Celebrating Book Week
August 10th to 14th

‘Dress Up Day’ - Friday 14th August

Let your imagination run WILD...
Come to school dressed up as any book or movie character and celebrate Book Week.

There will be a parade at 9am in the Auditorium ... families are invited to come along ... but be warned there is sure to be all sorts of weird, wild and wonderful characters.

Book Fair
One Day Only SUPER Sale!
Wednesday 12th August

Did I hear you ask ‘where’?
The sun does not shine, it is too wet to play... so I think I shall visit the Book Fair this day!

Ryan Hall
8:30am to 10:00am & 2:30pm to 4:00pm

All welcome... so come along for some great book bargains!
Dear Parents & Guardians,

Congratulations to those students who represented themselves and the school with such distinction at last Friday’s Catholic Interschool Athletics Carnival. Thank you to Mr Porter, Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Cooper who accompanied the children.

If your child is showing any signs of illness, please keep them at home until they are fully recovered. This will assist in reducing the risk of passing infections onto others. Please encourage regular hand washing, and covering coughs or sneezes. Please notify the office if your child is going to be absent from school. I thank you for your anticipated support.

It is pleasing to see that most students are wearing the correct school uniform. Sports uniforms should only be worn on days when the children have sport. It is important that all of our students wear their winter uniform with pride and wear it in the correct manner. I acknowledge the support of all parents in ensuring that this expectation is achieved.

As I mentioned in last week’s newsletter, the Woolworths ‘Earn and Learn’ incentive is back. Stickers can be returned directly to the office. In addition, a box with our school’s name is located at Woolworth’s at Sebastopol. Stickers can also be dropped into this box. Thank you for supporting the school with this program.

Next week we welcome our new acting principal, Mr Joe Caruana to our school community. Joe will bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role. I am sure that you will make Joe feel welcome.

Please note that there will be no parish mass this Thursday. Grade 3P will attend next week with Ms Townsend’s 3/4T class

This Saturday, Catholics across Australia will celebrate the feast day of our nation’s first saint, Mary MacKillop. Saint Mary of the Cross co-founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart in 1866. In all that she did and said throughout her life, Mary acted with integrity as a woman of justice. Mary believed in the dignity and self-worth of all who she came across, regardless of their gender, race or faith tradition. Mary’s actions highlighted that she honoured and valued all people who are created in the image and likeness of God. She has left a legacy for all us to follow.

Loving God, you sent your Son, Jesus, into the world to bring good news to the poor, happiness to those who are sad and suffering, and hope to those who struggle.
Through the example of Jesus, your Son, and the life of Mary MacKillop, may we come to know and love you as they did and show our love and care for the poor and needy in our world. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

On behalf of the St Aloysius community, our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs Bryce, whose father in law recently passed away.

Savior Herd
Deputy Principal
**JUNIOR NEWS**

Wow week 4 already! The children have had another busy learning week. Continuing on with our Art Inquiry we looked at Claude Monet and spoke about landscapes. Monet has some very famous landscape paintings and loved looking at the various effects light has on the same landscape at different times of the day. The children have created some beautiful "Bridge over Water" pieces that are proudly on display in the classroom. In maths last week the children studied capacity, they had to sink various objects of different weights in water. "Who sank the boat" by Pamela Allan was read to the children before the water activity and their interpretation of who actually did sink the boat was varied! This week’s Artist is Kandinsky, we are looking at Abstract Art and the way in which Kandinsky uses shapes, colour and lines and his love of music to seek inspiration. The children enjoy looking at his pieces to see if the can guess what he has painted.

Our PE unit is going along smoothly and the children look forward to each week to see what new skills will be introduced to them. We again have had a high number of students away with colds and flu. We hope everyone recovers well and comes back to the classroom fit and healthy. Have a great week. The F/1 Unit

Greetings everyone, welcome to another cold week. We’re glad to see so many parents reminding the children to dress for warmth with extra undergarments and coats. Please ensure coats are labelled clearly. During our Inquiry this week we will be studying the artist Sidney Nolan and his well-known Australian themes. We will be replicating one of his paintings in art and learning a little about Ned Kelly, as celebrated through the works of Sidney Nolan. In religion the Old Testament story of Noah and the flood will be discussed and the children will be learning about certain words in this bible passage in Genesis. In maths lessons we are continuing on with multiplication and skip counting. We will be reviewing strategies to multiply more easily and revising the language of multiplication such as 'arrays, groups, bunches and 'lots of'. Thank you to the parents who have returned the empty plastic folders. Much appreciated. There are also just a few Learning Journals to be returned. Thanks. Bev, Anne and Katherine

**MIDDLE NEWS**

Welcome to week 4. The challenge is for all of us to keep warm. And, on that note, it is important to note that there are lots of bugs floating around the classrooms at the moment with lots of children away sick. Students are encouraged to wear beanies, coats, scarves and gloves to school and outside in the yard during breaks. Students need to wear their sports uniform on Tuesdays only as this is their sports day. All other days they should be wearing their full winter uniform. Students who are not wearing their correct uniform will receive an infringement notice. In Religious Education students are learning about the followers of Jesus. They are looking at the lifestyle of Jesus and his followers and making a comparison with similar lifestyle aspects in Ballarat. Students are really enjoying the Art theme in Inquiry this term. This week they are making an Egyptian picture as well as a mural of the life and times of Jesus.

