

WEEKLY NEWS



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AS ONE IN FAITH WE LEARN AND GROW

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September

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| Tue 10th | School Banking Day |
| Thu 12th | Workshop Confirmation @ 7pm |
| Fri 13th | Inter School Sport |
| Fri 13th | Dress Rehearsal—Juniors @ RGPAC |
| Fri 13th | Junior Production "Beyond the Sea" at River Gum Performing Arts Centre - 7pm |
| Sat 14th | Mowing Roster—9am—11am |
| Mon 16th | Dress rehearsal @ SFS for Senior Production |
| Mon 16th | Tiny Tots afternoon @ 2.45pm (for siblings & friends) |
| Tue 17th | School Banking Day |
| Wed 18th | School Advisory Board 6pm |
| Wed 18th | Parents & Friends Association- Meeting at 7.15pm |
| Thu 19th | Parent Teacher Interviews 2.30pm onwards |
| Fri 20th | P & F Morning Tea after morning gathering |
| Fri 20th | Footy Day |
| Fri 20th | Last day of Term 3 2.30pm—early finish |

RESILIENCE PROJECT PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday 16th October
7pm — 8.30pm

Growing Young in Christ

From the Principal

Dear Parents,

A New Vision Statement for St Francis de Sales, Lynbrook



A Faith Community:

Animated by love;

Inspiring innovation;

Empowering learners.

Thank you to the entire community that has been actively involved in the process of developing this vision for our school. It has been great to have had so many parents contribute their thoughts either online via Care Monkey or in person. The dialogue with student groups has been particularly special in gaining their perspective, passion and insight into who we are as a school community and who we strive to be. The entire staff as well has reflected on the words from all the feedback from the community and their own thoughts. There has been lots of debate and passion on display all the way through the process. Getting the right statement with the right words that is meaningful and also challenging was vital. We reflected and culled, debated and culled some more. We consulted and reflected, we refined and refined again. We wanted a vision that captures who we are in this very special and extraordinary school. We hope you like and embrace our new Vision.

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KHARISMA KIDS

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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

It was important to share it with the community this year as we have been the community who have developed this vision that will provide us with direction for the next decade.

Next year is our 10 anniversary and we plan to launch the Vision at the start of the year. Unpack it with our staff, students and families. It is important that the Vision is lived and influences all our actions and most importantly the spirit in which we are a learning community. For the Vision to breathe life, it needs us all working together as we step into the new decade and grow and develop as a school community.

I am excited about our next steps together.

CEMSIS

Please take the time to give us your feedback this week. I am sending a second email so you have the link and your password for easy access to the survey as it is now open. You have till the 20 October to respond but please do not leave it till the last minute. This week all Year 4 and 5 students have completed the survey. Next week it will be the turn of Year 6 students. Staff are also completing the survey.

At St Francis de Sales we invite all parents to participate and do not just offer it to a small randomly selected group. We want to give everyone the opportunity to participate. The survey will give us another lens to view how we are going and what we need to improve. Your insight is vital for our school improvement.

NAPLAN

The 2019 Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN results have arrived and will be sent home today.

Whilst we recognise that NAPLAN is an important tool for measuring our student's growth and learning, it is only one piece of a multitude sets of data that we use to assess our children. NAPLAN is only a snapshot on a particular day in terms of your child's learning. At St. Francis de Sales we believe in educating the whole child and helping all our students become the best person they can be. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to your child's Home Group teacher or myself.

Feast Day of St Theresa of Kolkata – 5 September



Christine White

Principal

Education in faith

Encompassing: Prayer, Liturgy, Sacraments, Icons/Symbols

“All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples”

Luke 14 : 25—33

The people in the large crowd that Jesus addressed in this week's Gospel were deeply committed to loving and honouring their parents.

That is why Jesus' words must have been shocking to them saying that they must turn from their parents (some translations even say “hate”).

The point Jesus wanted to make was that nothing, not family nor possessions, could interfere with a person's choice to follow Jesus. Followers of Jesus were to carefully calculate their commitment. Jesus meticulously helped them understand this

process by comparing it to a builder who carefully planned out the structure to be built before breaking ground or to a military leader who calculated the size of his army versus the opponent's. The follower must be willing to pay the price of discipleship before making the choice so that he/she doesn't quit the commitment.

This is a hard reading for parents if we take it literally. It helps to understand that Jesus was making a point about how committed we should be if we want to follow him. Discipleship is not something we go away by ourselves and do. It's how we live in our everyday world. It's how we treat our children, our friends and spouses, co-workers, neighbours, and strangers. When we count the cost of discipleship each morning when we get out of bed, we might consider the challenges we will face with people throughout the day. Even thinking ahead about how we will deal with expected issues or unexpected irritations will help us act like disciples. Asking Jesus to help us throughout the day will remind us that we are not alone!

