



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

Hello from Philip Island. We are having a great time at camp with the children being well behaved on the whole!

Yesterday, in strong winds we completed our first two rotations of activities namely raft building (not quite an accurate description), archery, giant swing, flying fox, frisbee golf and canoeing. Canoeing had to be abandoned due to waves on the dam. Instead we had the giant waterslide which was a worthy replacement. In the evening we headed to 'A Maze'N Things' where we participated in mini golf, magic rooms and of course the giant maze. On arrival home we had supper and sent the children off to their rooms at 10.30. Most children were asleep before midnight with some people preparing for shift work and venturing out at 3.00am.

We now are heading to morning activities. I am off to the beach for three hours with 14 teachers and 30 children.

Enjoy your weekend!

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

Open Classroom Mornings

Our first open classroom morning is nearly here. We look forward to welcoming you into our classrooms next Monday morning between 9:00am - 11:00am. Come in and be a part of your child's class for the morning, have a look through their work books and celebrate the hard work they have put into their learning so far this year. You can expect to see reading or writing and maths lessons taking place while you are in.

School Website and App Information

We hope you have all had an opportunity to explore our new school website and have downloaded our school app. In an effort to strengthen the relationship and communication between home and school, staff have included information for you on both platforms. Firstly, each year level has a sites page e.g Year 1 Sites Page. It is here that you can view year level news and important dates and termly overviews. At the beginning of each Term, an overview will be posted to outline each learning area. Some of the older year levels are also using their year level sites page to post resources that the students can access at home to assist them with their homework. A guide has been created to assist parents in navigating the app in order to locate year level sites pages and termly overviews. This guide has been attached below and a copy will be sent home to families.

A reminder that the 2018 Parent Information Booklet is also available on both the website and app. Please note you can access this under the heading of: Our School - 2018 Parent Information Booklet. If you have any queries regarding the app or website please let me know.

Community Code of Conduct Agreement

Could all families please return the Community Code of Conduct agreement. This Code of Conduct allows us to be

IMPORTANT DATES 2018

Wed 28-Fri 2 Mar	Yr 5/6 Camp
Mon 5 Mar	Open Classrooms 9am- 11am
Tue 13 Mar	Reconciliation meeting 7pm
Tue 13 /14 Mar	Yr 4 Camp
Tue 20 Mar	P&F Meeting 7pm
Wed 21 Mar	2019 Enrolment Info Session 12pm
Sat 24 Mar	Yr 4 Family Mass 6pm
Sun 25 Mar	Bunnings Barbeque
Mon 26 Mar	SJB Athletics Carnival
Tues 27 Mar	School Board Meeting, 7pm
Thurs 29 Mar	Last day Term 1, 1pm dismissal
Mon 16 Apr	First day Term 2
Tue May 8	Whole School Photo
Fri 29 June	Last day Term 2, 1pm dismissal
Mon 16 July	First day Term 3
Sat 1 Sept	Confirmation 12.30pm & 3.30pm
Fri 21 Sep	Last day Term 3, 1pm dismissal
Mon 8 Oct	First day Term 4
Sat 24 Nov	School FETE
Tue 18 Dec	Last day for 2018 for students, 12.30pm dismissal

clear on the expectations of community members to keep our students safe. Thank you to those families who have done this already.

As always, feel free to come and see me or send an email if you have any questions sazzopardi@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au
Sommer Azzopardi

IDEAS FOR CREATING A GROWTH MINDSET ENVIRONMENT AT HOME

The Gift of Failure!

Can failure be a gift? What happens after you fail? Check out our gallery of famous failures on display outside the office. Let them be an inspiration for using failure as a springboard to success! You may share with your children times you have failed and how you bounced back!



MASS & ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE		
WEEK ENDING	MASS Friday 12.30pm	ASSEMBLY Friday 2.40pm
5-Fri Mar 2	Year 2	Year 1
6- Fri Mar 9	Year 1	Year 6
7- Fri Mar 16	Year 6	Year 5
8- Fri Mar 23	Prep	Year 4
9- Thurs Mar 29	-	Prep

SEASONS PROGRAM 2018

PEER SUPPORT FOR GRIEF AND LOSS

We will be looking to start our 2018 Seasons Program soon. The Seasons Program is a peer support group for children who have experienced grief and loss in their lives and wish to work through their feelings and ask those commonly asked questions about their experience. Common reasons for taking part in the program include the death of a loved one, family separation or divorce. The group will meet for 10 sessions and each will be facilitated by myself or Sommer Azzopardi. Students are supported throughout the program by the teacher and their peers as they share their stories, ask questions and listen to each other. If you think this program would suit your child or children could you please email myself or Sommer, including the reason for participating. Once groups are sorted you will be contacted and given further information regarding session days and times.

Kind regards,

Will Kingston & Sommer Azzopardi

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RE NEWS

Year 2 students have prepared Whole School Mass for tomorrow at 12:30pm.

Family Masses: The Year 4 children are preparing for the Family Mass on Saturday 24th of March.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: There will be a sacrament meeting for parents and their child on Tuesday 13th March at 7 PM in the multipurpose room. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be on Wednesday 9th May during the school day.

Confirmation: Confirmation will be on the 1st of September. There will be two Masses: SC at 12:30 PM and TS at 3:30 PM.

God Bless,

Tricia Cossar REL pcossar@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au

PARISH NEWS

Come One! Come All!

Anybody involved as a volunteer in any of our parish ministries is invited to a thank you morning tea.

(Reader, Offertory, Lay Minister, Overhead volunteers, Eucharistic Ministers, Counters, Church cleaning group, Floral arrangements, Office assistance, Parish maintenance, St Vincent de Paul, BosCare, Music, etc)

By rights I should be giving all of you an award so let this be one way of showing our appreciation. It's after the 10:30am Mass this Sunday March 4th in the Parish Hall. All welcome!!



COMMUNITY OSHC SERVICES

Community OSHC Services is the new name for St John Bosco's Out of School Hours Care. Our Service retains the same administration and staff. We are committed to the delivering a supportive, fun program for children and families within our community. Our children are valued and treated with respect and their individuality is celebrated. Our team is professional, experienced and nurturing. We are absolutely committed to delivering an exceptional program. Educators are trained in First Aid, CPR and anaphylaxis and asthma management. For more information about our Before school care, After school care or Vacation programs.

Contact Sonya Coleman, office@communityoshcservices.com
Ph: 0405529972

PREP PARENT CATCH UP

Our first prep parent dinner has been organised for Wednesday March 14th. This is a great way to get to know other prep parents, so we hope that you'll be able to make it.

**Mr McCracken, 1 Larkin Street, Essendon Fields
(just near the Hyatt hotel) 7:30pm**

RSVP to your class reps by 5th March a \$10p/p deposit is required for this venue, please pass this on to your class rep if you've replied yes.

ICY POLE THURSDAY'S ARE BACK!

These popular little icy poles will be on sale again on Thursday straight after the school bell goes at 3:30pm. Sellers will be located at the table near the yellow slide with esky's full of icy poles for just 50 cents each.



We are also looking for volunteers for our Icy Pole stall. If you have a spare 30 minutes one Thursday this term, let us know and we can note you on the seller roster. This is a great little event to be a part of that doesn't demand a lot of your time or effort, yet you are still meeting new parents and being a part of and helping the Parents & Friends Committee. Win, Win ☺
Melinda Spinks mloizou43@hotmail.com or Mobile: 0416142043

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP 2018

***** SALE *****

To clear out a lot of current stock there will be A BIG SALE

on Friday 9th March from 2.30pm onwards.

Includes summer and winter uniform, some imperfect items.

ALL ITEMS ON SALE FOR \$1

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
OPENING TIMES

The First Tuesday of the Month from
8.30 to 9am

The Last Thursday of the Month from
3.15 to 3.45pm

TUCKSHOP ROSTER: TERM 1 2018			
	11am-2.30pm	10am-12pm	12.30-2.30pm
Fri 2 Mar	Kim Pinner	Joanne Mosca	Kathy Hogan Carmen Guardo
Tues 6 Mar	Liz Wallis	Naomi Breen	Janet Mastropasqua Gaetana Jessen
Fri 9 Mar	Sue Chivilo	Margaret Conroy	Lili Giglia Andrea Hill
Tue 13 Mar	Silvana Loschiavo	Roxie Riley	Debra Buckley Belinda McGregor
Fri 16 Mar	Eloise Romeo	Fiona Jessen	Natalie Khoury Lisa Glavis
Tue 20 Mar	Narelle Somerville	Rebecca Ryan	Sonia Medawar Sonia Hadchiti
Fri 23 Mar	Julie Seddon	Karen Healy	Rosemary Morais Holly Noonan
Tue 27 Mar	Antoinette Agresta	Michelle Tankard	Kathy DeBono Libby Nelson




A box is available at school, Essendon Fields and Airport West Coles. If you shop at Coles, please help us collect these vouchers


Important SJB App Features

~Access to school website ~ Year Level Sites Pages ~Class News & Important Events ~Termly Overviews


1. The **school website** can be accessed through the SJB App by following these steps.




2. Press **More** button bottom right hand corner




3. Select **School Website**
*notifications can be accessed on this screen also through notifications button.




4. Each Year Level has an individual **sites page**. You can access this using the following steps. Select **Year Level Website button (padlock symbol)**




5. Select your child's **Year Level**.




6. The first page allows you to view **Class News and Important Dates**



7. The hamburger menu top right hand corner allows you to view further options e.g. **Termly Overview**
*when viewing on a computer these options are at the top of the screen.



8. A **Termly Overview** is prepared each term for each year level. This informs you of concepts to be explored in different subjects over the term. To view **Termly Overview** select **Termly Overview**



Thanking you

Peter Monaghan

Peter Monaghan
Principal

Bunnings Maribyrnong Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

Sunday 25th March 2018

SJB has been lucky enough to secure this day at Bunnings Maribyrnong for a fundraising sausage sizzle! It's going to be an awesome fundraising event and we would love as many volunteers as possible to help on the day with a variety of tasks such as cooking, serving, collecting money etc. If you're able to help, please indicate your available time/s on the slip below and return to the office.

We're really looking forward to this event and a fun day for all. Hope to see you there either as a volunteer or to enjoy a sausage or two!

Please contact us for further information.

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Melinda Spinks
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Many thanks P&F

Bunnings Maribyrnong Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

Name _____ Phone number: _____
(So we can text you and confirm times etc.)

I can help at the following time/s:

- 7:00am to 9:30am
- 9:00am to 11:30am
- 11:00am to 1:30pm
- 1:00pm to 3:30pm
- 3:00pm to 6:30pm

ST. BERNARD'S AUSKICK 2018

Registration for the 2018 St Bernard's Auskick season is now open. If you are looking to participate in Auskick this year we would encourage you to get online and register.

Please take note of the following key points:

- To register and pay online please go to www.aflauskick.com.au
- The cost is \$95 (no raffles during the year)
- Registrations and payment can only be done online (no cash payments can be accepted)
- Auskick packs will be mailed directly to each participant
- Grid games will be available during the season at Etihad and the MCG
- **St Bernard's Auskick will start on Saturday 21 April 2018**
9:30am to 11:00am

We look forward to another great year.

Need for information?

Contact Ben Hogan on 0402 919 523 or stbernardsauskick@gmail.com



St Bernard's Old Collegians Basketball Club



...to encourage children to play basketball...

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

GIRLS & BOYS

St Bernard's Old Collegians Basketball Club is seeking expressions of interest for players interested in the following divisions for the upcoming season;

Under 10's, Under 12's and Under 14's


If you are interested in playing Basketball for a community and family oriented club please contact our List Manager with the following information;

Your name, contact number and email along with your child's name and date of birth.

Phil Thorpe
List Manager, St Bernard's Old Collegians Basketball Club
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E: philthorpe@optusnet.com.au
W: <https://stbernardsjuniorbasketball.leadapp.com/contact>



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