

St John Bosco's School NEWSLETTER



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Edition 10 30 April 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

I hope you have all had a good week and are coping with the changes incorporated into the online/home learning plans. While we appreciate that it may not always be convenient for all children to be online every day, it is important that we utilise these opportunities to continue to foster our class relationships and provide more time to connect with each other on a personal level.

Thank you once again to everybody for their ongoing support in navigating this difficult terrain. I feel the uncertainty provided by the various governments and systems have not made our journey any easier.

The Premier has stated that he will revisit school closures on May 11th and the Federal Government has promised an early injection of money into our system if we are back by June 1. All this may change by the time this newsletter reaches you. We will keep you updated as news becomes available.

On a sad note Mitchell Callegari, the father of Shiloh, Mila and Scarlett Callegari passed away recently. We ask you to keep the girls and their mother Simone in your prayers.

Next week our timetables will be changing so that the teachers can plan together on Thursdays. The teachers in Years Prep, 1 and 2 will be available until 12.00 lunchtime. The teachers in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be available after 12.00 for online learning. All google meet times will be as normal.



Happy birthday to the following children who celebrated their birthdays this week.

James Privitelli
Philip Trifilo
Max Van Zuiden
Lachlan D'Agostino
Ollie Hayes
Lara Maslac
Elle D'Arcangelo
Luke Ganci
Olivia McQualter
Ned Ryan



MPORTANT DATES

2020

Fri 26 June Last Day Term 2, 1pm dismissal

Mon 13 July First Day Term 3

Mon 10 Aug School photos (revised date)
Fri 19 Sept Last Day Term 3, 1pm dismissal

Mon 5 Oct First Day Term 4
Mon 5/Tues 6 Oct Year 3 Urban Camp
Mon 19 Oct Whole School Photo

Tues 15 Dec Last day 2020, 12.30pm Dismissal

RE NEWS

Liturgical calendar

This week we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year A. The Gospel of John 10:1-10. *I am the gate of the sheepfold*.

Don't forget to look out on the SJB app for the link to view the recorded Mass by Father Nhan and Father Thomas each week on Sunday when we cannot attend Mass in person.

Gospel Focus - Life to the Full

John 10:10 is a very famous quote from this gospel passage. Having life to the full does not imply life filled with every convenience, comfort and wealth. Rather, it is about living a life filled with purpose and intent. If we fail to live with purpose and meaning then our life is a hollow shell of what it could be. Jesus came that we may have life — a life that is at its fullest when it is lived in such a way as to be an expression of what Jesus taught and lived.

Reflection

Why do these images of the sheep and the shepherd seem to have so much appeal today?

Why might Jesus have used these images of himself as the gate and as the shepherd?

SCHOOL PARENT LIAISON

I hope that we have all had a productive week and the increase in expectations during academic time has been received well by both students and parents. The teachers are working extremely hard to make sure that all lessons are easy to follow and engaging for the students. We hope that the Google Meet sessions are also working well at home and providing the children with extra assistance and connection to their classmates, teachers and LSO. The Google Meets may look different from grade to grade. Some teachers may want to do a whole class Google Meet every day, while others may want to focus on a different small group each

day. Your child's teacher will notify you of how the Google Meet will operate.

Week 4 brings about the same structure.

<u>Suggested</u> Daily Routine for Home Learning Week 4 onwards

| TIME | ACTIVITY | DESCRIPTION |
|------------------|--|--|
| 8:00 - 9:00 AM | BREAKFAST | |
| 9:00 - 9.40 AM | Academic Time | Children choose task |
| 10:00 - 10.40 AM | Brain food Academic time | Children choose task |
| 11:00 - 12:00 PM | Creative Time / Play Time (this time can also be accompanied with snack/brainfood) | lego, drawing, block building, crafts, dancing, music, cooking or baking |
| 12:00 - 1:00 PM | LUNCH | |
| 1:00 - 1.40PM | Academic Time | Children choose task |
| 2:00 - 2.40PM | Academic Time | Children choose task |

REMINDER: As you can see we have kept the task at a 40min session within that hour. So if it takes your child the whole hour to complete the task, that is great. Or if your child has completed the task within the 40min then they have 20 or so minutes of some free time of their choice.

