St Mary’s prays...

Advent is a season observed in many Western Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas. The term is an anglicized version of the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "coming".

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our minds are searching for the light of your Word. Increase our longing for Christ our Saviour and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth.

St Mary’s congratulates...

The recipients of our *Whatever You Do, Do Well* awards this week:

- Charles Murdoch
- Jager Pilon
- Jogele-An Dignan
- Alastair Ramsay
- Ameya Eldhose
- Talon Crouch

**SWIMMING ARRANGEMENTS—WEEK 9**

Due to the swimming program the CANTEEN WILL NOT BE OPEN FOR RECESS on Monday 30. Students should bring their recess to school on this day. Tuesday will be the final day of swimming.

Please ensure that your child has the following for swimming classes:

- Sunscreen
- Swimmers
- Swim shirt if they require one
- Towel
- Plastic bag to put wet belongings in
- Drink bottle
- Goggles (if they require them)

St Mary’s congratulates...

Congratulations to Charlie Tulloch who has been announced as a winner in the RFBI (Waratah Retirement Village) Christmas card competition. Charlie and Year 1 students, accompanied by Mrs Harland and Mrs Tulloch, will visit the Village on Wednesday morning to sing for the residents and Charlie will be presented with $50 worth of books for himself and $100 worth of books for St Mary’s school library.

St Mary’s farewells...

On Wednesday staff and students said a sad and fond farewell to Mrs Sue Cronin who has been at St Mary’s for the last 26 years. She has seen six Principals come and go and looked after thousands of children. We wish her all the best as she takes long service leave for Term 1 of next year.

St Mary’s thanks...

Thank you to Annabelle Brown, Kath Englert, Linda Thomas, Erin Pettit & Gina Morton who spent Thursday designing the egg costumes for the Kinder class.

The Annual General Meeting of St Mary’s Parents & Friends will be held on Tuesday 1 December commencing at 7.30pm All Welcome
Happy Birthday to Milla Pilon, Toby Edwards & Tyler Lawrence who celebrate their birthdays next week.

St Mary's Speech night and school play performance will be held on Thursday 10 December commencing at 6.00pm.

STABLE MANNERS
All students are asked to bring their play costumes to the school by Monday 30 November so they can be checked by teachers. A full dress rehearsal will take place at the S&C Club on Friday 4 December.

Please note: Year 2 students will each need a broom as a prop for their costumes

An invitation is extended to grandparents and community members to attend the matinee production on Thursday 10 December commencing at 11.30am at the S&C Club auditorium. Please RSVP to the school office on 69723003 with attendance numbers by Friday 4 December.

This week Year 5 students were nominated as candidates for the role of School Captain 2016. After a preparatory workshop the first round of elections was held within the YEAR 5 class, with Year 5 class teachers and Principal involved in the elections. The successful candidates are Max Wilson, Jamie Nicholson, Lachlan Worner, Ella Pettit, Anna Rogers, Georgia Miller and Jade Lawrence. These students will now present their speeches to the school community on Wednesday 2 December in the school hall commencing at 9.00am sharp. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

The current weather conditions of windy, dusty days are exacerbating asthma conditions in some of our students. Please make sure your child has their medication with them and alert the school if their condition needs to be monitored.

FROM THE SCHOOL CANTEEN
Please note that lasagna and cheese burgers are no longer available for the rest of Term 4.
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### CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4 2015

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### SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION:

At the end of this year, Mr Dan Mangelsdorf and Mrs Angela Tachie-Menson will be standing down from their positions on the school board.

If you would like to serve as a Board member, nominations are now being called for and will close on 30 November 2015.

Please fill in the nomination form attached to this newsletter and return to the school office if you wish to nominate yourself or someone else.

For more information phone the school office on 69723003

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**LITTLE WATTLE DAY CARE CENTRE**

**PRESENTS SANTA BUDDIES**

today Friday 27th Nov

Time: 7.15pm

Venue: St Mary’s School Hall

*Free Entry*

Phone: 6972 1044
ST. MARY’S SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATION FORM

I AM WILLING TO ACCEPT NOMINATION for the School Board of St. Mary’s War Memorial School, West Wyalong.

NAME:………………………………………………………………………………………………………

PHONE:.......................................................... DATE:.............................

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I WISH TO NOMINATE:………………………………………………………………………..

for the School Board of St. Mary’s War Memorial School, West Wyalong

and have acceptance of his/her nomination.

NAME OF NOMINATOR:……………………………………………………………………..

PHONE:.......................................................... DATE:.............................

NOMINEE’S SIGNATURE:……………………………………………………………………..

PHONE:.......................................................... DATE:.............................

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday 13 December 2015 from 7.30pm
All students are invited to attend especially those in Year 4, 5 & 6 as they will know the songs.

We will be singing Something Is Happening Tonight and Celebrate This Christmas, both songs from our upcoming performance of Stable Manners.

If your child is able to attend please fill in and return the slip attached to this information.

Family Name: _____________________________
My child/ren _____________________________ will be

Santa Photos
Where: 184 Main Street (old Elders Building), West Wyalong.
When: Friday 4 December 5pm to 8pm @ Christmas Carnival
Saturday 5 Dec 9am-2pm & Sunday 6 Dec 10am-2pm
Cost: $20 includes CD of photos or bring your own thumb drive and photos will be saved onto it.
Bookings for Friday and Saturday can be made but not essential.
Bookings for Sunday are essential.
For bookings contact Belinda Duncan 0429720544 or bazbelduncan@gmail.com
All proceeds to West Wyalong Public School rubber soft fall under the play equipment.