

St John's Parish

Primary School



May 6, 2019 No. 10

COMING UP AT ST JOHN'S

MAY	7	Tuesday	Education Board Meeting, 7.00pm
	8	Wednesday	Parent Association Meeting, 7.00pm
	12	Sunday	Mother's Day
	13	Monday	School Assembly, 8.50am
	14	Tuesday	NAPLAN Commences - Years 3 & 5 (14-16 May)
	16	Thursday	First Eucharist Parent Evening with Elio Capra, 7.00pm
	18	Saturday	Year 2 Level Mass, 6.00pm
	19	Sunday	Year 2 Level Mass, 9.45am
	26	Sunday	Parish Family Mass, 9.45am Parish Mission Week (26 - 31 May)

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A Mothers' Day Prayer

Loving God, we pray for all mothers,
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,
Bless all mothers that they too, enjoy the goodness of life which they give to others
Since Mary is the model for all mothers,
we turn to her with our own petitions and pray:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit
of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday -Friday, 8.30am -4.00pm

UNIFORM

RHSport , Ringwood PH: 9870 1377

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

CO-ORDINATOR

Kathleen Spicer

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

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Before & After School Care 1300 105 343

CO-ORDINATOR

Richard

HOURS: 7.00 -8.30 am
3.20 -6.15 pm

LUNCH ORDERS

Every Tuesday Lunchtime

To order register online:

www.flexischools.com.au

PARISH CONTACTS:

PH: 9873 1341

PARISH PRIEST

Father Dispin John

PARISH SECRETARIES

Mrs. Elisa Kelesidis

Mrs. Martine Giles

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Mrs. Maree O'Keefe



What a wonderful morning it was last Friday as everyone celebrated Mothers at our annual Mother's Day Breakfast. A big thank you to Steve Gilbert for leading the event and to all the dads (listed below), who took the time to spoil our mums and special friends.

Damien Adams	Rob Hale
Aaron Bright	Shane Laffin
Warren Butterworth	Cam McAlister
Dean Breaden	Matthew Stutchberry
Darren Carter	Brendan Wallis

I would like to wish you all our Mothers a very happy Mother's Day for Sunday and hope that your children make it a very special day.

Student Led Learning Conferences Feedback

At the end of last week we sent home a questionnaire. At this stage we have 10 returned. If you would like to provide some feedback please return your form by Friday. Thanks for your support.

2020 Enrolments

We have had a lot of interest for our school tours this year and a very successful Enrolment and Information night last Wednesday. We continue to hear such positive feedback from potential enrolments about St John's. This is often the result of our current families promoting our school, so thank you!

Later this month we will begin interviews for the families enrolled. If you know of any families considering enrolling their child at St John's could you encourage them to get their enrolment in as soon as possible.

Save the Date: Parish Mission Week, 26 – 30 May

- * Do you want to know more about family life and issues that confront us today?
- * Have you wondered how our Christian faith helps us find meaning in the experience of suffering?
- * How is faith passed on to our children or grandchildren?
- * How do we pray and what forms of prayer are available to us?
- * What part does Eucharist play in our lives as a faith community?

Please take time out to attend one of the sessions and explore those questions.

First session Sunday 26 May at 7:30pm in the church.

PA Board Meeting

Please note that all are welcome to attend the Parent Association Meeting this week on Wednesday 8 May.

Board Meeting

If you are interested in joining the School Board please contact Andrew Puls or Jacqui Marshall. We will be meeting this week, Tuesday 7 May at 7.00pm.

Interschool Sport

Interschool sport begins this Friday for year 5 & 6 with an away game at St Phillips Primary School in Blackburn North. Parents are welcome to attend.

NAPLAN

An Information sheet will be coming home today with students in Years 3 and 5 explaining the following:

- * Why do students participate in NAPLAN?
- * What is assessed?
- * How can I help my child prepare?
- * Participation in NAPLAN.
- * What if my child is absent from school on assessment days?
- * How is my child's performance measured?
- * How are NAPLAN results used?

If you have any further questions about NAPLAN please see your child's teacher or Monica O'Shannassy and Jacqui Marshall.

Staffing

Nicole Dunning will be on leave for the next 2 weeks commencing on Wednesday.

I will be taking some long service leave this term heading off to Hawaii with my family from 24 May to 11 June. Monica O'Shannassy will be Acting Principal during this time.

Have a great week,
Jacqui Marshall

Education in Faith News

Our Gospel Challenge this week is to: *forgive others!*

Jesus offers Peter the opportunity to seek forgiveness and resolve to live differently in this week's Gospel. Peter denied Jesus three times. So Jesus invites Peter to repent and be forgiven by expressing his love three times. Peter has the chance to repair the damage his denials caused. Repentance can free us from the guilt that keeps us from fully loving ourselves and others. We can't really be free until, like Peter, we try to correct the damage our poor choices leave behind. We can also use those indiscretions to help others. Look at how the Gospel uses Peter's sin to teach us about Jesus' love and our ability to start anew.

