



Newsletter

Events

Week 8

Friday
Yr 6 - Blessing Liturgy
12:40pm

Yr 6 Dinner - 6:30pm

Week 9

Monday 30th Nov
Yr 5 & 6 Christmas Concert
9am (Book to Attend)

Tuesday 1st Dec
Yr. 6 - S.S.H.S. Orientation
Day

Yrs. 2, 3 & 4 Christmas
Concert -9am (book to
Attend)

Wednesday 2nd Dec
Swimming Carnival

Thursday 3rd Dec
End of Year Giving Mass
9am - Book to attend

Prep christmas concert
After Mass (book to Attend)

Friday 4th Dec
Yr 1 Christmas Concert at
Assembly - Yr1 parents only
(Book to Attend)

Yr 6 Goodbye Assembly and
Handover to New Captains -
2pm
Yr 6 Parents and Parents of
New Captains only (Book to
Attend)

CLASS OF THE WEEK YEAR 5 PM

During Semester Two, the students of 5PM have been learning about the impact of the Eureka Stockade on the development of Australian democracy. As part of their inquiry, they looked at life on the goldfields to better understand the conditions faced by the miners and their families. The students had to design, plan and create a replica of the shelter options available on the goldfields in the 1850s as part of their Design Technology unit.

Working in groups, the students were required to use materials available to the diggers in those times, with the exception of a little bit of glue. The materials used were canvas, string, sticks, paddle pop sticks, match sticks, bark, leaves, cardboard (for the base) and clay.

The end results for the groups were very pleasing - all walls and roofs remained intact whilst only a couple had minor water leaks!



4994 8285



3 Range Rd,
Sarina, 4737



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

FROM THE Principal



Teaching Staff 2021 |

Prep	Lisa Vernon
Year 1	Elyse Walsh
Year 2	Sue Holmes
Year 3	Sylvia Eames
Year 4	Julie Dunn
Year 5	Linda Holmes & Shannon Campbell (5HC) and Stuart Presley & Howard Frost (5PF)
Year 6	Tahlia Lymbery
Learning Support	Dawn Goodman
Visual Arts	Andrea Comin
Physical Education	Jenny Place

YEAR FIVE MOTTO | After much deep thinking and reflection year five students have agreed upon a motto for 2021, when they are leaders of our school. After discussions with them I am confident that they will live this motto and live up to the challenge being a leader will present.

'Following in Jesus' footsteps, we take action for the future.'

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS OVER THE HOLIDAYS | We sincerely thank our volunteers who have so readily opened our uniform shop on Fridays this year. Without you we could not have run this service to parents. Again, our sincere thanks. As well as Friday mornings in term time from 8:15am - 9am, the uniform shop will open during the holidays at selected times.

This service will be provided on **Saturday 9 January 2021**, 8.00am to 10.30am and **Friday 22 January 2021**, 8.00am to 9.30am.

Please note that our uniform is only available from STA. Other shops may stock similar items but these are not correct uniform requirements.

TERM DATES 2021 | 2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Term 1 27 January to 1 April (10 weeks long)

Term 2 19 April to 25 June (10 weeks long)

Term 3 12 July to 17 September 10 weeks long)

Term 4 5 October to 3 December (9 weeks long)

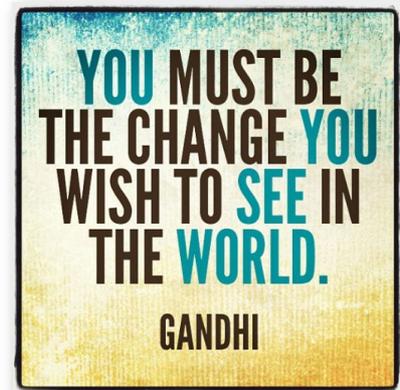
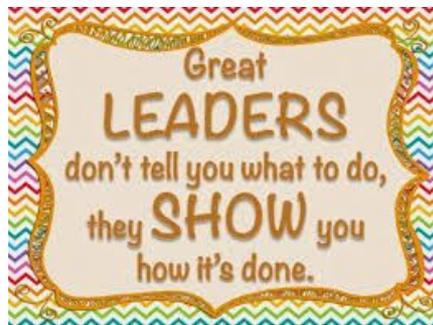
THE SPIRIT OF ST ANNE AWARD | At the end of this year (at our various concert items) The Spirit of St Anne Award will be awarded to students from each class based on the following criteria.

