



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 5th 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

LENT

The season of Lent is a season of encounter and it compels us to take action. It compels us to abandon what we know and bear our own crosses to follow the way of Jesus. Each encounter within the Sunday Scriptures of Lent gives us glimpses of the promise of God's Kingdom. Lent is characterised by three overarching actions that commenced on Ash Wednesday, when we were called to pay closer attention to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. At the surface level, they seem quite self-explanatory but, in light of the Lenten readings, Christ's encounters reveal a deeper understanding of our call to action.

Dear Parents,

Thank you to Louise Murray and Clynt Rogalsky for coordinating the Working Bee.
Thank you to all the families who were able to attend the school's working bee last Saturday:-
Johnson, Davidson, Anderson, Erbacher, Simunic, Hopkins, Jones, Harber, Toogood, Haberfield, Davys & Watson.

Beachside Swimming carnival

Good luck to:-

William Jones- U 11 Backstroke

Emma Hende- U 12/13 Backstroke and Freestyle

William Mc Kean, William Jones, Edward Jones and Michael Nicolin – U 11 freestyle relay.

They will compete in tomorrow's regional swimming competition.

Gr 3 The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please keep our grade 3 students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Grade 3 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 18 March at 7pm in our church.

Parent teacher conversation Wed 25 March

The parent information night that was scheduled for earlier this term 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. More information and an opportunity to book interview times will come out closer to the date.

P&F's meeting

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 11 March at 7 pm – 8 pm. I am happy for it not to be at school and opened to suggestions.

Nazareth Parish Advisory Education Board

Congratulations to Matthew Griffith and Greg Mc Kean who will join Geraldine Davys as St Joseph's representatives on the Nazareth Parish Advisory Education Board. The next meeting will be Thursday 12 March, when office bearers will be elected. Here is Mel Leydin's final report as Chair of Nazareth Parish Advisory Education Board

AGM CHAIR REPORT

Thank you all for attending the first Annual General Meeting of the Nazareth Education Advisory Board. This Board was newly constituted in 2019 as a single Education Advisory Board to service both Stella Maris and St Joseph's schools under the Nazareth Parish.

The role of the Board for the first year of operations was to establish the Nazareth Education Advisory Boards Constitution and Guidelines for the purposes of servicing and assisting both schools within the Parish.

The Board was appointed directly by Father Denton for 2019 and consisted of myself as Chair, Father Denton, Carmel and Yvan as school principals, Helena as teacher representative for Stella Maris and Geraldine Davys, Jennie Bolger and Adrian Hills as parent representatives. This Board had a tenure for 12 months and had a very specific role for this period.

The Board held 4 meetings during the year and refined the Constitution and Guidelines at each meeting and also determined the mechanisms by which the two 2 schools will work together to ensure common policies and practise. On occasions there was a need to establish school sub-committees to deal with specific school matters. This sub-committee option worked well and gave greater direct support to the school and principals to deal with specific school matters or projects. This sub-committee structure will continue as required and has now been written into guidelines and constitution.

Sometimes there is a misconception on the Role of the Education Advisory Board within the school. This has now been carefully reviewed and updated within the Guidelines and Constitution. The Education Advisory Boards key role is the following:

- Assisting in the formulation and review of school policy.
- Monitoring of the school's fees and levies.
- Planning for the future.
- If required, assisting the Parish Priest in the selection of a principal when such an appointment is being made.
- Developing strategies for the local promotion of Catholic education.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Board members including the School Principals and Father Denton for all the work that has been done by the Board over the last 12 months (with a special mention to Carmel for preparing such lovely home cooked dinners for us at each meeting). The work of this inaugural Board has allowed these two schools to come together in a fantastic collaborative style. The driving force behind this move to a single Board was to ease the administrative burden for both school Principals and the Parish Priest. I believe we have achieved this objective well and I know we are handing over a well thought through Constitution and set of Guidelines for the new Board.

