

St John Bosco's School NEWSLETTER



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Edition 14 21 May 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

Dear Parents

As you are no doubt well aware our children in Prep to Year 2 start to transition back to school from next week. Monday is a pupil free day and Tuesday 26th May is the children's first day back.

There are some necessary changes to the drop off and pick up procedures in order to ensure adults maintain the social distancing rules set out by the Government and CECV. All children will arrive and depart school at different times and from different entry points, according to the first letter of their surname.

Drop off and Pick up times are as follows.

Drop off

Surname beginning with A-G 8.30am Teague St Surname beginning with H-O 8.40am Muriel St Surname beginning with P-Z 8.50 am Teague St

Pick Up

Surname beginning with A-G 3.10 pm Teague St Wed-2.50pm. Surname beginning with H-O 3.20 pm Muriel St Wed -3.00 pm. Surname beginning with P-Z 3.30 pm Teague St. Wed -3.10pm.

Please note that the **Teague St** gate is next to the sandpit and the **Muriel St** gate is the double gate.

We ask that parents do not enter the school grounds and that cars are not parked in the school grounds. Children will be met on arrival by leadership and a member of your child's class team, either the teacher or the LSS. Children will drop their bags off and wash their hands prior to playing or entering the classroom. Children will wash/ sanitise their hands on the hour and prior to and after recess and lunch. All desks will be sanitised on the hour and door handles and stair rails will be continually sanitised throughout the day. All sports equipment will also be sanitised prior to and after use.

The year levels will be separated during recess and lunch, alternating between the soccer pitch/ oval/ basketball court area and the multi-purpose room. Drinking (bubble) taps will be closed and children are asked to bring their own drink bottles with their name on them. The adventure playground will be closed until further notice and the riding of bikes, scooters and skateboards in the school grounds will not be permitted. The school tuckshop will be closed until further notice.

Children who are at school in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, whose parents are deemed essential workers and are not working from home, will operate in their normal classrooms under

MPORTANT DATES

2020

Mon 25 May School Closure Day- Curriculum Planning

Tues 26 May Prep, Year 1 & 2 return to school

Mon 8 Jun Queen's Birthday holiday

Tues 9 Jun Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 return to school

Fri 26 June Last Day Term 2, 1pm dismissal

Mon 13 July First Day Term 3

Mon 10 Aug School photos (revised date)

Wed 16 Sep Parent teacher interviews- 1.30-7pm

Fri 18 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

the guidance of the teacher and LSS and will be following the online /home learning timetable.

Children in Years Prep-2 will be having specialist classes as normal so the teachers can plan for the upcoming week. This timetable will be posted on See Saw in the coming days and will be for the first two weeks. A new timetable will be introduced when the Year 3-6 children return to school on June 9th.

We ask that all devices that have been borrowed from the school are returned on 26th May (P-2) and 9th June (3-6). All devices will be sanitised immediately prior to use.

Semester 1 reports will differ from previous years due to the COVID- 19 crisis. The reports will be assessing terms 1 and 2's learning within the same document. This means that the report will be looking at what has been taught formally by the teacher and informally by parents and teachers. It will not be possible to report against the standards as many learning opportunities have been missed due to the nature of the term.

However, we will be assessing the children's attitudes to work within the classroom and the personal and social dispositions reflected during online learning. Specialist teachers will report on what has been covered and the children's work habits within their program. Attendances will reflect the child's arrival for work whether it be in class or online.

Parent teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 16th September from 1.30 to 7.00pm. This will provide parents with greater feedback on their child's development. Please note that this will not be accompanied by a report as that will be presented at the end of term 4.

Parents who have allied support professionals eg speech pathologists, occupational therapists, psychologists etc. visiting classrooms to view children are asked not to book such appointments until further notice. This is a Government and CECV requirement in order to reduce adult interaction within the school.

Special dates due to COVID 19

Friday 21st May- Teachers offline all day for assessment and reporting team discussions.

Monday 25th May- Pupil free day for planning, assessment and reporting. Suggested well-being activities for the students will be provided through the newsletter and seesaw. All staff return.

Tuesday 26th May- Prep, 1 and 2 children return.

Tuesday 9th June- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 return.