- ❖ Shows respect for self and others
- ❖ Participates in liturgies and in the prayer life of the school
- ❖ Shows pride in uniform
- ❖ Works to the best of his/her ability
- ❖ Shows pride in our school
- ❖ Displays initiative and leadership with peers
- ❖ Shows responsibility
- ❖ Shows politeness
- ❖ Shows helpfulness
- ❖ Shows service to others
- ❖ Teacher discretion is **always** at the heart of the decision as teachers are best situated to know individual student journeys and the obstacles they have overcome.
- ❖ In composite classes where one year level is 8 enrolments or less, one recipient may be chosen to receive the award for their year level in that class. Or the teacher may choose to award one boy and one girl regardless of year level.

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
Week 8 -Jack	Seth, Lachlan G, Morgan	Ruby, Zoey	Jasmine
Week 9 - Jasmine	Toby, Rhys, James	Harrison, Digby	Dylan



Student Protection Contacts



Mr John Ballinger-Oches
Principal



Mr Stuart Presley
APRE



Mrs Linda Holmes
APC



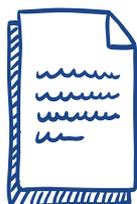
Mrs Dee Trannore
School Counsellor

General INFORMATION

NO HAT



NO PLAY



NOTES			
Date	To	Topic	Author
16/11	All Parents	Newsletter T4 W7	Admin



BIRTHDAYS			
25/11	Tobias B	26/11	Allira H
28/11	Ella-Rose C		

Tuckshop Helpers

Day	Helpers (please contact office if you can fill a spot)
Thursday 26th November	Sandra-Anne Galea, One More Needed
Friday 27th November	Jill cotter, Angela Squillari, One More Needed
Thursday 3rd December	Angela Squillari, One More Needed
Friday 4th December - Tuckshop closed for cleaning	Any Helpers Appreciated - Contact Nina if you can help.

STUDENTS OF THE *Week*



Congratulations to our Students of the Week | Isabelle H, Emily-Jo B, Benjamin B, Lillie P, Thomas B, Chris B, Fallon KW, Savannah B, Stevie M, Sienna W, Carter R, Charlotte B, Tahlia H, Luke B, Chase H, Monica Z, Lily H

Sports News



Mrs Place

STA Swimming Carnival | The St Anne's Swimming Carnival is being held during school hours on Wednesday 2nd December. As this is a school event all students are expected to attend and cheer for their house colour, even if they themselves are not swimming. More information about the specifics of the day will be provided when we know more about the pool's COVID-19 plan.

