



ST. JOHN BOSCO'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Edition 1
7 February 2019

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

Welcome back to our old families and a special welcome to those of you who are joining us for the first time.

A special welcome to our new teachers, Luke Cassar in Grade 6, Natalie La Rosa in Grade 1, Katie Rawet in Grade Prep and Taryn Coxall in Grade 2. We wish them all the best in the years ahead and thank them for taking up their appointments.

During 2019 our school will be undertaking an extensive review to look at the successes and challenges relative to our last 4 years. This will be undertaken in the first two weeks in May.

Over the next few weeks we have our Annual General Meeting for the Parents and Friends Association on Tuesday 19th February at 7pm and School Board on Tuesday 26th February at 7pm.

Please keep Monday 25th February free as we will be having Educational Psychologist, Deirdre Brandner presenting to parents on how to deal with anxiety within children and ourselves. I encourage all families to be represented at this informative meeting.

May I ask all Prep parents and Grade 1 parents to wait outside in the quiet area when picking up their children.

FEES

Please note Fee information included in this newsletter. Your Fee Statements have come home with your eldest child. Payment options are Cash, Cheque, Direct Deposit and Credit/Debit Card. Please contact Maree in the office if you have any queries in regards to fees.

CSEF

Holders of Health Care Cards **IMPORTANT:** A CSEF information sheet is attached to the newsletter today and application forms are available from the office. If you have already supplied this to the school in 2018, you **DO NOT** NEED to resubmit your details. However, if you are new to the school or you have recently been allocated a Health Care Card, please fill in the form and return to the office ASAP. All eligible families will receive an amount to use for Camps, Sports and Excursions-sent directly to the school. Please let us know if you have any queries in relation to this.

DIRECT DEBIT

If you would like to initiate direct debit to pay your fees-there is a form attached to today's newsletter. Please fill out and return to the office ASAP if this is your preferred choice of payment. Full payment is expected by Friday 11th October 2019.

FEES FOR 2019

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 8th Feb 2019**. Statements have been sent home in Week 1 2019.

Compulsory Levies-

IMPORTANT DATES 2019

Tue 12 Feb	New Parent Helper Information Sessions, 9am, 2.30pm & 7pm
Fri 15 Feb	Prep/ Year 6 Buddy Night 6pm
Tue 19 Feb	P & F Annual General Meeting
Tue19/Wed 20 Feb	Parent Teacher Meetings
Mon 25 Feb	Anxiety in Children Information Session 7pm
Tue 26 Feb	School Board Meeting 7pm
Fri 27 Feb	Year 5 & 6 Camp
Mon 11 Mar	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tues 12/13 Mar	Year 4 Camp
Wed 13 Mar	Prep 2020 Enrolment Information Session 12pm
Mon 1 Apr	SJB Athletics Day
Thurs 4 Apr	School Photos
Fri 5 Apr	Last day Term 1, 1pm dismissal
TERM 2	
Tues 23 Apr	First day Term
Thur 25 April	ANZAC Day

MASS & ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE

WEEK BEGINNING	MASS	ASSEMBLY
2: 4.2.19	5SV	General
3: 11.2.19	4SS	Year 3
4: 18.2.19	3BA	Year 1
5: 25.2.19	YEAR 1	Year 2
6: 4.3.19	2RS	Prep
7: 11.3.19	3WK	Year 6
8: 18.3.19	6TS	Year 5
9:25.3.19	Staff	Year 4
10:1.4.19		

Prep to Year 4- \$320 per child (includes Student Levy \$140: Swimming Intensive \$80: Excursion Levy \$50 and IT Levy \$50).

Year 5- \$340 per child (includes Student levy \$140: Swimming Intensive \$80: Excursion Levy \$50: IT levy \$50, Senior School Levy \$20)

Year 6- \$390 per child (includes Student levy \$140: Swimming Intensive \$80: Excursion Levy \$50: IT levy \$50, Senior School levy \$20)

Levies are all due for payment by **Friday 8th FEB 2019**.

Capital Levy \$25 per Term (4 Terms) or \$100 annually. This fee assists in the repayment of loans for the ongoing refurbishment of classroom.

PREP/ YEAR 6 BUDDY NIGHT

Each year we celebrate our Prep/Year 6 buddy program with a family get together here at school. This buddy night will be held on Friday 15th February commencing at 6pm. The aim of the evening is to enable parents of year Prep and Year 6 students to meet each other and continue to foster a sense of community here at St John Bosco's. Families are encouraged to bring along food to share with their buddy families. We anticipate the evening will conclude by 8pm.



