FEAST of ST MARY MACKILLOP

‘Never see a need without do trying to do something about it’

Wednesday 8th August

Mary MacKillop committed her life to working with and for the poor. As a teacher, she established the Order of the Sisters of St Joseph. With her community, she established Catholic schools in South Australia and along the east coast from Queensland to Victoria. The Josephite sisters have had a strong positive influence in this area for over 100 years. Canonised in 2010, Mary MacKillop is a model for all. One of her well-known teachings is “Whenever you see a need, do something about it.” As we celebrate her feast day next week, may we as a community adopt Mary's commitment to God and to care of the poor.

Yr 5/6 students will represent our school at the 9.30 parish mass on Wednesday. There is also a 7.30pm parish mass to celebrate this significant Australian saint on Wednesday. Come along if you can.

St Mary MacKillop - pray for us.

PIP MEETINGS:

Our first PIP meeting for the term is next Wednesday, August 8 at 2.30pm and 7.30pm. All parents are invited to be involved in these monthly meetings. Come along to plan our community activities, inform our school directions and coordinate fundraising/grounds/maintenance work. Hope you can come. Please email info@sfatarneit.catholic.edu.au or let the office staff know if you are able to attend (this enables us to set up the most appropriate spaces for the meetings). Come along and continue to support our fine school.

100 DAYS OF PREP:

Today our Prep children are celebrating their 100th day of being at school! Their was great excitement as they reached this milestone - they spent the day doing "100" activities as well as demonstrating the skills they have learnt during their first semester at school. We'll share some photos and news from them next week.

OUR FIRST FUNDRAISER:

A Living Fundraiser. Please see the flier sent home today. We are seeking every family’s support of this activity. As a new school, there are so many resources and ground works required that any contribution you can make will be highly valuable. Supporting the parents who are organizing this fundraiser is another way of building our community. This is your opportunity to purchase and grow healthy vegetables or herbs together with your children!

Let’s do this together!

CONFIRMATION: Our Year 6s will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday the 28th of October. Time to be confirmed. More information regarding the payment of the Sacrament levy and parent/sponsor involvement and preparation will be available with next week’s newsletter.

CAMP:

Our students were keen to participate in an adventure camp this year and thanks to Susan and the support of parents we have arranged a booking at Camp Rumbug, Foster (in Gippsland) from the 28th – 30th November.

STAGE 2 of BUILDING:

Melbcon has been awarded the building project and they will take up their contract from next week. Melbcon are the same builders who completed stage one of our school. By mid-term one next year we will have seven new learning spaces! Early next week I will meet with the builders to design the fencing & access points for the project. Please stay tuned for details of these plans and how they may impact on us.

DATES to Remember:

8 Aug: PIP meetings 2.30 & 7.30
9 Aug: Yr 5’s visit Thomas Carr College
18 Aug: Celebration of First Eucharist—1pm and 3pm.

Jan Keogh
Principal