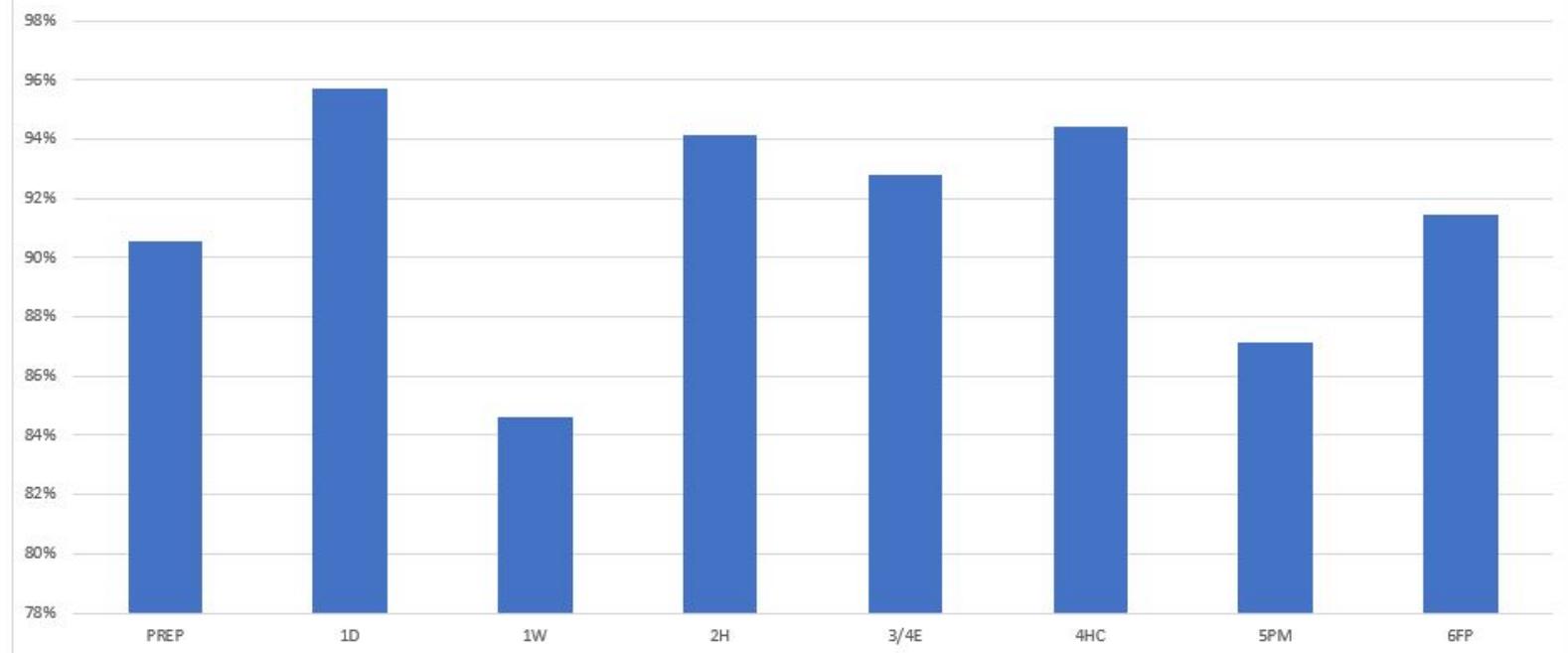
Please nominate your child or children as soon as possible via this link:

<https://forms.gle/ezfxXzPoCEPoSUZy8>

PREP	1D	1W	2H	3/4E	4HC	5PM	6FP
91%	96%	85%	94%	93%	94%	87%	91%

Day	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
# Students present	161	157	159	154	141
# Students absent	8	12	10	15	28

Student Attendance Data - Week 7 Term 4



CLASS	M	TU	W	TH	F	TOTAL ABSENCES
Prep	0	0	1	1	7	9
1D	0	0	0	1	2	3
1W	1	2	1	3	3	10
2H	0	2	0	2	1	5
3/4E	0	2	3	1	3	9
4HC	0	1	1	3	2	7
5PM	4	3	1	3	7	18
6FP	3	2	3	1	3	12

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day. Attending and participating in school will help your child develop:

- important skills and knowledge to help them learn
- social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and team work.

Children who attend school every day and complete year 12 have:

- better health
- better job opportunities
- higher income across their lives.

There is no safe number of days for missing school. Each day a student misses puts them behind.

REMINDER:

All absences from school must have a reason and be acknowledged by parents and caregivers.

Text messages to advise of absences are sent daily.

Contact the school on 4994 8285 or email sas@rok.catholic.edu.au to advise of absences.



The simplest and most practical lesson I know...is to resolve to be good today, but better tomorrow.

Let us take one day only in hands, at a time, merely making a resolve for tomorrow, thus we may hope to get on taking short, careful steps, not great strides.

