

School Newsletter

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St Mary's
Primary School
Kalgoorlie

Week 4 Term 4
7/11/2025

Important Dates

Saturday 8th November

125th Anniversary Celebration
10.30am Mass @ St Mary's Church
Followed by
Lunch and school tour at St Mary's
Primary School

Tuesday 18th - 20th November Book fair

Thursday 11th December Christmas Free Day

Friday 12th December Last day of school



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our 125 Celebrations are fast approaching. On Saturday we will be welcoming many past members of St Mary's School Community as we celebrate the 125th Anniversary of our school.

We will commence the day with a Mass at St Mary's Church at 10.30am. The school gates will be open from 12.00 midday to welcome visitors from the School Community and the wider Goldfields Community. We expect many past students and their families to join us.

The classrooms will be open from 1.00pm -2.15pm for people to see the amazing work we are doing at our school. At 2.30pm we will have a small ceremony to bless the new Basketball Courts. The weather is looking to be kind, and it should be a wonderful celebration. Please join us on our special day.

Unfortunately, we were unable to have our drone whole school photo taken last Wednesday due to the rain. It is rescheduled for Friday straight after Assembly. We thank most sincerely Matt Jones who is organizing this for us.

We celebrated with the children last Wednesday, singing Happy Birthday to St Mary's. Each child received a badge and a bookmark commemorating the event. We had a lovely cake which was shared with the children. Please see some photos below.

On Monday, Catholic Education Of Western Australia, announced the new Principal of St Mary's Primary School commencing in 2026. A huge congratulations to Mrs Jenny Gorman. Jenny has worked at our school for the past five years in the role of Assistant Principal and brings a wealth of experience to the role. I extend my very best wishes to Jenny as she takes the role of Principal on my retirement at the end of 2025.

Looking forward to the celebrations on Saturday,

God Bless
Elizabeth Browner
Principal



READING

Tuesday is Remembrance Day, marking the end of World War 1 in 1918. A hero from World War 1 is Sir Edwards Dunlop. He was a surgeon in the Australia Army during the Second World War. His nickname was 'weary' because he was tireless in his care of wounded soldiers.

They had been taken prisoner and forced to build a railway from the West Thailand into Burma, even though many were not fit for work. He is sometimes remembered as 'The Surgeon of the Railway' or 'The Christ of the Burma Railway.' He died in 1993.

Today's reading continues the story of Lazarus. When Jesus heard that his friend had died, he cried. It might be hard for us to think of Jesus feeling sad or worried. Even though Jesus was also human, just as we are.

GOSPEL

Listen to the words of the Holy Gospel according to John 11:32-36, 38-40

Mary went to where Jesus was. Then as soon as she saw him, she knelt at his feet and said, "Lord, if you'd been here, my brother wouldn't have died."

When Jesus saw that Mary and the people with her were crying, he was terribly upset and asked, "Where have you put his body?"

They replied, "Lord, come and you will see."

Jesus started crying, and the people said, "See how much he loved Lazarus."

Jesus was terribly upset. So, he went to the tomb, which was a cave with a stone rolled against the entrance. Then he told the people to roll the stone away. But Martha said, "Lord, you know that Lazarus has been dead for four days, and there will be a bad smell."

Jesus replied, "Didn't I tell you that if you had faith, you would see the glory of God?"

The Gospel of the Lord

PRAYER

God of peace,
we come before you today
and ask you to hear our prayers
and our petitions.

Where there is fighting,
help us bring peace.

Where there is jealousy
help us bring respect.

Where there is discrimination,
help us bring justice.

Where there are grudges,
help us bring forgiveness.

Where there is anger,
help us bring love.

Where there is distrust,
help us build bridges.

Help us to make the world
a better place for all people and all
nations.

May we learn to live in peace
with one another.

Amen



FINANCIAL MATTERS

School Fees have been issued and are now due for payment in full.

If you need a payment plan, please return the completed instalment option form to Linda in the office ASAP

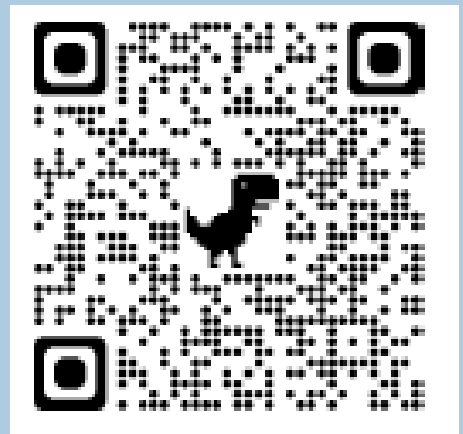
If you have a current CONCESSION CARD please present card to the office applicable discounts can be applied.

UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS

Monday 2.30pm - 3.00pm
Friday 8.15am - 8.45am

You can also order online through QuickCliq, scan the QR code to register.



SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP OUTLET

Thursday 8.30am - 9.00am

All items are \$5 - NO EFTPOS

ALL CLEAN DONATION WELCOME TO RECEPTION

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ST MARY'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS! SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

10:30am- Mass at St Mary's Church.

12:00pm- Gates open at St Mary's Primary School

Free morning tea and sausage sizzle.

Coffee, Icecream, Fairy Floss and Soft Drinks available for purchase.

Games on the oval.

Mingle and catch up with parents, students and teachers past and present!

Browse our memorabilia boards.

1:00-2:15pm- Open classrooms- tour the school.

2:30pm- Blessing and opening of the recently refurbished basketball courts.

UNIFORM POLICY

Uniform Focus – Jewellery

This week we are targeting Jewellery as part of our School Uniform Policy. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct Jewellery, watches ect..

Wearing the full school uniform is expected for all students in Years 1–6. On enrolment, parents agree to follow the School Uniform Policy, which includes expectations for correct uniform, hairstyles, and jewellery.

A uniform note will be sent home if students are not in the correct uniform, and leadership will follow up with a phone call if the issue is not resolved.

In Kindergarten, wearing the school uniform is not compulsory. However, if parents choose to dress their child in the school uniform, it must be the full sports uniform.

Pre-Primary students are required to wear the full sports uniform each day.

Summer Uniform — Girls

- Blue checked tunic (knee length)
- School hat
- Black or blue sandals (with buckle) or black school shoes (lace up or Velcro fastening for younger students)
- White ankle socks



Summer Uniform — Boys

- Blue shirt with school crest
- Grey shorts
- School hat
- Black or blue sandals (with buckle) or black school shoes (lace up or Velcro fastening for younger students)
- Grey ankle socks

Sports Uniform — Girls

- Blue skort or royal blue shorts
- School sports top
- White ankle socks
- School hat
- Plain black sneakers (Velcro permitted)

Sports Uniform — Boys

- Royal blue shorts
- School sports top
- White ankle socks
- School hat
- Plain black sneakers (Velcro permitted)

Cosmetics/Jewellery

- Earrings must be only one pair of plain gold or silver small studs/sleepers with no gemstone. (see picture below)
- Thin, gold or silver chain with a catholic religious symbol. Please keep in mind the potential safety issue when children are playing sport.
- Rings and arm or leg bracelets are not allowed.
- Watches should be plain, silver, gold, brown, blue or black.
- Nail polish or make up is not part of the School Uniform



LEAVING TOWN?



As we begin preparing our waiting lists for next year, please advise Jenna in the office as soon as possible if your child will not be returning to St Mary's in 2026. This helps us manage enrolments and offer places to families on our waiting list in a timely manner.



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St Mary's Primary School Kalgoorlie

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW

PRE- KINDY 2026

OPEN FOR CHILDREN TURNING 3
BETWEEN 1/7/2025- 30/06/2026.

PLAY BASED LEARNING WITH A
FOCUS ON DEVELOPING
CONFIDENT AND CREATIVE
INDIVIDUALS DELIVERED BY AN
EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
USING THE QR CODE.



For More Information

(08) 9092 0900

<https://www.stmkalg.wa.edu.au>

Congratulations!

Term Four, Week Four, Award Winners.

Class	Principal's Award 'A Positive Attitude'	Teacher's Award 'Science'
PPT	Archer Davies	Olivia Lobo Caride
PPK	Gus Walley	Jack Baylor
1B	Freya August	Laya Smith
1T	Zoya Asad	Charlie Beckham
2D	Zoe Worrall	Samuel Bibin and Nicholas Graves
2M	Ave Dzanibe	Tristan Moroney, Mathew Robilliard
3HB	<u>Azii Adarne</u>	Charlotte Van der Walt
3P	Arvin Talebi	Isla <u>Fitzgibbins</u>
4C	Elizabeth Ekins	Avika Bhardwaj
4O	Remy Watson	Maximilian Yoo
5H	Flynn Brown	<u>Phiwe Dzanibe</u>
5O	Rudransh Kumar	Aubree Hughes
6S	Olivia Lambert	Joel Makoni
6P	Amelia Pusch and Nate Smith	Samantha Purves

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A reminder to please ensure all clothing items are labelled. Order labels by scanning the QR Code.

