

WEEKLY NEWS



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AS ONE IN FAITH WE LEARN AND GROW

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August

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| Sat 24th | Sacrament of Eucharist 7pm Mass |
| Sun 25th | Sacrament of Eucharist 9am Mass |
| Tue 27th | School Banking Day |
| Fri 30th | Fathers' Day Breakfast @ 8am |
| Fri 30th | Fathers' Day Stall |
| Fri 30th | Winter Interscholar Sport |

September

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| Mon 2nd | Pyjama Day (see flyer inside) |
| Mon 2nd | Tiny Tots afternoon @ 2.45pm (for siblings & friends) |
| Tue 3rd | School Banking Day |
| Fri 6th | Dress Rehearsal—Juniors @ SFS |
| Fri 6th | P & F Afternoon Tea 2.30pm and Uniform Shop Sales |
| Tue 10th | School Banking Day |
| Fri 13th | Dress Rehearsal—Juniors @ RGPAC |
| Fri 13th | Junior Production—Beyond the Sea at River Gum Performing Arts Centre - 7pm |
| Fri 20th Sept | P & F Morning Tea after morning gathering |

Growing Young in Christ

From the Principal

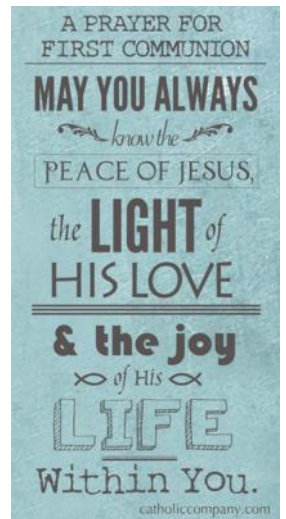


Dear Parents,

This weekend we have 26 students from St Francis de Sales who will be making their First Eucharist. Let us keep them in our prayers and ask for God's blessing to be with them always. May this special day be the first of many special days of receiving the Body of Christ. May knowing the joy of Christ's life and light radiating within inspire each child and all of us to cherish this sacred sacrament.

This weekend we pray for:

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| Maja C | Aden H | Max K |
| Matthew S | Abigayle T | Ava R |
| Isabella A | Fotis P | Brooklyn L |
| Charlize S | Caitlin H | Lily W |
| Abby C | Hans P | Jaison E |
| Marlie W | Charlotte S | Charlotte McN |
| Brandon B | Gabriel D'S | Ethan F |
| Mikayla L | Kaitlyn M | Antonio P |
| Jordan A | Lennox U | |



RESILIENCE PROJECT PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday 16th October
7pm — 8.30pm

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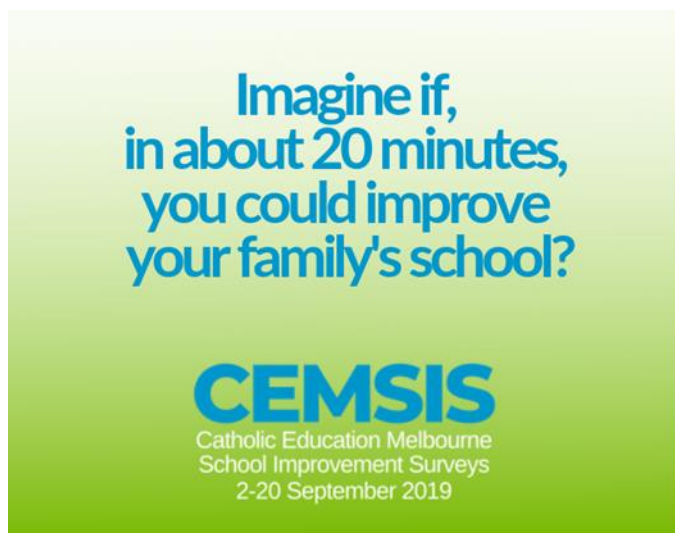
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The St Francis de Sales Primary School community is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will remain the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

From the Principal

CHEMSIS

Please see the letter with this newsletter regarding the parent survey called CEMSIS. This survey is new for this year and replaces the Insight SRC annual survey. The survey this year is electronic and parents will receive an email from ORIMA research group on behalf of the school to complete the survey. Your feedback along with the staff and students from Year 4 to 6 will help us refine our school improvement plans. Please take the time to complete this survey.



CEMSIS Family survey opens for family input this year from 2-20 September 2019.



Staff unwell

Over the past three weeks Shehani has been recovering from a virus that ended up becoming pneumonia. We are delighted to hear that Shehani is making great progress and is expecting to return to school next week.

