

# ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#### Thursday 6th February, 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

Dear Parents.

I am so glad that this week has been a little cooler than last week.

Thank you to the grade 5 & 6 parents who attended last night's camp meeting, and to Mr Sandison & Ms Cooke for their preparation.

I would like to welcome 2 new learning Support Officers to our school.

Mrs Jo Green will be working in Gr 3/4 classroom and Miss Tess Giles will be working in Grade 1/2 KP. The other LSO's are Michelle Herd and Mrs Pauline Liddiatt in 1/2 HW, Mrs Angela Stutterd in Foundation and Mrs Merie Sebastian in the library. The school in very lucky to have such wonderful staff members to support our students in their learning and to support the classroom teachers.

#### Swimming training

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> (for grades 3 & 4) and 19<sup>th</sup> Feb at Swim Right in Tulip Street, Cheltenham, 7-8 am. Mr Mutimer and myself will be the staff training the students. Any student in Gr 3-6 who can swim 50 m are invited to attend. A CareMonkey has been sent out.

#### Camp to Canberra 10-14 Feb

On Monday 10 Feb the Grade 5 & 6 students leave for Canberra. Mr Sandison, Mr Brooks and Ms Cooke will be on camp as well. It is a fantastic camp and the learning over the week will be amazing. I wish them safe travel and a wonderful time to learn and have fun.

#### Gr 3 Reconciliation Faith and information night for Grade 3 parents.

On Wednesday 19 February it is very important that all Grade 3 parents of students making taking the Sacrament of Reconciliation attend this meeting. It will be at 7 pm in the Grade 3/4 classroom downstairs.

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 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. More information and an opportunity to book interview times will come out closer to the date.

#### **Local Schools Community Fund**

Last year I applied for a grant from the Local Schools Community Fund. The Local Schools Community Fund provides funding of up to \$200,000 for each Federal electorate to invest into small scale school projects.

We were successful in receiving \$10,000 for new kitchen garden beds. I am thrilled that we can replace our old garden boxes with new vegetable gardens. I am also grateful to the Goldstein electorate and Mr Tim Wilson for giving St Joseph's the grant and therefore to keep our school kitchen garden program going.

#### Working Bee- Saturday 29 Feb 9-11 am

In light of the grant from the Federal Minister Mr Tim Wilson, we need to have a working bee to remove the old garden boxes and to do a clean-up around the school. If either or both parents could give some time, it will be greatly appreciated.

#### Beginning School Mass, morning tea and a film – Sunday 23 Feb.

All students and staff are invited to attend 9 am mass where the Foundation students will be introduced to the parishioners and the teachers will be commissioned. After mass a morning tea will be held in the hall for families and parishioners.

At 11 am the film 2040 will be shown and this is a film about sustainability and the students will be using this as a starting point for their inquiry unit in term 2. The staff think it would be great for the families to watch this together and then it can be discussed at home and during terms 2 & 3 when it will be further developed in the classrooms.

The Parents and Friends will be organising the morning tea so I am sure we will require help with cooking and serving. A CareMonkey will be sent out shortly.

#### P&F"s meeting

Friday 14 Feb at 2.30 pm in the meeting room, all welcome.

#### **Nazareth Advisory Board**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Melanie Leydin for serving as Chairperson of the St Joseph's Education Board and then as Chairperson of the combined Nazareth's Advisory Education Board for the last 4 years, Mel has done an exceptional job in supporting me and as representing the school community. Mel also was the force behind the new guidelines and Constitution for our new Nazareth Advisory Board. Mel will be greatly missed for her knowledge, professionalism and clarity. Mel will be officially thanked at the AGM on Thursday 27 Feb. All parents are welcomed to attend the AGM, it will be at St Joseph's, in the hall at 7 pm.

I am now calling for nominations to fill one place on the Board. If you are interested please collect a nomination form from the office. Please fill it in and return it to the office by Friday 21 Feb.