Have each person in the family cut out a cross from a large sheet of paper and draw symbols on the cross that describe their personal commitment to Jesus. Help family members realise that discipleship is demanded in our everyday lives, at home, at work, at school, in our neighbourhoods and community. After the symbols are finished, share your ideas of what you might turn away from in order to faithfully follow Jesus. What kind of planning and foresight does it take for you to do the things you've drawn on your cross?

Trusting in His Care!

Elisabetta Micallef

Religious Education Leader (REL)



“No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted.”

AESOP

SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Confirmation



You may wish to prepare yourselves and organise the payment of the **Confirmation levy of \$15.** (cash only). This can be paid at the school office. Please place it in a clearly labelled envelope with your child's name and home group.

A few reminders to mark on your calendar:

Sacrament of Confirmation Family Workshop : Thursday 12th September at 7pm at SFS.

Confirmation Banners are due by Monday 7th October or earlier.

Confirmation Reflection Day Thursday 24th October at St. Kevin's School. Please check Care Monkey and give permission for your child to attend!

Sacrament of Confirmation Celebration is on Wednesday 30th October at 7.00pm at St. Kevin's Church.

Learning and Teaching

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Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held at **2:30pm-8:30pm** on **Thursday 19TH September 2019**. You can now book interviews at times that suit **YOUR FAMILY BEST**. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au or flexibuzz app and follow these simple instructions.
BOOKINGS CLOSE Wednesday 18th September at 3:00pm.

School
event
code

7swkd

Go

Enter THIS school event code.
Then follow the 3 simple steps.

1 

Enter your details

2 

Choose teachers

3 

Choose times



When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, computer kiosks will be available at Reception, so that parents can still make their own bookings.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 8773 6700.

We would love to hear what you think about online booking. If you get time, click on the 'contact us' button on the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and leave some feedback - anonymously if you wish, but please include the school's name and suburb.

Each interview is allocated 15 minutes with your **HOME GROUP TEACHER** to enable you to discuss your child's progress.

Your child is also asked to attend, as their goal setting will be discussed at this time. Please note that even though interviews will start at 2:30p.m. students will not be dismissed until the usual time of 3:20p.m. If you wish to collect your child/children between 2:30-3:20p.m. you will need to sign a release slip from the office.

You are also able to book an interview with a specialist teacher if you wish to discuss your child's progress. Specialist teachers may also book or request an interview with a parent regarding a child's progress. The booking of times will all be done online.

Interviews will take place in your child's Learning Space. Specialist interviews will be in Learning Space 2. If all appointments are booked for a teacher you wish to see please contact your child's teacher to make an alternative time.

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PE NEWS



SWIMMING

FROM CASEY RACE

"Your child's school swimming lesson program starts soon!

The ONE Casey swimming lessons team are very excited to be hosting your schools swimming lessons next term. We are passionate about teaching children the important life skill of swimming and water safety. If you haven't already we encourage you to give permission for your child to attend these lessons and fill in the forms provided by your school.

Recently your school may have sent out some letters from us regarding your child's swimming lessons. To assist us in making sure your child is placed in the correct level we ask that you fill this form in and return it to your school's office or class room teacher (wherever your school has requested).

Furthermore, if your child is currently in lessons we ask that you return the progress forms which details what they are currently learning for their regular night time or weekend lessons. This form WILL be passed on to your child's Schools swimming lesson teacher and they will tailor their lesson to reinforce their learning.

Research shows a lack of basic swimming and water safety skills drastically increases the risk of drowning. In a recent study by Lifesaving Victoria, information gathered from teachers and parents revealed that annually over 39,000 Victorian children leave primary school unable to swim 50 metres and 25,000 do not possess sufficient knowledge to avoid getting into trouble in and around water.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's school lessons, please feel free to email us at schools.onecasey@ymca.org.au.

We look forward to seeing your child at their lessons soon!"

Giuliana & Lulli

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FOOTY FUN DAY

WHEN: Friday September 20th, 2019

WHERE: SFS

WHAT: Fun Activities, Special Lunch

Wear: Your footy, soccer, rugby... team colours, sports tops and runners



Office News



WORKING BEE # 2

SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER

9am—12 pm

Attendance at both Working Bees is required for parents who are not part of the Mowing Roster and who wish to have the Maintenance Levy rebated.

