

BEGINNING OF LENT

On Tuesday, March 5, St Malachy's School Edenhope gathered in the Reflective Garden. This created a sacred space for the Shrove Tuesday burning of leaves and twigs for Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, we have burnt palm branches on Palm Sunday, blessed them and then used them to put the sign of the cross on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. As we didn't have any palms, we burnt some native leaves and twigs. As we didn't have palms, we burnt some native leaves and twigs.

Students were very busy making pancakes for others – businesses up the street and other people shopping in town. They then shared the pancakes that were left. By all accounts people were very surprised and appreciative of the treat!! Well done everyone.



It was great to see the expressions on the students' faces as they were doing the giving instead of the receiving.

On Ash Wednesday, we went to the Church where the Year 6 students led us in an Ash Wednesday Liturgy. We were very fortunate to have a couple of parents and parishioners also attend. Instead of ashes placed on our foreheads we received a cross in our House Colours: Red – Mercy, Blue – McAuley, Yellow – MacKillop.

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