#### **Drama Toolkit Program. F-2**

The Foundation and 1/2 classes begin a Drama Toolkit Program on Monday 10 Feb. It is a 5 week program every Monday. The student will, through drama and puppets, be learning about social and emotional situations and how to deal with these. Eg Starting school: making friends; solving little issues that can arise on the playground. It is a great program and your child/ren's teachers will have included more information in the term newsletter that will be sent home tomorrow and is also on our website.

#### What's Happening

**February** 

Fri 7th – Whole School Mass

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 tennis lessons start

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> – Swimming training

Wed 12th - No Foundation students at school

Fr  $14^{th}$  – P&F's meeting @ 2.30pm in the

meeting room....ALL WELCOME

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> – Swimming training

Wed 19th - No Foundation students at school

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> – Beginning School Mass @ 9.00am

Thurs 27th – Nazareth Advisory Board AGM @

7.00pm in the hall

Sat 29th – Working Bee 9.00am – 11.00am

#### WEEK 3 TERM 1

Monday 10th February

Drama Toolkits F/1/2 starts

Gr 5 & 6 camp in Canberra

Mrs Keely in charge

Tuesday 11th February

Mrs Kelliher/ Mrs Kelly

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Staff meeting

Wednesday 12th February

Swimming training Gr 3-4 students 7-8 am at Swim Right

No Foundation students at school

General Business staff meeting

Thursday 13th February

Friday 14th February

Whole school assembly

Gr 5 & 6 return

2.30 pm P&F's meeting

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### **SACRAMENTS FOR 2020**



**TERM ONE- Yr 3 Reconciliation Wednesday 18th March** 

Parent/Child faith Night-Wednesday 19th February 7pm

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

**TERM THREE –Yr 4 First Communion Sunday 30th August** 

#### STUDENT WELLBEING

#### **Positive Behaviour for Learning**

You will hear your children speaking about 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' and the way it occurs at St Joseph's. This term we will be focusing on two areas:

- 1. Staying Safe
- 2. Justice and Compassion

There are large pencils displayed on the external wall in the playground with these 'expectations' clearly painted. Posters will also be displayed in every classroom explaining how we can achieve these expectations. Speak to your child and discuss what they mean and how they can abide by these expectations.

How do these expectations help to make our school a better school?

#### **Making Jesus Real**

WEST & EAST people. Which one are you?

All students will learn about 'being the **BEST** person they can be. They will be discussing the qualities of a **W.E. S. T.** person and identifying people who portray those qualities.

Are you a **WEST** person yourself?

Jenny Keely REL/Student Wellbeing



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

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.







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### TENNIS COACHING TERM 1, 2020

**ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN !!!** 

For NEW students from Prep to Grade 6

#### HELD AT ST. JOSEPH'S TENNIS CLUB, BLACK ROCK

- > Students placed in groups according to their standard
- > Private lessons & semi private lessons available by appointment
- Discount for enrolments with more than one child in a family.



Preps, Grade 1&2 ............Book in early to guarantee your place in this fun programme. (Held before school 8.05 - 8.50, Monday - Friday and also Friday afternoon 3.30pm - 5.00pm)

**AND** 

## FOR MUMS KIDS ARE BACK AT SCHOOL TIME NOW FOR YOU!!



Cardio Tennis is a tennis workout program catering to all fitness levels. Bringing together a variety of cardio workouts, a range of fun tennis drills, all to a high-energy soundtrack. The program is focused on leading a healthy, fun and active lifestyle

MONDAY OR TUESDAY MORNINGS OR EVENINGS ALL ENQUIRIES & BOOKINGS CONTACT MARK



#### FOR MORE INFO CALL 9599 4622 OR EMAIL FREEZA@BAYSIDE.VIC.GOV.AU

THIS IS A WASTE FREE EVENT AND PET FREE EVENT

All Boombox Events are FReeZA events, which are Victorian Government initiative that supports young Victorians to get involved in their community by planning and running drug, smoke and alcohol-free music and cultural events for other young people. This event is all ages, fully supervised, while being a strictly no drug, smoke or alcohol free event. No pass outs for this event.







