Mary – the ultimate Catholic celebrity?...or not?

In the Catholic Church, the month of May is dedicated to celebrating Mary, the mother of Jesus...and our spiritual mother as well. On the Wikipedia page, ‘Titles of Mary’ over 130 titles are given. Some are easy to understand: Mother of God, Mother of Mercy. Others require a little more explanation: Seat of Wisdom, Untier of Knots. Seeing these lists, one could be forgiven for thinking that Mary is the ultimate Catholic celebrity. Well, the truth is virtually the opposite. Her life was quiet, humble, hidden. What was extraordinary about her was the faith and love she offered to God and her son, Jesus...and, on reflection, we realise she offered that love and care to all around her. That ‘on reflection’ is important. It tells how the Church itself came to recognise Mary’s role – on reflection. Her spiritual greatness wasn’t immediately obvious. Indeed it took centuries to be recognised. In her life, she was never the self-promoting celebrity doing way-out things to attract attention. She was gentlest and strongest of mothers. She seeks now to show to each of us the same love and care she showed to Jesus. But she won’t push herself into our lives. But she wants to be our help and our guide. Turn and ask her, simply and quietly for your needs...and be prepared for a simple, quiet and almost hidden response.

Loving God, you called Mary to be the mother of Jesus and you have offered her to us as our spiritual mother as well. Let your Spirit led us into trusting her with our needs and may we delight in the care she shows to us. We ask this in Jesus’ name,

“I hope that everything will turn out well for you and that you will on future, as in the past, do great things for God and God’s poor ones.”
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Dates For Your Diary
May 13th Naplan
May 14th Naplan, Yoga starts again
May 15th Naplan
May 18th Billy Cart Derby

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Dear Parents/Carers

NAPLAN
Grades 3 and 5 commenced their NAPLAN assessments today. They will continue on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Thank you for your support with this matter.

KINDER INTERVIEWS
This week we commenced interviewing our Kinder students for 2015. Every parent I met with spoke very highly of our School, the wonderful facilities we have and the very supportive staff at our school. New families had received great recommendations from existing families which was also very reassuring to hear.

If you know of other interested families who may be looking for a Kindergarten place for 2015, please encourage them to contact us now. We also have a few places available in some classes for this year.

NEXT PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING THIS WEEK
Parents are reminded that our next P&F Meeting is on tomorrow night commencing at 5.30pm. The meeting will take place in the Josephite Learning Centre where the library is. Some refreshments will be provided.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
We have arrived at the wet, cold and muddy part of the year. This often leads to children getting their uniform dirty. We do remind the children to take care when it is wet and muddy, but they often do not take as much care as they could. We are currently looking at getting some old footy jumpers from local footy clubs that the boys can slip on when they are playing football at recess/lunch times. If parents have other good ideas, please let me know.

PARENTS ON FACEBOOK
I would like to once again remind parents that Facebook is not the forum for raising and discussing school related matters. If you have a concern, then you should bring it to the school’s attention so that it can be addressed in an appropriate manner. Raising matters on Facebook often blows things out of proportion and does little to resolve the matter. I look forward to your support with this matter.
KINDER ENROLMENTS 2015
A reminder to all families that we are now accepting enrolments for our Kindergarten class for 2015. If you have not already done so, please contact the School office and an application package will be sent out to you.

Kinder enrolment interviews have now commenced. Over the last two years, our Kindergarten places have filled up very quickly, so don’t leave your applications too late.

KINDER WOULD LOVE THE FOLLOWING:
- Golf tees
- Hat stand
- Plant pots
- Indoor/outdoor plant pots
- Ropes
- Socks
- Beanies

DRESS UP BOX
Can you please donate dress ups for our dress up box. All sizes including adults will be most welcome

WANTED FOR GARDEN
Can you please donate manure, hay/straw and metal

REMINDER
- Book Club Closes
  Tuesday 20th May
  No late orders accepted sorry

Thank you
Cathie Stockford

REMINDER
After school Yoga will start again this Wednesday 14th May. Please return the enrolment form to the school office, if you haven’t already.

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Learn how to photograph your child at play...

Session includes:
- Camera basics
- Angles, light and colour
- Editing
- Exhibition of photos

No experience with cameras or computers necessary.

9.30am - 12.30pm, Wednesday 21 May
Huon LINC, Skinner Drive

Bring a camera if you have one (a limited number will be available for use). A USB device will be provided so you can take your photos home.

Places are limited and bookings are required. For more information or to make a booking, contact Child Care Links on 6264 0333 or email ccl@huonvalley.tas.gov.au

Child Care Links is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Free photography session

Cavaliers Basketball Club

“Aussie Hoops”

(TO INTRODUCE NEW CHILDREN TO THE GAME OF BASKETBALL)

- Children aged between 6-8 yrs old
- No experience necessary
- Fully qualified coaches
- Limited numbers

WHERE: Warrane Stadium (Cnr Bligh and Dampier Sts)
WHEN: Thurs 22 & 29 May, 5, 12 and 19 June (5 week programme)
TIME: 4-5pm
COST: $55.00 (each child receives a pack with a basketball and reversible top)
BRING: Water bottle and wear runners.

To secure a place and register in the program please contact,
Annabelle: bellamollycavs@bigpond.com

KIDS NIGHT OUT

Huon Valley PCYC
16th May

6.30pm - 10.30pm
Ages 5 - 12

Bookings Essential
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