Elizabetta has also been unwell this week and we ask that you keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Fr Desmond's 40 Anniversary - Congratulations and thank you to Fr Des

Last weekend the Parish celebrated Fr Desmond's 40 anniversary since his ordination. It was a great celebration with Mass and a lovely catered lunch by the parish. It was great way to say a BIG thank you to Fr Des for his generous contribution to the many communities and Parishes he has worked at over the past 40 years.

Next Thursday on 29 August at 10:30am it will be St Francis de Sales' turn to celebrate and say thank you. You are invited to join us for an assembly in LS3.

Christine White
Principal



From the Principal



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Dear Students, Families and Staff,

Catholic Education Melbourne School Improvement Surveys (CEMSIS): 2-20 September 2019

Throughout each year, we pause to listen to our students, families and staff to gauge how our learning community is travelling. This feedback is invaluable to our progress as effective school communities and is backed by evidence-based research and best practices.

One of the more important formal ways we engage and gather data is through **CEMSIS**, the Catholic Education Melbourne School Improvement Surveys.

CEMSIS is a set of surveys that have been built specifically for Catholic Schools in Melbourne by Learning Services teams at Catholic Education Melbourne in partnership with researchers at Learning First and in wide consultation with Principals in our schools.

In 2019, students, families and staff are invited to participate in CEMSIS using our brand new, secure and purpose-built online platform. The online platform is where our school leaders will access the summary reports that visualise the results of the student, family and staff surveys.

The CEMSIS survey platform is operated by an independent supplier, ORIMA Research Pty Ltd. The platform meets with the very high security and privacy standards for handling student and school data.

Students at our school will be provided with supervised sessions where teachers are on hand to help and answer any questions. Families and staff can complete the survey anytime over the three-week window via an emailed link and password. Feedback from last year's pilot trials indicate many surveys were done across a range of mobile devices and different web browsers.

Our community's opinions are critical to understanding how our school is performing – CEMSIS is a key data source for guiding the ongoing work to improve our school.

All participation is invited, welcomed and 100% voluntary. The surveys are not a test; they are an inclusive way to feed the work we are already doing to improve our school. Everyone has the right to refuse to participate, or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion of the survey. Please notify the school if your child does not wish to participate. If you would like more information, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely

Christine White
Principal

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Encompassing: Student Outcomes, Policy, Assessment, Reporting, Principles and Pedagogy.

Senior Italian

This week students connected their Italian learning with wellbeing by exploring the concept of AMICIZIA (friendship).

The students worked in groups to unpack the important aspects of friendship using the Italian version of the story 'Do you want to be my friend' (Vuoi Essere mio amico) by Eric Carle.



Bravi Ragazzi

Silvana Pansino

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PE NEWS TERM 3

GRADE 5/6 INTERSCHOOL SPORTS TRAINING

For the last few weeks Grade 5/6 students have been training for their Interschool Sports each Friday morning from 9.00 – 10.00. Our next Interschool sports game will be against Tulliallin next Friday 30th August.

GRADE 3/4 INTERSCHOOL SPORTS TASTER

The Grade 3/4 students have enjoyed their Interschool Sports taster sessions from 10 – 11 each Friday for the past 4 weeks. They have had the opportunity to try each of the Winter Interschool Sports: badminton, kickball, basketball, football and handball. We hope that by the end of the term the Grade 3/4 students would have tried each of the sports. Next term we hope to continue this program and provide the opportunity for the Grade 3/4 students to experience the Summer Interschool Sports: netball, volleyball, t ball, soccer and cricket.

GRADE 5/6 FOOTBALL CLINICS

The Grade 5/6 students have been lucky enough to be involved in football clinics run by Casey Demons. Last term ½ of the Grade 5/6s participated in these clinics, with the remainder of the Grade 5/6s participating this term. We are very grateful to the Casey Demons for giving our students this great opportunity.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS



Our Athletics Team has been working hard, attending training sessions run by Lulli during lunch times. Yesterday they attended District Athletics at Casey Fields accompanied by Matilda and Eddie. The whole team is to be congratulated for their commitment to their training and the effort that they put in at District Athletics. Congratulations to the whole team! Well done!

We would also like to congratulate the students who have made it to the next level which is Regional Athletics. This will take place in the last week of school on Wednesday September 18th.