Moving on to the formalities now. The format of tonight will be the report from Parish Priest and the Reports from both Carmel and Yvan. We will then move to General Questions from the School Community. Following this we will then discuss and vote on the elections for the Board.

I will now hand over to Parish Priest/School Principals

Melanie Leydin

Chair

Nazareth Parish Education Advisory Board

27 February 2020

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 sessions 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, we will be having the Music Bus at school. The Music Bus offers private/ small group music lessons within their bus at school, once a week. There will be a parent information session at 8.45 am on Tuesday 10th. If there is enough interest from parents wanting their child/ren to have private music lessons, then we will be able to offer these, once a week. If you would like more information please google Music Bus and see the large range of instrumental lessons they offer.

Regards, Carmel

What's Happening	
March	
Mon 9 th – Labour Day long weekend	WEEK 7 TERM 1
Tues 10 th – Music Bus	<u>Monday 9th March</u>
Tues 10 th – Foundation 2021 Open Morning	Labour Day Holiday
9.00am – 11.00am	<u>Tuesday 10th March</u>
Wed 11 th – Parents & Friends meeting from	9-11 am Foundation 2020 Open Morning
7.00pm – 8.00pm	8.45 am Music Bus at school
Fri 13 th – Whole School Assembly	<u>Wednesday 11th March</u>
Tues 17 th – St Patrick's day	Beachside Tennis- Marko Kravic will represent St Joseph's
Wed 18 th – Colour Fun Run	Gr 6 Dolphin Ambassadors will swim with the dolphins off Sorrento
Wed 18 th – Gr 3 receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation	Staff meeting-
Fri 20 th – Whole School Mass	P&F meeting @ 7pm
Fri 20 th – Young Leader's Day	<u>Thursday 12th March</u>
Fri 20 th Mar – Dad's Casual Drinks at Black Rock Yacht Club from 7.00pm onwards. All welcome	Beachside Tennis – Tijana Kravic will represent St Joseph's
Tues 24 th – Foundation 2021 Open Morning	Mr Sandison/ Miss del Castillo at PL
9.00am – 11.00am	Ms Cooke /Mrs Martell at PL
Tues 24 th – Life Ed Van	Staff meeting- General Business
Wed 25 th – Life Ed Van	Nazareth Advisory Ed board Election meeting.
Wed 25 th – Parent & Teacher Conversations	<u>Friday 13th March</u>
Fri 27 th Whole School Assembly	School Audit
Fri 27 th – Term 1 finishes. Students dismissed @ 1.00pm	9 am Whole School Assembly- Gr 1/2 KP
	Mr Tim Wilson – Federal Minister for Goldstein will attend and give our Grade 5 & 6 students certificates for visiting Parliament House in Canberra.
	10.00am F/1/2 Melbourne Market Incursion

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PRAYER:

Lord, in this Lenten season, we come to you in prayer. You know the deepest prayers of our hearts before we frame them into words. Yet, when we force ourselves to find the right phrases to tell you of our need, we realize how much we depend on you. Walk with us so that our lives become a prayer. You have given so much to us, God. Help us to have the courage and strength we need to give ourselves to you. Help us to kick out of our lives bad habits, poor habits, selfish ways and all things that separate us from you. Help us to understand that we do our own thing best when we line up our lives first with you in prayer.

Guide us

Direct us

Show us your mercy.

Amen.

