



# St Marys South Public School Messenger



Week 8 Term 4, Tuesday 03rd 2019 December | Phone: 9623 1745 | Website: [www.stmarysth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stmarysth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) |

## MERIT AWARDS

Nevaeh Aloe  
Chelsea Kirkham  
Alex Vasiliou  
Raiden Halliwell  
Addison Brodie  
Faith Lunar  
Helena Mariano  
Ngataialupe Taufui  
Jack Thompson  
Zayne Villanueva  
Halalivy Mua  
Sili Oa  
Sione Tausisi  
Aldrien Sabaybay  
Grace Hindy  
Rachel Coleman  
Zara Zipevski  
Jack Chomicz  
Matilda Grogan  
Kaiden Husband  
William Wilson  
Dominic Doran  
Natalia Nader  
Braydan Mayer  
Emele Moti  
Adrianna Keil  
Elsa Hurley  
Patricia Harris  
Robert Hancock  
Ruby Rankmore  
Kristina Nader  
Jacob-Juan Villanueva  
Henry Gordon-Dove  
Joshua Thomas  
Isabella Adamou  
Izabella Robinson  
Nevaeh Shortland  
Piper Johnson  
Amelia Trimmingham  
Mia-Rose Toleafoa

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the 2019 draws to end, we have an opportunity to reflect on our many successes. It is particularly pleasing to see our school continues to excel in all 3 domains of the school excellence framework; Excellence in Learning, Excellence in Teaching and Excellence in Leading for the second year in succession.



Many students have achieved excellent academic results this year due to the strong partnerships we have between the teachers, students and parents. Together we are successful.



Max - Yr 1 Winner.  
CLC Reading Competition

We have provided many opportunities for students to broaden their school experience in sporting and in the performing arts and these programs will continue and grow and strengthen further in 2020.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the School Christmas Carols evening on Tuesday 17 December. We feel the Christmas Carols evening is a nice way to celebrate the beginning of the festive season for all.

I thank everyone who has helped us make 2019 a very successful year.

I look forward to seeing everyone safe, happy and filled with new experiences to share with us on January 29, 2020.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

### SCHOOL SPECTACULAR PERFORMANCE

CHANNEL 7 | 7:00 PM | SAT 7th DEC

If you missed the School Specular Performance, be sure to tune in to Channel 7 this Saturday night.



School Spectacular



Recorder Opera House



Choir Group



Vegetable Garden



Jnr Dance group



Snr Dance group



New Playground



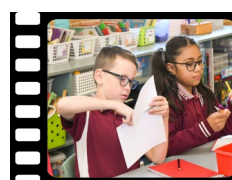
Reading in the Library



Investigation Station



Math Time



### IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2019 & 2020

Wednesday 18 December 2019  
K - 6 Students - last day of 2019

Wednesday 29 January 2020  
Yr 1 to Yr 6 students - return to school

Friday 31 January 2020  
Kindergarten students - first day of school



**PBL AWARDS****Kaitlyn Husband, 1M**

Kaitlyn is a friendly and caring classmate. She is always kind and helpful towards others in the classroom.

**Anthony Hindy, 3W**

Anthony is a caring and thoughtful student who consistently includes others in activities and games in the playground.

**Palu Tausisi, 3/4B**

Palu is a kind and helpful student. She is always willing to help others in the classroom and the playground.

**Kristina Nader, 3/4B**

Kristina is a diligent, enthusiastic learner who always tries her best.



## Leaving St Marys South in 2020?

### Lets us know

by notifying the school office

Having accurate numbers of enrolments will greatly help achieve a smooth transition of students to their new class for 2020.

**Term 4 2019 Calendar**

12/12/2019	Presentation Day
13/12/2019	Gold Badge Reward
16/12/2019	Year 6 Farewell
17/12/2019	Christmas Carol Night
18/12/2019	Students Last Day of Term 4

**SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP**

The school uniform shop is open each **Tuesday** and **Friday** morning during the school term from **8:30am till 9:00am**.

The school uniform shop will also be open;

- **Tuesday the 28 January 2020** from **10:00am - 2:00pm**
- **Every morning of the first week back at school, 8:30am - 9am** (Wed 29 Jan - Tues 4 Feb 2020).

The uniform shop can accept cash only.



I would like to thank all the parents and carers of our students who have made a concerted effort throughout the year to ensure their children are prepared for school each day.

It is pleasing to see our students wearing the correct school uniform, which includes black shoes. Wearing the school uniform unites our students. It shows how proud the students are of our school. They feel a sense of belonging and identity.



# Black shoes rule

**DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Whilst we appreciate pets are valued family members, the Companion Animals Act (1998) states that unless permitted by the Principal, dogs can not be brought into the school grounds. Thank you for your understanding.



## SCHOOL DISCO

November 14th, our students had a fantastic time dancing up a storm at the Pyjama Disco. Thank you to the P&C for organising this event, and to the families that support fundraising initiatives which directly go into supporting our students' education.



## FREE K-2 SCIENCE RESOURCE

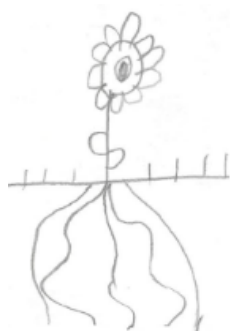
The NSW Department of Education, through Field of Mars, has developed a Needs of Living Things - Animals Digital Book, to support the Science and Technology Curriculum. Children play quizzes, activities, interactive games and videos to learn about what animals need to stay alive. The app is free on Apple Books

<https://apple.co/2zLOSid> or via the QR Code.



## STEM - PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Can you solve this week's budding problem provided by Anthony?  
I have 300 flowers. Show how I can plant them in equal rows.  
Explain your solution.



Remember there will be a Step-Up for every student who gives a solution .



## 2020 SCHOOL DATES

Period	Start	Finish
<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Wed 29th Jan</b>	<b>Thurs 9th Apr</b>
School Holidays	Fri 10th Apr	Sun 26th Apr
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Mon 27th Apr</b>	<b>Fri 03rd July</b>
School Holidays	Sat 04th July	Sun 19th July
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Mon 20th Jul</b>	<b>Fri 25th Sept</b>
School Holidays	Sat 26th Sept	Sun 11th Oct
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Mon 12th Oct</b>	<b>Wed 16th Dec</b>
School Holidays	Thurs 17th Dec	Tues 26th Jan 2021

## KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Thank you to all the children and families who joined us for our 2019 Kindergarten Orientation. The program provided the preschool children with an opportunity to meet and play with new friends, and get ready for formal schooling next year. Our last session on Friday, 15 November provided parents and families with information about our teaching and learning programs, extra-curricula opportunities, nutrition and strategies they can use to help their child's learning, social and wellbeing needs at home. Every child received a free Transport NSW Library bag and enjoyed a morning tea supplied by our current Kindergarten students.

If you were unable to attend the orientation or are yet to enrol your child for 2020, please contact the school to receive the information provided and an enrolment pack.

Kindergarten Best Start Assessment appointment confirmation letters will be mailed to families shortly. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

## 10 LITTLE ELVES



Mrs Manning, Mrs Hardy and Miss Jess have misplaced eight little elves throughout this Messenger.

Can you help us find all 8 elves ?



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INNOVATE CREATE COLLABORATE COMMUNICATE THINK CRITICALLY

Tuesday, 17 December 6pm-8pm

# CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Come along and join us in this school convivial community event.

Every class has a special song for us to join in.

Enjoy a sausage sizzle or bring a picnic.

Special guest

## Santa

- popcorn
- snow cones
- fairy floss



COLA area

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
TO EVERYONE