Remember to SIGN IN and SIGN OUT on the day

| MOWING ROSTER Team 2 | Saturday September 14th | 9am—11am |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 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 | |

Action Teams

An Afternoon In East Timor!

Over the past few weeks, the Grade 5/6 Pastoral Care Action Team organised some workshops on East Timor culture for the Juniors in each Learning Space.

These workshops aimed to introduce the Juniors to East Timorese culture in areas that included history, food, music, people, stories and symbolism. Below are some photos of these workshop learning experiences. The students are now collecting book donations for a Second Hand Book Stall at the SFS Twilight Market to be held on Thursday, 7th November from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Anthony Preston

Grade 5/6 Pastoral Care



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, 16th September.

We would love to see you there.



School Community

SAINT FRANCIS
DE SALES
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Twilight Community Market

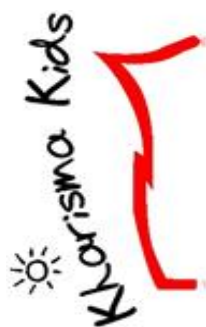
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7TH 2019
5-8PM
122 PATERSON DRIVE LYNBROOK

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

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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| Monday 23rd September | Green Thumbs Bring an old shoe or boot to decorate before we fill it with a yummy tomato plant to grow and feast off.  Extra \$4 | Tuesday 24th September | Excavation Dig Excavate you own block to discover an archaeological surprise. What will you find??  Extra \$12 | Wednesday 25th September |  We will travel by train to Berwick Clip n Climb for an hour of Rock Climbing and fun in the indoor playground. Extra \$25 | Thursday 26th September | Footy 2019 Dress in Footy Colours, play games and participate in activities.  Hot Dog Lunch is supplied today. Extra \$5 | Friday 27th September |  Grand Final Public Holiday Closed for today | Friday 4th October |  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. Extra \$20 |
| Monday 30th September | Electronics Day Always a favourite: Bring your own games to play. Label your toys. We will have some additional games available.  | Tuesday 1st October | BURGER BURGER!! Build your own burger for lunch. Play some new food games we have sauced  Extra \$5 | Wednesday 2nd October | 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.  | Thursday 3rd October | 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. | Friday 4th October | | | |

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

Lunar Drive In

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SESSIONS AT WWW.LUNARDRIVEIN.COM.AU

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MS Readathon comes to an end

Just a quick reminder to please ensure we have all reading records, sponsorship forms and money back to the office by Wednesday 11th September. Once all fund raising money is received and tallied up we will update everyone on the total.

Week FOUR Challenge Results

CONGRATULATIONS

to our

WINNERS!

What a wonderful month of book challenges!! We have just loved seeing the students embrace the challenges and read more, be creative and talk about books with their families – which was what August was all about!!

Week Four was a MAMMOTH week where we gave away a prize per home group – that is right...18 prizes!! Here are the deserving winners:

Learning Space 1

| Group | Name | House |
|-------|-----------------|-----------|
| IL | Jai Kumar | Bosco |
| PP | Zara Martingale | Bosco |
| MJ | Lucas Netto | Teresa |
| AP | Tahlia Cardoso | Patrick |
| MF | Phoebe Castillo | Patrick |
| RA | Summer Zammit | MacKillop |

Learning Space 2

| Group | Name | House |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|
| SR | Harry Reed | Teresa |
| EM | Ella Black | MacKillop |
| RJ | Liliana Jayamanna | Bosco |
| CW | Dominic Sejas | MacKillop |
| AG | Matthew Sejas | MacKillop |
| CC | Madison Fielder | MacKillop |

Learning Space 3

| Group | Name | House |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|
| IH | Chanel Karghoo | Bosco |
| JW | Bethany Carey | Bosco |
| AM | Sashenka Kodogoda | MacKillop |
| GA | Harish Kaspar | Bosco |
| SD | Brynn Mills | Bosco |
| MB | Braedyn Hamilton | Patrick |