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| Ethan F | 2nd 1500m | Lachlan G | 1st 1500m, 800m |
| Alexis J | 1st 1500m, 2nd 800m | Tate M | 1st 1500m |
| Keava Mc | 2nd 1500m, triple jump | Cody F | 2nd 100m, 800m |
| James U | 2nd shotput, discus | Zoe B | 2nd 200m, high jump |
| Boys U/11 relay | 1st Kian, Oscar, Max, Joel | Chiara Q | 1st 200m |

SWIMMING

As we approach Term 4 we begin to organise for our swimming lessons that will begin in Week 1 of Term 4. As in previous years swimming will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays from 12.00 – 2.15pm for 9 weeks, excluding the Melbourne Cup long weekend. The swimming program is \$120 which will be billed, as usual, to your account. Students are expected to attend as it is part of the Victorian Curriculum. If there is a medical reason students cannot attend, a medical certificate must be provided. Permission forms are now on Care Monkey and we ask parents/guardians to give permission and ensure Care Monkey profiles are up to date. This must be done by Week 9 as the pool needs to be provided with final numbers. More detailed information will be provided later this term. Please be aware if parents wish to assist in change rooms, they must have a current Working with Children Check which has been registered with the School Office.

Lulli & Giuliana

Education in faith

Encompassing: Prayer, Liturgy, Sacraments, Icons/Symbols



'From east and west they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.'

Luke 13: 22–30

At first reading, this Gospel passage is missing some of the hopeful words we read elsewhere about God's love for us and all of creation spending eternity in the Kingdom. In this Gospel, we read that the door is narrow, that not many people will get through it, and once it's shut, there's no opening it again. One way that scholars interpret this passage is that it was geared for the religious leaders of Jesus' time. They were fairly confident that they were among God's chosen people and just because of who they were, they were automatically entitled to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus came to be sure all

people had a chance to enter the door of heaven. Many other people, according to Jesus, would enter before the arrogant leaders.

We are cautioned in this Gospel to be more than mere acquaintances with Jesus. We are challenged to have a deep and loving relationship with him. What's the difference between the two? We are probably best at answering that question ourselves, but perhaps we attend worship services every week to fulfill an obligation. That might be acting like an acquaintance where as participating in that mass, gathering with other worshipers afterwards, or participating in scripture study, service, or enrichment offerings of the parish would definitely deepen that relationship. Our children look to us as guides for developing their own relationship with Christ. What they see us do will be significant in their own spiritual development.

Think of the people you know (or know about) who are standing outside the doors of the Kingdom. Who are the people who are at risk of not entering? Go over your list and decide on some action you can take either individually or as a family that might help this person get through the narrow door. Is there something you can say or an action you can take to bring the person closer to Jesus? Perhaps you can serve them in some way that will help them recognize God's love for them. In some cases we may need to stop an action such as participating in ethnic jokes. Praying is also one thing we can do if we think a person will not be open to our other efforts. Remember too that we may not know the results of our actions until we all are at the banquet!

Prayerfully Yours!

Elisabetta Micallef

Religious Education Leader (REL)

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Sacramental News:

Let us keep our First Communion children in our thoughts and prayers As they celebrate this sacrament this weekend. May these children be ready to say 'Yes' to the presence of Jesus Christ in their lives through Eucharist. We wish them all the best.

'Only in the darkness

Can you see the stars'.



Production News

Important Information regarding 2019 Productions

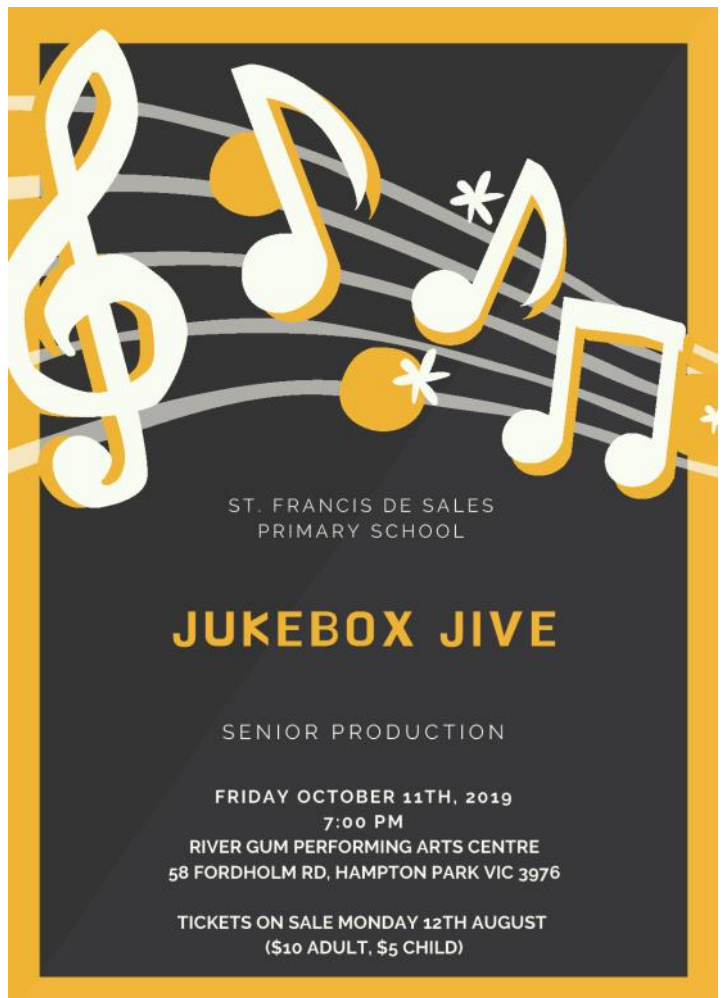
Final details for the Junior and Senior Production can be found on CareMonkey regarding:

