Mary, Contemporary Disciple

Mary is shown to be a person who was willing to take time out, be still and silent, ponder things, be quiet, and listen. She was then able to respond to those around her and her God with generosity, even when it seemed strange and challenging. When we hear Mary’s words ‘I am the handmaid of the Lord, let what you have said be done to me’, we don’t hear a meek and passive lady; we hear a passionate young woman full of zest for life crying out, ‘Yes! Let’s go! Let’s get started …whatever the cost. If you’re willing, so am I’.

We pray for Mary, sister-in-law to Stella who passed away early this week. We keep Stella and her family in our thoughts and prayers. May Mary rest in peace.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Children should now be wearing their summer/sports uniform (Girls have the option of the summer dress). All children need to wear the school hat while in the playground during term 4.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS will begin tomorrow for students whose parent/carer attends Program Support Group (PSGs) meetings. Information for PSG meetings was sent home last week to parents who needed it. We have extended the meeting time of PSGs to allow time for discussion of the child’s PLP as well as other areas of the child’s learning. Parents with a PSG booking will therefore not need to make an additional Learning Conversation appointment. Please contact the office if you require the event code for a PSG booking.

All other families Prep-Yr 6 are now invited to use the event code 3ne58 to make a booking with your child’s teacher online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au. Please see attached flyer for support. It is important for all families to make a time to have a Learning Conversation with the teachers. Children are to attend these meetings. Elizabeth will be contacting families who she is able to support as an interpreter to make a booking over the phone.
BOOK CLUB: Book Club magazines were sent home last week. Orders can be made online or returned to school in an envelope with the correct money and the child’s name and home group clearly marked. Orders are due by Tuesday 18th October.

CLOWNING: There have been a small number of reports of sightings of people in or displaying clown masks across the metropolitan area. Some of our students have expressed concern for their safety. It is an appropriate time to remind children of protective behaviours:
- Play with other children in supervised areas of playground
- Report anything we are concerned about to an adult as soon as possible
- Tell others who are talking about scary things to stop.

Parents who are concerned please speak to a school leader.

PIP MEETING
Tuesday, October 18
2.00pm – Social/Fundraising Group
5.45pm – Grounds Group
7.00pm – Project Group
Come and join in preparing for the exciting things we have planned for our school community during this final term. Your attendance is also important as we reflect on the work that has been done this year through PIP & plan for future directions.

ST JAMES’ PARISH FETE
Saturday 15th October
Come and join in the fun!
10am—4pm
Wristbands will still be available for sale at St Francis TOMORROW
8.30am—9.00am AND 3.20pm-4.00pm
$30 before the Fete or $35 on Fete Day. These wristbands get you unlimited rides on the Bad Boys, Giant Slide, Chair-o Plane, Mini Ferris Wheel and Jungle Combo; along with a sausage, drink and a donut.

Cakes/Slices should be taken to St James tomorrow afternoon (2.00-5.00pm) or on Saturday morning by 10.00am.

Thank you for supporting this community event.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS EVENING
Thursday, December 8th at 6.30pm
St James Gym

THOMAS CARR COLLEGE

OPEN DAY
Sunday, October 23, 2016
1.00p—4.00pm

Year 5
Parent Information Night
Thursday, November 3rd
7:00pm—8:30pm

Second Hand Uniform Shop
Operates every Thursday from 3pm—4pm.
Special Uniform Day
Saturday, November 26, 2016