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A child is like a butterfly in the wind.
Some can fly higher than others,
but each one flies the best it can.
Why compare one against the other?
Each one is different.
Each one is special.
Each one is beautiful.

FATHER’S DAY MASS & MORNING TEA
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CONGRATULATIONS
I would also like to extend our congratulations to Leah Redmond & Karla Pauk - (Piano Duet—Primary), Karla Pauk - (Primary Piano Solo) who recently performed at the Performing Arts Festival. Both girls were recognised for their talents and received a Certificate of Merit in the Primary Piano Performance section of the Festival.
Well done girls!
We also wish Joel Di Toro all the best over the coming week as he represents WA in the State School Boys National Competition for Soccer/Football in Bendigo. Have fun Joel!

PREPRIMARY ASSEMBLY/CARNEVALE
Congratulations to Mrs Drummond, Mrs Bignell and Mrs Moore for preparing the Pre-Primary children so beautifully for their Carnevale performance in the city. The children were magnificent and had the cute factor right throughout the performance. Many thanks to the parents and grandparents who were able to get into the city and see not only our children perform but also other Catholic schools.

CONDOLENCES—The Mary’s Mount School Community would like to express our sincere condolences to the Boisvert Family on the sad passing of their Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers and with you. May your loved one rest in peace in the arms of God.
God Bless
Sandro Coniglio

FROM THE BOARD...
Hello to you all!
Over the next few weeks we will see some work being carried out in the school for a new store room and also relaying power to the gardener’s shed. At the moment there is no power in the shed which does make it difficult for Mr Harris to properly carry out his duties. The storage room will be created alongside the uniform shop under the old hall.

Justin Pavlinovich
School Board Chair Person.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
We rise by lifting others

DOES YOUR CHILD CATCH THE BUS?
Mary’s Mount Primary School is pleased to let you know that we have registered the school for the Student Concession’s Smart Rider cards.
Parents can go to the securely hosted web site, select the school their child is attending, key in the first name, surname, and DOB of their child. If their details are found they will be taken directly to the secure credit card payment system. If not found, they will be prompted to enter all required information before being entered in the payment section.
The SmartRider card will be printed as normal and sent directly to the school to be handed out to the student. Parents can find the school in the education institution list and place card orders.
The online application website is: https://idcards.monitorwa.com.au
Please note that there is always a $5.00 payment for parents to purchase SmartRider online.
For more information please contact Monitor WA on 9240 4777 or support@monitorwa.com.au

The below thank you letter was received from the Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition the other day, after they received a donation from us. I would like to share this with the school community as this donation was not possible without your assistance.
If you are unable to make your rostered day, please arrange a substitute or swap then email Lourdes on Lourdes.benedictos@gmail.com with the details.

HELP, HELP, PLEASE HELP!!
As you can seen on the above roster we are still in need of helpers for the next couple of weeks.
Even if you can only spare an hour or so it would be greatly appreciated.
Every little bit helps.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL—THANK YOU
I would like to thank everyone who helped out in any way in the Canteen last Friday during the School Athletics Carnival. Your help ensured the smooth running of the canteen, morning teas and all the other undertakings of the day. Your help and cooperation is greatly appreciated and invaluable to the running of the canteen.

COMEDY COMPETITION
Earlier this week your child should have received a Canteen Comedy Competition—Student Joke Entry Form. All they have to do is write down their best joke about fruit or vegetables and hand it in to the class teacher, canteen or school office. Please have these handed in by Monday 15 September, so they can be displayed in the hall. There are prizes to be won, so get your entries in as soon as possible.

*** News from the Garden ***
The pre-primary class spent an hour last week sowing carrot seeds and radish seeds into the Year 2 garden bed. They were very enthusiastic and didn’t mind getting their hands dirty covering the tiny seeds up. We will watch out for the new shoots coming through any day now...

There is plenty of produce for sale – herbs, spinach, silver beet and a couple of lettuces. Please come and find me in the school grounds if you would like some fresh, organic produce and would like to donate a gold coin or two. All proceeds go back into the school garden.

Denise Oorschot
COMMUNITY NEWS

BENDIGO BANK—SCHOOL TECH INITIATIVE

At Forrestfield and High Wycombe Community Bank branches we recognise that technology makes a significant impact on students and their learning. That’s why we have launched our School Tech Initiative to provide funding for technology in our local schools - including $20,000 to Mary’s Mount Primary School.

Your local Community Bank branches invest their profits back into our local communities—with over $1.5m contributed into local projects and initiatives. Just by banking with us, you automatically become part of something bigger.

To find out more call in and talk to our friendly staff at our Forrestfield and High Wycombe Branches.

Look for the flyer coming home today.

SWAN DISTRICTS JUNIOR BASEBALL CLUB
Free Come and Try Session
Saturday 20 September
10.00am to 11.30am
Ron Jose Oval Gray Drive Midvale
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Swan Districts Machine
Pitch
All welcome tell a friend, bring a friend
Enquires 0422 522 463

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P.O Box 57, Kalamunda WA 6926
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Mob: 0400 568 352

To girls in years 3, 4 & 5 you are invited to attend Aussie Hoops at Ray Owen Sports Centre on Mondays from 4 to 5.15pm on courts 4 and 5. Players have training and then a game with skilled coaches. Uniforms, balls and umpires are provided. Come and try before you commit! It’s a great way to get fit and have fun as well! Ring Lizzy on 9293 8100 or Chris jon 0439 936 536 chrisalligari@hotmail.com

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