



# ST. JOHN BOSCO'S SCHOOL

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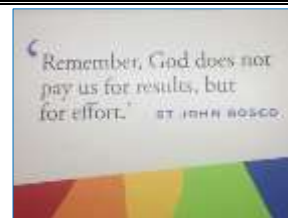
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*"Without confidence and love, there can be no true education. If you want to be loved, you must love yourselves, and make your children feel that you love them"* St John Bosco



## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Well hasn't that gone fast! Another year is almost over and Christmas is upon us. Unfortunately the nature of our industry sees us having to say goodbye to staff at this time of year.

I would like to thank Bridie Phelan for all she has contributed to the school of St John Bosco's but most of all to our children. Anyone lucky enough to have had Bridie as a teacher will know that she knows everything there is to know about the child and uses this to nurture and cultivate the seeds of education. We wish her all the best on her move to Burleigh Heads and hope that her and her fiancée enjoy the challenges ahead.

Andrea Finlay is also moving on after a year with us. In the short time she has been at SJB she has committed herself to our children and I am sure that her children and parents will miss her greatly. Lauren Serratore one of our Learning Support Staff is leaving to take on a full time classroom teaching position at St Theresa's while Meghan Monaghan and Julia Monaghan are taking on Prep positions at St Vincent's and St Peter's respectively.

We also have two staff members leaving for maternity leave in Adriana Bonacci and Rebekah Ledsam. We thank them both for all their work within the last year and pray that the remainder of their pregnancies are stress free and that they have beautiful healthy babies.

Thank you to the Grade 6 children for all they have contributed to SJB over the last seven years. We wish them all the best for their secondary lives and hope to see their beautiful faces back here in the future. To those families who are leaving us thank you for your support of the school, we have loved working with you and hope to see you around.

A special thankyou to the parents and friends ably lead by Tracey Teague, Nicole Piccolo, Shaun Sweetman. Your hard

work to create a strong community has been exceptional. To our School Board members, Maria Caramia, Tracey Teague, Shaun Sweetman, Michael Ryan, Marc Guzzardi, Naomi Breen, George Patronias, Maurice Manno and Gab Trifilo, thank you for your tireless support of the school. Thank you to my wonderful teaching and admin staff for all their hard work in nurturing the children in and out of class. Thank you to Marc and Sommer for their magnificent leadership, I have been very lucky to have them by my side. Finally to all our children, I am so very lucky to have you at SJB. You make my days very enjoyable. Have a great Christmas and make sure you get to Mass on Christmas day. A reminder that our end of the year family Mass in on Saturday at 6pm. It would be lovely to have the Church overflowing for this occasion.

Wishing everyone a happy and holy Christmas and a joyous New Year.

**LAST DAY FOR 2017 - WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**Yr 6 Assembly 9.05am, Mass 11.15am**  
**Dismissal 12.30pm**  
**Please note: this is a casual clothes day for Yr 6 only**

IMPORTANT DATES 2017	
Fri 15 Dec	Prep 2018 Orientation Session 2
Sat 16 Dec	Whole school End of year Mass
Sun 17 Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
Tues 19 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Wed 20 Dec	Last day 2017, 12.30pm dismissal 2018
Mon 29 Jan	First day for staff
Wed 31 Jan	First day for students

CHRISTMAS MASSES		
Christmas Reconciliation	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 7.00pm	All are welcome
Family Mass	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm	Carols Night at Family Mass
	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December	Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am and 6.00pm (Vigil)
Christmas Eve	Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	Masses will be celebrated at 8.30am and 10.30am Christmas Eve Masses at 6.00pm and 10.00pm
Christmas Day	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Day Masses will be celebrated at 8.30am and 10.30am
Boxing Day	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> December	Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am as normal
New Year's Eve	Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> December	Masses will be celebrated at 8.30am and 10.30am New Year's Eve Mass will be celebrated at 6.00pm
New Years Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am as normal

### SCHOOL PARENT LIAISON

As the year draws to a close I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful parent community. Your support for the children has been overwhelming in both classroom support and particularly those parents who worked as part of the 20 minute support program.

The positive response to any request for assistance reflects how you, as parents have been willing to assist in the education of the SJB children.

Wishing you all a safe, happy and holy Christmas,

Julie Hanna

### **How Parents Shape Children**

As parents there are many ways we influence our children. Through positive modelling of language and behaviour and strong values we can impact our children as they grow and develop into unique people. Please go to the following link to read the latest blog by Michael Grose: [How parents shape children](#)

### STUDENT WELL BEING

#### **2018 CASEA Program**

We are very excited to announce that St John Bosco's has invited the CAMHS and Schools: Early Action Program (CASEA) to be part of the school community for term 1 and 2 next year.