2019 PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

We distributed our 2019 Parent Code of Conduct yesterday to families. Our 2019 Prep families have signed this during prep orientation sessions at the end of last year. This document clearly outlines behaviours that maintain a friendly and encouraging environment at SJB. Could all families please make it a priority to return the signed portion of Parent Code of Conduct to the office by the end of next week.

PARENT TEACHER INFORMATION QUESTIONNAIRES AND MEETINGS

At SJB we believe that the heart of education is the relationship between the teacher and the student - everything else depends on how productive and successful that relationship is. All children have great natural abilities and knowing this as a teacher enables us to help your child pursue their particular interests and strengths.

This year we are asking that you provide us with relevant information about your child that may be pertinent to their happiness and success at school by completing a questionnaire. This questionnaire MAY REPLACE the Parent Teacher meetings that normally are held at the beginning of each year. Therefore it is NOT compulsory to attend a meeting. **However, we do ask that a questionnaire is completed for every child**

If you feel that the questionnaire is not enough and you still require a catch up with your child's teacher a Parent/Teacher Meeting can be booked via the website booking system.

The web address is www.schoolinterviews.com.au
The school event code is: arm94

Meetings can be scheduled on **Tuesday 19th February 3:45 - 5.00pm** or **Wednesday 20th February 3.30 - 5.00pm**. This booking system is currently open. If you do not have internet access, you can make bookings through the school office.

If you have any queries or concerns do not hesitate to contact Marc Guzzardi or Sommer Azzopardi,

Walking School Bus needs you!

We desperately need a couple more parent volunteers to walk with our Walking School Bus on Wednesday mornings.

If you have 30 minutes spare on a Wednesday from 8:30 we would love to have you on board. Volunteers would walk a small group of children with another volunteer from Moushall Ave/Shaw Street to SJB. It's a fun and energetic way to start the day.

If you would like to help out please contact Sommer Azzopardi sazzopardi@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au



STUDENT MEDICAL PLANS AND MEDICATION

We remind all parents of children who require a medical action plan and medication at school to please provide these to your classroom teacher as soon as possible.

We also require an extra copy of the plan to be provided to the office.

EAL PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Notes have gone home to the families to organise a time to meet your child's class teacher for 2019. We are looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday 14th February.

RE NEWS

Feast of St John Bosco.

On Thursday 31st January, we celebrated the Feast of St John Bosco. Since returning to school, the students have been learning about him and writing a class prayer. Please look out for these prayers as they are to be displayed in the foyer of our school in the coming weeks.

Friday Masses.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO MASS THIS FRIDAY 8TH FEB DUE TO A FUNERAL BEING HELD AT THIS TIME.

On Friday 15th February we begin celebrating our school Masses. Mass is held each Friday at 12:45 in the Church. On Friday 15th February Mass will be celebrated by Year 4SS.

Captains Mass.

Our Captains Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 16th February at 6 pm. Our SRC and School Captains will receive their badges at this Mass. Those students who are elected SRC and School Captains for 2019 will receive a note regarding times and be offered the opportunity to take part in the Mass. They will wear their school uniform on the night. Please keep this date free - more information to follow.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy will be held this Saturday 9/2 at the 6pm Mass.

Liturgical Calendar for Schools

10th Feb: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Luke, Green Gospel: Luke 5:1 -11: They left everything and followed him. Thanks, Helen Lannin REC

SJB NEW SPELLING APPROACH 2019

In term 4, 2018 all staff attended a professional learning day about SMART spelling with a view to implementing this approach in 2019. This method provides a clear Prep – 6 sequential teaching program where students are explicitly taught spelling patterns, one at a time. Teachers choose a range of words (from simple to complex) and students are then guided to choose from that list, so that individual needs can be met. Teachers start by teaching the meaning of words to expand vocabulary and then break words into syllables, sounds and letter patterns. Providing meaningful feedback to students is a powerful component of this approach to spelling. We will commence this program next week.

What can you expect?

Your children will bring home a spelling sheet with the words that have been selected from the list - they are asked to practise writing these words 4 times before a spelling test and dictation assessment will be administered on the fifth day. **PLEASE NOTE:** Prep & Year 1 classes will commence the following week.