Monday 22nd June- School reports go home.

Friday 26th June - End of term school finishes at 1.00pm.

Thank you once again to the teachers for the preparation put into the term planning, to the parents for working so closely with us and the children for their efforts. I said at the beginning of this marathon that we needed to take this opportunity to grow as a community and to build upon what makes us great. Well, I can honestly say that this has been the most rewarding and positive experiences I have encountered in 38 years of education. Adversity can do one of two things, it can enhance the soul or destroy the spirit. I am feeling enhanced!

Have a great weekend! Peter



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

MIA DOOLAN, STELLA FORNITO, DIVINA OORLOFF, LILIANA READ, MASSIMO READ, JACOB TEAGUE, WILLIAM BOURKE, MONET MUSCAT, OLIVIA HANNA, MILA CALLEGARI, LACHLAN DITFORT, TAHLIA RAMONDETTA, KALIA RADOBULJAC, JULIAN TURCZYNIAK



RE NEWS

Liturgical calendar.

The Ascension of the Lord Year A Mt. 28: 16 - 20.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. In the gospel passage, what is it that Jesus commissioned his disciples to do?

How does your local community seek to 'spread the good news' to others?

What are some of the actions of being a witness that might speak louder than words?

Sacramental Celebrations 2020

These unprecedented times have caused us to postpone the Sacramental dates we had in place for 2020. As yet we do not have any new dates to share with you, however, please note that as soon as we do you will be made aware of these. We will make every effort to give families as much notice as possible. At this present time the size of such gatherings in our Churches doesn't permit us to proceed with planning. We are hoping restrictions will ease in the near future and we can put some plans in place.

National Reconciliation Week.



We celebrate National Reconciliation Week from 27th May June 3rd. The theme for this year seems more appropriate than ever: "In this together".

The National Reconciliation Week 2020 theme reinforces that we all have a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures. When we come together to build mutual respect and understanding, we shape a better future for all Australians.

SCHOOL PARENT LIAISON

Not long to go before we have ALL the students back. We are very excited to have the Preps to Year 2 students back next week and look forward in two weeks to welcoming our Year 3-6's back as well.

Until then, Year 3-6 children at home or onsite will continue with the online home learning program. Week 7 brings about the same structure.

Suggested Daily Routine for Home Learning
Week 7 Yr 3-6

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.

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

Cheers Marc Guzzardi

WELLBEING NEWS

As our junior students finish their time at home and prepare to transition back to school, along with all our staff, it is a good time for everyone to really focus on our own wellbeing. Students will be able to do this on our School Closure Day on Monday (25th May) where we encourage them to take part in activities centered around the principles of the 5 Ways to Wellbeing SJB Student Wellbeing Day T2 - 2020. We also strongly encourage parents to make time at some point to become familiar with the 5 Ways to Wellbeing and explore the website as it is based on extensive international research and offers 5 very simple ways to improve your psychological and emotional health. In order to effectively support others, we need to look after ourselves first.

When face to face classes return for students they will be given opportunities to work through what they have gained from their experiences of isolation and indeed what they have lost. This wellbeing focus will be important in supporting them to successfully transition back into school routines and some new norms. This What can I expect when I come back to school flyer, which will also be sent out to classes via See Saw, should help students work through some of the uncertainty and mixed emotions they may feel prior to returning to school.

There is a free webinar for school communities which has been made available for us which may be of interest given the recent increase in screen time for everyone. This is called '<u>Understanding Techno Tantrums</u>'. We have attached a flyer with for this webinar to the newsletter this week for you to have a look through. It looks like it could be a really interesting one.

Well done to everyone who has received a class award so far this term. You have earned House Points for your team and made your House Captains very proud. Keep up the great work and developing those dispositions every great learner needs.

Enjoy your weekend, Sommer Azzopardi & Naomi Scott Student Wellbeing Team

PE NEWS

IT'S TIME TO GET RUNNING!

Are you missing all of our school sports events as much as I am? Due to the current circumstances, our Athletics Day and Cross Country Carnival have been postponed, but we can still keep active!

Our school has signed up to the Great Australian Cross Country Challenge! This event is open to ALL year levels and

ages. It's a virtual run competition against lots of different aged students from around Australia. You can run or walk AND you can do it where and whenever you want. This is a great way to still keep active on your weekends with your family or before school.