- * dress rehearsals.
- * day rehearsals and
- * Information for the production evenings

It is imperative that you check CareMonkey and keep up to date.

Should you have any questions, please contact Kristy in person or via email at kga-lea@sfslynbrook.catholic.edu.au

Kristy Galea
Music Teacher



Student Well-Being

Encompassing: Student Engagement, Student Connectedness, Classroom Climate, Inclusion and Prevention to Intervention.

mConnect with Wellsprings for Women

We are in the process of organising our term 3 holiday excursion for families to attend with their children to the Casey traffic school. There will be a small cost for this excursion and parents will meet us there. Stay tuned for details soon.

Twilight community market

We are getting closer to our annual twilight community market, which will be held on **Thursday 7th November, 5pm -8pm**. It will be back this year, bigger and better than even with over 50 stalls offering a variety of food and goods. We will have a stage set up with some entertainment including music, singing, karate and dancing demonstrations. We are still looking for donations of prizes and vouchers from local businesses that we can use. Any donations can be left at the office. We will be raising some money for the upkeep of our community garden. **Less than 11 weeks to go!!**



BeYou is a resource for educators that assists them in understanding and promoting the mental health of all members of our school community. Many of the children at SFS that I work with in social skills group, need help to develop their self-regulation or self-management skills. This means, recognising in themselves how they are feeling and using strategies to assist themselves to regulate themselves, so they feel calm, focused and ready to learn. This week's fact sheet is all about how we can help children to develop those self-regulation skills.

How to help children and young people develop self-management skills

To have a positive self-image and healthy relationships with others, children and young people need repeated experiences of having their needs met by a responsive and caring adult. Warm, trusting and responsive care towards children helps them respond with appropriate emotions, internalise a positive view of themselves and others, and learn appropriate behaviour. Children and young people also develop self-management skills by watching and experiencing how other people manage their emotions – they then gradually learn how to do this for themselves.

Develop coping skills

You can support the self-management skills of children and young people in your classroom by explicitly teaching ways they can notice and manage their emotions. These might include: talking about problem-solving ways of managing upsetting situations (for example, having a calm thought or moving away)

- developing a strategy to use when they're feeling out of control (for example, having a 'calm thought or picture', taking time out by having a family member read them a calming story, or talking with someone about how they feel)
 - expressing their emotions in productive ways (for example, by drawing or acting out their feelings with toys or stage props)
 - helping children slow down their breathing (for example, by blowing bubbles or pretending to blow out birthday candles) and encouraging them to take deep breaths
- practising mindful breathing with older children and young people.

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Talk about emotions

You can also help children and young people develop self-management skills by acknowledging and responding to their emotional communication. Do this by:

- showing appropriate levels of emotion in your interactions with children and young people
- understanding the child or young person's behaviour and how they communicate their emotions
- helping them express their emotions in productive ways (such as drawing, acting or through music) trying to see things from the child or young person's perspective and understanding their motives. This helps you to ward off any potential problems and respond quickly and appropriately when challenges do arise.

Promote a calm environment

It's important to recognise how the environment of your early learning setting or school contributes to children and young people's self-management. Promote a calm, welcoming and encouraging environment by:

- speaking in a soft to normal volume, using a normal to low pitch and a slow, even tempo
- providing structure and predictability
- establishing age-appropriate routines and limits
- avoiding competitive experiences for young children (for example, by having enough of the same toy available for several children or playing more cooperative games)
- including relaxation breaks in the day (for example, stretching, aerobic exercise or quiet time)
- encouraging children to imagine they're a floppy rag doll and to give themselves a shake (this helps release tension they might be holding in their body)

helping children to imagine and pretend they're a favourite animal taking a nap (this encourages them to close their eyes and relax).

