



Newsletter

Events

Week 2

Friday 7th Feb
TBA - Possibly Yr 6
Leadership Shirts will
be given out at
Assembly

Week 3

Thursday 13th Feb
Opening School
Mass 9am

Friday 14th Feb
Pupil Free Day -
Bishop's Inservice

'I am, You are, We are Australian'

This week this song was played and sung with joy and some sense of pride I'm certain. It sounds confident and full of hope but, perhaps strangely, the reason it resonates deeply with us is that it recognises the grief and pain that are in the background of most Australians' history.

The coming of the tall ships signalled dispossession (and let's be honest) invasion for the indigenous peoples.

None of them really wanted to be here: rare is the person who willingly wants to leave their homeland and even rarer are the people who want their homeland invaded. Most people who came didn't come with grandiose ideals but with the hope of making the best of their awful situation. They were grounded in a tough reality and they made a fist of it. That I believe is part of the relative peace that we have in this most multi-cultural of all societies. We've all been down on our luck and we have helped each other up...and look where we are now!

A person's ability to live in peace does not lie with the great ideals they have but rather with a recognition that they share a common humanity with other people – and that means accepting and moving on from human messiness and sinfulness. When Jesus came to save, he did it not as a God remote from us but from within our broken and messy humanity.

I hope we remember our history and know that it gives us the capacity to embrace those who come 'from all the lands on earth.'

'I am, You are, We are Australian'



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<https://313sas.rok.catholic.edu.au/parentlounge/>

FROM THE Principal



Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome you to St Anne's Catholic Primary School at Sarina, or back to our school again, as the case may be.

Parents are always welcome and encouraged to participate as much as they can in the excitement of their children's primary education.

Our school Mission Statement stresses the need for a partnership to be forged between parents and school. If we are to be effective in the education of your child then we must encourage this co-operative teacher-parent relationship. Education, and Catholic Education in particular, is a three-way process of communication involving teachers, child and parent. I challenge you as a partner in this educational enterprise to contribute your time, energies and talents in furthering the aims of St Anne's Catholic Primary School.

You are encouraged to become involved in your child's education. Parents are always needed in classrooms and within the general school. Our teachers are always willing to discuss your child's development, learning needs and any problems with you.

St Anne's Catholic Primary School is well known for the family atmosphere it has created and continues to nurture. This is due to the welcoming nature of the students, staff and parents, and the fact that we emphasise the importance of family and our priority of family values. We celebrate the lives of all of those in our school community – not just the children! This atmosphere has to be experienced – the words are not hollow ones. We are justly proud of this school we have!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions. I am sure you will find or continue to find your association with this school to be a most rewarding experience.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

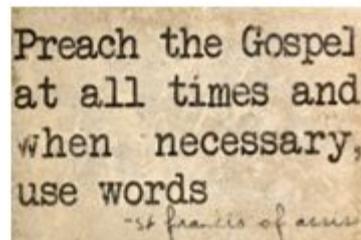
Here at St Anne's we value the achievements of our students and love sharing the news with our School Community!! Please send an email to: sas@rok.catholic.edu.au so we can celebrate your fantastic news.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

We remember all those in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness or surgery.

Dear Lord,

Bless all who are sick, especially those in our School Community. May they experience, in a special way, the great love and concern Jesus has for them. Amen.



WELCOME! | Monday was a hive of activity with students and parents arriving, catching up with friends and teachers, locating rooms and reasons to linger longer. Our first day back after the holidays for students was a calm and happy day due to the good organization and preparation of staff. Our aspiration is to nurture this motivation and inspire our students to continue the way they have started.

Special thanks must go to the Year 6 students who assisted on Book Drop-Off Day with showing students to their rooms! We could not have done this without you!

Special thanks too to Mrs Jill Cotter and Mrs Kate Gill who took the organising of our Welcoming Morning Tea on Monday under their wing. This is a delightful opportunity for creating lasting friendships!

Special thanks too to the volunteers (Danielle and Mel & Liz) who assisted with the Uniform Shop opening over the holidays. Without you it is realised that many parents would not have been School-ready in time for the beginning of this year! Your blood is worth bottling!

We welcome new staff to our family this year; Mrs Elyse Walsh (Year 1), Mrs Melissa Morrison (Year 5 – providing Leadership release for Stuart Presley), new TAs - Kristy Dickens, Jenny Taylor and Jahna Liston. Please make yourself known to them and make them feel welcome!

