

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

### TERM 4

Week 8

27th Nov - 1st Dec ASPIRE CAMP
29th Nov SAC AGM - 6:30pm
30th Nov P&F AGM - 6pm

1st Dec Rite of Passage Mass 9am

Week 9

4th Dec Advent Liturgy - Led by PP 9:45am

Secondary School Awards Night

7th Dec Christmas Concert and Primary

**Awards Night** 

8th Dec End of Year Mass - Led by Yr 6

Last day of 2023

### 2024 TERM 1

Week 1

31st Jan FIRST DAY FOR STUDENTS

**Swimming Lessons Commence** 

1st Feb - 3rd Feb ViSN Camp

1st Feb Year 11/12 Parent Meeting 6:30pm

### **PRAYER**

# Christmas Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for the joyful fun of the Christmas Season.

Thank you for this Christmas party

where we can celebrate

Christmas together and make

memories with our friends.

Thank you for festive food and

fantastic fellowship.

In Jesus' name we pray,

Amen



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

As this will be my last newsletter, there are a number of people I wish to thank during my time at St Mary's.

I would like to begin by thanking the staff who continue to provide a safe, caring environment for the students in which to learn. They also ensure that learning environments are ordered and structured in such a way that good teaching and learning can occur without significant disruptions. It is difficult to learn in a chaotic, noisy environment. The teaching staff focus on those things that make a difference to how well students are able to learn.

The office personnel provide that valuable link between the home and the school, and I am fortunate to have had some very personable, clever and hard working people in the office for the past 10 years that have helped make all the rest of our lives at St Mary's that less demanding. Thank you ladies.

Over the journey of my time at the school there have been many different members of our parent groups, the School Board/Advisory Council and the P & F. Much of the schools' resource and capital improvement has been guided by these two groups and for that I am also very grateful. As well as the buildings, grounds and surrounds, both groups contribute significantly to the social capital that is critical to the ethos of St Mary's.

There have been numerous Parish Priests during my time at St Mary's and all have offered me wisdom to help me in my role. For this I am also indebted.

I have felt privileged and honored to have been principal of St Mary's for the past 10 years. I'm sure with an energetic new leadership team led by Mrs White, the school will continue to grow and flourish into the future.

I trust all have a very safe, happy and holy Christmas.

#### **END OF SCHOOL**

The last day for students this year will be Friday, December 8th. The first day back for students in 2024 will be Wednesday, January 31st.

#### **STAFFING**

A full staffing list will be forwarded next week.

Thankyou

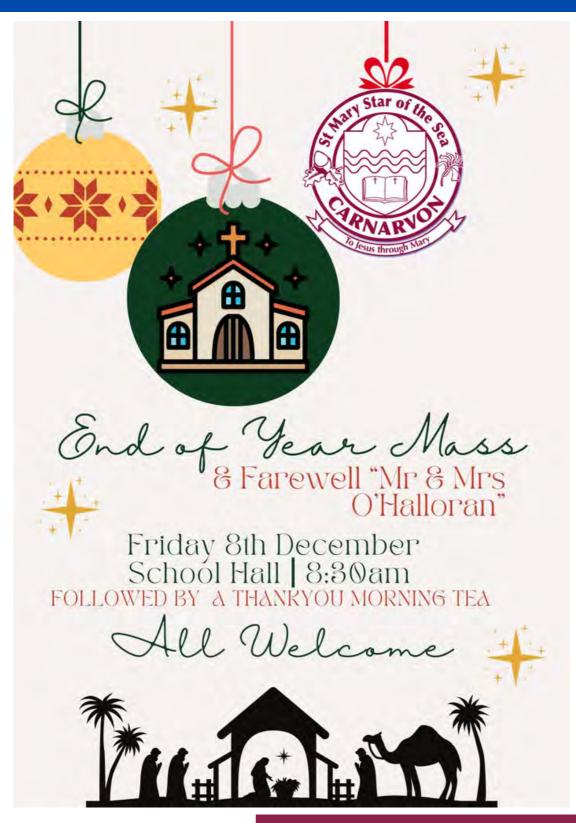
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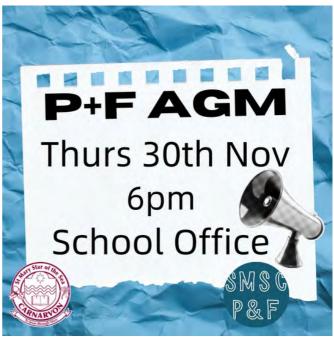
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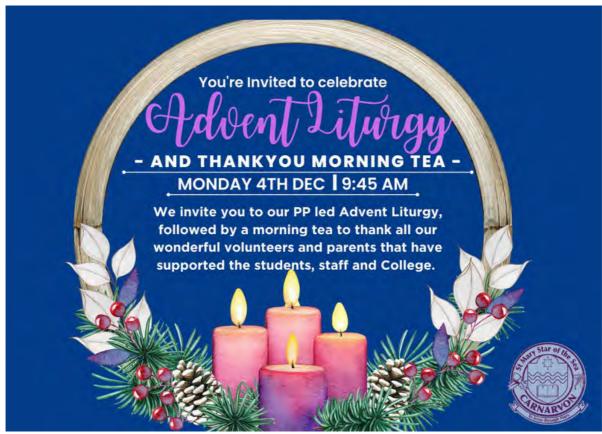




## **SCHOOL NOTICES**





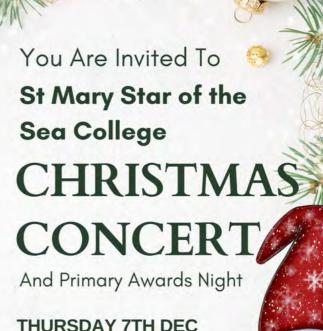




## **SCHOOL NOTICES**







Outdoor Stage Area

5:30pm Sharp