Uniform Labels. Please label your uniforms



Please support our fundraising effort!
5% discount for parents and
15% towards our fundraising.



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TERM FOUR PLANNER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>12 October</u> Week 1	<u>13 October</u>	<u>14 October</u>	<u>15 October</u>	<u>16 October</u>	<u>17 October</u> Year One Church Visit JPC SWD Orientation 9am-12pm	<u>18 October</u>
<u>19 October</u> Week 2	<u>20 October</u>	<u>21 October</u>	<u>22 October</u> Parent/Child Reconciliation Workshop 6:00pm Early Childhood Block	<u>23 October</u>	<u>24 October</u> Year Two Liturgy	<u>25 October</u>
<u>26 October</u> Week 3	<u>27 October</u> Year 6 Camp QCE Awards Breakfast in Perth	<u>28 October</u>	<u>29 October</u>	<u>30 October</u>	<u>31 October</u> World Teachers' Day Year 3 Reconciliation Retreat	<u>1 November</u>
<u>2 November</u> Week 4	<u>3 November</u> Pupil Free Day Tchr self- directed	<u>4 November</u>	<u>5 November</u>	<u>6 November</u>	<u>7 November</u> Preparations for the 125 th Anniversary	<u>8 November</u> 125 th Anniversary Celebrations
<u>9 Nov</u> Week 5	<u>10 November</u> Year 7 2026 - JPC Transition Day	<u>11 November</u> Remembrance Day Reflection	<u>12 November</u>	<u>13 November</u>	<u>14 November</u> Year Three Church Visit GEMS @ Esperance TBC - CPPA AGM & Thanksgiving Mass	<u>15 November</u>
<u>16 Nov</u> Week 6	<u>17 November</u> Year 7 2026 - JPC Transition Day	<u>18 November</u> BOOK FAIR	<u>19 November</u> BOOK FAIR Year Three First Reconciliation 6:30pm St Mary's Church 2026 Kindy Orientation Caesia - 9:00-10am Mallee - 10:30-11:30 Parent Info Night - 5:30pm	<u>20 November</u> BOOK FAIR	<u>21 November</u> Pre-Primary Prayer Service - 11:30am Mary's Garden	<u>22 November</u>
<u>23 Nov</u> Week 7	<u>24 November</u> Year 7 2026 - JPC Transition Day	<u>25 November</u> Kindy Caesia Priest Visit 9:30am	<u>26 November</u> 2026 3YO Orientation TBC	<u>27 November</u>	<u>28 November</u> Year 6 ASSEMBLY Kindy Mallee Priest Visit 9:30am	<u>29 November</u>
<u>30 Nov</u> Week 8 First week of Advent	<u>1 December</u> HEAD GIRL and BOY SELECTION 2025	<u>2 December</u> Caesia Kindy Concert - 2pm	<u>3 December</u>	<u>4 December</u> MINER'S MEMORIAL 6:30pm Year 7 JPC Parent Information Night 7.00pm	<u>5 December</u> Year 7 JPC Orientation Day Year 5 Priest Visit Mallee Kindy Concert - 2pm	<u>6 December</u>
<u>7 Dec</u> Week 9 Second week of Advent	<u>8 December</u> ST MARY'S PP-3 END OF YEAR CONCERT 6.30PM - 8PM UNDERCOVER	<u>9 December</u> ST MARY'S Yr 4-6 END OF YEAR CONCERT 6.30PM - 8PM UNDERCOVER	<u>10 December</u>	<u>11 December</u> CHRISTMAS FREE DRESS DAY HAMPER GIVING Presentation	<u>12 December</u> Last Day for all students Year 6 Graduation Mass and Lunch	<u>13 December</u>

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To Valued Members of the Our School Community

As we approach a significant milestone in our school's history, we are filled with immense pride and gratitude. St. Mary's School is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year, a testament to our enduring commitment to education, community, and excellence.