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new families to the school. For some of you school life is brand new and for others - it's routine. Please know that you're all extremely welcome and I pray that 2020 is a successful and happy year for you all.

Welcome to St Anne's

Prep: Harrison Bearham, Katelyn Borg, Emily-Jo Boyd, Rylan Buchanan, Xander Budby Johns, Sophia Curr, Zahliah Curr, Charlotte Davis, Paige Ernst, Tyler Finlay, Payton Hills, Isabelle Hintz, Amelia Huddleston, Lewis Johnstone, Summer Keating, Za'Layah Murray, Mathew Walsh, Memphis Wilkinson, Summer Williams, Lewis Wilson, Monica Zvirikuzhe

Year 2: Wyatt Wilkinson

Year 4: Katie Boucher, Ella Finlay, Nataya Flohr-Fewquandie

Year 6: Zoey Boucher

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR | We are blessed this year again to have a school counsellor at St Anne's. Ms Dee Trannore is our school counsellor and she will work here every Wednesday and alternating Mondays. She will be available to support both students and their families in a range of ways. *Dee has introduced herself later in this newsletter.*

COMMUNICATION | Effective communication is important for any organisation. During the year, there may be times when you need some information clarified. From time to time your child might come home from school with a concern. If you have any questions or concerns please let your child's teacher know. If it is a serious matter, please contact me. Without parental support, the effectiveness of our discipline procedures would greatly be reduced. We must all work together to create a school environment that is safe, secure and attractive for the children in our care. Under no circumstance are you ever to approach another child to discuss an event. This can be viewed as intimidation and escalate the situation.

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL | If your child is unable to attend school for the day due to an illness or for some other reason, it is important that you please contact the office prior to the commencement of school.

SIGNING OF CHILDREN IN AND OUT | When children arrive late at school, any time after 8:35am, they are required to be signed in at the office by a parent/guardian. Please do not just drop your child off at the drop off zone. Similarly if children are being picked up any time prior to 2:55pm they also need to be signed out by a parent/guardian. These are Workplace Health and Safety requirements. Can I please remind you of the importance of establishing routines in classrooms and having children arriving late or leaving early is very disruptive. We do understand that occasionally children may have appointments to attend but if they can be kept to a minimum it would be appreciated.

VISITORS REGISTER | A reminder to parents, that it is a legal requirement that the school has a register of all persons who have entered the school during the day. If you come to the school for whatever reason, please firstly sign the electronic register that is available in the school office. You will then be required to sign out before you leave.

SCHOOL HOURS | School commences at 8.35 am. All students are expected to arrive prior to this first bell. A teacher is on duty from 8.20am onwards. Children need to have a regular morning routine with a consistent, punctual attendance time to aid a calm and happy start to the school day. This also assists effective learning and social skills. Similarly, school concludes at 2.55pm and children need to have a regular, punctual routine for going home. Thank you for your support of our student learning!

For legal reasons, we must clearly advise parents and families that St Anne's grounds are only supervised by Staff from 8.20am to 2.55pm.

The bus children will be supervised as well.

Next week, any student arriving before 8.20am must sit outside the hall and wait until this time before before being ushered to classrooms. No balls, running or games of any description are permitted during this time.

The same legal situation occurs after 2.55pm. No students or families may use the adventure playgrounds, prep play equipment or undercover areas before or after school.

If parents collect students and wish to speak to other adults, their children must remain standing beside their parent or sitting on the seats. They are not permitted to play.

Thank-you for your cooperation with these important Legal and Safety issues. (Geyer v Downes Precedent)

HAIR STYLES | Hair accessories must be plain and minimalist and either Royal Blue or Black. Large decorative hair pieces are **NOT** acceptable. Hair that is long enough to be tied back must be worn in this manner for health and safety reasons. Haircuts must be neat and tidy in appearance and not falling into eyes or around the face. Hair must not be dyed or coloured or worn in a style that is deemed to be inappropriate for primary school. **The following styles are not considered appropriate for St Anne's students: tracks, rat tails, mohawks, shorter than 2 gauge.**

SCHOOL UNIFORM | St Anne's is a school we should be proud of. This also applies to the wearing of the school uniform. The uniform is a complete package. Whilst there are a number of variations of it, the expectation is that when the uniform is worn it is worn correctly. Could all parents ensure that all articles of clothing, including hats, are clearly labelled as this helps reduce lost items. If for some reason it is necessary for a child to be out of school uniform, a note from parents is required. Please ensure children are wearing **ALL Black jogger shoes** to school. Any other colours on the shoes are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**, not even a small stripe of colour! Volley shoes and Mary-Jane style shoes are NOT ACCEPTABLE as they do not provide support for the children's feet.