Don't forget that there are many great resources out there in the community that we can access from the comfort of our home.

Watch the animals being fed at any of our Victorian zoos www.zoo.org.au

Museums Victoria https://museumsvictoria.com.au/

Go crazy with Lego! Can you complete the 30 day Lego Challenge? https://thatbricklife.com/lego-challenge-30-days-of-play-calendar/

Log into ACMI education for some fantastic activities and also some incredible online tasks on https://www.acmi.net.au/

Jump into a work out with Joe Wicks (on YouTube). Fun short workouts for all ages.

Create your own backyard obstacle course or Olympics Cast Cosmic Yoga to your TV and enjoy a Yoga Session!

Once again we need to be flexible with our timetable and our thinking. As you are aware, we have set up a roster for online home learning, that specifies times when academic tasks are held, BUT if that timetable does not suit your current home situation, parents having to work from home, taking care of babies or toddlers, children feeling anxious about the task, parents feeling anxious about the task and many other reasons then be flexible. If you want to swap your creative time at 11am with an academic time as stated above, then change it for whatever time suits your current home arrangements to alleviate any anxieties or stresses from your day.

A helpful hint:

This has really helped many families and children in the last three weeks. Sit with your child / children the night before and organise what tomorrow's learning will look like. As a family you might want to decide what tasks the children will be doing and an explanation on how to achieve their task. So hopefully in the morning the children will already know what

is expected from them and hopefully give them some independence and structure.

Please make sure you have turned on notifications on the SJB school APP so that you don't miss out on any important reminders or messages shared throughout the week.

If you need any help, advice or have any questions please contact me at mguzzardi@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au or your child's teacher or any one of us on leadership.

We are in this together, let's continue to support each other, be patient with each other, be patient with the kids, be flexible, have time to laugh, sing and dance with your child at home and be kind.

Cheers

Marc Guzzardi

WELLBEING NEWS

This week has thrown new challenges at families again as we have attempted to increase academic time to support students more with their learning. We are aware that all our households are different and therefore this time looks very different for all of us. A Parenting Ideas article released recently may be helpful for those who are juggling many different demands in the one house at the moment, Successful Close Quarter Living.

Classroom teachers are really appreciating the opportunity to still recognise students who have been showing our school dispositions through school awards each week. Our SRC leaders have decided that it would be great to have these award recipients earn points towards our House Spirit tally. Therefore, the points for all the awards given so far have been added and we can tell you that there is now a new House in the lead! This may change again of course after this week so stay tuned as our leaders will be sharing a House Points update with you at some stage over the next few weeks. Well done to everyone who has received a school award so far for their amazing efforts with their remote learning, we are all very proud of your achievements.

Please reach out if you need support during this time. We are only too happy to help in any way we can. We really are all in this together.

Enjoy your weekend,

Sommer Azzopardi & Naomi Scott Student Wellbeing Team

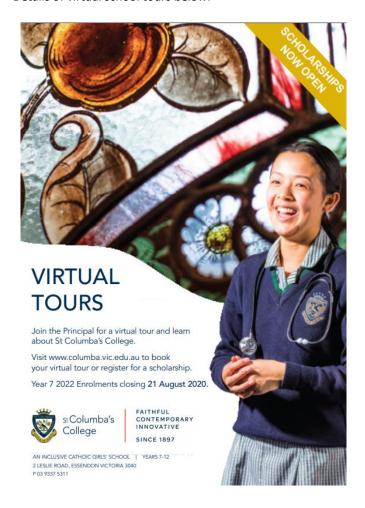
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club looks a bit different this term. Books can only be ordered online through a Scholastic Loop account. Follow the link below to view the digital catalogue and make a purchase directly from Scholastic Books. Orders must be made by May 8th Delivery is \$5.99. Please ensure your order is delivered to your home address.

https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/

NEWS FROM ST COLUMBA'S COLLEGE

Details of virtual school tours below:



YEAR 7 2021 APPLICATIONS FOR GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Year 6 to 7 2021 Victorian Government Secondary School Transition Information Packs and Year 7 application forms are now available on the Department of Education website below.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/going-to-school/Pages/year-6-to-7.aspx

Families may also contact the government secondary school directly for a copy of the Year 7 Placement/application form.