The CASEA Program is an Early Intervention service for young children (Prep to Grade 3) who present with challenging behaviours. CASEA is a program developed by The Royal Children's Hospital Integrated Mental Health Program and funded by the Mental Health Branch of the Department of Human Services. The program offers:

- A universal behavioural screen for all children in Grades Prep-3
- Professional development seminars for all teachers and school staff
- Classroom behavioural activities for Grades Prep-3 children
- Group programs for selected children and parents

Parents of children aged Prep to Grade 3 can expect additional information, a permission form, and questionnaire to be sent home with their child this week. In the meantime if you would like more information, please feel free to pick up a CASEA brochure from the school office.

This program will be run by Rebecca Sobell (Psychologist) and Leanne Pethick (Psychologist) from The Royal Children's Hospital.

#### **Student Wellbeing Team**

We wish all of our families a safe and happy holiday. We thank you for allowing us to work closely with your children through programs such as Seasons, Gateways and the SRC. Your children are an asset to the school.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas,

Will Kingston and Sommer Azzopardi

### RE NEWS

Well, we have come to the end of another busy year!

I would like to thank you for your support during the year.

There will be a Mass tomorrow at 12:30PM - Fr Nhan Le from St Martin De Porres will celebrate this Mass.

#### **End of Year Family Mass**

The school will celebrate its final Family Mass on Saturday 16th of December at 6pm. Please come along and be part

of this important community celebration. Could those children who are participating in the Mass be at the church at 5:45pm.

**Final School Mass** will be on Wednesday 20th of December at 11:15 (this time is to be confirmed).

#### **St John Bosco Giving Tree**

Thank you so much to those who have put something under our Giving Tree- your generosity is wonderful. Your gifts bring hope, peace, joy and love to the less fortunate in our community.

May you all have a wonderful well-earned break. May the Lord keep you safe and may you and your families have a peaceful and joyful Christmas.

Peace, Tricia Cossar REL [pcossar@sjbnciddrie.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pcossar@sjbnciddrie.catholic.edu.au)

### FEES FOR 2018

#### **School Fees**

**\$475 per term (4 Terms) or \$1900 Annually.**

School fees are payable by the end of the first full week of each term.

First Term Fees will be due by **Friday 9th Feb 2018.**

Statements will be sent home in Week 1 2018.

#### **Compulsory levy**

Compulsory levy-**Prep to Year 5-\$320** per child (includes Student Levy \$140: Swimming Intensive \$80: Excursion Levy \$50 and IT Levy \$50).

Compulsory levy-**Year 6-\$370** per child (includes Student levy \$140: Swimming Intensive \$80: Excursion Levy \$50: IT levy \$50)

**Levies are all due for payment by Friday 9th FEB 2018.**

#### **Capital Levy**

\$25 per Term (4 Terms) or **\$100** Annually.

This fee assists in the repayment of loans for the ongoing refurbishment of classrooms.

### ICY POLES

Firstly, a HUGE thank you to all who have helped sell and buy Icy Poles. We have had a great response and have made over \$600 so far for the school.



**There are a few days left to grab these cool little treats, we are selling them today, next Tuesday after school and next Wednesday after school break up at 12:30.**

Thanks again to the Icy Pole stall volunteers, your help is invaluable.

#### P&F CAKE RAFFLE

#### **GINGERBREAD HOUSE**

**Tickets on sale tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday BEFORE SCHOOL 8.30-8.50AM AND RECESS & LUNCH.**

**50c each or 3 for \$1.00**

**A special thank you to Katerina Rintoule for making a spectacular gingerbread house for our last raffle. (See it on display in the school office!)**

Thank you to all the parents who have taken the time to bake for our cake raffle in 2017!  
Your support has been amazing!

## **NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS**

**PREP** We can't believe the children have nearly completed their first year of school!! What a fantastic year we have shared together. The children have worked so hard and have achieved so much, we couldn't be more proud of them.

Thank you to all the parents who have helped throughout the year. The children have all excelled in their learning because of your time and assistance.

We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and New Year and the children enjoy a well-deserved holiday break.

Regards, Stephanie, Marita, Rose and Georgina



**YEAR 1** What a fantastic year it has been! We have shared so many wonderful times and have made some amazing memories. Well done to our hard working, persistent, kind and generous Year Ones on having a great year!

Thank you to all of the parents who have helped us in Year One this year. Your time and dedication to the children have been greatly appreciated.