Catherine McAuley letter to de Sales White February 28, 1841

THE WORKS OF MERCY

CORPORAL & SPIRITUAL

FEED THE HUNGRY



INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT

GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY



COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL

SHELTER THE HOMELESS



ADMONISH SINNERS

CLOTHE THE NAKED



FORGIVE OFFENSES

VISIT THE SICK



COMFORT THE AFFLICTED

VISIT THE IMPRISONED



BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY

BURY THE DEAD



PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

“A BIT OF MERCY MAKES THE WORLD LESS COLD AND MORE JUST” (POPE FRANCIS)



At St Anne's Catholic Primary School, we are inspired by the work of Catherine McAuley and the Sisters of Mercy by following 'The Works of Mercy'

Mercy is Kindness



Kindness is donating small items such as pencils, pens, school supplies, food, clothing to our giving box

Kindness is donating money to the Mission Box located in the office

Kindness is preparing a cooked meal to be frozen and passed on to individuals and families in our community who are struggling.

Kindness is collecting cans, bottles, plastic lids to recycle and money collected donated to the Catholic missions.

End of Year Giving

HELP NEEDED

This year as part of our ministry as a Catholic school, we will be donating items to assist both St Vincent de Paul and the Stella Maris Seafarers Centre. To make this a purposeful action, we are in great need of your help!

This is a great way for all families to be involved with helping others – **our called vocation**. Please talk about this in your families and make this an expression of your family.

Outlined is a list of items that could be donated to these organisations through our giving liturgy. Items for St Vincent de Paul are to be brought in to your child's classroom and put into baskets that will be provided.

Some of these items are everyday items which can simply be out of your pantry. (However, we ask that you please check the expiry dates. Items for the Stella Maris Seafarers Centre are to be brought in and placed in shoe boxes.



Matthew 10:42

And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

St Vincent de Paul

Christmas cake, tin fruit, tea or coffee, sugar, cordial, biscuits, nuts, chips, lollies, cereal (small boxes), soft drinks, baked beans, spaghetti, tinned ham, plum pudding, custard powder, toiletries, dishwashing liquid. In the past parents have also donated small toys or reading books that could be presents for a young child.

“ We do this because we care. ”



Stella Maris

Please remember that Seafarers are male.

Cash donation
Small bottles of hair shampoo – 90ml
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes
Cakes of soap
Antiperspirant
Pairs of sport socks

The gifts for Stella Maris will be placed unwrapped in a shoe box. Families are asked to bring in shoe boxes wrapped in Christmas paper if possible. We have paper at school if you don't have any.

The lids on the shoe boxes need to be wrapped separately to the body of the box to allow boxes to be opened, sorted and more gifts possibly added.



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Sunday's Gospel Reflection - Matthew 25:31-46 *Whenever you serve the least of people, you serve Christ*

This week's gospel is the final passage in Matthew's gospel before the passion narrative – the death and resurrection of Jesus. As such, it provides a powerful end point to the teaching ministry section of the gospel. In many ways this passage can be seen as a summary of Jesus' vision for the Kingdom – a world in which the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned are treated with respect and dignity as a child of God. This is exactly what Jesus himself did throughout his ministry and it is what all Christian people are called to do.

Like the virtuous people of the passage, there are many times when we do not know the good work that we do. There are many times when our positive interaction with another person can be the difference between hope and despair for that person – and we may never know the difference we have made in their life. **The challenge presented by Jesus is that whenever we see a person in need our response to them should be as if we were responding to Jesus himself.**

But what of the times we fail to respond to the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned? Who are they for us? ... That irritating person who we've never been able to get along with? ... That person who's just arrived in the country and can't speak the language properly? ... That kid who always looks dirty and nobody talks to? ... That girl who's no good at relating to other people and everyone avoids her? ... The homeless man in the street who asks for money? ... The asylum seeker fleeing their country who didn't go through all the right channels to immigrate? ... Lord, when did we see you, and not come to your help?

My King and my God!



Christ the King



(Feast celebrated on the last Sunday before Advent begins)

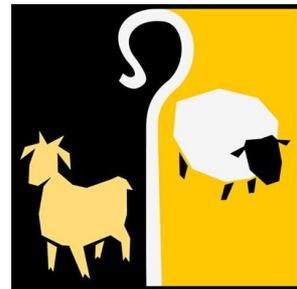
*Lord Jesus Christ,
 You are a King who cares deeply for his people.
 May we search out those in need, so that Love and
 Justice will reign as the Kingdom of God is brought
 forth within us.*

*May we bring peace to all who have lost hope.
 May we reject violence in all its forms.
 May we have the courage to work for justice.*

*Help us to bring the Kingdom of Justice and Peace
 to all we meet today.*

*We ask our prayer in your name and in the power
 of the Holy Spirit,*

Amen.