Seasons for growth

Seasons for growth is a program we run at SFS to assist children who have experienced loss through death, separation or divorce.

It runs once a week, for 45 minutes, over 10 weeks. I will be retraining as a Season's for Growth leader in term 4, so we will be starting the group in term 1, 2020.

Thanks to those parents who contacted me to express an interest in their child being a part of this group. If this is something you feel would benefit your child, please see me or email me rlenko@sfslynbrook.catholic.edu.au and let me know.



Rachel Lenko
Student Wellbeing Leader

Pastoral Care Action Teams



The Tiny Tots afternoons will be held every fortnight, on a Monday afternoon at 2.45pm to 3.05pm.

This afternoon has been created especially by the Grade 3 and 4 Pastoral Action Team students for the young siblings and friends of our school.

Please join us for an afternoon of games, story telling and music.

Our next Tiny Tots afternoon will be on
Monday, 2nd September.

We would love to see you there.



School Community

SAINT FRANCIS
DE SALES
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Twilight Community Market

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7TH 2019
5-8PM
122 PATERSON DRIVE LYNBROOK

Come and join in the fun and
start your Christmas
shopping.

Entertainment, food, drinks,
clothing, jewellery,
accessories, candles, home
wares, books, toys, trash and
treasure, home crafts and so
much more!! Invite your
family and friends.

School Community



SAINT FRANCIS DE
SALES

Twilight Community market

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF
PRIZES FOR THE MARKET OF NEW
GOODS OR VOUCHERS FROM LOCAL
BUSINESSES. PLEASE DROP OFF
DONATIONS AT THE FRONT OFFICE.
THANKS












School Community

Spring Vacation Care 2019



The Full Daily fee is \$55 (before CCS is discounted). All incursions/excursions and special activities are detailed below. They are not optional and all children are expected to participate. This list is a small selection of what is on offer each day. We offer arts, crafts, activity sheets, games each day that are not detailed on this information. This is only a brief listing of what's on each day. Children have access to games, crafts, sports equipment and playgrounds.

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| <p>Monday 23rd September</p> <p>Green Thumbs Bring an old shoe or boot to decorate before we fill it with a yummy tomato plant to grow and feast off.</p> <p>Extra \$4</p>  | <p>Tuesday 24th September</p> <p>Excavation Dig Excavate your own block to discover an archaeological surprise. What will you find??</p> <p>Extra \$12</p>  | <p>Wednesday 25th September</p>  <p>We will travel by train to Berwick Clip n Climb for an hour of Rock Climbing and fun in the indoor playground.</p> <p>Extra \$25</p> | <p>Thursday 26th September</p> <p>Footy 2019 Dress in Footy Colours, play games and participate in activities.</p>  <p>Hot Dog Lunch is supplied today.</p> <p>Extra \$5</p> | <p>Friday 27th September</p> <p>Grand Final Public Holiday Closed for today</p>  |
| <p>Monday 30th September</p> <p>Electronics Day Always a favourite: Bring your own games to play. Label your toys. We will have some additional games available.</p>  | <p>Tuesday 1st October</p> <p>BURGER BURGER!! Build your own burger for lunch. Play some new food games we have sauc-ed</p>  <p>Extra \$5</p> | <p>Wednesday 2nd October</p> <p>Colour Me Red Come dressed up in any M&M colour from head to toe or just a little hint. Decorate a Cupcake to take home and some for Afternoon Snack.</p>  | <p>Thursday 3rd October</p> <p>Built by You Make your own plaster mould magnet to take home from Animals, Letters and People to choose from. Build a plank Building or a Lego Spaceship. Construct your own masterpiece from games, toys and blocks.</p> | <p>Friday 4th October</p>  <p>What an Excursion to end the holidays with. Join us on the train to Oakleigh and run yourself silly at Inflatable World. Bring plenty to drink as you build up that thirst playing and racing your friends.</p> <p>Extra \$20</p> |