SPORTS UNIFORM DAYS | Wednesday is the day that all classes have PE with Mrs Place. Students in Years 1 to 5 are to wear their Sports shirt on this day. Year 6 may wear either their Leadership shirt or their Sports shirt for P.E. on Wednesdays. Years 1-5 are to also wear their Sports shirt on Fridays. Year 6 are to wear their Leadership Shirts on Fridays. If confused please see below to check who wears their Sports shirt on which days.

Prep students wear their everyday Yellow Polo shirt on all days and don't have a Sports shirt to wear.

Mondays - No one wears Sports shirt

Tuesdays - No one wears Sports shirt

Wednesdays

- Years 1 - 5 Sports shirt
- Year 6 - Either Sports shirt or Leadership shirt (student's choice)

Thursdays - No one wears Sports shirt

Fridays

- Years 1 to 5 - Sports shirt
- Year 6 - Leadership shirt

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS | Each grade will be having a Parent Information Session in the next couple of weeks. This is an opportunity for parents to gain an understanding of the classroom routines and expectation of your child's class. We aim to have the meetings be less than an hour. Further information will be sent home shortly about these sessions.

SCHOOL STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS | The safety and wellbeing of our students is of the highest importance at St Anne's. In accordance with this, we have nominated School Student Protection Contacts who are staff members that students can raise concerns of abuse, harm or inappropriate behaviour by others.

At St Anne's School, our School Student Protection Contacts are:

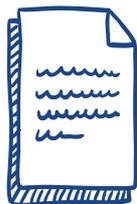
- John Ballinger-Oches
- Stuart Presley
- Linda Holmes
- Dee Trannore

General INFORMATION

NO HAT



NO PLAY



NOTES			
Date	To	Topic	Author
28/01	Eldest in Family	Fee Information Sheet	Mrs Barnard
28/01	Eldest in Family	Coronavirus	Mr Oches
28/01	Every Student	Tennis Lessons	Lefty Wright
30/01	Eldest in Family	Coronavirus Update	Mr Oches



BIRTHDAYS			
27/01	Jemma Matthews		

Tuckshop Helpers

Day	Helpers (please contact office if you can fill a spot)
Thursday 6th Feb	Helpers Needed (Please contact Nina or Office)
Friday 7th Feb	Helpers Needed (Please contact Nina or Office)

THE GOOD news



Mr Stuart Presley
Assistant Principal (RE)
stuart_presley@rok.catholic.edu.au

BISHOP'S INSERVICE DAY | Friday February 14th is a student free day for our annual Bishop's Inservice day. This day is set aside each year for teacher inservice in the area of Religion and Faith Development. This year's topic focuses on "**What is God calling me to?**". It addresses the universal call to holiness in a practical way for our time. Please place this important date in your diaries as students do not come to school on this date.

January in the Catholic Church

The month of January is dedicated to the **Holy Name of Jesus**, which is celebrated on January 3. The first twelve days of January fall during the liturgical season known as **Christmas** which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The remaining days of January are the beginning of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2020

Prayer intention for evangelization - Promotion of World Peace: We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Farewell (but not goodbye) Fr Don

Our thoughts and prayers are with Fr Don as he leaves for Rome for his sabbatical leave for 12 months. We ask God to take care of Fr Don and watch over him. **Buon Viaggio Fr Don**

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself" - Luke 10:27

How can the St Anne's school community be the face of Jesus?

- Donate small items such as pencils, pens, school supplies, food, clothing to our giving box
- Donate money to the Mission Box located in the office
- Prepare a cooked meal to be refrigerated and passed on to individuals and families in our community
- Support our school recycling program by collecting cans, bottles, plastic lids

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing donations of items. They go a long way to help those in need!

Sunday's Gospel Reflection - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 4:12-23 - *Jesus begins his public ministry, calling the Apostles*

Historical Context

Repent

Throughout the Old Testament, the people of Israel repeated a cycle of behaviour. When their relationship with God was strong, they upheld the covenant and they prospered. They would forget that their prosperity lay in being in right relationship with one another and with God and so they would neglect those relationships. They would turn so far away that some tragedy or oppression would befall them. Out of their despair they would recognise their need for God and they would 'repent' and re-establish their relationship with God. Jesus' call to repent is a call to looking at the relationship with God in a whole new way.

from the perspective

the first called

What must it have been like for those first four disciples Jesus called? The fact that they were fishing means that they had not been chosen to continue studying the Torah beyond childhood and had not been chosen by a rabbi to be his followers. Even as young men, these four were has-beens and had no hope of a rabbi asking them to be his disciples. Suddenly, Jesus appears and calls them to follow him. A life that had passed them by suddenly opened up before them! Of course they dropped everything and followed.



