



ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2

Week 5	
24th May	SAC Meeting - 7pm
25th May	Confirmation Meeting - 5:30pm
26th May	PS Assembly - Led by Year 2
Week 6	
1st June	FHC Meeting
2nd June	Pupil Free Day
Week 7	
5th June	WA Day - Public Holiday
9th June	Cross Country - Yr 3 - 12 Lapathon - PP - Yr 2
11th June	Holy Communion Sacrament
Week 8	
16th June	PS Assembly - Led by Year 1 8:30am
Week 9	
22nd June	Interschool Cross Country Year 3 - Year 6
23rd June	Winter Carnival Year 3 - Year 6

PRAYER

Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima

O Most Holy Virgin Mary,
Queen of the most holy Rosary,
you were pleased to appear to
the children of Fatima and
reveal a glorious message.

We implore you,
inspire in our hearts a fervent love
for the recitation of the Rosary.
By meditating on the mysteries of
the redemption that are recalled therein
may we obtain the graces and virtues
that we ask,
through the merits of Jesus Christ,
our Lord and Redeemer.

Amen





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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

Last weekend saw a terrific celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Many attended what was a very large celebration in the church and grounds following the mass. It is timely to look back on the importance of this feast which means so much to the Portuguese community here in Carnarvon.

In May 1917, three Portuguese children, Lucia Santos and Jacinta and Francesco Marteo, aged ten, eight and seven, claimed to have seen a Lady from Heaven who spoke to them about mankind's need to change its approach to living. They said that a miracle would take place on October 13 so that all would believe. They were laughed at and scolded by their families and when the story began to be talked about more widely, they were arrested and imprisoned by the local mayor. In spite of separating them and threatening them with various forms of punishment, each of the children persisted with the same story.

On October 13 a crowd of 70 000 people from all walks of life and persuasions, gathered to see the miracle which the children had told them to expect around midday. The vast crowd stood in the pouring rain for several hours till, shortly after midday, the clouds parted and they saw the sun turn different colours whilst apparently spinning on its axis. This lasted for about ten minutes. Then, the entire crowd saw the sun plunge towards the earth. They were terrified, as it seemed like the end of the world. When they looked again, the sun was in its accustomed place and though they had been standing in the pouring rain, they were completely dry.

Adapted. The True Story of Fatima. John de Marche.

There were hundreds of written testimonies as to what happened, so, was it a miracle? It would seem unlikely that so many thousands of people were simultaneously tricked or took part in a lie or that the detailed historical records, still in existence, were somehow "made up" later on without anyone realising it.

So, at Fatima, during the First World War, "the Lady from Heaven" restated Jesus' message to ordinary people: have a good look at your lives, remove the negative behaviours and return to God's way – love God, love your neighbour, love yourself and peace will come not only to you personally, but to the world.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

The next School Advisory Council Meeting will be held Wednesday 24th May at 7:00 pm.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

There will be a meeting for all students making their Confirmation this year and their parents at 5:30 pm in the school library on Thursday, 25th May. The commitment mass for the Confirmation candidates will be held on Sunday, 28th May at the 9:00 am parish mass.

UPCOMING ASSEMBLY

The next primary assembly will be held on Friday 26th May, led by the Year 2 class in the school hall. All are welcome.

Steve O'Halloran
Principal





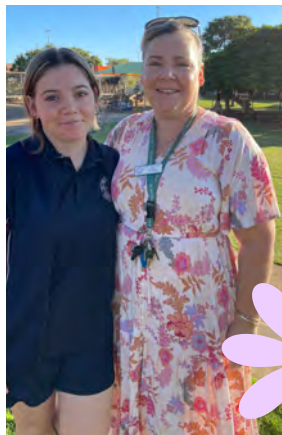
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Thank you to all those people in our lives. We loved being able to share breakfast with you and show you how much we appreciate all you do for us.

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PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

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Welcome to the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2023.

We encourage you to join us in unlocking the wonderful world of reading for your children.

Relaunched in 2022, the Premiers Reading Challenge is an annual statewide event encouraging students from Kindergarten to Year Ten to challenge themselves, continue to improve their literacy skills as well as their enjoyment of reading.

The challenge will start on Monday 8th May and run to 8 September. Students who have logged their reading achievements will be eligible to win a weekly prize. The challenge is to log 12 or more book titles during the challenge, and be in the running to win some fantastic prizes.

You can help your child sign up via the website, choose their own avatar and log all the books they read over the challenge.

Please visit <https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/>

Students can read in any language and log all reading...comic books, graphic novels, magazines and even online articles.





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COMMUNITY NOTICES



Engaging Adolescents

Parenting Skills For Navigating The Teenage Years

This FREE online course provides parents and caregivers easy to use techniques to support teens to manage their own behaviours, emotions and build better relationships.

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Where: Online



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