



# St Michael's Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER

Term 1, week 2, Feb 13, 2025

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*We would like to acknowledge the Aboriginal people and their ancestors who are the Traditional Owners of this land. May we and all Australian's, Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal, continue to be committed to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.*



## Vision Statement

St Michael's Catholic Primary School is a welcoming community, embracing the Gospel values of faith, hope and love. We provide a Catholic education that nurtures the development of all children to their full potential. Through Christian witness, we offer a safe and supportive learning environment for the families in our school community.

## Parish Priest: Fr Marcello

Ph: 9729 1699

PO Box 33, Harvey WA 6220

Website: [harveycatholicparish.org](http://harveycatholicparish.org)

## Sunday Mass Times

1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the Month 10:30am  
2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month 8:30am

## From the Principal's desk.....



It has been wonderful to see all the happy faces around the school. The students have settled in well to their new classes and there is amazing learning going on in the classrooms. Welcome to our new parents and families to our fantastic community.

## **We have news that we will have a new Bishop.**

We offer our prayers for Bishop-elect George for his journey to his ordination and his term as the fifth Bishop of Bunbury. His ordination will take place at St Patrick's Cathedral in Bunbury on 19 March 2025.

## **Prayer For Our New Bishop**

God our Father,  
We pray for Bishop-elect George as he prepares for his Episcopal Ordination as the fifth Bishop of Bunbury. Send your Spirit to empower, strengthen and guide him as he answers your call to the Episcopate. Fill him with wisdom and knowledge as he prepares to be our teacher. Fill with him fortitude and piety as he prepares to be our leader. Fill him with counsel and understanding as he prepares to be a father and brother to us all. We pray that Bishop-elect George is given the grace to work diligently for our diocese, renew us in the Spirit, and treat all with love and mercy. We also pray for each other, that we may be open and welcoming to Bishop-elect George and his leadership. May you help us journey together in synodality. We ask all this through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

Blessed Francis Jordan, pray for us.  
Saint Mary of the Cross Mackillop; pray for us.  
Saint Patrick; pray for us.  
Our Lady Help of Christians; pray for us.

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## New Parish Priest

We also have a new priest in our Parish. Father Marcello Rosales commenced in our parish earlier this term. He has embraced our Harvey Brunswick Parish and events that happen at our school. We look forward to working with him and seeing him in and around our school. He made a great impression at the Opening Mass on Friday 7 February, when he told the children that they could call him Father Mars (like the planet). Welcome Father Mars!

We will farewell Father Jess at a special mass on Friday 21 February. He will come back to say a special mass and our students have a special farewell.

## Welcome Back BBQ

Don't forget to save the date for the Welcome Back BBQ. All families are invited to join us at the school on Thursday 20 February for a big BBQ and get to know you afternoon from 4.00 to 6.30 pm. Save the date and more information will follow. You will be able to nominate how many people from your family will be attending so that we can make sure that we have enough sausages on the BBQ.



## Volunteers for the canteen



We are looking for people to volunteer to assist in the canteen. This will allow us to be able to have canteen on a regular basis and a back up for Stacie Davies when she is unable to open the canteen. Stacie does a wonderful job and we are eternally grateful to her for volunteering her time to run the canteen for us. It would be amazing if we had enough volunteers to be able to run the canteen on a second day. Imagine that! Two days of canteen. If you are willing to help out one Monday a year, go to the office and put your name down for a date. Many hands make light work!

## Parking in the Church carpark

Just a gentle reminder not to park next to the fence of the Parish Carpark. This area needs to be kept clear so that Father Pat can get in and out of his house. We are grateful to the parish for being so accommodating during our build.



## If your child is late to school

If your child is late to school, please ensure that you come to the library to sign your child in. If you would like to collect your child early, you will need to go to the library to sign your child out. In the event of an emergency it is important that we know who is on the grounds.

## Gate locked between 9.00 am and 3.00 pm



To keep our children safe, the gate at the front of the school will be locked at 9.00 am every day and opened again at 3.00pm. You will only be able to enter the school through the library entrance during these times.

Once again thank you for being so patient during our build. We will be in our new building before we know it. Please keep everyone working on our building in our prayers.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Vanessa Dicker

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## TERM DATES

Term 1 - February 5 - April 11  
Term 2 - April 28 - July 4  
Term 3 - July 21 - September 26  
Term 4 - October 13 - December 12

### Dates to Remember

February 20 - 4.00—6.30 Welcome BBQ  
February 21 - Farewell mass for Fr Jess  
March 3 - Labour Day  
March 19 - Bishop's Ordination  
April 18 - Good Friday  
April 21 - Easter Monday  
April 25 - ANZAC Day



### UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open every Monday morning between 8.15 am - 9.30 am and every Monday afternoon between 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm.

A "try-on" rack is available if you are unsure of sizing.

Orders can be made using the myschoolconnect app and will be delivered to your child's classroom. Please don't forget to include the size required in the comment box.

If you have old uniforms that you would like to donate, please hand them in to the office, thank you.



### Canteen

Canteen starts again this coming Monday the 17th. There will be a limited menu which will be updated very soon. Orders can be placed through the MySchoolConnect app or website. Please direct all enquiries to reception.

### **Book Club Orders**



Book club orders need to be returned by February 21.

You can order online by scanning the QR code on your order form or by downloading the Loop app.

Cash orders can be returned to the office.



### **School Bus Service**



It is vital that the school is kept up to date on your child's patronage of the school bus service.

We require notification of days your child will be on the bus to set up the rosters.

Please notify reception of **any** changes to their travel arrangements to avoid your child missing the bus. Thank you



# QUIZ NIGHT

Fundraiser at BRUNSWICK TAVERN for

*\$20pp  
includes  
grazing  
platter*



*Tables  
of up to  
six  
people*

## "THE PITTS FAMILY"

*Tues 25th February 2025*

*Quiz begins 6.30pm*

*Winning table receives  
\$50pp plus \$50pp pub voucher!!!*

*Games, Raffles, Great Prizes!*

*Tickets: Brunswick Tavern ph 97261354*

*OR Jason ph 0434 437 786*