# **WEEKLY NEWS**

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#### November

Mon 11th	Rememberance Day 10.30am Service at front of School next to flag poles			
Mon 11th	Swimming Program— RA MF AP GA MB SD IL MJ PP			
Mon 11th	Tiny Tots Pastoral Action Team 2.35pm—3.05 pm			
Tue 12th	Swimming Program -EM RJ SR JW AM IH CW CC AG			
Tue 12th	School Banking Day			
Wed 13th	Lightning Premiership			
Wed 13th	Foundation 2020 Group A Orientation 2.30pm—3.10pm			
Thu 14th	Incursion—Group JW Caritas Australia			
Fri 15th	P & F Morning Tea and second hand Uniform sales after morning gathering			
Sun 17th	Mowing Roster - Team 7 1pm—3pm Team 7			
Mon 18th	Swimming Program— RA MF AP GA MB SD IL MJ PP			
Tue 19th	Swimming Program -EM RJ SR JW AM IH CW CC AG			
Tue 19th	School Banking Day			
Wed 20th	Foundation 2020 Group B Orientation 2.30pm—3.10pm			
Wed 20th	P & F Annual General Meeting at 7pm			
Fri 22nd	Year 5 & 6 Incursion			
Mon 25th	Swimming Program— RA MF AP GA MB SD IL MJ PP			
Tue 26th	Swimming Program -EM RJ SR JW AM IH CW CC AG			

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## **Growing Young in Christ**

## **From the Principal**

### Rain Hail or Shine!







Nothing was going to STOP the 2019 Twilight Market. Despite the awful weather the show must and did go on. As temperatures plummeted and the rain fell with steady intensity, for the very first time, the entire Twilight Market became an indoor event. What an amazing community are we as we showed our flexibility and adaptability to create the ambience for a great night! We had food trucks with an assortment of favourites and lots of new temptations to enjoy, there were stalls across four spaces to discover and entertainment to enjoy as well. You could taste a wine and watch the rock and roll, devour a sausage cooked by our P&F while listening to the beautiful music from Rachel's husband Lenti, get your feet massaged, or check out the karate in the community centre, buy some exotic ear-rings or pick up a bargain at the J&J trash and Treasure market.

There were treats and bargains everywhere. However the stalls that impressed me the most were the ones initiated by our students. It was great to see our children run stalls such as the Book Shop raising money for a school in East Timor, the garden group sell produce for our community garden, Mia get sponsorship for cutting her hair to feed the Homeless and Abby sell seedlings to raise over \$25 for Christmas gifts for the needy. It was fabulous to have the support of many of our parents who also had a stall. Cont'd next page

#### SFS ADVISORY BOARD

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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

Thanks for the many of our families who did not let a little rain deter them and put on a jacket and joined in our 2019 Twilight Market. Judging by the many positive responses I received, you enjoyed the evening.

Extra special thanks to Rachel for her great coordination of her first St Francis de Sales Twilight Market. Rachel had over 60 stalls organised for the evening!! Despite some last minute cancellations it was up there as one of the big Twilight Markets. Thanks also to all our staff who moved furniture and were there in their fluoro tops to lend a hand and support our community event. Thanks to everyone who helped, especially our P&F,

those that had a stall, bought raffle tickets, donated prizes or came along and had a FUN night. We look forward to doing it again for our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year in 2020.

Check out our school app for a photo gallery of the Twilight market.

#### Ready.....Set... ACTION!!

The script has been drafted and now we are working on the schedule ready for the ACTION!! On Thursday 28th November 2019, we will have a film crew at St Francis de Sales to capture footage of our school, interview parents, students and staff for a short movie about our school. We intend to capture images to showcase our school and our new school vision. We hope to use the video for promotion and to provide a window into our school.

Parents have indicated at the start of the year via Care Monkey if they do not want their child to be photographed or filmed. We will use this information for the filming process. Please talk to Ange or Christine if you have any questions regarding this shoot. We look forward to launching the video in 2020 as part of our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations.

Christine White Principal

### New school app

Apple Store: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/st-francis-de-sales-lynbrook/id963626903?ls=1

Google Play: <u>https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.fraynework.vcsws.sfslynbrook</u>.

### The username is sfslynbrook and the password is sfscomm

#### **Mobile Phone Policy and Smart Devices**

Our St Francis de Sales Mobile Phone Policy has been updated and is enclosed with this newsletter. We un-



derstand that at times parents of children who walk to school, wish to keep in contact with them before and after school for safety reasons. The policy explains ways we can do this and also ensure the safety and privacy of students during school hours and during school activities and events such as excursions, camps and discos.