A parent meeting will be held early in term 2 to explain the SMART spelling approach.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Our first Scholastic Book Club pamphlet has been sent home this week. A reminder that our school earns bonus points to purchase books for our school library from all family purchases. **All orders are due back by Friday 15th February.**

Many Thanks, the Literacy Team

VICTORIAN REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS FOR AFL, BASKETBALL, NETBALL AND SOCCER FOR 12 YEARS AND UNDER

If your child is 11 or 12 by the 31 December 2019 and playing at a very high level in any of the above sports and would like to try out for the Victorian teams you must read the information provided by School Sports Victoria (SSV) on the website <http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic>

All application forms need to be endorsed by the school and we are only allowed to endorse the following numbers of children per sport:

AFL - 3 in total

Netball - 3 in total

Basketball - 3 boys and 3 girls

Soccer - 3 boys and 3 girls

If your child is interested please email me ljolley@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au no later than **Thursday 21st February**. Please include the sport your child would like to try out for and the experience your child has outside of school eg clubs and grade they play for, any awards eg best and fairest, coaches awards etc, this way if there are more than 3 students per sport a decision can be made as to which children we will endorse. I will notify you by **Friday 22nd February** so there is plenty of time for the registration to be completed.

Registrations are open now and **close on Friday 1st March** and there is a non-refundable \$25 application fee.

Thanks, Libby

SWIMMING TEAM INTEREST

If your child is interested in representing SJB at the Buckley District swimming carnival, on Monday 25th February and is a competent 50m swimmer please send me their most recent times for the strokes they would like to compete in along with their date of birth to ljolley@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au. Usually times would be collected at our swimming carnival, but last year that was cancelled due to the weather. Thanks, Libby

ST. JOHN BOSCO'S SCHOOL CHESS CLUB – TERM 1

The chess classes will take the children through a structured chess course with the dual aim of achieving the maximal educational benefits the game offers and providing an enjoyable learning environment.

If your child would like to participate in the Chess Club during Term 1 register and pay for your child online at <https://www.chesseducation.com.au>

Classes are Thursday after school, 3:30 – 4:30pm

There will be 9 classes in Term 1, on the following Thursdays: 7/2, 14/2, 21/2, 28/2, 7/3, 14/3, 21/3, 28/3 and 4/4. Cost: \$90

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

The first Parents and Friends & AGM Meeting for 2019 is on Tuesday 19 February at 7pm

Everyone is Welcome.

It is a great way to meet other parents, find out the latest school news and help support our awesome school community.

Come join us for a no pressure cuppa to start off the year

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

We require the help of a few volunteers to assist in running the second hand uniform shop this year or to help with a one off super sale. Please contact the office if you are available to assist can you contact the office.

TUCKSHOP ROSTERS FOR 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

The St John Bosco's School Tuckshop enjoys the generous support of many parents from the school community. Tuckshop duty provides a chance to meet and get to know other parents in a happy and informal environment while providing a necessary service to the school. Volunteers are rostered for tuckshop duty three or four times for the year. If you are interested in helping in the tuckshop, please complete the details below.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SECTION AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

TUCKSHOP ROSTER 2019

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Eldest Child's Name: _____

Tuesday:

11.00am – 2.30pm

10.00am – 12.00pm

12.30pm – 2.30pm

Friday:

11.00am – 2.30pm

10.00am – 12.00pm

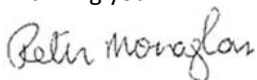
12.30pm – 2.30pm

SCHOOL BANKING

**School banking starts next week on
Tuesday 12th February.**

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

Thanking you



Peter Monaghan

Principal



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

 www.creativemusic.com.au

ST BERNARD'S COLLEGE
41 Rosehill Road, Essendon, 3042.

ENROLMENT APPLICATION

YEAR 7, 2021

**ENROLMENT APPLICATION
PARENT INFORMATION MEETING**

(New and Current Families)
WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2019

at
7.00 PM
in
O'BRIEN CENTRE GYMNASIUM

Applications for Year 7 2021 close on Wednesday, 3 April 2019.

The meeting is for Parents/Guardians only.

Booking for the Parent Information meeting is not necessary.

2019 TOURS of the College are as follows:

11 February, 12 February, 13 February, 15 February, 16 February, 21 February, 27 February, 28 February, 5 March, 7 March, 13 March, 14 March, 15 March, 19 March, 21 March, 25 March, 26 March, 27 March, 28 March, 29 March, 2 April, 4 April, 5 April

Families assemble in the O'Brien Centre Foyer – entrance to O'Brien Centre Gymnasium

School Tours commence at 8.45am and conclude at 10.45am
Bookings essential – via College website or www.trybooking.com/TYRI

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:
COLLEGE WEB SITE: www.sbc.vic.edu.au
or Telephone: College Receptionist - Jenette Nicholl on 9285 1182 (Wednesday – Friday)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit
www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.