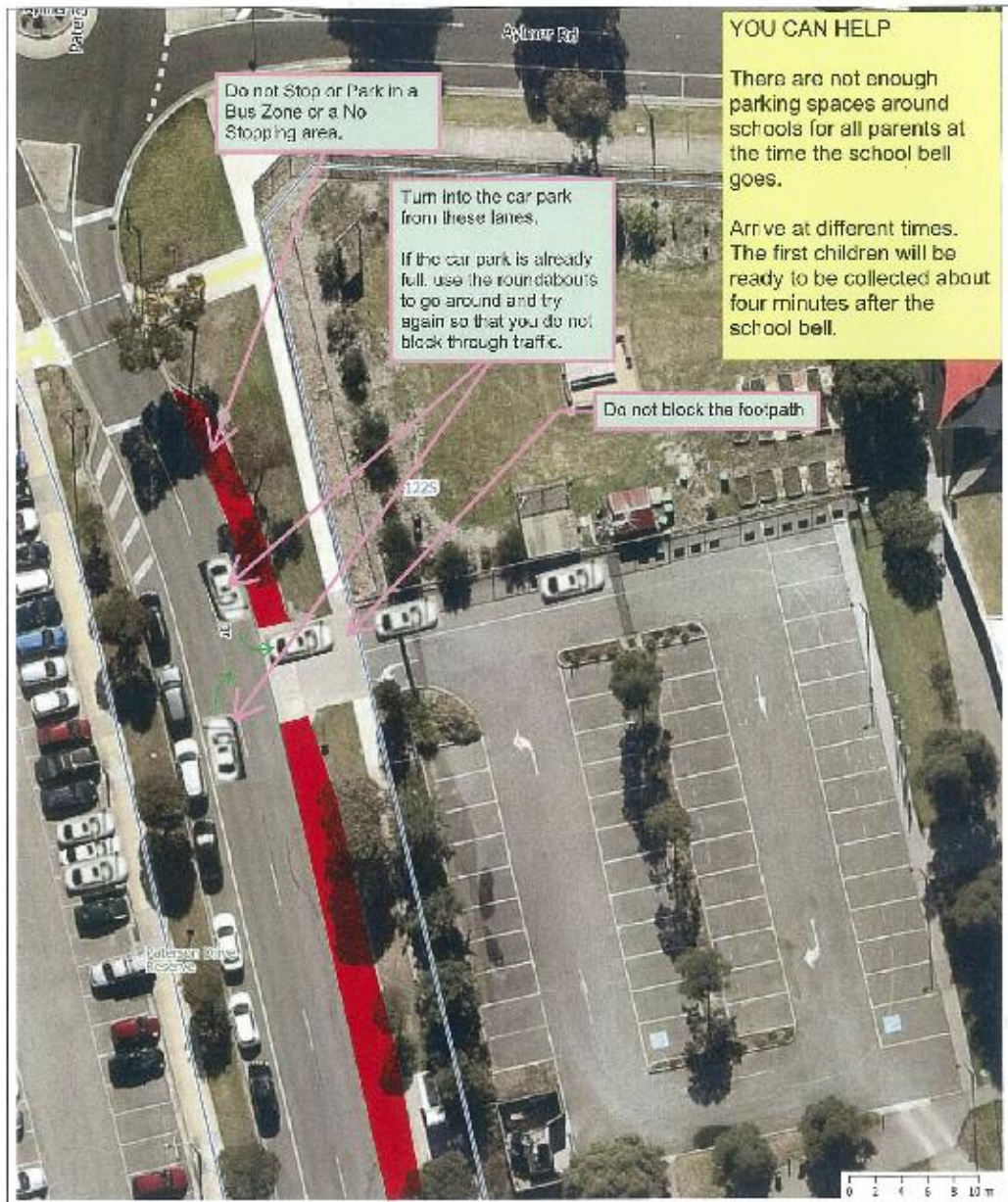
All activities, games, excursions and incursions are subject to change. Notification of any changes will be advertised at the Service. Kharisma Kids operates from St Francis de Sales Primary School, located at 122 Paterson Drive, Lynbrook 3975. 0411 295 273 kharismakids@live.com.au www.kharismakids.melbourne

School Community

Please be vigilant in observing the local council by laws in relation to parking and no standing rules around our school streets.

No right turn into or out of our car park during displayed times.

The City of Casey rangers will be patrolling the area and issuing infringement notices if the laws are broken.



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SFS READING FESTIVAL
Monday 2nd September



Pyjama

Children are to come to school dressed in their PJ's (slippers & dressing gowns too!)
Bring along your favourite bedtime story to share on the day!

Perform Education Musicals will be visiting SFS on the day to perform their production 'BIG DREAMS'.



Office News

YEAR 7—2021

If you are in Year 5 this year, please take a note of School Tours for the following Catholic Secondary Colleges. Please contact each College to book in to a School Tour and for their closing dates.