Please read the policy that has been ratified by the School Advisory Board. Students who need to bring a mobile phone to school need to complete an 'Application for Student use of a Mobile Phone.' They must agree to abide by the school code for the use of the mobile phone which includes handing the phone to the office switched off and collecting it at the end of the school day. With the support of all parents and staff, we

can ensure a culture of safety at St Francis de Sales that protects all our children.





## **From the Principal**



















## **Education in faith**

Encompassing: Prayer, Liturgy, Sacraments, Icons/Symbols



## 'He is not a God of the dead but of the living.' Luke 20: 27–38

At the time Jesus lived, not everyone believed in resurrection. The Sadducees especially resisted the idea and tried to make Jesus look foolish when they asked who would be the man's wife in heaven. They posed a situation where a woman's husband died. As was the custom of the time, the brother of a deceased man married the widow

in order to insure heirs. They predicted that hypothetically if enough husbands died, she could meet seven husbands at her own resurrection. Which one would be her husband in heaven, they wondered? Neither we nor the Sadducees can fully understand life after death, but Jesus asks us to trust that something much greater than our understanding awaits us at the resurrection.

How many countless sentences from our children begin, "What if?" Indeed, the Sadducees were trying to trick Jesus, but in the case of our children, they are eager to learn. Their minds and imaginations work rapidly and it often requires the wisdom and patience of Jesus to keep pace with these inquisitive and curious gifts.

Children are naturally curious about heaven. We might answer their curiosity with what we believe but making it clear that no one really knows what heaven is like. Invite your child to draw a picture as she or he imagines heaven. Remember to accept all possibilities however hard it may be.

Prayerfully Yours! Elisabetta Micallef Religious Education Leader (REL) *emicallef@sfslynbrook.catholic.edu.au* 

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY



On **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November** is '*Remembrance Day*'. This is a day which commemorates the end of World War 1. At the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month the Armistice was signed. We remember and honour all Australians who fought, died and suffered fighting in World War 1 and in subsequent wars and conflict.

On **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November**, we will gather as a school at **10.30am** outside the school office in front of the Flags to commemorate this day. We will be led in Prayer by our students. We invite you to be part of our Liturgy.

'Let us never forget'.

*"Happiness is enjoying the little things." AUTHOR UNKNOWN* 



## Year 5 / 6 Pastoral Care Action Team

#### Grade 5/6 Pastoral Care Action Team

Remembrance Day School Liturgy On Monday, 11th November our school will be having a Remembrance Day School Liturgy. This will take place in the school car park and will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m.

All are welcome to attend.





Grade 5/6 Pastoral Care Action Team

## REMEMBRANCE DAY 2019 TOKENS

Remembrance Day will be on **Monday**, **11th November** and the Grade 5/6 Pastoral Care Action Team will be selling Remembrance Day tokens during eating times.

The tokens will cost \$1.00 each and the money raised will go towards the Returned and Service League (RSL) valuable welfare work for our Defence Force ex-service members.





Lest We Forget.

## **School Community**

Encompassing: Parents, Parish, School Board, Enrolment, Social Justice, Accessibility and the Wider Community.



#### **Twilight Community Market**

What a wonderful night we had last night for our annual twilight market. Despite the cold and wet conditions and having to hold the market indoors, a great time was had by all. We had a variety of different stalls selling goods, lots of delicious food to eat and some fabulous entertainment. A huge thank you to everyone that helped make the evening successful. To all the SFS staff for their time and dedication with all they did from directing traffic, helping with set up, painting nails, selling goods and raffle tickets and just their positivity and enthusiasm. A huge thank you to my talented husband Lenti Lenko who provided musical entertainment for the evening and my niece Sarah Jane and her students from Sylvester dance school for their wonderful rock and roll dancing display. I am very grateful to all the stallholders who braved the cold and rain to come along and be a part of our market. A big thanks to our students who assisted with the book stall, garden stall and heled out with the nail painting. I would also like to thank the parents that helped out by either having a stall, donating prizes for the raffle and the Parents and Friends who organised the sausage sizzle and lucky dip stall.

The children that attended the market had a fantastic time and had lots of great things to say about the event.

"I thought that it was great because we could see the hobbies of some people from our school community. There was a lot of good entertainment."

"I bought 3 scrunchies and a twisted potato and sour spray from the lolly stand in Learning space 2. There were lots of good things to buy".

"I really enjoyed the dancing performances. I enjoyed dancing the nut bush and I entered the dance competition and I got 3<sup>rd</sup> place and I won a free dance class. I am so excited to go to learn how to dance rock and roll."

"I really enjoyed the chips, they were to die for. "

"I loved the dance performance, it was really professional."