Have you thought? People in darkness

The passage from Isaiah that is quoted in the gospel, speaks of the people who dwell in darkness. The passage is addressed to the Jewish tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali – two of the twelve tribes. These two tribes lived in the northernmost part of Palestine and their lands were surrounded by Gentiles. Any non-Jew was regarded as living in darkness because they did not have the light of 'truth', but these two tribes also dwelt in darkness because they were surrounded by it. Regardless, the passage asserts that all who dwell in darkness (Gentile and Jew alike) will receive a great light.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
you continue to call
disciples in this world: you
continue to call me.

Give me the courage to
drop all that would stop me
living by your love and your
call and give me the
audacity to joyfully follow
you.

Amen

ACROSS THE Curriculum



SLCMA ANNUAL SCHOOL ACTIVITY DAY 2019 | On December 3 and 4, SLCMA with assistance from Mackay & District Turtle Watch Association (MTW) and Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA); held our annual school activity days at Campwin Beach. Thankyou to students and teachers from local primary schools, St Anne's Catholic Primary School, Swayneville and Homebush State Schools who attended the day and joined in the fun.

This year the event was themed 'Caring for Our Coasts' and coincided with Coast-care week. Coast care week aims to promote awareness and care of our coastal and marine environments. As such, the students rotated through three different activities associated with our coastal and marine environments.

The activities included:

1. **Sustainable fishing** activity facilitated by GBRMPA introduced students to the aspects of sustainable fishing along the QLD coast. Students were able to 'fish' for various marine fish and crabs throughout the different zone types related to commercial and recreational fishing. This created a lot of discussion, measuring and identification and meant that the students learnt about size limits, bag limits and skills such as how to tell the difference between a male and female crab.
2. **Marine Turtles** activity facilitated by MTW involved an information session about marine turtles, especially the Flatback Turtle, which nest on the beaches around Sarina and Mackay. The students were able to gain an understanding of the role that MTW have in collecting data for research purposes and gaining a better understanding of marine turtles in our area. Students were also able to discuss practical ways to protect nesting marine turtles and their habitats. MTW had some interesting photos to share and even brought along a replica of a turtle nest so the students could get a better understanding of how they are structured.
3. **Coastal Dunes** activity facilitated by SLCMA, helped students gain an understanding of our coastal dunes, their role, the importance of a healthy dune system and how to protect them. The students also learnt what a healthy dune system is, characteristics of a dune system, and native plants/animals that utilise the dune area. Likewise, students were also able to create their own seed bombs using local native coastal seed, clay, soil and a bit of water, and distribute them (by throwing them!) into the dunes ready for the wet season.

A big thanks to Mackay Regional Council for their continued support for the school activity days.

