

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 12th March, 2020

St Joseph's is a Child Safe School. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions... Pope Francis- Laudato Si

St Patrick's Feast Day - Tuesday 17th March

Dear St. Patrick, in your humility you called yourself a sinner, but you became a most successful missionary and prompted countless pagans to follow the Saviour.

Many of their descendants in turn spread the Good News in numerous foreign lands. Through your powerful intercession with God, obtain the missionaries we need to continue the work you began.

Amen.

Dear Parents,

It is a worrying time at the moment with the rapid spread of the COVID-19 (coronavirus) Our first priority at St Joseph's is the health and safety of our school community.

I want to reassure you that the school is well-prepared for the impact of COVID-19 (coronavirus).

We are being provided the latest advice from the Australian and Victorian Chief Medical Officers by the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria Ltd to ensure that our school practices are helping to keep our school community safe from the outbreak.

Any incidents that arise will be addressed in accordance with our Critical Incident and Emergency Management Plan. We will also have access to resources and support from Catholic Education Melbourne and the Department of Health and Human Services.

As parents, you have a critical role in helping the school manage this situation:

- Exercise good judgment by keeping children home if they are feeling unwell for any reason
- Talk to children about the situation, as they may be feeling anxious or stressed. You have a key role in helping students feel prepared and safe
- Encourage children to be proactive and committed to their schoolwork, and to stay connected with the school and their teachers.

The Department of Health and Human Services has a number of resources on its website, which explain the virus, detail risk-reduction practices and behaviours, and answer frequently asked questions. These are available at www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus.

DHHS contact details are 1300 651 160

You can also find information about Catholic education's response at http://www.cecv.catholic.edu.au/Coronavirus-information-for-parents.

This is an evolving situation, but we will keep you updated as things change.

I ask that you continue to work closely with the school and to contact the school office should you have any concerns.

Thank you for your support as we work to keep our students safe.

Gr 6 Young Leaders day

I am waiting for confirmation as to whether it will go ahead due to COVID-19. I will kept parents and students informed as we get more information. I am also happy to hear your opinion.

I am thrilled to announce that Mrs Angele and her husband Tory are expecting their first baby in August. Amy will finish teaching at the end of term two. Amy will be replaced by Miss Regine De Castilla.

Congratulations to Tijana on her outstanding job in yesterday's regional tennis competition. Marko is competing for St Joseph's today and we wish him all the very best.

St Joseph's Feast Day and Colour Run

Next Wednesday 18 March we are celebrating St Joseph's Feast Day, a day early, so we can celebrate mass as a school and parish community.

All students are to wear casual clothes but must wear a plain white tee shirt.

The order of the day is:-

9.15 am mass

10 am morning recess

10.15 am walk to the black Rock Life Saving club

10.30 am Colour Run

12.30 pm Special lunch (BBQ) on the Black Rock foreshore.

1-2 pm playing games/ playground on the foreshore

2 pm walk back to school

3.30 pm normal pick up.

A CareMonkey will be sent out tomorrow so you can give your child/ren permission to participate.

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help either with the colour run or BBQ it is greatly appreciated.

Parent teacher conversation Wed 25 March

The parent information night that was scheduled for next Wednesday has been renamed and moved to Wednesday 25 March. The new format will be a one to one conversation with your child/ren's teacher about how they have settled in to school and to discuss any information you may wish to talk to the teacher about. The 'conversation' will be for 10 minutes in duration and for those students who have PSG's they will have a 20 minutes conversation so that ILP's can also be discussed.

P&F's meeting

Our next meeting will now be tomorrow Friday 13th March at 2.30 pm in the art room.

Life Ed Van

St Joseph's will be having the Life Ed Van visit our school on 24 & 25 March. All classes will be attending classes over those 2 days. There will be a parent session on Tuesday 24 March at 9-9.30am in the mobile learning centre.

Music Bus

On Tuesday 10 March, the music Bus visited the school and all the students had a 15-minute session to see what the Bus can offer in music lessons. The students came home with information and an enrolment form. If you are interested in your child/ren having music lessons can you please fill in the enrolment form and return them to the office by Next Tuesday 17 March. If we have 15 students take up lessons in any of the instruments offered, then we can go ahead with the Music Bus coming to St Joseph's once a week for lessons.

Easter Egg Raffle and Easter Hat Parade

A CareMonkey has been sent out to ask each family for Easter egg donations for our Easter egg hampers and raffle.

On Friday 27 March, our last day of term 1, there will be at 12.15 pm an Easter Hat parade followed by the drawing of the Easter Egg raffle. Break up is at 1 pm.

The Easter hat parade is an opportunity for all student s to create their own Easter hat and win a prize for the best hat in their class.

St Joseph's Dolphin Ambassadors

Our 7 Dolphin Ambassadors went to Sorrento yesterday to swim with the seals and hopefully see some dolphin

Regards, Carmel

FOUND at the Working Bee....long sleeved Navy blue top. Superdry is the brand.