"My mum really enjoyed looking at all the jewellery and bought a panda notebook."

"There were lots of things for the kids to do like hair spray, getting your nails painted, face painting balloons and a lot of kids loved the candy stall."

"I liked that I got to spend some time with my friends. It was a friendly community environment. There was actually some good stuff to buy".

"The food vans were really good!!"

It really was wonderful to be a part of such an exciting night and to be involved in the SFS community and I look forward to our next market in 2020!!!

### **Student Well-Being**

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

#### **BeYou**

The **BeYou** is a framework for educators to use to promote the mental health of all members of the school community, students, teachers and parents. At SFS we are a BeYou school where we value the importance of mental health.



This week's fact sheet from the BeYou website is all about the importance of culture with mental health. This is very relevant to our school community given the diversity of the SFS school community.

#### Why is culture important?

#### Australia's rich cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths

We're home to the oldest continuing living culture in the world – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people make up 2.8% of the Australian population, represented by hundreds of different traditional groups. The beliefs, practices, ceremonies and customs within these groups can be quite diverse.

#### Over a quarter of resident Australians were born overseas

Migration has also contributed to the richness in diversity of cultures, ethnicities and races in Australia. Nearly half were either born overseas or had one or both parents born overseas, and there are over 300 separately identified languages spoken in Australian homes. More than one-fifth of Australians speak a language other than English at home.

#### So you'll have contact with families from different cultural backgrounds

Children and young people in your care will form friendships, learn with and interact with people from many cultures different to their own. When children and young people grow up to understand, appreciate and respect the cultural, racial and ethnic diversity around them, we gain a positive and accepting community, which benefits everyone.

This benefits individuals because when people feel accepted, respected and included, they have better mental health. Children and young people develop the skills and attitudes that will assist them in their relationships and working life, which contribute to their social and emotional wellbeing. It also benefits communities, as environments where people enjoy positive mental health are more pro-social and more productive.

#### M Connect Parent group with Wellsprings for Women

We will have our last mConnect group for the year on

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 9.30am to 11am.

This will be in conjunction with the P & F morning tea. This will be an end of year Christmas morning tea.



We will ask everyone to bring along a plate of food to share.

We also have a volunteer from Wellsprings for women who will be doing a Bollywood dancing display then we can have some fun together with some Bollywood dancing. Invitations will be sent out shortly. All parents are most welcome to come along. This is for parents only, not students. Please keep the morning free and come along and join us for an early Christmas celebration and let's have some fun.

Rachel Lenko Student Wellbeing Leader

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## SAVE THE DATE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 20 NOVEMBER 2019

### **P&F Annual General Meeting**

The P&F would like to extend a warm welcome to all parents and carers to attend the **2019 Annual General Meeting** (AGM).

At this meeting we will elect the new P&F committee for 2020.

The meeting will be held on **Wednesday 20 November** in the Community Room at **7pm**.

We encourage all parents and carers to come together and be involved in supporting our wonderful school community. After the meeting, light refreshments will be provided to celebrate our success this year and to say thanks to the parents that supported the P&F at events throughout the year.

You are warmly invited to join the 2020 P&F Committee! This is your opportunity to make a positive difference at our school! We will be sending letters home shortly with a copy of the P&F Committee Nomination Form.

We look forward to welcoming lots of new members to the

P&F Committee in 2020!



## Twilight Market Sausage Sizzle & Lucky Dip Stall

Thank you to everyone who supported the PFA Sausage Sizzle and Lucky Dip Stall at the Twilight Market this week. It was great to see so many familiar faces. All profits will go straight back to the students.

A very special thank you to our amazing volunteers who gave up their time and braved the cold, wet conditions to cook and serve the delicious hot sausages.

### You are amazing and your generosity is very much appreciated!

### Icy Poles – on sale every Friday!

A reminder that icy poles are on sale for 50c during first lunch every Friday.



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### **Scrolls and Donuts Fun Lunch**

The PFA are organising a delicious selection of scrolls and donuts for a Fun Lunch on **Friday 29 November**. We will have sweet and savoury options available. Keep an eye out for the order forms which will be sent home soon.





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Dear Parents,

Below is a list of the items you will need to supply for your child in 2020. All other class items will be provided by the school.

Please make sure that all items are brought to school on the first day and given to the group teacher. Please ensure all <u>items of clothing</u> are individually named with a <u>clearly printed full name</u>. Please ensure all items with an asterix (\*) are clearly labelled.

