

St John's Parish

Primary School



August 14, 2017 No. 21

COMING UP AT ST JOHN'S

AUGUST	15	Tuesday	Feast of the Assumption Mass – St John's Church, 12.00pm
	20	Sunday	Farewell Mass for Andrew Mullaly, 9.45am
	21	Monday	School Closure Day
	22	Tuesday	Education Board Meeting, 7.00pm
SEPTEMBER	1	Friday	Father's Day Breakfast
	3	Sunday	Father's Day
	4	Monday	School Assembly, 8.50am
	5	Tuesday	Matinee performance, "A Grimm Night for Hans", 12.30pm
	6	Wednesday	School Production Night "A Grimm Night for Hans", 7.00pm

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN results for students from Year 3 and 5 will be sent home soon. NAPLAN provides data on a student's literacy and numeracy achievements. These results provide a SNAPSHOT of student performance on the day of the test. NAPLAN complements ongoing school assessments and I encourage parents to make a time to meet with your child's teacher if you would like to explore the results further.

School Improvement Surveys

Annually, Insight SRC and Catholic Education Melbourne (CEM) support schools to conduct their School Improvement Surveys. These surveys aim to identify factors that contribute to the organisational health of our school and provide valuable information about future planning and ongoing improvement. The survey results provide key signposts that can be used with other school performance data to guide and inform conversations that are essential in reviewing our school and determining the best strategy for bringing about improvement. Feedback from staff, students and parents informs our school strategy for bringing about improvements in the way that we can work together to deliver quality education for our students.

Your feedback provides us with data which supports improved decision making at our school.

There are approximately 50 parent surveys that will be distributed to various parents. These will be sent home next week via your child's school bag. The surveys can be completed in paper form or online. All responses are confidential. If you receive a survey and prefer not to complete it please return it back to the office and write on the envelope "Not completed". We can then distribute to another family.

Next week I will complete the student surveys with our students in years 3- 6.

UNIFORM SHOP

Open first Tuesday of each month
8.30 -9.00am Multi Purpose Room

CO-ORDINATOR

Kathleen Spicer

LUNCH ORDERS

Every Tuesday Lunchtime
To order register online:
www.flexischools.com.au

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Before & After School Care 1300 105 343

CO-ORDINATOR

Cherry Manapol

HOURS: 7.00 -8.30 am
3.20 -6.15 pm

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday -Friday, 8.30am -4.00pm

PARISH CONTACTS:

PH: 9873 1341

PARISH PRIEST

Father Dispin John

PARISH SECRETARIES

Mrs. Elisa Kelesidis
Mrs. Martine Giles

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School Production - A Grimm Night for Hans

Our whole school production is getting closer and tickets will go on sale this Thursday. The matinee performance is at 12:30pm on Tuesday 5 September and our evening performance is at 7.00pm Wednesday 6 September. Tickets cost \$12 per adult and \$5 per child and will be able to be purchased from the school office from this Thursday 17 August.

School Pickup and Drop Off

Just a reminder to parents that school **starts at 8.45am** and students may be dropped off any time after 8.30am when a teacher is on duty.

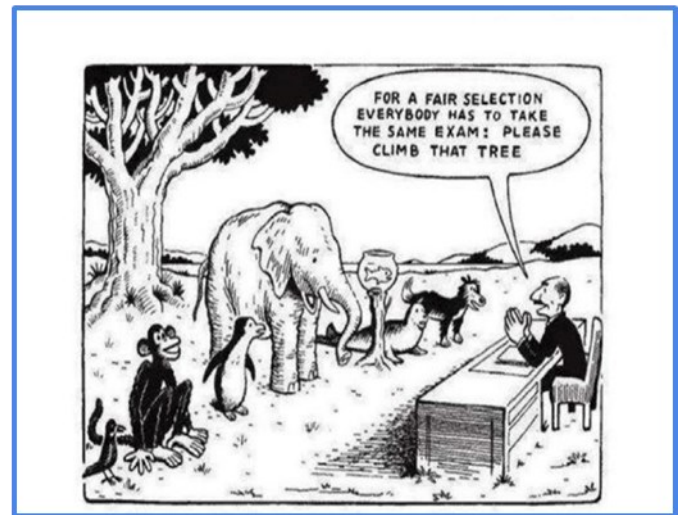
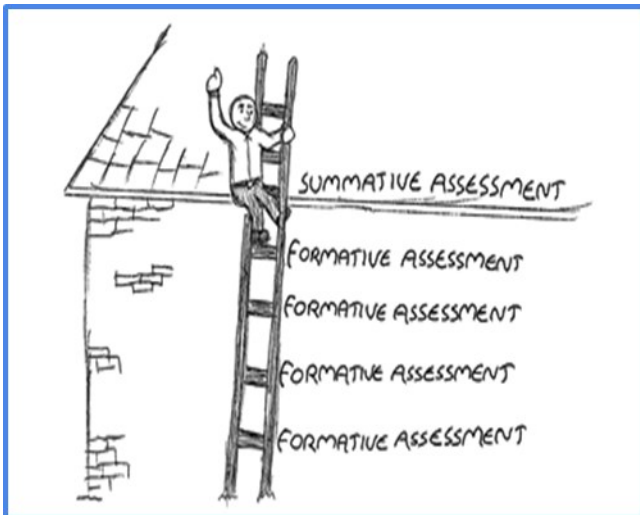
The school day **ends at 3.20pm** and any student that has not been collected by the second bell will be sent to after school care to be looked after by Camp Australia staff.