We hope you and your families have a happy and safe Christmas. We are excited to catch up with you all next year as the children move into Year Two! Happy holidays!



Jess, Beck, Meagan, Diana and the Grade 1 Team

**YEAR 2** Well what a year we have had! We have all had so much fun and a fantastic year together.

We would like to congratulate all of the children for how hard they have worked and how they have become independent learners!

We would also love to thank all our amazing parent helpers who have given up their time to help our students learn and grow!

Have a wonderful happy and safe Christmas with your families and we can't wait to see all of your happy faces back next year in Grade 3!

Many thanks; we have loved working with all of you! Eliza, Bridie, and Melissa



**YEAR 3** In Religion we have been focusing on Jesus, The Prince of Peace and how we can be peacemakers at school, at home and in our community. The children have learnt a song which is the St Francis of Assisi Prayer, 'Make me a Channel of your Peace' which they will be singing at the Christmas Paralyturgy on Friday at 10.30am. We are very impressed with the creativity of Christmas decorations such as painting and illustrating.

What a wonderful year it has been. We are going to miss these children immensely. It has been a pleasure to work with such an amazing group of students, they make us laugh and proud all the time. They have matured so much over the course of the year and made great gains in their learning. We wish them all the very best for Year 4.

We hope that you and your families have a Happy and Holy Christmas and a well-rested break. Thank you, Andrea and Alexandra.



**YEAR 4** We cannot believe it is our last week of school! The children have worked so hard all year and have earned a relaxing and fun end to Grade 4. Thank you to all families for your continued support throughout 2017. We hope that you have a very happy and holy Christmas and a joyous New Year.



Naomi, Jamie, Georgia, Sallyann, Grace and Melanie.

**YEAR 5** We wish you all a Holy Christmas and a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with your children and are proud of the the growth they have made. We look forward to seeing you next year.

Thank you, Michelle, Hannah, Suzanne and Lisa



**YEAR 6** Thank you to everyone for your support throughout 2017. Congratulations to our Year 6 students on a wonderful year. We wish them all the best as they move onto secondary school and look forward to hearing about what they are doing in the future. Have a safe and happy Christmas. Best wishes, Sue, Libby, Will, Tricia & Tracey



### **GRADE 6 PARENTS CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER!**

**BIAGIOS WINE BAR**, Keilor Rd, Niddrie

\*Friday 15th December \*Time: 7pm-10pm

<http://restaurant.biagioswinebar.com.au/>

### **MISSING JUMPER – labelled Miles Brown.**

Miles Brown (4SS) is missing his grey school jumper. It is clearly labelled with his name.

Could all families please check our children's jumpers to ensure they have the correct one. Children sometimes mistakenly pick up the wrong jumper and take it home!!

### **LOST PROPERTY**

**THERE IS AN ADUNDANCE OF LOST PROPERTY ON THE TABLE OUTSIDE THE OFFICE**

**Please check to see if anything belongs to you!!**

**Anything left at the end of the year will be donated to the second hand uniform shop or St Vincent De Paul.**

### **CHRISTMAS GINGERBREAD HOUSE**

If you would like to purchase a Gingerbread house for Christmas, please contact Katerina Rintoule on 0418563653 or email [katerina.rintoule@gmail.com](mailto:katerina.rintoule@gmail.com).

Large house \$55, Medium House \$45.

## Parents and Friends Thanks!

Both on behalf of the Parents and Friends committee and to them, I would like to say thanks. Thanks for the hours of your time you have donated to the school, for all the raffle tickets, cooking, donations, painting, cleaning and wrapping. All those times you put your hand in your pocket for a casual day, readathon or an icypole. Thanks.

We are well on track to meet our fundraising goal to set up the fete and pay for IT equipment. We also managed to help the literacy team with some extra resources, do lots of maintenance work and assist the kids to get some garden beds started.

Mostly, I would like to thank you and commend you on being part of what make St John Bosco's truly special. It's community spirit. It has been a heartwarming privilege to be involved and work together with so many amazing people showing so much generosity of spirit. School events are filled with laughter, kindness and fun. A credit to our school.

Thanks also to Peter, Marc, Sommer, Lynn, Maree, Jo and all the staff at SJB who I know go above and beyond to support the P&F and our children in so many ways.

Wishing you a safe and merry Christmas and a well - earned break.