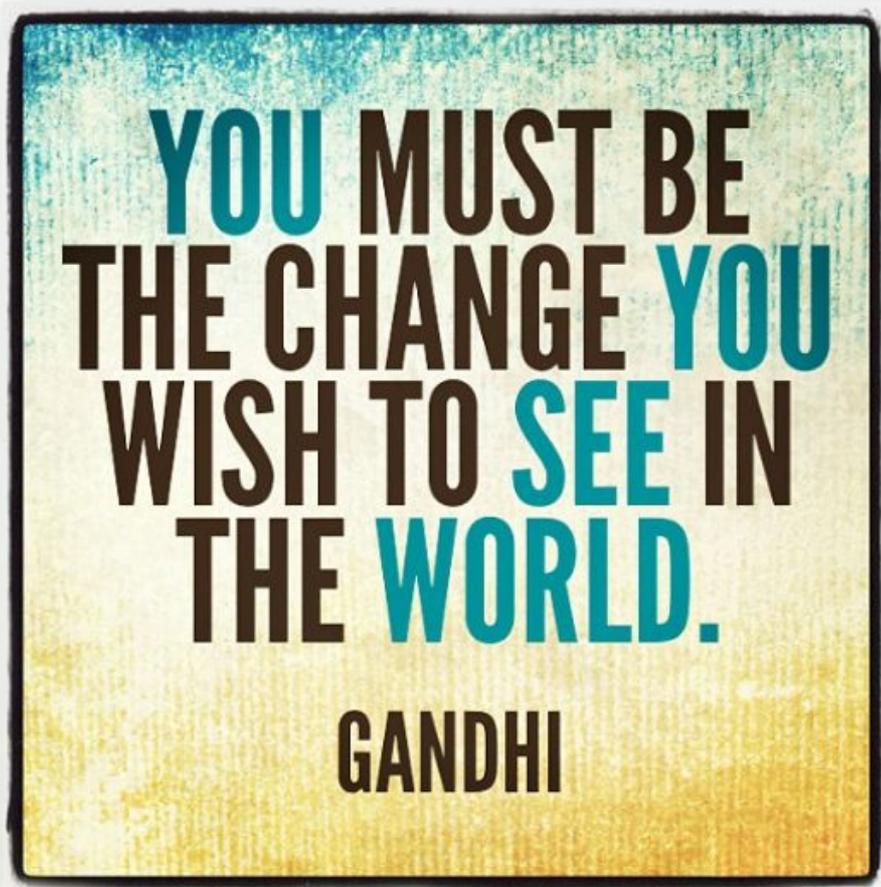
**Source: SLCMA Catchment News (Sarina Landcare Catchment Management Association Inc.)
December 2019 Newsletter**

STUDENT LEADERSHIP | Leadership is a quality that all students at St Anne's Catholic Primary School are encouraged and supported to develop. These experiences ensure that students perceive themselves as leaders and have the opportunity and confidence to take on leadership roles and find their voice.



Newsletter Report	Welcomers	Assembly Leaders	Assembly Report
TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

This space is currently under construction - please keep an eye on it as it will impact year 6.



From the Counsellor

WELCOME BACK | I hope everyone had a safe and joyful holiday. This year St Anne's will continue to offer the school counselling service for the same number of days, however, my days at St Anne's have changed to every Wednesday and alternating Mondays.

At different times, families and children may benefit from our counselling service. School counsellors use their expertise to provide short term counselling to support students achieve academic success, social and emotional wellbeing and psychological health. Counselling occurs when a student or parent/guardian/carer and counsellor set aside time to explore concerns.

A school counsellor can assist you and/or your child by providing support and strategies to help at school and/or home. This might include support for; parent/child relationships; stress; grief and loss; or significant changes at home. At school, your child may require support with; goal setting; decision-making; learning difficulties; mental health issues; social emotional skills and peer relationships.

At times, short term counselling support is not the most ideal option; in this case, the school counsellor will provide you with a more appropriate referral option.

If you would like your child to access this service, you will need to complete a referral form, available from the front office, or alternatively you can request it from your classroom teacher or contact me through email (Donnetta_trannore@rok.catholic.edu.au).

If your child has accessed the school counsellor in the past, and you would like to continue with this added support, another referral form will need to be completed.

Feel free to contact me at the school or email if you have any further questions.

Thank you,
Dee Trannore

Student Protection Contacts



Mr John Ballinger-Oches
Principal



Mr Stuart Presley
APRE



Mrs Linda Holmes
APC



Mrs Dee Trannore
School Counsellor

Finance NEWS

IMPORTANT

Fee Information Sheets To Be returned ASAP | Fee information sheets were given out to each family this week. They must be completed in full and returned to the Finance Officer ASAP. It is an audit requirement for the school that each family returns a completed form every year, so your help in this matter is much appreciated.