Teachers have meetings and are engaged in preparation and planning before and after school.

Learning and Teaching

Assessment at St. John's

Assessment does not only take place at St John's around report writing time. Staff at St John's are consistently assessing students all the time. Assessment is the process of gathering and interpreting evidence to make judgements about students learning. Assessment is used by learners and their teachers to decide where the learners are at in their learning, where they need to go and how best to get



there. We classify assessment into two categories according to its purpose and timing.

Summative Assessment

Summative assessments are used to place students along a continuum of development and is usually administered at the completion of a unit of learning. Summative assessment evaluates teaching and learning. This form of assessment provides information about how effective teaching strategies have been and how to improve teaching for future students. Examples of this include NAPLAN, post tests after a unit of work and external formal testing.

Formative Assessment

Formative assessment is generally carried out both prior to teaching and during a learning activity. It is all the activities undertaken by teachers and students which provide information to be used as feedback to modify the teaching and learning activities in which they are engaged. Formative assessment informs teaching and learning. Examples of this include all learning tasks including dialogue and observations.

A nice analogy we heard recently for the two forms of assessment is, *“when a cook tastes the soup, that's formative and when a guest tastes the soup, that's summative”*.

As educators we also need to consider that the assessment needs to be relevant to the teaching and learning and provides opportunities for students to be “assessment capable” so they can reflect and monitor their own progress and consequently plan their future

Education in Faith News

Our Gospel Challenge this week is to: ask God for help when we need it.

Congratulations to Sienna, Anria, Basti, Cameron, Sam, Greg and Marco who all received Eucharist for the first time at a parish mass over the weekend.



Tomorrow we celebrate the feast of the Assumption at 12:00pm. The 1/2s with their teachers have planned the liturgy. Please come and celebrate Mary, a faithful disciple, with us. In Luke's Gospel, Mary hears the word of God and acts on it. Listening to and discerning the voice of God in one's life and living out one's response is what marks discipleship for Luke. Discipleship is about allowing God's word to be at home in your life and allowing it to shape your life. Are you aware of God's word in your life? In what ways has the voice or presence of God shaped your life? Have there been key times in your life when you have been particularly conscious of God?

The Church has always believed in Mary's assumption into heaven. But on November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII focused the attention of the whole world on the Assumption of Mary as a dogma and mystery of our faith. This mystery shows us that God wants every human person, body and soul, to be in glory forever, just as Mary is now. This dogma shows how important every single human life is. Pope Pius XII hoped that by thinking about Mary's Assumption, people all over the world would develop a deeper respect for their own lives and their own bodies. He hoped that people would grow in respect for the lives of others.

Have a wonderful week,
Monica

Important Dates to Remember:

August 15 Tuesday
20 Sunday

Feast of the Assumption of Mary Mass, 12:00pm
Mass for Andrew Mullaly, St James Principal, 9.45am

Risk and protective factors



As children grow, their social skills get better and their emotions, learning and thinking continues to develop. All of these changes influence a child's mental health.

Family circumstances, relationships, and access to support are also factors that impact mental health. When mental health professionals talk about these things, they often refer to them as "risk and protective factors".