From Catholic Mission Australia
Thank you for your support of the missions!



20th November 2020

Dear APREs and APMs

I want to say thank you for your efforts during 2020 to make the story and mission of Jesus alive and challenging for our students. Thank you also for your prayers for and support to Catholic Mission during the past year.

This year I have been unable to personally visit our Catholic Schools in the Diocese because of Covid restrictions but have been able to keep up some level of contact with you through mail and social media as well as telephone. We have been able to travel the Catholic Mission journey and see the assistance it is able to provide to underprivileged children throughout the world. Of course, this has only been possible because of the generosity of our students and teachers. Many of our schools have participated in our SOCKTOBER Appeal for Arrupe Centre for disadvantaged students in Cambodia and I will be contacting those schools early in the new year to organize presentations of certificates of thanks for the generosity of their teachers and students.

Our efforts have also been enhanced by the ongoing support of Leesa Jeffcoat, Di-Anne Rowan and their wonderful staff.

After your efforts this year I trust you all have a well deserved and relaxing holiday with your families and friends.

Hope to catch up with you all next year and I wish you a blessed Christmas and a new year which is both extraordinary and life giving.

God Bless

Greg Clair

Director – Rockhampton Diocese

St Michael's Sacramental Program

(Reconciliation / Confirmation / First Eucharist)

We are looking to begin the Sacramental Program for students who will be in Years 3-6 in 2021. These students will need to make their Reconciliation during Lent and then they will receive Confirmation and Eucharist in July / August 2021.

Each of these sacraments will require attendance at three workshop sessions. An email has been sent to our current Years 3-6 families to indicate whether they are interested in this program. The form to register for the sacramental program is <https://forms.gle/uXpr1SeFq49CL1mR6>

The current Year 4 students who have already made their reconciliation and need to make Confirmation and Eucharist will be contacted later in 2021 with dates. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Presley at the school.



ACROSS THE Curriculum



Celebrating Academic Progress and Achievement At St Anne's!

For a year now, St Anne's has been using the PAT testing resources for reading and mathematics.

What Are PAT Assessments?

The PAT suite of assessments are provided by a company called ACER and are used in thousands of schools in Australia and around the world. The assessments focus on assessing and monitoring student growth over time and is underpinned by an understanding that students of the same age and in the same year of school can be at very different points in their learning and development.

Progressive Achievement Tests are designed to provide objective, norm-referenced information to teachers about their students' skills and understandings in a range of key areas. In adopting and using Progressive Achievement Tests to investigate and diagnose student learning and to monitor progress over time, teachers are working within a growth mindset, with the benefits of targeted teaching, increased levels of student engagement and improved learning outcomes.

When Do Students Sit These Assessments?

These assessments are completed at a specific point in time (Term 4, Week 4) and supply us with immediate reports for analysis of not only student growth, but how we are travelling with our reading and mathematics as whole school. For example, I can look at our Year 4 reports, and compare their learning and their growth to Year 4 students across Australia at the same point in time.

What Does This Mean For Our Students?

Recently, teachers had time to analyse our student's reports, discuss in our year level teams how our students have progressed, and to fine tune our planning for the remainder of the year based on the gaps that these assessments show. In this session of data analysis, teachers chose the 5 top achievers for their cohort, and the 5 students who showed the most progress. In some instances, a student was both the top achiever and one who had shown the most progress, which definitely supports the fact that students of the same age and in the same year of school can be at very different points in their learning and development.

All Progress Is Great!

On assembly this week, we presented those students with certificates. We would like to congratulate all students on their results in these assessments, as every single student had shown progress. All our staff believe that even a small amount of progress is progress, and that is to be celebrated too.





