Group on 53621241.

mates Mentor Training

Mentor In-Schools Program

2 hour training session

Participants will cover the foundation learning necessary to become a Youth Mentor within the MATES Mentoring In-School Programs. In-school programs run across schools throughout the Wimmera Southern Mallee Region.

DATES:
TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER
TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER; or
TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER.

TIME: 9:30am - 11:30am

Youth Mentoring Trauma Informed

6 hour training (across 3 sessions)

Sessions 2 & 3 have been designed to provide additional skills and understanding for mentors of young people who may have more significant and complex needs and behaviours.

DATES:
TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER
TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER; or
TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER.

SESSION 1 TIME: 9:30AM - 11:30am
SESSION 2 TIME: 11:30am - 1:30pm
SESSION 3 TIME: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Thankyou for considering becoming part of a young person's future! You will find that mentoring is personally rewarding and can have a big impact on a young person's life and future aspirations.

To register, or for further information, please contact Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN

mates@llen.com.au
Tel (03) 5381 0122



mates

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CENTENARY 1919-2019



Save the date

Sunday 10th November

Parish Centenary Mass 10.30am

St Mary MacKillop College Open Tours
11:30am—2:30 pm

St Mary's Primary School Tours
11:30am—2:30 pm

Monday 11th November

School Mass 9:15am and Blessing of the statue

St Mary's Primary School Tours
11:30am—1:30pm

St Mary MacKillop College Tours
11:30—1:00pm

Memorabilia Displays in the St Mary's Primary School Gym Foyer

Centenary website: www.smswanhill100years.com

School website: www.smswanhill.catholic.edu.au

If you have any photos, information, old stories or anecdotes from either schools could you please contact Susan Domaille at school (03)50332541 or Email: sdomaille@smswanhill.catholic.edu.au

DATES TO REMEMBER AT SMJ

2019

SEPTEMBER

Fri 6 th		Assembly 5/6 Mr Millemaci
	9.00am	Year 3 & 4 trip to Penola, Mary MacKillop Centre
Tues 10 th	7.30pm	SAC meeting Parish Centre
Wed 11 th	9.30am	5/6 Mrs Hamilton Parish Mass in the Church
Fri 13 th	9.30am	Grandparents Day ~ Mass and Morning Tea
Fri 20 th		Assembly 3/4 Mrs Hausler
Fri 20 th		Last Day of Term 3 : 2.25pm dismissal

OCTOBER

Mon 7 th		First day back for Term 4
Mon 7 th - Wed 9 th		Year 5 Camp to Ballarat
Sat 12 th		Energy Breakthrough BBQ
Mon 14 th - Fri 18 th		Meals on Wheels
Tues 15 th		Senior Cricket Blast
Fri 18 th		Mission Day
Tues 22 nd		Middle Hooptime Final (Hamilton)
Wed 30 th		Wheelie Wednesday

NOVEMBER

Fri 1 st		Prep Excursion
Sat 2 nd		Energy Breakthrough BBQ
Mon 4 th		PUPIL FREE DAY
Tues 5 th		Melbourne Cup Public Holiday NO SCHOOL
Sat 9 th		Energy Breakthrough BBQ
Tues 12 th		Senior Hooptime Final (Hamilton)
Tues 19 th	7.00pm	SAC AGM - Parish Centre
Thurs 21 st - Sat 23 rd		Energy Breakthrough Year 6 Students
Mon 25 th		PUPIL FREE DAY
Thurs 28 th - Fri 29 th		Year 3 Camp to Halls Gap

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