Examples of key risk factors that influence children's mental health

Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complications during birth and early infancy• Difficult temperament (overly shy or aggressive)• Low self-esteem• Low intelligence• Poor bonding with parent/s
Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family disharmony, instability or breakup• Harsh or inconsistent discipline style• Parent/s with mental illness or substance abuse• Siblings with a serious illness or disability
School	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer rejection and/or bullying• Academic failure• Poor attendance• Poor connection between family and school
Life events	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Difficult school transition• Death of a family member• Emotional trauma• Experience of physical or sexual abuse
Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discrimination• Isolation• Socioeconomic disadvantage• Lack of access to support services

Examples of key protective factors that influence children's mental health

Child	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Easy temperament• Good social and emotional skills• Positive coping style• Optimistic outlook on life• Good attachment to parents or carers
Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family harmony and stability• Supportive parenting• Strong family values• Consistency (firm boundaries and limits)
School	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Positive school climate• Sense of belonging and connectedness between family and school• Opportunity for participation in a range of activities• Academic achievement
Life events	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Involvement with a caring adult• Support available at critical times
Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participation in community networks• Access to support services• Economic security• Strong cultural identity and pride

To read more about how your family can build protective factors for your child/ren please follow this link https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/sites/default/files/public/KMP_C3_RPFCMH_BuildingProtectiveFactors_SuggestionsForFamilies.pdf

Ange Crowe



When Ange Crowe started her teaching career, she was fortunate to teach Prep for five years. They were the most challenging and rewarding years of her teaching life. In that time she understood the importance of oral language in the junior years and developed a passion for teaching English as a second language. To support her with this passion, she completed several courses at Blackburn English Language school. Through her accreditations she specialised in English as a Second Language for eight years, working part time while her family were little. Ange came to St. John's in 2012 to assist with Prep/1/2s oral language development. She then taught Grade 2 the following year and in 2014 Ange became our Literacy Leader.

During her time in this leadership role she has completed the More Support for Students with Disabilities (MSSD) course in 2014, completed a Masters of Education (Educational Intervention) in 2015 at Melbourne University and completed a Reading Recovery course in 2016. Ange now continues to work with reading recovery and EAL (English as an Additional Language) students on a daily basis. She also provides support to classroom teachers in 1/2 and oral language support for 5/6 students. Ange facilitates a number of Literacy Intervention groups for all year levels.

Ange enjoys working with small groups and students from Prep-6. She has a passion for intervention and loves having the opportunity to make a real difference and witness accelerated growth each day! Ange believes she is lucky to work with all classroom teachers and leaders in the school to provide a collaborative approach to improving student outcomes at St John's.

For your entertainment

St John's Primary School

Presents

A Grimm Night for Hans

Tuesday 5th September, Matinee 12.30pm

Wednesday 6th September, 7.00pm

Durkin Hall
(St John's School)



Tickets: Adults \$12.00 & Children \$5.00 are available at the school office
Tea & coffee will be served at interval



Literacy and Numeracy Week




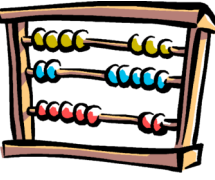


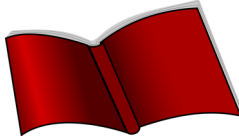





at

St John's 2017

In the final week of this term we will be celebrating
Literacy and Numeracy Week at St John's...
 We have a great deal of fun and frivolity planned to celebrate!
Please keep these dates in your diary.

More details to come...

We hope you can come along and share in the fun and games!!

Monday 18/9	Tuesday 19/9	Wednesday 20/9	Thursday 21/9	Friday 22/9
<p>Assembly: Official launch of <i>National Literacy and Numeracy Week</i>™ 9AM</p>  <p>Teachers to read a favourite picture story book to another year level. (each and every day!)</p> 	<p>Spelling Bee:</p>  <p>-9:00 am- Junior years -2:20 pm- Senior years</p> <p>Digital literacy - Whole school coding activities in classes.</p>  <p>Maths workshop -Family Night 7.00pm Maths Association to host the night.</p>  P.A. to organise sausage sizzle	<p>Book character parade: 9am Dress up as favourite book character- whole school parade : Parents welcome!</p>  <p>Read for Australia. All classes to gather for a shared reading of a CBCA book. (Book to be announced.)</p> 	<p>Don't Judge a Book by it's cover! (Book Swap)</p>  <p>Students to bring a second- hand <u>wrapped</u> book to swap with another student. <i>What will you get?</i></p> <p>Movie afternoon: Students to watch selected Fairy tales.</p>  <p>Parent Workshop: 2.30pm: How can I support Multiplication learning at home?</p> 	<p>Parent Workshop: 9.00am Literacy Learning</p> <p>AFL Dress up Day. Students to dress in AFL colours.</p>  <p>Lunch: P.A. Special Food day.</p>  <p>Holidays.....!!!</p>

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Jasmine Taylor, Alana Borloz, Phoebe Cetoupe, Madison Dalton and Jeff Zhao who will be celebrating their birthday this week.