REMEMBER FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

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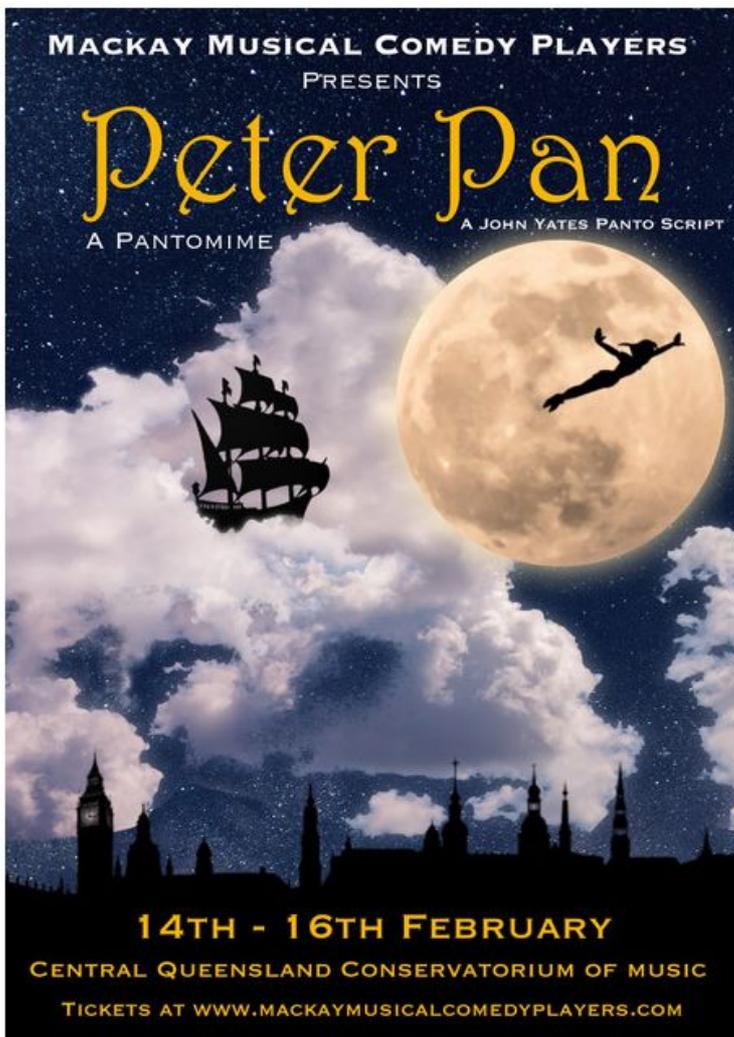
PUPIL FREE DAY FOR BISHOP'S IN-SERVICE

Community NEWS

MACKAY MUSICAL COMEDY PLAYERS
PRESENTS

Peter Pan

A JOHN YATES PANTO SCRIPT
A PANTOMIME



14TH - 16TH FEBRUARY
CENTRAL QUEENSLAND CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC
TICKETS AT WWW.MACKAYMUSICALCOMEDYPLAYERS.COM



SAVE THE DATE

COMEDY

AFL DAY

8th Feb

SATURDAY

OPEN TO MALES & FEMALES

Aged 5-17



BHP Proudly supported by
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Venue & Time To Be Confirmed
More information coming soon!

SCHOOL TENNIS LESSONS

2020 HOT SHOTS PROGRAM



School Coach : Lefty Wright - 0409 201 789

Tennis Australia Accredited Coach. Blue Card Holder & Current First Aide.

WHAT : RED BALL, ORANGE BALL, SARINA JDS SQUAD
WHERE : SARINA TENNIS ASSOC COURTS HOEY STREET TERM 1 STARTING 5TH FEBRUARY 2020
 : HOEY STREET SARINA
WHEN : WE ACCEPT FAIR PLAY VOUCHERS
 : WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON RED BALL GRADES 1/2/3 3-15 PM TO 4-15 PM COST \$12.00
 : WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON ORANGE BALL GRADES 3/4/5/6/ 3-15 PM TO 4-15 PM COST \$12.00
 : WEDNESDAY ADVANCED SQUAD GROUP INVITATION ONLY 4-15 PM TO 5-45 PM COST \$17.00
COST : WEDNESDAY \$12.00 1 HOUR LESSON
 \$85.00 FOR 8 LESSONS GUARANTEED
WE ARE NOT A 8 WEEK PROGRAMME I AM THERE ALL YEAR ROUND 20 TH YEAR AT THE COURTS

PLEASE NOTE : Please Bring lesson money to lesson

REGISTRATION FORM HOT SCHOOL LESSONS.

STUDENT'S FULL NAMED.O,B. /..... /..... Male/Female

Contact Number Mum or Dad's Name

Email (please print clearly)

Address Town Post Code

[East Funnel Creek & Blue Mountain Conveyance Committee AGM \(Bus Committee for Sarina Range\)](#)

10:30am Saturday 29th February 2020

At 2819 Marlborough-Sarina Road, SARINA
RANGE

We will be discussing the following:-

- Service Timetable
- Route Design
- Student Discipline
- Operator's Report on Service

If you wish to contribute to this discussion, or have any feedback to provide, please either attend this meeting or contact Loren Hauwert (Secretary) on Home 4950 4294, Mobile 0488 560 413 or loren_jane@hotmail.com with details of the issue or your feedback.