

Santa Clara School

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Important Dates:

Friday 27 June:

 9:00am Winter Carnival for Years 5 & 6 at Maida Vale Reserve

Saturday 28 June:

Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Monday 30 June: ➤ Lap-a-thon

Wednesday 2 July:

> Reports go home

FRIDAY 4 JULY: > LAST DAY OF TERM 2 FOR STUDENTS

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FROM MONDAY 7 JULY 2014 TO FRIDAY 18 JULY 2014

MONDAY 21 JULY 2014

- PUPIL FREE DAY STAFF PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL CLOSED

TUESDAY 22 JULY:

- > TERM 3 BEGINS
- FOR STUDENTS

 > 4:45pm 6:00pm
 Confirmation
 Parent/Child
 Workshop
- > 6:45pm School Board Meeting

Wednesday 23 July:

9:00am Dental Screenings for PP, Year 3 & Year 6

Thursday 24 July: ➤ 2:00pm P & F Meeting

Tuesday 29 July:

 The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment for Years 3 & 5

Thursday 31 July: > SCHOOL PHOTOS

Friday 1 August:

9:00am Year 4Participation Mass

Friday 8 August:

 9:00am Mass – Feast of St Dominic & St Mary of the Cross MacKillop (Year 5) 26 June 2014

Love is no trouble,

Love is pleasant,

It is through love that we pass from death to life.

Nothing is dearer to God than love.

With that love that fulfils the law

May the Just one

Be generous to fill us in abundance,

Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

Who freely offered Himself

As the author of Peace and God of Love,

To whom be the glory for ever and ever.

St Columban

Dear Parents/Caregivers, Staff and Students

Another term comes to an end; but what an exciting and productive term it has been, both for students and teachers!

The winter season has brought along the usual colds and flu that many of us have already experienced. Please be vigilant with the oncoming signs not only for colds and flu but also for **chicken pox and whooping cough** that are around our community at the moment.

I would like to thank all my Teachers, Teacher Assistants, Admin Officers, Grounds Person and Cleaning Staff, OSC Staff for their dedication and commitment in the work they do. I would like to thank all mums and dads who helped out during the term.

A very special thank you to the School Board, P & F for all you do for our school and continue to do so. Your immense help provides our children with the resources and education they need to become good citizens of tomorrow.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support of our staff and myself during the past term.

I wish you all a happy and enjoyable time with your children during the next two weeks.

END OF SEMESTER REPORT – Term Two

Throughout the teaching cycle, teachers gather data which is informing them on how students are progressing and how successful their teaching and learning program is.

The Assessment and Reporting is linked to the classroom teaching and learning programmes. At Santa Clara this is taken seriously and we continue to strive for best practice in this area.

The staff are working towards report writing which demonstrate to you the parents your child/ren's physical, academic and social progress throughout the first semester. At the end of Term 2, you will receive your child's 'End of Semester Report'.

Term 3: Final Reminder

Term 2 ends on Friday 4 July. Term 3 commences for staff on Monday 21 July, for students on 22 July and ends Thursday 25 September.

September 1 and September 2 are Pupil Free Days.

NEWSLETTERS AT SANTA CLARA SCHOOL

Santa Clara is an environmentally conscious school, and as a move to reduce costs and the amount of paper that is consumed in a school environment, we are encouraging all families to receive our newsletters in Semester Two, via email.

Our newsletters are written in a word document format and because the size of the publication is miniscule, it will not affect your internet mail box when posted.

A reminder that our newsletters are also available each week on the Santa Clara School website.

I encourage all families to please provide us with their forwarding email addresses.

I thank all families who have responded to our call and are already receiving their newsletters via email.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

CONFIRMATION The Sacrament of Confirmation is the last Sacrament celebrated this year. The timetable for the Sacrament is stated below. Parents and children of the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded that the Parent/Student Workshop will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 22 July 2014 at 4:45pm to 6:00pm. A member of the Catechist team from Catholic Education Office will be presenting this important Workshop.

If you have any queries concerning the Sacramental programme, please do not hesitate to contact Father Chris or Muriel on 9458 2944

Sacrament of Confirmation

Student Retreat Day / Excursion:
8:50am Wednesday
4 September 2014
At Schoenstatt Shrine, Armadale
(Please note new date & venue)

Parent/Student Workshop: 4:45-6:00pm Tuesday 22 July 2014 (Facilitated by Dr Carmel Suart)

> Celebrated on: 9.30am Sunday 14 September 2014



SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

The Sacrament of Eucharist was held last Sunday morning at the Santa Clara Parish. What a beautiful mass it was and congratulations to the nine Communicants, six Year Four students and three Parish children. Special thanks to Father Chris, Adrian Tulett, Carla Klomp and the school choir for making it a very special occasion for all concerned.