All application forms for Year 7 2021 placement should be returned to the front office at St John Bosco's by Friday 29 May 2020.

Learn music

Creative Music for Schools is still serving the students of St. John Bosco's School. However we have moved our lesson delivery online until circumstances allow us to resume lessons at school.

Learn to play keyboard, guitar,

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.

Online lesson costs are substantially reduced and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2.

Interested parents should email Nicholas on nicholas@creativemusic.com.au



Thanking you

Peter Monaghan Principal

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CELEBRATING ANZAC DAY

Lest We Forget



I am missing seeing you all around SJB! I hope you are all enjoying learning from home and staying home to stay safe! Lately my family and I have been enjoying spending lots of time together. On the weekend we celebrated Anzac Day. We couldn't celebrate in the way we usually do as each year we go to our friend's house to watch the footy. However, it was still a memorable day as we got up at dawn and paid our respects by standing at the end of our driveway and watching the ceremony on our phone. We also made Anzac biscuits and they were so yummy!

Looking forward to seeing you all again soon.
Mrs Lannin









Hi everyone, I hope you are all staying safe and happy during this interesting time. I miss you all! This week during our Google Meet, 1MC talked about Anzac Day! We talked about how we celebrate Anzac Day.

I celebrated Anzac Day this year by putting a candle on my balcony to honour the soldiers. I also made yummy Anzac Biscuits!

I have enjoyed eating my Anzac biscuits this week. They make my cups of tea much sweeter!

I need to keep my biscuits out of reach from my cat Louie, as he loves to snack!

Stay safe everyone! I can't wait to see you all. Love Mrs Meagan

EXERCISE WITH MISS BESLIS

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all safe, healthy and happy!
I have been busy creating some super fun
P.E lessons at home for you. I have also
been practicing my skipping, it's so fun!
Although I do miss running laps of the oval
with you, I am so grateful that we can all
still be active together in our homes. Take
care of yourself and your families, I can't
wait to see you soon!

Miss Beslis



Hello from Mrs Doody

Hi guys, I've been having lots of fun at home with my family: heaps of games nights, trivia online with friends, baking & gardening. I finally finished this beautiful jigsaw of Venice. I've been going on lots of long walks and dreaming up fun art activities for us all to do! I have also been spending time doing art myself. I'm really missing seeing you all in the art room. Hopefully we can all be together again soon Take care xx Mrs Doody











I'm learning so many new tools during these uncertain times and pretty proud of what we as a whole school community have achieved so far.

My mantra for every day- "breathe, one step at a time, be kind to each other and smile"

SJB BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The SJB Business Directory is pleased to introduce you to the new businesses who registered to support our school this week. Please keep them in mind, together with our other registered businesses, particularly during this difficult time. We are here to support them and they are ready to support us.

KT Hair Design

https://www.facebook.com/KTHairDesigns/
Kathleen Trifilo
Professional Stylist and Colourist

K T Hair Designs

Contact for an appointment
Mobile: 0403496417
kgtrifilo@bigpond.com

Hairdressing services including ladies cut & style, colour foils, hair ups, mens and kids cut and style

BlueRock

http://www.bluerock.com.au



BlueRock is an entrepreneurial advisory firm that exists to help business owners run and grow successful businesses.

We can support the businesses who are supporting our school by allowing them the opportunity to assist you when required, referring them to family and friends that may require their services and by liking & sharing their social media pages to get the word out about them. Each business is connected to our school in some way and they welcome the opportunity to assist you. We thank them for their contribution to our school and look forward to building strong relationships with them.

For any other families that are interested in registering to our business directory, please contact Sonja Scarpaci on 0432 143 761 or via email <u>businessdirectory@sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au</u>.

As a registered business, the directory will allow you exposure to our schools 300+ current families as well as an opportunity for business networking amongst our other registered businesses.

All of the current registered businesses are uploaded on our School website under the School Community page http://www.sjbniddrie.catholic.edu.au/school-community/business-directory/ and will appear in our weekly newsletter.

We have also been provided a dedicated Business Directory Notice Board in the corridor next to the staff room. This will be progressively updated by our P&F committee to include details of our registered businesses. We encourage you to check it out when walking by.

SJB BUSINESS DIRECTORY