Just some reminders, please:
1. Learning Journals need to be returned.
2. Reading should be regular and recorded in the school diary.
3. Homework needs to be completed so that it is corrected at school on Thursday.
4. Spelling needs to be practised (spelling learning ideas were sent home with the package at the start of this term - please feel free to use them). Keep warm. Jo and Kelvin

**SENIOR NEWS**

Welcome to week 4 everyone! Only one more week and we are at the half way point of the term - hard to believe!! The senior students are well on their way with their Passion Projects - they should now be 'getting their hands dirty' with the hands on part of their project, whilst still making sure they are researching to ensure they answer their question. Students will be presenting their final project in about week 8 and 9... so there is still plenty of time to be fine tuning research and thinking about how to present their work to their class. This week we have been working hard creating amazing artworks and also developing our subtraction and addition skills in streamed maths lessons. It's great to see so many students having "a-ha" moments! A big congratulations to our senior students who represented St Aloysius at the Catholic School Sports last Friday - not only did they achieve great results but were fantastic representatives of our school in their sportsmanship and support of one other. Until next week, stay warm and have a great week! A message from the Senior News director: In art we have been working hard on our skylines and they are looking great Signing off your senior DJ’s: Jodemyster, Claire-a-sarus, Donna-San and Boom-Boom Bec!
TUCKSHOP will be available this Friday, August 7th.
There is NO book club this term as we have our annual BOOK FAIR next week.
Rebel Sports: When you shop at Rebel Sports you can nominate our school to accrue points from your purchase. At the end of the year these points go towards a voucher for our Christmas raffle.

Enjoy ‘Toastie Tuesdays’ for the month of August.
Students can bring their sandwiches for us to toast so that they can enjoy a hot lunch...on these cold wintry days. The sandwich will need to come to school in a clearly named, brown paper bag, uncut and ready to toast. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer some of your time to help, please contact Daniela Overall on 0409 501

Please remember when you are shopping at Woolworths to collect your ‘earn & learn’ stickers. You can collect one sticker for every $10 you spend and place your stickers on the sticker sheet provided. Completed sticker sheets can dropped into the collection box located in the school foyer or into the ‘St. Aloysius’ named collection box at Woolworths Sebastopol. Thank you.

BOXES, BOXES, BOXES ... WE NEED BOXES!
The Senior area students are in need of boxes, any shape and size for their upcoming projects...tissue boxes, shoe boxes, packaging boxes etc., if you would like to recycle your boxes - please just drop them into the school office. Thank you.
St Aloysius Caring Circle

The caring circle is running low on snack items, such as; muesli bars, crackers, biscuits, chips, etc. If families would like to donate something towards the caring circle, please just drop items into the school office. Thank you

SPORTS UPDATE – NETBALL

Our senior netball team had a walkover last night. St. Aloysius Gold also had a walkover this week and St Aloysius Maroon had a bye.

LOST PROPERTY

There are a number of unnamed school jumpers and navy school beanies in the Lost Property tub located in the main corridor. The lunch tub bin located in the glass area is also accumulating a number of uncollected lunch boxes, Tupperware style snack containers and drink containers. Please take the time to check the tubs if you have misplaced items. Please remember to name all items of uniform and containers to assist us in returning these items to your child.

A mobile phone has been handed into the office and a pair of sunglasses (ladies), possibly left behind during our parent/teacher interviews at the end of last term. Please see Robert or Lesley for more information.

St Aloysius - Parish News

Parish Mass times

Weekend - Saturday - 6:00 pm & Sunday - 9:00 am
Midweek - Tuesday - 9:30 am & Thursday - 9:30 am

Each week the Thursday Mass will be attended by a different class, please check the newsletter for your child’s class date for Mass.

Sacrament of Confirmation: This program has commenced and the following children will receive this Sacrament on the weekends of August - 22nd & 23rd and 29th and 30th.

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers -


Would you like to be more in tune with your kids?

TUNING IN TO KIDS – Parent program

Thursday, August 13th & Thursday, August 20th,

9am-11am at St Aloysius School
Dear Parents,

Our school is conducting a trial of our own Skoolbag iPhone App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are trialling the iPhone, windows phone and tablet version for 30 days, if we continue with the App after the trial we will then activate the Android version in the Google Play store. We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag App. To install it, just look for our school name St Aloysius Parish School Redan in the Apple App store, and install it on your iPhone. This is free to download.