Tracey Teague (P&F President)



Thanking you

*Peter Monaghan*

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Principal

<b>TUCKSHOP ROSTER: TERM 1 2018</b>			
	11am-2.30pm	10am-12pm	12.30-2.30pm
Tuesday 6th Feb	Liliana Najdovski	Silvana Loschiavo	Lina Cutri
Friday 9th Feb	Nicole Arthurson	Therese Patton	Helene Sexton Melissa Ryan
Tuesday 13th Feb	Virginia De Nittis	Tracey Teague	Suzanne Speranza Cheryl Falzon
Friday 16th Feb	Helen Catterall	Joanne Caddeo	Vanessa Lo Giusto Sharin Ramsay
Tuesday 20th Feb	Mary Pantalleresco	Joely Curwood	Katherine D'Arcangelo Linda Patronias
Friday 23rd Feb	Sonia Andersen	Lynda Rizzetti	Michelle Favero Angie Czaja
Tuesday 27th Feb	Julie Marchese	Amanda Cashmore	Simone Callegari Kelli Giampiccollo
Friday 2nd March	Kim Pinner	Joanne Mosca	Kathy Hogan Carmen Guardo
Tuesday 6th March	Liz Wallis	Naomi Breen	Janet Mastropasqua Gaetana Jessen
Friday 9th March	Sue Chivilo	Margaret Conroy	Lili Giglia Andrea Hill
Tuesday 13th March	Silvana Loschiavo	Roxie Riley	Debra Buckley Belinda McGregor
Friday 16th March	Eloise Romeo	Fiona Jessen	Natalie Khoury Lisa Glavis
Tuesday 20th March	Narelle Somerville	Rebecca Ryan	Sonia Medawar Sonia Hadchiti
Friday 25th March	Julie Seddon	Karen Healy	Rosemary Morais Holly Noonan
Tuesday 27th March	Antoinette Agresta	Michelle Tankard	Kathy DeBono Libby Nelson
Thursday 29th March	<b>HOTDOG DAY</b>		

# Fete 24th November 2018

It's time for the community of St John Bosco to come together again and host another Fete.

This is a very exciting time for the children to see their SJB community work together to run their most loved fete.

Running a fete is time consuming but as the saying goes "many hands means light work". I believe if we all come together this fete will be as successful as our last.

Below is a list of stalls that have been successful in our previous fetes.

Please have a look and choose a stall you would like to run or help out on. Once you have chosen a stall contact me and I will send you all the information you will need to get your stall running. This information is a guide if you think of a better way to run your stall please do so. Also if you have an idea for a stall that is not listed again please contact me to add it to the list.

Also attached is a Volunteer Registration form. Once you have chosen a stall to run or help on, please fill in this form and return it to the school so I can add your name to your preferred stall.

Thank you for time

Fete Organisers

Katerina Rintoule 0418 563 653 [katerina.rintoule@gmail.com](mailto:katerina.rintoule@gmail.com)

Silvana Loschiavo 0403 888 705 [lucon23@iinet.net.au](mailto:lucon23@iinet.net.au)

## STALLS

Corn on Cob

Lamb souvlaki

Nachos

Pasta

Face Painting Stall

SJB X factor

Raffles/ Spinning Wheel

Hampers

Jams Preserves Stall

Candy Stall

Buy a balloon win a prize

Fire Trucks

Smoke Busters

Hot Dogger

Ice Cream from canteen

Cake, Biscuit & Slices Stall

Dunk the Teacher

Animal Farm

Popcorn

Hair Sprayers Stall

Fairy Floss

Police Cars

Guess Sweets in the Jar

Devonshire Tea

Lucky Dip Stalls

Tickets & Wrist bands

Sausages & Cold Drinks

Dutch Pancakes

Choc Fondue

Cup Cake Stall

Slushie Machine

Coffee Cart

Lemonade Stand

Tattoo Stall

Second Hand Book Stall

Second Hand Toy Stall

Home Made Craft Stall

Contact Sponsors

First Aid

Floater (help at any stand)

Walkers (Flyers)

Class Displays, Auction

**VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children's Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grades:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Stand Description** \_\_\_\_\_

**Co-Ordinator Of Stand** \_\_\_\_\_

**Helper on Day of Fete**      **Yes**                      **No**

**Other Volunteers**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Will you sponsor this stand Financially**                      **Yes**                      **No**

Please be advised that sponsorship is NOT compulsory to run a stand.  
Any help would be appreciated.

**If Yes, Full Sponsorship:**                      Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Or**

**Part Sponsorship:**                      Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you give us permission to pass your details onto the stall organizer**  
**Yes**                      **No**

**Thank you for helping us make the 2018 St John Bosco Fete a successful event.**  
**"Many hands make light work"**