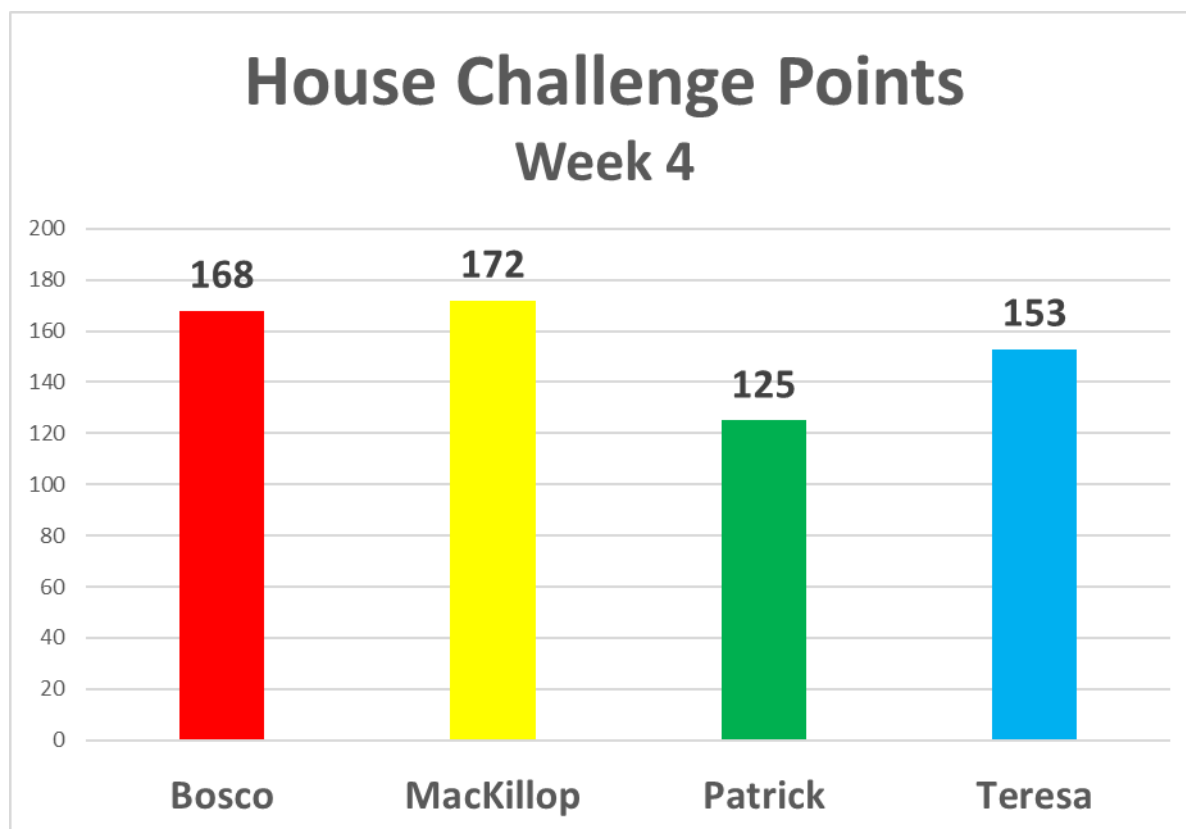


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Drum roll please...now the moment you have all been waiting for.....the FINAL ladder, it was sooo close towards the end and MacKillop just snuck through the finish line.



Well Done MacKillop

The Yellow Legends



Father's Day Raffle

With the help of our wonderful schooling community we raised over \$650 from the Father's Day Raffle which will be donated to Beyond Blue – a very worthy cause – so thank you!! A massive thank you to all the families who donated prizes for us to raffle off also – without those donations there would not be a raffle.

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Father's Day Breakfast

The Father's Day Breakfast was a HUGE success. Thank you to all the parent helpers who cooked up a storm and all the awesome Dads who came and enjoyed the egg and bacon rolls and coffee before work. The yard was full of fathers and proud kids – it was really fantastic to see. A very successful morning all round.



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Hot Chocolate & Cookies

On Monday the P&F put on a FREE hot chocolate and cookie day for the students which complimented pyjama day perfectly. Thank you to all the parent helpers who made the day possible. As always we love your work and couldn't do it without out!!

Footy Day Sausage Sizzle

The P&F will be putting on a sausage sizzle on Footy Day Friday 20th September during first lunch. We will have a sausage and roll for \$2.50. We will also have gluten free and vegetarian options available. Notes will be going out shortly with students, so please keep an eye out for them and return them by the due date with the payment for catering purposes.



School Production Canteen

The P&F will be running the canteen for the junior school production on Friday 13th September. It will be opened before the play commences. We appreciate the continued support from the schooling community in our efforts to raise more funds for the school and learning resources. What better way to do it... Buy a wine or beer and some cheese or nibbles AND help the school – a true win win!!

Spare Change??

We hope people have started their loose coin collection. We will be running a coin challenge in Term 4. Funds go towards some really cool tech resources for the school. There will be more revealed closer to Term 4 – trust us it is well worth getting excited



Term 3 Important Dates

11th September
13th September
20th September
Morning Tea
Term 4
4th October

Final day for MS Readathon Money to be returned
Junior School Production
Footy Day Sausage Sizzle 20th September
9am-10am
Coin Challenge
Afternoon Tea—2.30pm—3.30pm