To commemorate this special occasion, we are planning a series of events and activities that will honour our rich heritage and celebrate our future. These celebrations will not only bring together current students, staff, and alumni but also serve as a beacon of our school's legacy and values. However, to make this celebration truly memorable, we need your support. We are reaching out to our very supportive community members to ask for donations that will help fund the various events and initiatives planned for this milestone anniversary. Your generous contributions will go towards:

- Organising a memorable day with refreshments and activities
- Enhancing our school's facilities by painting and refreshing historical areas
- Beautifying our grounds
- Collecting, restoring and displaying our story and photos.

Every donation, no matter the size, will make a significant impact and help us ensure that this celebration reflects the spirit and tradition of St. Mary's School. We are grateful for any support you can provide and thank you in advance for your generosity. Major sponsors will be acknowledged.

If you wish to donate, our bank details are below:

St Marys Primary

BSB: 086006

ACCOUNT NO: 813947197

Reference: Your Surname125 – (e.g. SMITH125)

Thank you for being a part of the St. Mary's School community and for your continued support.

Together, we can make our 125th anniversary a truly unforgettable celebration.

Warm regards,

Mrs Sue Coyle

Assistant Principal

and the St. Mary's School's 125th Anniversary Committee

PARISH NEWS

COMMUNITY MASS 2025



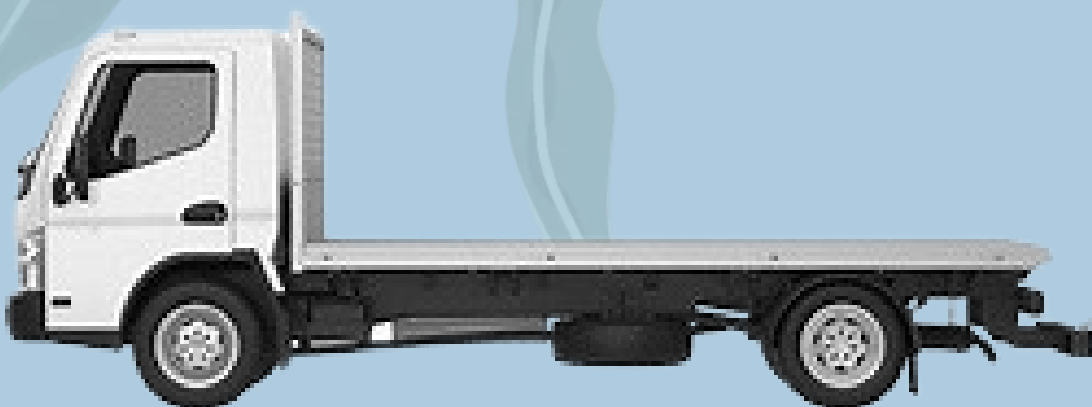
St Mary's Catholic Parish would like to loan a small flatbed truck similar to this one, to be used as a float in the St Barbara's Parade on Sunday 7th December 2025. The float will have the Patron Saint of the Parade, St Barbara on it (a Statue) and a number of children from the Parish.

The truck would be required on Saturday afternoon for decorating purposes and on Sunday for the Parade. We have a driver for the truck with the appropriate license which we would be happy to provide details of.

The Parish is willing to pay for fuel for the truck and any other gratuities required and to sign any necessary paperwork. We would also acknowledge the owner of the truck/company in our weekly bulletin to our parishioners.

Please contact our Parish office - 90 212100 or email kalgoorlie@perthcatholic.org.au if you have a similar truck or can recommend some we can get in contact with regarding this request.

Thank you in advance.



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MUSIC PROGRAM 2024



GITAR, UKULELE and KEYBOARD INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2024

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hi there! My name is Lindsay Ginn and I've been presenting music classes for Guitar, Ukulele and Keyboard for the last five years at St Mary's. It has been proven scientifically that learning to play a musical instrument has huge benefits to students. In fact, when someone plays, studies have shown that every area of the brain is working. It's as though fireworks are going off inside your head! I began learning to play at the age of seven when my parents decided to take a chance on me. They scrounged up enough money to buy an electronic organ and pay for some lessons, hoping that I might do well at it. I'm so glad they did take that chance because I have never stopped playing since that day. I know personally that music does make a major difference in someone's life because it did so in mine.

If you would like your son or daughter to begin I'd be honoured to start them on that journey. The cost of each lesson is \$25, which I invoice during the term. I only charge for eight lessons each term, due to other activities that may pop up from time to time.

I'm more than happy to assist you and make recommendations if you don't have an instrument as yet and need guidance - Just let me know. Could you please **email** or **text** through the following information to me if you would like to start lessons this year. My contact details are:

email: ginn1@icloud.com
mobile phone: 0437541280

Lindsay.