Easter is a good time to correct and learn from our mistakes. The Risen Christ offers us the opportunity and the courage to look honestly at our mistakes, repair damage they caused in our relationships, and use what we have learned to help others. Let us take up Christ on this offer. And then follow him.

On Tuesday night we celebrated the first home mass for the year at Arnold's house. We attended the home mass with our families along with three families from St James, Vermont. Fr Dispin talked to us about the Eucharist and the mass. We talked a lot about reconciliation and we also talked about the Last Supper. After mass we all enjoyed a delicious dinner together.



Have a wonderful week,
Monica

Important Dates to Remember

May	16	Thursday	First Eucharist Parent Formation Evening with Fr Elio, 7.00pm
	18	Saturday	Year 2 Level Mass, 6.00pm
	19	Sunday	Year 2 level Mass, 9.45am
	26	Sunday	Parish Family Mass, 9.45am
			Parish Family Mission Commences (26-30 May)
	30	Thursday	Parish Family Mission Ends.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST 2019

Thanks Dads!



PRODUCTION 2019

This term there is great excitement for many as we begin our school Production for 2019.

It is titled, 'A Night in the Library' and involves three students who get 'locked' in the library overnight and much like the movie, 'A Night in the Museum' the book characters all come to life.

I wrote this script a few years ago as a school production, I have a real love of books and wanted to explore performing each book. Each class is in the process of learning the choreography for their book as well as choosing who will play each character from their book.

The class books are as follows:

Preps	Little Red Riding Hood and Three Little Pigs
1/2EB	Aladdin
1/2SK	The Lorax
3/4KC	Green Eggs and Ham
3/4RF	Matilda
5/6AB	Alice in Wonderland
5/6KR	Harry Potter
5/6TJ	Mary Poppins

The 5/6 classes were involved in an audition process last term with myself and either Jacqui or Monica and we were delighted with the enthusiasm and talent shown. It made our job of deciding the roles very tricky! Students have now been assigned roles and have access to the overall script on Google Drive.

If any parents would be willing to be part of the sets, props or costuming groups (you do not need to know how to sew, sometimes it's just sourcing items) please email me.

ldevoy@sjmitcham.catholic.edu.au

If you happen to have any costumes at home that you think might suit the above class items, and you are willing to loan them, please send them to school.

Don't forget the Production will be held on Thursday 27th June (last Thursday of Term 2) in Durkin Hall in the evening. Please add this date to your calendar.

Thanks,
Ms Lou Devoy



ITALIAN QUIZ

Which of the two brothers Romulus and Remus was the Capital City Rome named after ?

Be the first student to answer and the prize is yours !!!

Buona Fortuna

"IT'S NOT ABOUT
WHAT IT IS, IT'S
ABOUT WHAT IT
CAN BECOME."

- Dr. Seuss

Wellbeing Self Management

This term's SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) focus is on Self Management.

The way we think has a big impact on our feelings and in turn, our behaviour. Helpful thoughts lead to more positive feelings and behaviours.

Unhelpful thinking can be common in both children and adults. By listening to the things children say about themselves and experiences, we can learn to notice and challenge children's unhelpful thinking. One way we are focusing on eliminating any unhelpful thinking in our students in our SEL lessons and interactions is through looking at personal (or character) strengths. Examples of personal strengths include bravery, kindness, humour, leadership, persistence and creativity. Encourage your children to discover their personal strengths through discussions on their strengths and how they can use these strengths to help others.



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Dads Night out



Saturday 18th May 6pm

84 Maroondah Hwy

Ringwood (Rear House of Golf)

Cost is \$35 per person including a Drink on Arrival and Pizza.

Drinks at Cheaper than Bar prices

For details or to register your interest please contact

Steve Gilbert (Jessica 5/6KR, Lucas 1/2 EB)

on steve@clbis.com.au or 0417 119 078

by Wednesday 18th May

Limited to 30 people



Information Pack Let's stick together with Earn & Learn

1 May to 25 June 2019



In this information pack, you'll find everything you need to help your school earn a fantastic range of equipment.

That's why I pick Woolies

Anyone can help you Earn & Learn

Earn & Learn only runs for a limited time, so spread the word and get everyone helping you collect stickers; kids, parents, grandparents, staff, neighbours and friends.

It's easy for everyone to stick together



Between 1 May and 25 June 2019, collect as many stickers as you can.



Stick them on the supplied posters or sticker sheets. Don't forget, you can always download and print extra sticker sheets at teaching.com.au



This time, you just need to count them up and let us know how many you've got. But it's important that you hang on to your stickers until your new equipment arrives.





DONVALE PRESCHOOL OPEN DAY!



Saturday 11th May

10am – 12pm

7 Florence Avenue, Donvale

Taking enrolments for 2020

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