We hope you all have a "Happy Day!"



LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders continue to be a great addition to the school week. Huge thanks to everyone who has used the service on a Tuesday! Just a reminder to check that your child's order has been processed fully on the Flexischool website so that they don't inadvertently miss out, and an extra reminder for those ordering Sushi- don't forget that orders need to be in by 2pm on Monday.



KIDS

are you interested in learning more about drama and performing?

DRAMA CLASSES



Starts
Wednesday
16th August
4.30pm -
5.30pm

At the
Coghlan
Centre
St John's
in Mitcham!

When
Wednesdays 4.30-5.30pm
Beginning Wed 16th August

Where
Coghlan Centre
at St John's Mitcham

Who can come?
Kids Aged 8-12. All levels and
interest welcome!

Cost
We will be running a couple
of trial classes this term on
Wed 16th & 23rd August to
sound out interest. These
initial trial classes will be
free. Beyond that classes will
be \$15 each and held each
Wednesday till the end of
term. Come join us and see
what you think!

Why Drama?
- develops confidence
- vocal articulation
- projection and expression
- encourages creativity
and expression
- imaginative stories
and roleplay
- creative writing

Who takes the classes?
Classes are run by a
St James mum Fabienne
Parr. Fabienne Parr is a
trained actor with a BA
in Performing Arts along
with a DipED in Drama
and English. As an Actor,
Fabienne has appeared in
numerous productions of
Theatre, TV, Short Films and
Commercials.

Her innovative programs
encourage children and young
adults to build confidence
and skills in themselves in not
only the performance arena
but also in preparation for
confidence all areas of their life.

Fabienne also offers tutorial
to VCE Drama and Theatre
Performance Students and
also offers private audition
preparation sessions for adults
and young Actors.

**Interested in joining
our first class?**
Please email Fabienne
on [fabienneparr@
yahoo.com.au](mailto:fabienneparr@yahoo.com.au) or text her
0409 803 878
to register your interest by
Monday 14th August.

COSTUME SEWING BEE

If you can sew or use a pair of scissors, join us on Wednesday 16th August, any time from 9am in the Zebadee Room.



We will be sewing the 1/2's production costumes & all skill levels welcome!

Stay for as long as you like!

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided, BYO sandwich for lunch.

If you have a sewing machine, dressmaking scissors or pins, please bring them along.

Many hands make light work!

Any questions, please call Jackie Harkin on 0411 232 071 (Zoe 1/2BM & Astrid 5/6MO)

A big thank you to Trish Harkin, Janine & Mackenzie Coates, Nicole La, Rae Crawley, Di Tew and Maureen O'Sullivan for donating their time and amazing sewing/cutting abilities at last weeks sewing bee.

SAVE THE DATE

Dads, make sure that you put Friday 1 September on your calendar and keep it free for the Father's Day Breakfast. Sitting times will be at 7.30 and 8.00am



PRODUCTION PROPS

I am looking for several clothes racks to use for our show. If anyone has one we could borrow could you please drop it into the multi-purpose room. Don't forget the sewing bee tomorrow. - Penelope

LIBRARY HELP WANTED

Do you love books and have some time to spare to help out in the library?

Any time you can spare to help shelve or cover books would be greatly appreciated!

Please indicate your interest to Sue in the Library between 9.15 and 4pm on Tuesdays or 9.15 to 1pm on Thursdays.

It's a great way to help out & keep up to date with all the latest releases of children's books.



Many thanks,
Sue



**Please return your money for the
Cadbury Chocolate fundraiser NOW!**

RECYCLE WITH MONDO FOR A BETTER WORLD

St John's Primary School

Hey, I'm Mondo! My name means "World" in Italian. You can recycle your clothing and household goods with me to raise funds for your school and help create a better world by reducing waste to landfill, creating jobs for people with disabilities and supporting communities in developing countries.

**Clean out your wardrobe
& recycle your unwanted
clothing, toys and small
household goods**

You can recycle:

- Clothing & footwear
- Handbags & accessories
- Manchester & toys

Every 1 kg collected at collection days raises 25c for your school. Please bring plastic bags that you have filled to school on:

8.30 am Thursday, 21 September, 2017

Collection enquiries: (03) 9386 8702



St John's Primary School
Recycle With Mondo
Fundraising Through Recycling Program

We need your help to raise funds for our school and it couldn't be easier!