1. Your Name
2. Your email or contact number
3. Your child's name
4. Year Level and Class Number
5. The instrument they would like to learn: GUITAR, UKULELE or KEYBOARD
6. If they have previous experience, please let me know approximately how much

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Alice In Wonderland

The Pantomime

Directed by Angela Dix & Caitlyn Callaghan

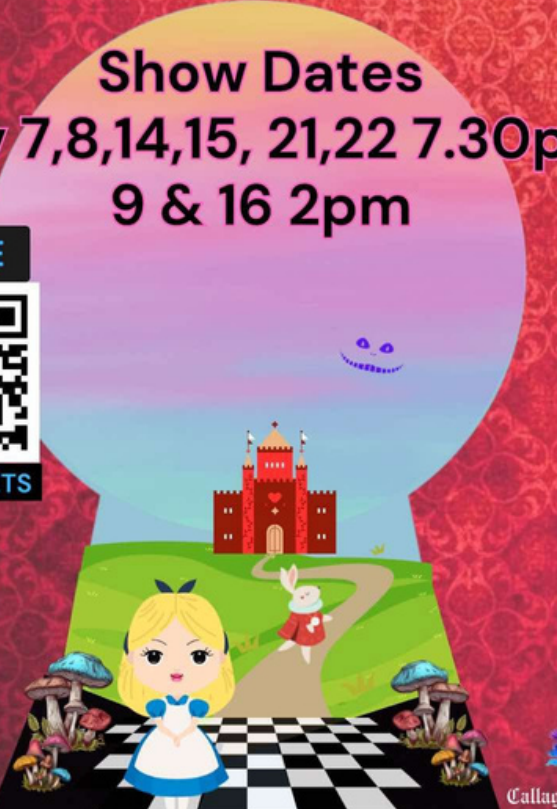
Show Dates

Nov 7,8,14,15, 21,22 7.30pm
9 & 16 2pm

SCAN ME



FOR TICKETS



Callaghan Coatings




Kalgoorlie Workshops 2025

Our team will be visiting Kalgoorlie from the 3rd to the 6th of November 2025. During this time, we will be delivering workshops for families, parents and carers of young children with Autism, community members and community health and family professionals. Face-to-face family consultations with an experienced therapist will also be available. See below the event details and register to take part!

November 4th & 5th Tuesday, 10am - 1pm Wednesday, 9am - 3pm One Hour Individual Family Consult: Understanding Early Signs 📍 KCGM Sporting Pavilion, Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex, Marshall St, West Lannington WA 6430 These individual consultations are for families with children under 6 who may not be meeting typical developmental milestones or are showing differences in their development. FREE and made possible thanks to Telethon.	November 4th Tuesday 2pm - 5pm Promoting Inclusive Environments 📍 KCGM Sporting Pavilion, Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex, Marshall St, West Lannington WA 6430 This workshop is designed for educators, health professionals and community support staff who want to understand Autism and build inclusive environments. Cost to attend: \$110 (inc GST)
November 5th Wednesday 5:30pm - 7:30pm Family Workshop - Understanding Autism 📍 KCGM Sporting Pavilion, Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex, Marshall St, West Lannington WA 6430 Join our experienced staff and therapists for an informative session where we will discuss what Autism is and what this could mean for your child and your family. FREE and made possible thanks to Telethon.	November 6th Thursday 9:30am - 12:30pm Autism: What are the Early Indicators? 📍 KCGM Sporting Pavilion, Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex, Marshall St, West Lannington WA 6430 Early Indicators workshops are for Community Health and Family Professionals, including Community Health Nurses, Social Workers, Community Allied Health Professionals, Local Coordinators, NDIS Planners, Early Childhood Educators, and Teachers. FREE and made possible thanks to Telethon.



Register now!

To register for these workshops, visit our website by scanning the QR code or by visiting www.autism.wa.gov.au/kalgoorlie. For more information on our services for regional families and communities email us at general.the.wa@autism.wa.gov.au

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CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY 19 DECEMBER
2pm - 5pm
168 Egan St, Kalgoorlie

Open to the community and catering to all ages as we celebrate the festive season.

- Meet and greet with Santa, take a photo
- Christmas themed activities
- Christmas cookie decorating
- Card and ornament decorating
- Free sausage sizzle & Icy poles

Children must be supervised by adults.