Maribyrnong Park Football Club

Junior Registration Day 2019 Season

Inviting New & Existing Players to attend:

Sunday 10th February 2019

10am to 12pm

At Maribyrnong Park Pavilion

40 The Boulevard, Moonee Ponds

Recruiting Players for All Junior Age Groups from U9 to U18

Including Girls for U9, U11, U13, U15 & U18



All enquiries email: marbylionsuniors@gmail.com

Existing players can also register via our website

www.marby-lions.com



Maribyrnong Park Football Club since 1980

Ascot Vale / Moonee Ponds / Maribyrnong Your Local Club



- Birthday Parties
- Kinder Gym 2019
- Recreational
- Gymstar
- Squad gymnastics
- So much fun!

Situated in Essendon Fields opposite 'Bounce'



AND



Looking for a fun, active birthday party for your little monkey?

In 2019, we will be introducing Kinder gym during school hours.

Why not try Gymnastics!

- For school aged Boys and Girls!
- 3 time slots, each Sunday during Term.

All details are on our website. But hurry, they book out quickly!

niddriegymnastics.org.au/parties

Why not try Kinder Gym!

- For preschoolers 3 - 8yrs
- Go to our website to go on the waiting list for 2019 and get first preference

Hurry the list is filling fast!

niddriegymnastics.org.au/kinder-gym

viccric.com.au

VIC SOCCER

SUMMER SCORCHER CLINICS 2018

- Fun & friendly, a safe and non-competitive environment
- Boys and Girls in separate, time-based and mixed events
- Ages 4 - 12
- 30 minute sessions throughout the school term
- FEE: \$170 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 sessions of the same sport

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

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

For more information, call Mike on 0418305432 or email us at: viccric.northwest@gmail.com

LOYALTY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE!

ENROL NOW!

TERM ONE CLINICS BEGIN ON SATURDAY 9th FEBRUARY

Regular morning clinics run during the school term and involve 30 minutes of personalised tuition. There is an age and skill appropriate curriculum based on the fundamentals of the game, as well as an encouragement of social interaction to build self-esteem and grow self-reliance. Tuition will be offered at the Club's current value for Summer 2018. We share 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

FREE SOCCER BALL FOR EACH PARTICIPANT

METHOD OF PAYMENT
Please pay **CHEQUE \$170** (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 8th 2019, CHEQUE/CASH \$170

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: _____ (Clinic 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: _____

Terms discounts apply as well as contribution discounts for 2 children. All VIC CRIC team for more information. Soccerstar. Soccer play at their own risk. Vic Cric Pty Ltd accepts no liability.



**SUNDAY 24TH FEB 2019 9AM TO 11AM
ST BERNARD'S JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
REGISTRATION DAY**

Perrett Pavilion, St Bernard's Football Club

Girls and Boys wanted

Get your 2019 Football career started in the right direction and head down to St Bernard's to register for the 2019 Junior football season. The club is celebrating after last year's first Girls U/15 premiership. The juniors represent a great environment for both girls and boys to become future football stars as demonstrated this year with Xavier O'Halloran (GWS) and Lachlan Sholl (Adelaide Crows) both drafted. Further, Ben Ronke (Sydney Swans) and Aisling Utri (AFLW Western Bulldogs) were drafted in 2017. The club fully supports coaches and players with experienced staff continuing to develop all facets of the game with the assistance of EX-TAC coaches and collaboration with an Elite Skill Development group who have partnered with North Melbourne and St Kilda.

Don't delay, come and be a part of something you can share with your friends and even make new ones.

Age groups: Boys: U9, U10, U12, U14 & U16. Girls U12, U15 & U18.

Prices: New to AFL \$100; Transferring from another club \$240. Family discounts apply. Contact juniors@stbernardsfc.com.au for details.



**St Bernard's Junior
Football Club
Registration Day -
24th Feb**

**Be part of an
established family
club who look after
development of junior
social and game
skills**

**Experienced coaches
supported by EX TAC
coaching staff**

**Enhanced Skill
Development via the
Junior Development
Squad & Colts
Programs**

**Make new friends and
become part of the
team**

ST BERNARDS JUNIOR FC
Gate 8 - Hampton Rd
West Essendon
juniors@stbernardsfc.com.au



Junior Soccer team opportunities

"Giving everyone a go"

FC Strathmore Split is a community soccer club based at Strathnaver Reserve, Strathmore.

Boys & Girls with various skill and experience levels are welcome to come and have a training run at a friendly and supportive community club. Spots are available in:

Under 7's, Under 9's, Under 10's, Under 11's, U12 girls, U13 boys, U16 boys teams

Please register your interest via email fcstrathmorejsc@gmail.com
or for further information visit www.fcstrathmore.com.au

Don't miss out - training starts early February