40 Day Tasks for Lent – Challenge Yourself

Day 1. No sweets/lollies

Day 2. No television after dinner

Day 3. Tell someone you love them

Day 4. Say thank you to a teacher

Day 5. Help a friend

Day 6. Pick up some litter/rubbish

Day 7. Say thank you to God for the weather

Day 8. Smile at someone

Day 9. Jump for joy

Day 10. Pray

Day 11. No potato chips

Day 12. Smile at the first person you see

Day 13. Say 'yes'
 Day 14. Sing a hymn
 Day 15. Play with your friends
 Day 16. Finish all your dinner
 Day 17. Go to bed early
 Day 18. Go for a run
 Day 19. Help with the dishes
 Day 20. Invite someone to play
 Day 21. Clean a room
 Day 22. Speak to an elderly relative
 Day 23. Help a teacher
 Day 24. Say sorry
 Day 25. Include someone who looks lonely

Day 26. Compliment a friend
 Day 27. Say hi to an old friend
 Day 28. Help a teacher
 Day 29. Say a prayer to Mary
 Day 30. Say thank you
 Day 31. Tidy your room
 Day 32. Help a friend
 Day 33. Say a prayer with friends
 Day 34. Jump for joy
 Day 35. Open the door for someone
 Day 36. Smile at someone
 Day 37. Pick up some litter/rubbish
 Day 38. Say thank you
 Day 39. Praise a friend
 Day 40. Smile at someone

RECONCILIATION



Please pray for our Yr 3 students as they continue to learn about the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They attended their parent/child faith evening last night. They will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 18th March.

SACRAMENTS FOR 2020



TERM ONE- Yr 3 Reconciliation Wednesday 18th March



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



TERM THREE –Yr 4 First Communion Sunday 30th August

STUDENT WELLBEING -- Justice and Compassion

The students in F – Yr 2 will be participating for the next 5 weeks in a program to assist with their 'Social Emotional Learning.' This week the students' focus has been:

Foundation –AN ADVENTURE ISLAND MYSTERY

The Wild Primary animals have discovered their belongings have disappeared on Adventure Island! Who could be responsible? At first the friends are angry and upset and start arguing about who is to blame but then they remember about what they have learned about working together and managing themselves.

Primary Focus: Resilience and growth mindset.

Yrs 1 & 2 – Mouse Mischievous

Strange rumours and wild accusations are swirling around Wild Primary! The mice are feeling jealous of the time and attention being given to exchange student Owl. Poor Owl has no idea that the Mice are so upset and is confused by the behaviour of some of her new friends. Will the friends remember to 'Stop, Think and Breathe?' Will they remember to ask for help?

Primary Focus: Conflict resolution strategies.



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 + Ian 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.

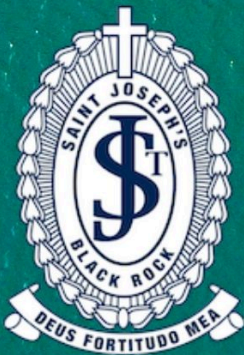
STAFF MEETINGS

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

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!!!

The Music Bus – Open Day



St Joseph's School will be running a fun and interactive Music Bus open day this term! On the day we invite you to visit the bus, meet the teacher and ask any questions you might have along the way. All students will also take part in a short, interactive session on the bus throughout the school day to see what we're all about!

For those of you who haven't heard of us, The Music Bus provides the teacher and the instruments, all inside a high-tech, mobile music classroom - the bus! We offer weekly lessons in keyboard, guitar, ukulele, singing, drums and of course our one of a kind "Rock Band" class!



At the end of the activities, students will be given an expression of interest form for you to peruse and sign to register your child's interest in upcoming classes. We will be collecting these forms within seven days of the demonstration day so please have them returned as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can simply click <https://tiny.cc/themusicbus> at any time for instant access to our online expression of interest form. We will be in touch shortly after that!

Mark Your Diaries - Tuesday 10th March

Parent Info Sessions - 8.30am - 9.00am - Come and ask us questions about the programme!

Student Tours - All students will take part in a short interactive session on the bus throughout each day.

To find out more, visit www.themusicbus.com.au or call 1300 168 742.



OPEN EVENING



Thursday 12 March • 4:00pm - 7:30pm

Principal's Address
4:00pm and 6:00pm

College Tours
A number of tours will run throughout the evening

Register today at kilbreda.vic.edu.au or phone 9581 7766

AUTUMN HOLIDAY FUN!



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