For more information
 (08) 9080 0333

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FOR 6 SESSIONS

LITTLE GIANTS KICK IT

FOOTBALL WEST

A fun introduction to football for players aged 2-4

Come and play on Saturday mornings
Starting Saturday 18 October

8am-8.45am (45 minutes)

Usher Park, Kalgoorlie

Register now!




MiniTillies, let's play!

\$35
for 6 sessions

GIRLS FOOTBALL PROGRAM
FOR PLAYERS AGED 5-9

SUNDAY MORNINGS
(STARTING SUN 19 OCT)

9:00AM - 10:00AM
(1 HOUR)

USHER PARK, KALGOORLIE

scan the QR code to register!



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FOOTBALL WEST



FOOTBALL WEST

girls UNITED

free 6-week program

FOR GIRLS AGED 10-18

No pressure, no commitment—just good vibes, skill-building, and a great way to stay active! No experience, no problem!

Sunday evenings
Starting Sunday 19 October

6.30pm - 8pm (1.5 hours)

Oasis Indoor Court, Goldfields
Oasis Recreation Centre

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Department of Health and Aged Care

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FOOTBALL WEST

\$45
for 8 sessions

Daughters & Dads

Award-winning program for girls aged 5-12 and their dads or dad-figures.

SUNDAY MORNINGS
(STARTING 19 OCTOBER)

9AM - 10AM (1 HOUR)

USHER PARK (ST JOHN'S SIDE)
KALGOORLIE

Scan the QR code to register



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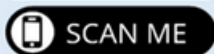


Do you have a child/ren that requires to travel away from Kalgoorlie for medical treatment?

Did you know if you need to travel away from Kalgoorlie for any medical treatment that is not available locally for your child/ren (18 and under) that the below organisations could assist you and your family.

Please scan the below codes to access information.

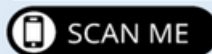
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ROTARY CLUB OF BOULDER



GOLDFIELDS CHILDREN CHARITY



SCAN THE ABOVE CODES FOR HELPFUL INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Kalgoorlie PATS Office – 9080 5681

Rotary Club of Boulder – Rob Thompson- 0419 518 142

Goldfields Children Charity- Jess- 0437 413 911



PLAY CRICKET



Kalgoorlie Cricket Blast Registrations are now open!!

Cricket Blast goes for just one hour and is for boys & girls aged 5-10

For more information and to register today, scan the QR code below or head to Play.Cricket.com.au and search 'Eastern Goldfields Cricket Association'



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From Kindy to Year 7



Find us on Facebook @ Goldfields Tee Ball Association (Official Group)



Junior Players wanted
Under 10's, Under 12's, Under 14's
New and existing players welcome

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Email
hannanscricketclub@outlook.com
for further information

FOOTY FOR ALL KALGOORLIE

STARTING WEEKLY FROM SATURDAY
18TH OCTOBER 9AM - 12PM

Join us for season 2 of Footy for All in the Goldfields!
People aged 12 and above living with a disability are welcome
to join in an inclusion football masterclass aligned with the WA
All Abilities Football Association, Country Football WA and
GIFSA!

SCAN ME TO REGISTER NOW!



CONTACT:
ESHE CHRISTIE - [ECHRIESTIE@WAFOOTBALL.COM.AU](mailto:echristie@wafootball.com.au)



St Mary's Primary School has a Code of Conduct that applies to all members of our School Community and all visitors to our school. It is important that all members of our school community abide by our Code of Conduct and while we do not always agree, we resolve our differences appropriately in a respectful manner.

***Elizabeth Browner
Principal***

- 1. You act safely and competently.**
- 2. You give priority to students' safety and well-being in all your behaviour and decision making.**
- 3. You act in accordance with the values of the Gospel as defined in the Code of Ethical Conduct.**
- 4. You conduct yourself in accordance with laws, agreements, policies and standards relevant to your relationship with the school community.**
- 5. You respect the dignity, culture, values and beliefs of each member of the school community.**
- 6. You treat personal information about members of the school community as private and confidential.**
- 7. You give impartial, honest and accurate information about the education, safety and well-being of students.**
- 8. You support all members of the school community in making informed decisions about students.**
- 9. You promote and preserve the trust and privilege inherent in your relationship with all members of the school community.**
- 10. You maintain and build on the community's trust and confidence in Catholic schools and the Church.**
- 11. You act reflectively and ethically.**
- 12. You allow students to have a voice in their education, safety and well-being.**