What's Happening

March

Fri 13th – Whole School Assembly

Tues 17th – St Patrick's day

Wed 18th - Colour Fun Run

Fri 20th – Whole School Mass

Fri 20th – Young Leader's Day

Fri 20th Mar – Dad's Casual Drinks at Black

Rock Yacht Club from 7.00pm onwards. All welcome

Tues 24th – Foundation 2021 Open Morning

9.00am - 11.00am

Tues 24th – Life Ed Van

Wed 25th – Life Ed Van

Wed 25th - Parent & Teacher Conversations

Fri 27th Whole School Assembly

Fri 27th – Term 1 finishes. Students dismissed

@ 1.00pm

WEEK 8 TERM 1

Monday 16th March

GATEways

Drama Toolkit – F/1/2

Tuesday 17th March

St Patrick's Feast Day

Wednesday 18th March

Celebrating St Joseph's Feast Day

Ms Cooke/ Mrs Martell

9.15 am Mass

10.30 am Colour run on Black Rock foreshore

12.30pm Special lunch (BBQ) on Black Rock foreshore

2 pm walk back to school

3.45 pm Staff meeting

Thursday 19th March

St Joseph's official Feast Day

Staff meeting- General Business

Friday 20th March

Gr 3/4/5 HOLT cricket competition

Gr 6 Young Leaders day

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

POPE FRANCIS' WORDS

Do you want to fast this Lent?

- · Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- · Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- · Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
 Fast from complaints and be appropried.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- · Fast from bitterness and fill you heart with joy.
- · Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to other
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- · Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

What has the Pope suggested we do this Lent?



On Wednesday next week we will be celebrating Mass for the Feast of St Joseph at 9.15am.

We will then enjoy the festivities at our Colour Run at Black Rock beach.

SACRAMENTS FOR 2020



TERM TWO – Yrs 5 & 6 Confirmation Saturday 16th May

Confirmation Commitment Mass-Sunday 19th April

Confirmation Parent/Child Faith night-Wednesday 22nd April

TERM THREE –Yr 4 First Communion Sunday 30th August

Experience
Goodness
Motivation
Positive Forgiveness
Attitude Teamwork
Make OLA Chappy Honesty
Sorry WEST Happy
Believe
MJR Giver
MJR Giver
RealEncourage Spirit
Thanks Determined
Friendship
Welcome Responsibility
Happiness

Jenny Keely REL/Student Wellbeing

The St Joseph's Dads will be gathering for their first event of the year which will be a casual drinks event from 7pm on Friday 20 March at the Black Rock Yacht Club. Please come along and share in a few drinks and casual conversation with the current and alumni dads, and your mates are welcome too!!! Reach out to Nick Harber + Sam Mannix + lan Jones + me if you have any questions. It would be great to see you there.

ONLINE LUNCH ORDERS ~ EVERY FRIDAY Please click on this link to place a lunch order https://classroomcuisine.com.au

NUT & POTATO ALLERGY At St Joseph's we have a no sharing of food policy due to the number of students with severe life threatening allergies. In particular, we ask that you PLEASE DO NOT SEND NUTS OR NUT BASED PRODUCTS & POTATO CHIP TO SCHOOL.

ELECTRONIC SIGNING IN/OUT IPAD

Please remember to sign your child out of the school when leaving early. It is also necessary to sign in when arriving late. The electronic sign in/out ipad is located in the office on the bench.

SCHOOL HOURS

The school is responsible for the supervision of students from 8.45am. It is important to remember that

staff who arrive early for school do so to prepare for the day and cannot do this as well as supervise early arrivals.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Donations or enquiries contact Tricia McKean on 0423 979 745.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

A reminder to all parents who wish to assist in the classrooms or on excursions that a WWCC is mandatory and should be displayed at all times when helping in the classroom or on excursions.

HEAD LICE - ONCE A WEEK TAKE A PEEK

Families please check your child's hair for Head Lice each Sunday before they return to school. Please treat immediately if head lice are found. Head lice numbers would be reduced if this quick check happened every week.

HEAD INJURIES

Any child who has a knock / bump to the head will have their parents notified as a precaution. All children who are treated in sickbay or on the playground are issued with a First Aid slip; however, often these are not seen by Parent. All staff is trained in first aid each year to Level 2, which should be very reassuring for parents, but we will not make decisions or judgments regarding head injuries.

STAFF MEETINGS

Will be held each Tuesday and Wednesday at 3.45pm. Please do not detain teachers on these days.



Stallholders will have all the latest in-season produce available. Everybody Welcome

ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME WE HAD ANOTHER...

ST JOSEPH'S DADS DRINKS

...AT THE BLACK ROCK YACHT CLUB





FROM 7PM ON FRIDAY 20 MARCH

All past and present men-folk from St Joe's are welcome + their mates!!!

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A Kildare Education Ministries School in the Brigidine Tradition







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SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINICS

HELD AT STELLA MARIS TENNIS CLUB, BEAUMARIS

MONDAY, MARCH 30TH – FRIDAY APRIL 3RD

½ DAY CLINIC 9.00 AM -12.00 noon

FEE \$150

FULL DAY CLINIC 9.00 AM – 12.00 NOON THEN 1.00 PM – 3.00 PM

(COMPETITION PLAYERS ONLY)

FEE \$200

Students placed in groups according to their standard End of week BBQ & awards

Lots of fun drills and games for maximum enjoyment

Discount for enrolments with more than one child in a family.

2 DAY TOURNAMENT

HELD AT STELLA MARIS TENNIS CLUB, BEAUMARIS

MONDAY 6th April & TUESDAY 7th APRIL 2020

9AM - 1PM

FEE \$40

\$5 DISCOUNT FOR 2 FAMILY MEMBERS/BBQ/PRIZES

ALL BOOKINGS: PHONE, TEXT OR EMAIL MARK



OPEN NIGHT

Thursday 19 March 2020 7.00 – 9.00pm

PROSPECTIVE PARENTS EVENINGS

Bookings Essential as spaces are limited: 6.00 – 7.00 pm Wednesday 22 April 2020 Tuesday 5 May 2020 Thursday 21 May 2020

SCHOOL TOURS

Tuesdays from 9.30 and run for approximately 2 hours – booking are essential

Please ring 8569 9200 to book