St John's Regional College

Open Morning—Thursday, 12th September at 9.15am

Sacred Heart College Oakleigh

Open Morning—Tuesday 29th October at 9.30am

Mazenod College

Open Morning—Tuesday 15th October at 9.30am, 10.00am, 10.30am

Killester College

Open Morning—Monday August 19th, 26th, Sept 2nd, Oct 7th, Nov 11th 9am

| MOWING ROSTER | Saturday | 9am—11am |
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| Team 2 | September 14th | |
| Chris Peterson | Roymon Abraham | Michael Balzamo |
| Chris Rozas | Huu Tri Nguyen | Hansel Gomes |
| Jose Reano | Glenn Braganza | Giovanni Agosta |
| Derin Davis | Binoy Kakkattil Paul | Harry Tang |
| Antony Jilju Kochuparackel | Jeeno P Palamittah | |

HERE ARE THE DATES FOR THE REST OF THE 2019/2020 ROSTER.

BRAD JACKSON—0400 410 289.

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE SHEET ON THE DAY

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| Sept | 9am—11am | Saturday 14th | |
| Oct | 9am—11am | Sunday 6th | Day light savings begins |
| | Working Bee # 2 | Saturday 19th | 9am—12noon |
| Nov | 1pm—3pm | Saturday 2nd | Melbourne Cup long weekend |
| | 1pm—3pm | Sunday 17th | |
| Dec | 9am—11am | Sunday 1st | |
| | 9am—11am | Saturday 14th | |
| Jan 2020 | 9am—11am | Saturday 18th | Term holiday |
| Feb 2020 | 1pm—3pm | Sunday 2nd | |
| | 9am—11am | Saturday 15th | |

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Week Two Challenge Results

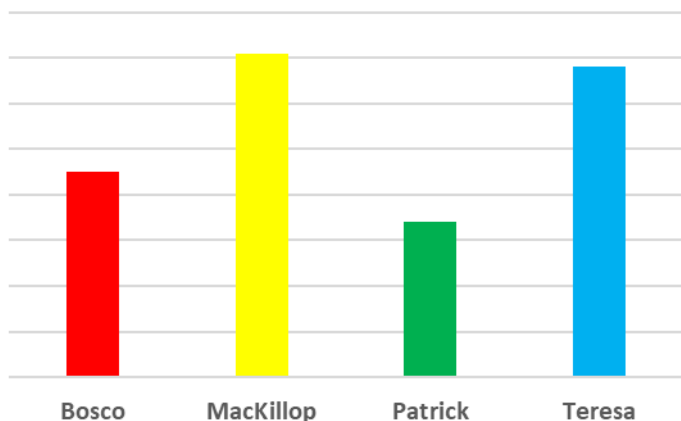
Week Two was another massive effort – thank you to all the students who participated.

So the children of the P&F committee members can fairly participate in the book week challenges, we have been getting the teachers to select the winners each week (the P&F have no input with the selection of the winners). This way there is no bias and it is completely fair for ALL students.

The winners of the **Week Two** Challenge are as follows:

| LS | Level | Name | Group | House | Grade |
|-----|--------|-----------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| LS1 | Junior | Tshia Mayeputh | MJ | MacKillop | 2 |
| LS1 | Senior | Seanan Perera | MF | Patrick | 4 |
| LS2 | Junior | Mackenzie Huynh | RJ | Bosco | 2 |
| LS2 | Senior | Gianna Senise | CC | MacKillop | 3 |
| LS3 | Junior | Brayden Peters | JW | Teresa | 2 |
| LS3 | Senior | Maia Seremetis | MB | MacKillop | 3 |

House Challenge Points
Week 2



Here is the leader's ladder after Week Two. Remember every entry earns your house ONE point and each winner earns a massive TEN points!! Definitely worthwhile participating!!

MacKillop has taken over the lead with Teresa close behind!!

There is still time to turn this around for all teams!! Congratulations to the winners and to all those who took the time to enter.

Come on guys – let us break the record for participation in Week 4 as we close off the competitions.

Week Three results will be included in next week's newsletter.

Week Four Challenge – write a creative story in 20 words or less on any topic you like

For the last week of the challenges, we thought we would really test the students....in 20 words or less write a creative story. For those with younger students, you can help them. We look forward to reading all the amazing short stories.

As usual we will be putting up all the entries in the hallway so everyone can enjoy the students' hard work. We are getting a wonderful display happening. We love seeing more and more entries each week – so let us work together and bring in the final challenge for the month with a BANG!