BIRDS OF A FEATHER

CRESTED PIGEON: by Charlotte, Mack, Chris and Liam

Crested Pigeons have pointy feathers sticking up on top of their heads. They have pink skin around their eyes and pink legs. They are grey, but have beautiful wings. Some feathers are striped with black and others are iridescent green and purple.

This pigeon was seen on our oval. It was pecking at the ground. We think that they were eating grass seeds.



ST ANNE'S AUSSIE BACKYARD BIRD COUNT 2020

	19/10	20/10	21/10	NOTES
CURLEW	0	3	3	Nataya spotted
CROW	3	0	2	
FIGBIRD	6	4	2	
LITTLE FRIAR	0	1	1	Gus spotted
HONEYEATER Dusky	1	0	0	
IBIS White	1	0	0	
PEEWEE	1	0	0	
WILLIE WAGTAIL	1	3	1	
PLOVER Masked- lapwing	6	5	6	4 chicks
SPARROW House	3	2	0	
MAGPIE	1	2	1	Nesting
LORIKEET Rainbow	9	25	14	
SUNBIRD	1	1	0	
SWALLOW Welcome	7	0	0	
PIGEON Crested	2	2	2	
Bar- Shouldered	0	1	0	Nataya
Feral	3	0	0	

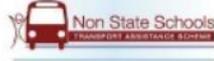


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Nataya, Gus, Liam, Jemma, Charlotte, Jacob, Jayde, Chad, Ben, Axl and Lillie participated in the Aussie Backyard Bird Count for 20 minutes for all or some of the days. Someone described it like a walking picnic. It was fun.

Finance NEWS

Term 4 Fees | School fees for term 4 are now overdue. If you have not paid in full or made payment plan arrangements please contact Helen Barnard, Monday to Thursday 9:30-3:30 to make other arrangements.



Student Travel Rebates

Semester 1



Bus Fare Assistance	Students With Disability
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?• Does your family spend more than \$40/week* on fares to and from school (* \$30/week if you hold a concession card)?• Does your child travel on a publicly available service not owned or associated with the school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?• Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for our financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at SchoolTransport.com.au during May.

Late applications cannot be accepted after 31st May.

All families of year 6 students or with students not returning to St Anne's in 2021 please ensure all fees are paid prior to 4th December, unless you have already made other payment arrangements with Mrs Barnard or Mr Oches

Library News

End of Year Book Returns | As we come to the end of the school year there will be no more borrowing from the library. All outstanding books must now be returned for end of year processing and stocktake. Any books that are not returned must be replaced or paid for. If your children have outstanding books that you cannot find please contact Mrs Vella on Wednesdays or Thursdays to discuss payment or replacement.

Community NEWS



**MACKAY
GYMNASTICS INC
GYMNASTICS
HOLIDAY CAMP**

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT
2 Days FOR \$70 per MGI Member
2 Days FOR \$90 per Non Member
Early Bird ends 12th December 2020

PREP - 13 YEARS
MGI Members \$45/Day
NON Members \$65/Day
Payment required at time of booking

9AM - 3PM
Week 1 - 11, 13 & 15 January 2021
Week 2 - 18, 20 & 22 January 2021

5 Snow Wright Crt Beaconsfield
To book call 49420032 or email
admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

MACKAY
GYMNASTICS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN DAYS

INSIDE FUN,
OUT OF THE SUN

2 - 4 YEAR OLDS
for younger boys & girls
9.15am - 10.00am

COST
\$15.00

5 - 12 YEAR OLDS
primary school aged
boys and girls
9.00am - 10.30am

COST
\$ 25.00

WHERE: At our facilities
5 Snow Wright Crt,
(Off Beaconsfield Rd)

WHEN : Mon 11th Jan 2021
Wed 13th Jan 2021
Fri 15th Jan 2021

Mon 18th Jan 2021
Wed 20th Jan 2021
Fri 22nd Jan 2021

COME AND HAVE FUN IN THE GYM

Bookings Required

Phone: 4942 0032

Or Email

admin@mackaygymnastics.org.au