#### REQUISITES 2020

#### JUNIORS

- 1 large box of tissues
- \*1 pkt. coloured pencils
- \*1 small pkt. coloured textas
- \*1 pencil case
- \*1 Art Smock
- 4 Large Glue Sticks (Bostick preferred)
- 2 Erasers
- 1 Sharpener (2 Holes)
- \*1 pair of scissors (medium)
- \*1 colouring book (wet days)
- 1 pkt Post-It-Note (75x75mm)

#### Foundation (Prep) only

1 pkt paper plates (dinner size) 1 pkt of large snap lock bags

#### YR 1 only

1 pkt chux 1 pkt of medium snap lock bags

#### YR 2 only

1 pkt of cups (plastic or paper) 1 pkt of small snap lock bags

#### SENIORS

- 1 large box of tissues
- 1 pkt. coloured pencils
- 1 pkt. coloured textas
- \*1 SMALL Zip Pencil case
- \*1 Art Smock (if it needs replacing)
- 4 Large Glue Sticks (required Bostick)
- 2 Erasers
- 1 Ruler
- 1 Sharpener
- 1 pair of scissors
- \*1 Colouring book, Sketch Book or Activity Book, UNO cards or card game (for wet days) optional
- 1 pkt Post-It-Note (75 x 75mm)
- 1 Tennis ball

#### YR 5/6 only

1 pkt chux 1 pkt of plastic cups

#### YR 3/4 only

1 pkt of plastic plates 1 pkt zip lock bags (Sandwich size).

\*Small, inexpensive (no more than \$10) ear bud style headphones ONLY to be kept in a <u>labelled</u> zip lock bag. <u>NO</u> over-ear style headphones, as they are too large and break easily. (<u>if needs replacing</u> from previous year).



## **Office News**



\*VIP SALE CONDITIONS: Discount applies ONLY to Beleza brand full retail priced items. Shoes & Discounted items excluded. Some other exclusions apply.

MOWING ROSTER Team 7	Sunday 17th November	1pm—3pm
Ajay Pal Singh	Buddhika Kondasinghe	George Babu
Kulwinder Pal Singh	Roger Allen	Glenn Munro
Gobinath Devendram	Domenic Raso	Heng Taing

#### 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

Nov	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	

The Full Daily fee is \$58 (before CCS is discounted). All incursions/excursions and special activities are detailed below. They are not optional and all children are expected to Kids participate. This list is a small selection of what is on offer each day. We offer arts crafts activities have a not down that and and all children are expected to Kids Extra \$20 Movie to be announced closer We can't go to the beach, but we will bring the beach to us. Decorate a bucket hat to keep Cinemas (Dandenong) via munching on popcorn and Watch a kids movie while Sand Art, Sand and water Excursion to Reading Friday 24th January ÿ Friday 17th January January sipping a drink. Beach Day to the date. Train olay Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Fish n Chips for lunch Extra \$5 Extra \$25 -eam the Bocce Extra \$5 Leaning Tower of Pisa challenge. game of a few hours of Lasertag, Bowling we will have our own session for CK TO SCH Sidetracked in Oakleigh where Pizza lunch from Zesty Joes This is only a brief listing of what's on each day. Children have access to games, crafts, sports equipment and playgrounds. or Mini Golf without the public. Can you imitate a DaVinci hursday 23rd January January Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January pranzo con la pizza We are traveling by train to Sidetracked Excursion painting ridetracked Kharisma Kids 0411 295 273 Extra \$20 BYO Electronic games to play. Exploring various aspects of our Wide Brown Land. Boomerang Horse Shoe throwing. Party Pies challenge, make some damper Let's travel around Australia decorating, Thong throwing Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January Around Australia in a Day January Nednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January Ultimate Games Truck for Afternoon Snack Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> ls back IJ <u>s M 2</u> the day. Tabloid sports, balance the Help us design your obstacle Extra \$15 course. See some of Australia's Reptiles up mosaic pictures, Hama beads and a Will you be our best sports ninja for Enjoy a relaxing day with jewellery and close with an introduction to beam, relay races, egg n spoon movie to finish off the holidays. Summer Vacation Care 2019 making, air clay construction, **Aussie Wildlife Encounter** uesday 21st January Australian Native wildlife. January Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January Last day of Vac Care race, 3 legged races Ninja Warrier Fuesday 28<sup>th</sup> AUSSIE Australia Day Extra \$15 run on Extra \$4 Bring your Bike or scooter to ride Helmet and Safety gear must be Learn to build a billy cart in a Supreme Incursion Workshop. Enjoy some beef sausages the grass and climb on the cooked by our expert chef BBQ and Play at Banjo Monday 20th January Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January Iday 27<sup>th</sup> January Fly some Kites, kick a ball, around the school. Patterson Park **Public Holiday** Australia Day Wheels Day playground. worn. 

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