There are also some great prizes to be won including ASICS gear! Watch this video for more information. https://gaccc.com.au/

If you are interested please get in contact with me, I would love to get a big group of SJB students and families representing our school!

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Elena Beslis

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

Fun Run Prizes

Prizes have been distributed to classes today! Children can collect prize/prizes on their return to school. For those who

did not order prizes, we have ordered for you! If you did not want prizes, you are welcome to donate prizes back to the P&F for future events such as fete, raffle, etc. Thank you and congrats to all!



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 or to the school of your first preference by Friday 29 May 2020.

SPECIAL THANKS

On behalf of the on-site staff, we extend our thanks to our regular CRT teacher, Leonie Van Brink. Leonie has dropped off



some of her legendary scones, jam and cream on many occasions during this term to the staff that are working from school. These delicious treats have been very appreciated!

Thanking you

Peter Monaghan Principal

Beth monaglan

St John Bosco's School Welcome back! 26th May - 5th June

WHAT CAN I EXPECT WHEN I COME BACK TO SCHOOL?



BIG SMILES & ELBOW TAPS!

We have missed you! We can't give high fives just yet, but we are great at elbow taps!



DROP OFFS

For now we will have our own drop off spots. We will need to give our parents big hugs and kisses at the gate and walk into school on our own.

A-G families 8:30am Teague st H-O families 8:40am Muriel St P-Z families 8:50am Teague St



KEEPING OUR SCHOOL

Van and our staff will be working hard to do extra cleaning at school. We will also wash our hands regularly, sneeze/cough into our elbow, use hand sanitizer, give each other some space when working & playing.



WILL OUR CLASSES GO BACK TO NORMAL?

May 26th

Prep- 2 you will return to your classes - yay! Year 3-6 you will continue to follow the online home learning tasks.



PLAYTIMES

May 26th

Each year level will have a particular place they will need to play in at playtimes. You will rotate between the oval, basketball court and multipurpose room. We will clean the equipment after play times.



PICK UP SPOTS

A-G families 3:10pm Teague st (2:50pm Wed) H-O families 3:20pm Muriel St (3:00pm Wed) P-Z families 3:30pm Teague St (3:10pm Wed)



SHE SUCCEEDS



Meet the Principal and discover what Ave Maria College has to offer in our online tour. To book visit our website at www.avemaria.vic.edu.au Applications for Year 7 in 2022 close on Friday, 21 August 2020.

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SHE WHO BELONGS



Applications for Year 7 in 2022 close on Friday, 21 August 2020.

Contact the Registrar on 9331 9308 or via email at registrar@avemaria.vic.edu.au

www.avemaria.vic.edu.au

G'DAY FROM YOUR BOSCO HOUSE CAPTAIN



Hello, it's Daniel your Bosco House Captain

Hope you are all doing well. Remember to stay
healthy and try to exercise every day.

Remember to have a growth mindset and never
give up. Soon everything will get back to
normal and will be back to school in no time.

See you soon! Daniel Bukovinszky

Mr Monaghan is celebrating the return to Golf!



G'DAY FROM HOME AND SJB



HOME WITH TRACEY- Nappies, dress, feed. Google Meet.....repeat!!!



"I've been missing you all and can't wait to see all of your smiling faces over the next couple of weeks. When I'm not at school, I have been home with my two boys Mason and Flynn. Our favourite subject would have to be PE, especially bike riding! Flynn who is in Prep has appointed himself school captain of our Azzopardi Primary School, while Mason has chosen to be principal and has tried to convince me we can have multiple curriculum days. It's funny neither one of them want me to be the teacher, but would rather I open the canteen for them every playtime! My husband Rich is winning the teacher of the year award, learning French and how to use Seesaw.

Miss you all, stay safe and see you soon. Mrs Azzopardi xx

CARL SENDS A BIG HELLO! HE CAN'T WAIT TILL YOU ARE ALL BACK



miss you

Mr G is Missing Everyone!

SJB BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The SJB Business Directory asks you to keep all our registered businesses in mind, particularly during this difficult time. We are here to support them and they are ready to support us.

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