All we ask is for families to have a spring clean and clean out your wardrobes and cupboards over the next few weeks/days and bag any clean unwanted clothes, toys and linen that are no longer needed.

What to bring to school:

- clothes
- shoes
- linen (sheets, doona covers, towels, blankets)
- accessories (hats, scarves, gloves, belts, handbags)
- small toys



We have organised a special recycling collection day with SCR Group's **Recycle With Mondo For A Better World - School Fundraising Through Recycling Program**. Our school will be paid 25c per kilo for the goods for reuse and recycling.

This program helps raise money for our school, reduces waste to landfill, creates jobs and supports communities in developing countries at the same time.

On our collection day (or during the week leading up to the collection day) students can drop off their bags of unwanted goods at school and give them to Miss Fry (3/4RF)

An SCR Group van will be at school on the morning of the collection day to receive the goods.

Our school collection day is on Thursday the 21st of September (Week 10)

Many thanks in advance

The Environmental Captains and Miss Fry

Italian Phrase of the Week

Week 21: Pieve oggi
(Pee-oh-vay oh-gee)
It is raining today



You are you
Now isn't that pleasant!
- Dr Seuss

EARN AND LEARN IS BACK!

It's simple to participate. From Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September 2017 (or while stock lasts), when you, your family or friends shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the check-out operator (or through an online order) and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There will be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box near the office. We can then redeem the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for education resources for our school. Start collecting now!





*You are warmly invited to the social event of the year,
St John's Parish Primary*

Masquerade

Saturday 14 October 2017 @ 7.00pm

Tickets on sale from 22 August

\$35.00 per person (earlybird, before 22 September)

\$45.00 per person (standard)

Dinner and entertainment included

BYO drinks and masks

Enquires: yourpa.sjm@gmail.com



Come & Play Junior Cricket at Mitcham

Mitcham Cricket Club welcomes current & new junior cricketers in these age groups & timeslots: Boys: Under 16 (SAT), 14 (FRI/SAT), 12 (FRI), 10* (SAT/SUN). Girls: Under 13 (WED).
Boys & girls: Milo/in2cricket (ages 5 to 8) (FRI).

Wed. 16th August - REGISTRATION & INFORMATION NIGHT

At Walker Park Clubrooms - Time: 6 to 7pm (Not Milo)

Sat. 19th August - INDOOR TRAINING At Topline (U/14)

Sat. 26th August - INDOOR TRAINING At Topline (U/12)

Sat. 2nd Sept. - INDOOR TRAINING At Topline (U/16)

(Indoor Training Times: 11:30 am to 12:30 pm)

September - TRAINING COMMENCES (U/10)

October - MILO/In2cricket REGISTRATION

Fees (under 10 boys & older): \$130 per player or \$190 per family

New players (under 12 & older) receive a free club training shirt

Girls: \$75 including a free cap & shirt

Milo/in2cricket: \$75

>> You can register on-line at playcricket.com.au or come along to Reg. Night <<

In 2017/18 we welcome new Junior Development Coach David King (Ringwood C.C.)

* Under 10's & 12C's to be played under new formats SUPER 7's & FAST 9's



Enquiries to mitchamcc@hotmail.com or phone Steve Tully 0430 292 267 or Wayne Hoare 0403 047 482

St John's Father's Day Breakfast



Dads, Grandads, Special Friends are invited to breakfast with the special children in their lives.

Come and enjoy yummy food on your way to work in good company, and if you wish, participating in some sporting activities.

When: Friday 1st September

Time: 7.30 am or 8.00am

Cost: \$7.00 person

Cost is inclusive of a bacon sandwich and a coffee or hot chocolate as well as a choice of the breakfast buffet; selecting from pancakes, fruit platters, croissants and cereal.



Please hand in the slip with correct money to the school office by Monday 28th August.

If you can help set up the day before (Thurs 31/08/17) or help on the day or have any questions, please contact Liz Swaine PH: 0409 709 203 or elizabeth.swaine@bigpond.com (Jack 3/4)

St John's Father's Day Breakfast RSVP Slip

Family Name: _____

Name of eldest child: _____

Number of children attending: _____

Number of adults attending: _____

Adult's name(s) attending: _____

Sitting time (please circle): 7.30am

8.00am

Dietary requirements: _____

Yes I can help set up Thursday 31/08/2017:

Contact number: _____:

Yes I can help on the day 01/09/2017:

Contact number: _____: