



"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

Thank you to everyone in our community who has assisted my staff and I throughout the year. It is very important that we are all on the same page as our job of nurturing the children in our care is of the utmost importance to the future of our community.

Thank you to my wonderful teaching staff who continue to go above and beyond in order to educate the children in their care. I need to also thank the office staff for making the children feel loved when they are sick and for the way they communicate with parents and outside agencies. The welcoming atmosphere provided by them gives all visitors a sense of belonging.

Thank you to the beautiful children at SJB that make coming to work a pleasure and for sharing their stories with us.

Thank you to Fr Nhan Le and Fr Thomas for their spiritual support and providing weekly Masses for staff and children. To Faye in the parish office for the hard work she does to link school and parish life.

Unfortunately we say goodbye to 3 of our beautiful staff members in Jess Hughes, Marita Mannix and Trish Cossar. All three have been pivotal in the fabric of St John Bosco's. Jess, while only being with us for a short period of time, established herself as a much loved teacher. Jess had more books in her class than the rest of the school; such was her love of reading. Luckily any child who left her class had the same love of reading that will be with them forever. We wish Jess all the best at her new school in Melton and we know that the children of Melton will excel under her care.

Marita Mannix has been with us for close to ten years mostly working with our children in the lower primary. In addition, Marita has also supported children with Maths extension and mentored many a young teacher. If Geelong is considered to be a growth suburb, then imagine what will happen now that Marita is teaching there.

Finally we say goodbye to Trish Cossar who has taught in the middle years and lower primary. This year Trish spent her time as our Religious Education leader. Anyone who has been lucky enough to be at one of our Masses or paraliturgies will appreciate the spiritual development that has taken place at our school. She will be sadly missed, but as she leaves us to explore retirement, I do not feel sorry for her. She is a beautiful person inside and out.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL CANCELLED

Unfortunately, because of expected heavy rain tomorrow, we have cancelled this year's swimming carnival.

Tomorrow will be a normal school day but the children can wear casual clothes.

STUDENT MEDICAL PLANS AND MEDICATION

All classroom medical action plans and student medication held at school will be returned to the students on the last day. Please return an up to date action plan and medication with your child on the first day of school next year.

IMPORTANT DATES 2018

Fri 14 Dec	School Swimming Carnival cancelled
	Free Casual clothes day
Sat 15 Dec	Family Mass 6pm
Mon 17 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
Tue 18 Dec	Last day for 2018 for students
	12.30pm dismissal
	2019
Tue 29 Jan	First day for Staff 2019
Fri 1 Feb	First day for student's years 1-6
Mon 4 Feb	First day for Preps (8.55 -12pm)

RE NEWS

And so we come to the end of another year!

Family Mass / Whole School Mass

The final **SJB Family Mass** will be THIS Saturday 15th of December at 6pm. A reminder for the students involved to be at the Church at 5:45PM.

Our final **whole school Mass** will be on Tuesday 18th December at 10:45am. Please come along and celebrate a wonderful year as a school community and say farewell to our amazing Year 6 students and our wonderful Miss Jess and Miss Marita.

Advent

This Advent we focus on the gospel of Luke. Luke wrote for a struggling community. He writes for the poor, disabled, women and other marginalized groups. We are called to reflect on how this gospel speaks to us and invites us to respond to the needs of others in our world today. The nativity account includes the annunciation, the visit to Elizabeth, the birth of Jesus in a stable and the angels who appear to the lowly shepherds. God became human in the birth of his Son Jesus. His message of love, hope, peace and joy is a message for all.

St John Bosco's Giving Tree

A **BIG** thank you to those who have contributed to SJB Giving Tree- your generosity will make a **BIG** difference for the less fortunate this Christmas. I will be taking gifts to our local school on Monday. There are still a couple of days to drop something in.

Liturgical Calendar for Schools

16th of Dec: 3rd Week of Advent; Gospel: Luke 3:10-18:

Luke announces the coming of the Messiah

18th Dec International Migrant Day

23rd Dec: 4th Sunday of Advent, Gospel: Luke 1:39-45: Mary Visits Elizabeth

As this is our final newsletter for the year I would like to take this opportunity to bid you all farewell. It has been a privilege and joy being a part of the SJB community over the past number of years. I will remember my time at SJB with great affection.

May you all have a safe and holy Christmas. May the peace of the Lord be with you always. God Bless, Tricia Cossar REL

Letter from father Nhan Le

Dear St John Bosco's Parents,

I have been the Administrator for St John Bosco's Parish, Niddrie, for a year. My desire is to make our School and Parish vision a reality: "To work and pray" and "To endeavor to be a Christ centred community where every individual is nurtured, valued and respected."

- In order to achieve that I need your support in 2019 through many different ministries in the parish, your active participation in the sacraments, your prayers and especially your financial contributions to help meet our current and future expenses:
- To employ a Pastoral Associate to work as the Sacramental Coordinator between school and parish, to set up our Liturgical Team and to coordinate a Pastoral program to care for the elderly, the sick and the homebound in our parish.
- To cover current expenses such as wages, maintenance services, utilities and insurances, etc.
- To renovate the Presbytery and the Parish Office which are in bad conditions.
- To renovate the Hall and the Kitchen.

Your support in 2019 is greatly appreciated. May God bless you in your endeavor and reward you in your generosity.

I will take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Christmas filled with joy and peace and happy and healthy New Year.

Yours faithfully, Fr Nhan Le
Parish Administrator



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Family Mass	Saturday 15 th December 6.00pm	Carols Night at Family Mass
Christmas Reconciliation	Thursday 20 th December 7.00pm	All are welcome
Christmas Eve	Monday 24 th December	Christmas Eve Masses will be celebrated at 6.00pm and 10.00pm
Christmas Day	Tuesday 25 th December	Christmas Day Masses will be celebrated at 8.30am and 10.30am
Boxing Day	Wednesday 26 th December	Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am as normal
New Year's Day	Tuesday 1 st January	Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am as normal

ST JOHN BOSCO'S STAFF 2019

Belinda	Anderson	Yr 3
Sommer	Azzopardi	Deputy/Wellbeing
Melissa	Barnard	Yr 2/ Admin
Jennifer	Barresi	Release
Adriana	Bonacci	Italian P-3/Prep
Tracey	Brennan	Yr 6 LSO
Susan	Carey	Yr 6
Luke	Cassar	Yr 6
Allison	Comerford	Yr 3
Kate	Cooney	Reading Intervention / R.E. Asst
Taryn	Coxhall	Yr 2
Grace	Diamandis	Yr 3 LSO
Georgina	Dodrill	Prep
Karen	Doody	Visual Arts
Lisa	Douglas	YR 3 LSO
Sandra	Fazio	Italian / School Magazine
Rosetta	Fazio	Prep LSO
Mark	Fitzell	Performing Arts
Marc	Guzzardi	Deputy/Literacy
Julie	Hanna	Literacy P-4
Rachel	Hanna	Yr 4 LSO
Libby	Jolley	P.E/ Yr 6
Maree	Kennedy	Admin
William	Kingston	Yr 3 /Numeracy Asst
Michele	Kop	Science
Natalie	La Rosa	Yr 1
Helen	Lannin	R.E/ EAL
Lynn	Mahoney	Admin
Stephanie	McKenna	Prep
Rebecca	Middleton	Yr 3
Peter	Monaghan	Principal
Thomas	Monaghan	Yr 1 LSO
Simone	Monteleone	Yr 3 LSO
Melanie	Phillips	Prep
Meagan	Ploog	Yr 1
Kate	Rawet	Prep
Joanne	Robertson	Admin
Sallyann	Scicluna	Yr 4 / Numeracy
Naomi	Scott	Yr 5 / Wellbeing Asst
Patricia	Spina	Yr 6
Rebecca	Stephensen	Yr 2
Michelle	Stivala	Yr 4
Eliza	Travis	Prep / I.T
Alexandra	Travis	Yr 4
Erin	Vella	Yr2 & 3 / I.T
Edith	Vella	Yr 5 LSO
Suzanne	Verzantvoort	Yr 5
Sharon	Wright	Library /Admin
Gemma	Wright	YR 1 LSO
Danielle	Zambara	Yr 5 LSO
Diana	Zampaglione	Yr 6 LSO

LOST & FOUND

Plastic bag containing 2 purple hearing aids. If this is found please return to the office ASAP. Thank you

Swimming gear, school uniform, drink bottles, lunch boxes and other miscellaneous items!



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Wiliam's **BARBER SHOP**
Wiliam Khoushaba
0404 101 127
153 Gladston Park Drive Gladston Park Shopping Centre Vic 3043

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY: TUES 18TH DECEMBER 9AM
FINAL SCHOOL MASS: TUES 18TH DECEMBER 10:45AM
SCHOOL DISMISSAL: 12.30PM



Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at St. John Bosco's School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from \$17.00 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1, 2019.

Interested parents should call Ingrid during office hours on 9818 2333 or email ingrid@creativemusic.com.au

 **Creative Music**
www.creativemusic.com.au



5th Keilor Scout Group Xmas Tree Drive

AJ Davis Reserve, Fullarton Road Airport West

Prices from \$50-\$90 small to large sizes

Tree Stands for \$35

Fresh trees sales Dec 17th & 18th

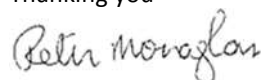
From 8.30am to 4.30pm

Collection & disposal option after xmas for \$15

 **go to trybooking.com.au** 

Or contact Andrew on 0401 970 888

Thanking you



Peter Monaghan
Principal

Tuckshop Roster: Term 1 2019			
	11am-2:30pm	10am-12pm	12:30pm-2:30pm
Tuesday 5th Feb	Antoinette Agresta	Lina Cutri	Maria Rullo
Friday 8th Feb	Sophie Witt	Mary Pantelleresco	Janet Mastropasqua Kirsty Prosser
Tuesday 12th Feb	Silvana Loschiavo	Nicole Piccolo	Gaetana Jessen Belinda McGregor
Friday 15th Feb	Sonia Medawar	Lynda Rizzetti	Sonia Hadchiti Maria Caramia
Tuesday 19th Feb	Liliana Najdovski	Michelle Tankard	Linda Patronias
Friday 22nd Feb	Meg Lucas	Joanne Mosca	Helene Sexton Karen Fitzpatrick
Tuesday 26th Feb	Sonia Andersen	Tracey Teague	Katherine D'Arcangelo
Friday 1st March	Helen Catterall	Michelle Mlikota	Vanessa Lo Guisto Nella Duvnjak
Tuesday 5th March	Virginia De Nittis	Joely Curwood	Simone Callegari Kelli Giampiccolo
Friday 8th March	Sue Chivillo	Joanne Caddeo	Andrea Hill Lili Gigia
Tuesday 12th March	Kathy DeBono	Rebecca Ryan	Roslyn Scalise
Friday 15th March	Eloise Romeo	Margaret Conroy	Evelyn Pappas Sharin Ramsay
Tuesday 19th March	Liliana Najdovski	Roxie Riley	Carmen Guardo Bridges Belinda McGregor
Friday 22nd March	Melissa Ryan	Karen Healy	Michelle Favero Angie Czaja
Tuesday 26th March	Gabby Benton	Katherine Cimino	Therese Garth Debra Buckley
Friday 29th March	Nicole Arthurson	Therese Patton	Rosemary Morias Sam Delaney
Tuesday 2nd April	Jan Federico	Mary Pantelleresco	Susanne Speranza Joanne Saad
Thursday 4th April	HOT DOG DAY		

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SUMMER SCORCHER CLINICS 2018

- Fun clinics in a safe and non-competitive environment
- Boys and Girls at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels
- Ages 4 - 12
- 55 minute tuition throughout the school term
- **FEE: \$110 per child, including a gift!**
- Certificates are awarded to all players upon completion and trophy is presented to those who have completed 4 or 6 seasons of the same sport

THIS SEASON, SOCCER WILL BE OFFERED BEGINNING 9TH FEBRUARY, 2019 8:30AM - 9:30AM

ALL CLINICS TAKE PLACE AT STRATHMORE SECONDARY COLLEGE, PASCOE VALE RD, STRATHMORE

For more information, call Mike on 0418303432 or email us at: viccric.northwest@gmail.com

LOYALTY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE!

ENROL NOW!

TERM ONE CLINICS BEGIN ON SATURDAY 9th FEBRUARY

Saturday morning clinics run during the school term and involve 55 minutes of personalised tuition. There is an age and skill appropriate curriculum focus on the fundamentals of the game, as well as an encouragement of social interaction to build skill levels and grow self esteem. Soccer will be offered at the Strathmore venue for Summer 2018. We ensure an approximate rate of one coach to ten players to allow each participant individual skills development.

SESSION TIMES
SOCCER will be running from **Saturday 9th February 2019 8:30am - 9:30am**



METHOD OF PAYMENT

Pre-pay CHEQUE \$110 (to secure your place)
Please mail with completed application form to:
VIC CRIC, 28 SPENCER ST ESSENDON, 3040.

OR
Payment on first day of clinic,
FEB 9th 2019, CHEQUE/CASH \$110

Please note, registration and payment must be completed before commencement of clinic.

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____
Please make all cheques payable to Vic Cric

Participant's information:

Name(s) : _____

DOB: _____ Clinics previously completed: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/s: _____

Phone: _____ School: _____

Email: _____

I do do not give permission for my child to be photographed and for photos to appear on Vic Cric Social Media.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Family discounts apply as well as combination discounts for 2 disciplines. Ask VIC CRIC team for more information. Disclaimer: Children play at their own risk. Vic Cric Pty Ltd accepts no liability.



SUMMER SCORCHER CLINICS 2019



Saturday morning clinics run during the school term over 8 weeks and involve 55 minutes of personalised tuition. There is an age and skill appropriate curriculum focus on the fundamentals of Soccer, as well as an encouragement of social interaction to build skill levels and grow self esteem. We ensure an approximate rate of one coach to ten players to allow each participant individual skills development. Clinics begin on Saturday 9th February 2019.

SESSION TIME & LOCATION:
8:30AM to 9:30AM at Strathmore Secondary College, Pascoe Vale Rd, Strathmore

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TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____
Please make all cheques payable to Vic Cric and fill out participant's information:

Name(s) : _____ DOB: _____

Clinics previously completed: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/s: _____

Email: _____

Current Primary School: _____

YOUR FREE GIFT IS A SOCCER BALL!

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