We would love to receive feedback from you about what you would like to see available on the app and whether you believe it is something that benefits you as a parent. This feedback can be sent to cmcadie@saredan.catholic.edu.au
Claire McAdie  ICT Leader

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PARENT PROGRAM - TUNING IN TO KIDS

Hello everyone!

We are excited to announce that this term we will be offering this wonderful parenting program ‘Tuning in to Kids’ as a joint venture between Lumen Christi and St Aloysius Schools. The Tuning in to Kids program will teach you how to raise emotionally intelligent children, how to better understand your children’s emotions, and how to help your child to problem solve and develop resilience.

Small group parenting programs are a wonderful way to share the joys and the challenges of parenting with other parents who are experiencing the same things that you are!

We would love to have you join us.

This is a 2 week program with each session going for 2 hours

TUNING IN TO KIDS

Thursday, August 13th & Thursday, August 20th
9am-11am at St Aloysius School

Group Facilitators;
Amy Powell (Centacare Pastoral Care Worker, St Aloysius)
Suzanne Beaver (Centacare Pastoral Care Worker, Lumen Christi).

To reserve your place, please complete the slip below and return to the school office ASAP.

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TUNING IN TO KIDS - PARENT PROGRAM, TERM 3

Yes, I would like to attend the ‘TUNING IN TO KIDS’ program, please!

Parent Name ________________________________
Telephone No. ______________________________
Children’s Ages ______________________________

Please detach this slip and return to the school office as soon as possible to reserve your place.
Next week is **BOOK WEEK**! Two exciting things are happening!

**THING 1** … The **BOOK FAIR** is on Wednesday 12th of August in Ryan Hall.
Open 8.30 - 10 am AND 2.30 - 4.00 pm.

**THING 2** … **DRESS UP DAY** is on Friday 14th August.

Children will have an opportunity to "browse" the Book Fair on Monday or Tuesday and fill out a "wishlist". Then, if they wish, parents can use this as a guide when purchasing books.

Remember to invite grandparents, aunties, uncles, neighbours! All are welcome!

Look out your brochure coming home with the newsletter today.

The Book Fair is a major fundraiser for our Library - we usually get about $1000 worth of free books as a result. Also, remember that you are most welcome to buy a book to donate to the Library (ask Colleen for recommendations - and ask your children what they recommend!)

**DRESS UP DAY**! You get to dress up as your favourite character from a book or movie! Use your imagination! The parade will be held in the Auditorium on Friday morning at 9.00 am. Parents are most welcome to attend.

**COLOURING COMPETITION.** Winners of the Colouring Competition will be announced at today's assembly. Each winner will receive a $10 voucher to spend at the Book Fair next week.

Have a great Book Week! Colleen

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**Term 3 Calendar – Dates for your diary**

**August**

5th  SAC Meeting
6th  Juniors PE conducted by YMCA instructors at school
8th & 9th  Confirmation Dismissals
8th  St Mary of the Cross - St. Mary MacKillop Feast Day
12th  Book Fair Open 8.30 - 10 am and 2.30 - 4.00 pm in Ryan Hall – All welcome
12th  Assembly F/1 K
13th  ‘Tuning in to Kids’ - Parent Program 9am-11am
13th  Juniors PE conducted by YMCA instructors at school
13th  Mass 3/4T
14th  Book Week – ‘Dress Up’ Day
15th  Confirmation Dismissals
18th  P&F Meeting
20th  Mass F/1K
20th  ‘Tuning in to Kids’ - Parent Program 9am-11am
22nd & 23rd  Confirmation Dismissals
26th  Assembly 3P & 3/4T
27th  Mass F/1 G
29th & 30th  Confirmation Dismissals

**September**

1st  SAC Meeting
3rd  Mass 1/2EP
4th  Fathers’ Day BBQ
7th  Father’s Day Stall & Raffle
9th  St. Aloysius Art Show 6-7pm
10th  Mass 1/2B
15th  P&F Meeting
17th  Mass 4/SAB
18th  Footy Day
P&F Hot Dog lunch day.
18th  Last Day of Term 3

*Please check the Calendar*
Last Friday, 33 St. Aloysius students completed in the Combined Catholic Schools Carnival at Llanberris Athletics Reserve. After the bitter winds and freezing cold conditions experienced by Ballarat residents on Thursday, there was doubt as to whether or not the carnival would proceed. But, the weather was sunny without a breath of wind. Perfect for an Athletics Carnival!

The St. Aloysius athletes were very excited about competing against the most talented athletes from other Ballarat Catholic Schools. It proved to be a huge learning experience for all involved.

Every student competed to the best of their ability and can hold their head high with pride. It was the learning experience that was important. Hopefully this experience will encourage students to continue to pursue their love of sport.

A special thank you to all our students for being so well behaved and a thank you to all the parents who made it along to watch and support the children. A thank you also, to staff members, Rebecca Atkinson and Belinda Cooper for their assistance on the day. Mr Porter.