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Week Two Winning Entries



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Why do we get support the MS Readathon?

We are at the halfway point of August so we hope all the kids have been reading up a storm for the MS Readathon!

The MS Readathon is all about KIDS HELPING KIDS!! The story below about Jennie and her son Spencer is a great reminder of how the MS Readathon helps families living with MS. Every donation, big or small, makes a difference



A Message from Jennie

Jennie is a mum of two young kids and she has MS. She shared this message with everyone doing the MS Readathon this year:

“Before attending the MS Family Camp, it was fair to say my little boy Spencer was struggling. He’s always found it hard to make friends, and with me having multiple sclerosis, I know he’s been frustrated by many of the things we can’t do together. I can’t just go camping with him, or even kick a footy together, and with my own mum having had multiple sclerosis when I was a child, I get how different that can make you feel.


It’s why it meant so much to me that Spencer got to go to the MS Family Camp this year.

Along with his sister, he got to make many special friendships with other kids who get what it means to have a mum or dad with MS. He also got a real boost, when those same kids left him special messages in a fuzzy bag.”

Jennie says a big thank you to everyone taking part in the MS Readathon this year.

“It means so much to my kids to know there are kids like...[you] who want to help them attend these incredible MS Family Camps.

Happy reading!
Jennie



Father's Day Events - Friday 30th August

Breakfast

All fathers are invited to attend the SFS Father's Day breakfast. It will start from 8am. So please mark it in your diary and join us as we celebrate dads with a yummy breakfast.

We have had a few parents ask if the students are allowed to attend the breakfast. Yes they can, however **the catering is reserved for fathers / grand-fathers / father figures only.** If the weather is fine, the students can play in the playground near the community room whilst the fathers come in and grab an egg and bacon roll and a coffee. Please note the students are to be supervised by their fathers whilst in the school grounds until 8:30am. Thank you for your understanding.
- so please get involved!



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Stall

The Father's Day stall will commence from 9:30am on Friday 30th August. Please keep your eyes peeled for more information. The stall will allow all students to purchase gifts for their fathers, grandfathers etc.

Raffle

The P&F will be putting together raffles for the Father's Day Raffle. We are calling upon our wonderful families to donate items so we can make up gift packs for the prizes. Given how long it takes to draw these raffles, we will be pre-drawing them this year and the winners announced at the assembly. There will be a limit of one prize per child to keep things as fair as possible and share the joy.

Donations can be left at the school office. Without our schooling communities generous donations we would not be able to run these raffles – so thank you in advance.



Term 3 Important Dates

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| Every Friday | Popcorn & Chip day |
| 1 st – 31 st August | MS Readathon |
| 30 th August Week 4 | write a short story – 20 words or less |
| 30 th August | Father's Day Events |
| 13 th September | School Production |

Upcoming Morning / Afternoon Tea & Second hand Uniform Shop Schedule:

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| 6 th September | Afternoon Tea | 2:30pm-3:30pm |
| 20 th September | Morning Tea | 9am-10am |
| 4 th October | Afternoon Tea | 2:30pm-3:30pm |

DADS & KIDS WEEKEND Friday 8th to Sunday 10th NOVEMBER 2019

Where: Golden Valley Lodge
151 Baldry's Road Flinders 3929
www.goldenvalleylodge.com.au

Arrival: Friday evening from 5:30 pm - Dinner is provided Friday night

What to bring:

Bedding: pillow, sleeping bag or doona, single sheet
Clothing: Outdoor shoes or boots, indoor shoes
Warm rainproof coat, suitable clothing
Bathers and towels
Sun hat, sun screen, toiletries
Torch for a night walk (spare batteries)

DAD'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Dads are responsible for their child/children at all times
Dads will know where their child/children are at all times
Dads will put their child/children to bed at a suitable time
Dads will not take other children to activities on site without explicit permission from the child's father/guardian and with no less than 2 adults.
All dads or guardians attending must have a current "Working with Children Check" due to the possibility you may be in charge of someone else's child during activities. The "Working with Children Check" is available from most post offices.

Further information contact either -

Kevin Forster 0432 324 881
kevinf0212@gmail.com

BOOKING FORM

Cost \$85.00 per person

Family Name:

Dad's Name:

Contact Phone No:

Email:

Your Child's Name/s
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Total Amount \$

Payment to be made by direct deposit to

BSB: 063000 Account Number: 1326 1095

Please put your surname in the description field and send an email

to confirm payment to kevinf0212@gmail.com

Please tear off and return booking form to:

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Payment due by Friday 25th October

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