Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week St Mary’s underwent the five year review process of registration. Five panel members visited the school to explore every facet of school life including documentation and compliance. St Mary’s staff could hold their heads high at the conclusion of the review, as it was certainly a most affirmative process that the school has embraced learning in the 21st Century and had much to celebrate. The panel highly commended the staff on their dedication and hard work ensuring that learning and teaching was being fully embraced and the commitment of all staff to the many roles they undertake on a small school staff.

A huge thank you is extended to Kerrie Ambrose, her husband Aaron and her mum Anne who catered for morning and afternoon tea as well as a dinner on Tuesday evening. It was a wonderful time to spend socially with the panel, staff and Community Council members. A full report will be available in a few weeks which will be presented to Community Council and available for any parent who wishes to peruse it.

Thank you to all our wonderful grandparents and special friends who came along yesterday to celebrate Grandparents Day with us. This is always such a beautiful opportunity for our families to spend some extra special time with each other.

Tomorrow we are celebrating Book Week with a dress up parade. Book Fair will continue through to Friday. There is a lovely selection of books available for purchase. Please see Mrs Toohey or Mrs Murray for purchases.

We are also looking forward to the first visit from our 2016 Kindergarten students who will then continue to visit each Wednesday through November in preparation for school next year. What an exciting time for our little friends!

Take care and enjoy the week ahead.

Mrs Chris Baron
Principal
IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES!

Year 6 Graduation Mass and dinner - Wednesday 9th December

Rotary Carols by Candlelight - Thursday 3rd December 7pm

St Mary’s Award Evening – Monday 14th December 5.30pm.

Students are asked to be dressed in their full summer school uniform for each of these events.

Girls need to be wearing their school dress.

Navy accessories ONLY in hair please.

CAKE RAFFLE
This Friday 6th November the BARTLETT FAMILY is asked to supply the cake for the cake raffle.
Tickets 20c.

HOME COOKING
This Friday the 6th November the JACKSON & FISHER Families are rostered on to cook.
All items sold for 20c.
Please label all ingredients used.

RADIO PRESENTERS

Jordan & Aidan
will be presenting our school news on ‘Sounds of the Mountain’ FM 96.3 at 2.15pm next Tuesday 10th November.

WEEK 4

K/1: Tom Wolfe for his work in Maths and his great work learning about adjectives.

Jade Booby for her great improvement in Literacy.

Year 2/3: Ellie Wolfe for her knowledge and application of a variety of mental strategies in Maths.

Daniel Korn for his enthusiasm and engagement in our Science lessons about our Solar System.

Year 4/5/6: Monique Fisher for conscientious effort to the history research task.

Nikki Khuzwayo for showing enthusiasm during Creative Arts and doing a great job with her instrument performance.

Playground Update

Day 4

Day 5

Day 6

Day 7

Multipurpose Court

Our multipurpose court was completed last Wednesday. The students were very excited to be able to use it, and the building of the court also proved to be very entertaining as well. Thanks to the Ian Giles Estate for making this possible.
ST MARY’S SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
THIS WEEK
Monday 2nd November to Friday 6th November.
TOMORROW students will dress up as their favourite book character or this year’s Book Week theme “Books Light Up Our World”.
Students will have the opportunity to look through the books/posters etc during their library time and make a ‘wish list’.
Parents are welcome to come in and browse through the books and may purchase books before or after school hours.

YEAR 7 2016 McAULEY ORIENTATION DAY
Another Orientation day will be held on Friday 20th November for all Year 6 students who will be attending Year 7 at McAuley in 2016.

2/3 ASSEMBLY
Year 2/3 WILL HAVE THEIR ASSEMBLY IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY ON FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER AT 2.15PM ALL WELCOME

ST MARY’S CHURCH NEWS MASS
THIS SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 10:00AM

Batlow Technology School
Year 7 2016 Transition Day
This Friday 6th November
12:00 until 3.15

KAY LOWE WRITING NIGHT
All parents are invited to a special workshop to be held at St Joseph's Adelong on Monday 23rd November at 6:00pm.
### Making Jesus Real

We all move between W.E.S.T and E.A.S.T, it is our ability to transform our attitudes and move on from disappointments that keeps us positive and resilient. MJR teaches students the skills to achieve this.

Students are taught about the importance of daily reflection, to suck the goodness out of every day. They are called to ask the BIG question: **WHERE WAS JESUS IN MY LIFE TODAY?**

God moments happen all the time! Small moments that last three to four seconds.

There are 86,400 seconds in 1 day. You only need 30 of these to seek out the GODness of each day. Each time we wave, smile, say thanks or help someone in need, we are living as Jesus wants us to; we are living our religion. It is all connected.

**Melissa Hotham**  
Religious Education Coordinator

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### St Joseph’s Adelong

**Presents**  
**Movies By Moonlight**  
Friday 6th November

Find us at the Adelong Showgrounds.

Gates open at 6.30pm with a gold coin donation on the night and the movie beginning at dusk. Please bring blankets and chairs. We hope you can join us in watching the great Australian Film ‘The Castle’.

BBQ, Canteen & Glow Sticks available on the night

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### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

It’s that time of year again. We are looking for helpers to sell raffle tickets at the RSL club on Friday night 6th November. If you can spare an hour, please put your name on the roster and return to school by Thursday 5th November. The Community Council appreciate your gift of time.

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