KINDERGARDEN / PRE PRIMARY / YEAR ONE & YEAR TWO PARALITURGY – TUESDAY 1 JULY 2014

The Kindergarden / Pre Primary / Year One and Year Two Paraliturgy will be held next Tuesday 1 July 2014 in the school hall at 9:00am. We welcome parents and friends to join the children on this day.

BISHOPS' RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT 2014 - YEAR THREE & YEAR FIVE STUDENTS

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year Three and Year Five students in Catholic schools across Western Australia will take part in *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* during the week commencing **Monday 28 July 2014** (Term Three, Week Two).

Students enrolled in Year Three and Year Five who are following a regular classroom program are expected to participate. Students with disability are also entitled to participate in the assessment. Exemptions may apply.

The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment is a large-scale, standardised assessment program for students in Years Three, Five and Nine. The program consists of a series of Religious Education (RE) tests developed and marked by the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia (CEOWA). Formal school and student reports are produced by the CEOWA for students in Year Five and Year Nine.

The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment provides a 'point in time' snapshot of student performance in Religious Education. Students' knowledge and understanding of the content of the Religious Education curriculum is assessed using a combination of multiple choice and short and extended response items. Students' faith is not assessed. The use of *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* complements the school based assessment programs in Religious Education.

The Specific Nature of the Year Three Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment

The Year Three *Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* is part of the large-scale, standardised assessment program but is less formal in nature. A common test paper will be administered to Year Three students. However, unlike the Years Five and Year Nine *Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment,* the marking of the Year Three test papers will be completed by teachers at our school. A marking guide for teachers is provided by the CEOWA. Student results for Year Three are not required to be sent to the CEOWA and as a result formal reports are not produced.

Please contact Mr King or Mr Win Pe, if you have any inquiries regarding the administration of *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* 2014.

MSP SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH DAY - THURSDAY 31 JULY 2014

Our school Photos will be taken on Thursday 31 July 2014 in the school hall. Students are to wear their winter uniform. Please <u>do not</u> send your children to school in their sports uniform or without ties (boys).

Children's personalised envelopes for the school's photo day were sent out this week. MSP request that your children bring their envelope to school on photo day (and not given to Administration or your classroom teacher before the day) and hand it directly to the photographer at the time of their individual photo.

If you should wish to purchase a family photo, please come to the administration office to collect a Family envelope. Family photographs will commence at 8:30am on photo day. We ask that the eldest child of the family collect their siblings at the scheduled time for family photos.

Please ensure the correct money is enclosed in your envelope as no change can be given on the photo day by the Photographer/s or by the School. Payment options are cash, cheque, money order, direct credit, credit card or we have an online for your convenience.

If you have missed out on ordering on photo day, orders can be placed directly with MSP photography on 08 9342 3465, However please be advised any orders received after photo date will incur an additional \$20.00 search fee.

All children will have an individual portrait taken whether purchasing photos or not as the school require the images for their data base. Any Special orders placed after the due date set will also incur an additional \$20.00 search fee. Please note that Online Orders close six days after photo day. If you have any queries concerning the MSP School Photos please see Administration.

HEALTHY EATING AT SANTA CLARA

Over the last term I have noticed on many occasions where some children are not eating healthy foods for recess and lunch. Parents and children are reminded that healthy eating is important. Parents should ensure that their children come to school with a healthy recess and lunch. Eating healthy food will assist in your child's learning and growth. Below are some healthier alternatives and snack ideas you could put in your child's lunchbox:

Healthier alternatives to sweet snacks

Try some healthy ways with fruit

- Chunks of melon, strawberries, grapes, or whatever you have to hand. Look out for fruit that's in season, it's likely to be cheaper.
- Dried how about just a few pieces of mango, banana, pineapple, cranberries or raisins? Don't forget, a small handful is about the right amount of dried fruit for kids.
- Low fat fruit yoghurt.
- A handful of dry, reduced sugar cereal with a few raisins or sultanas.

Healthier savoury snack ideas

Instead of crisps, salted nuts, pork scratchings, which can all be high in salt and fat, try:

- Baked crisps
- Small handful of unsalted mixed nuts
- Pumpkin and sunflower seeds
- Pitta and lower fat dips like salsa or reduced fat hummus
- Rice cakes with lower fat cream cheese and cucumber
- Celery sticks filled with lower fat cream cheese
- Homemade popcorn (without sugar or salt)
- Unsalted ricecakes, corncakes or oatcakes

Larry King
Assistant Principal – Religious Education

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Just a quick note to let you all know that while Ms Temmen is away on leave, I will be filling in as Acting Assistant Principal. I feel very privileged to be taking on this role and I would like to thank Mr Win Pe for giving me the opportunity to serve the Santa Clara School Community in this way during Ms Temmen's absence.

LAPATHON:

This coming Monday, 30th June, the children from Pre-Primary through to Year Six will be taking part in the annual school Lapathon. The Kindergarten class will take part in their Lapathon on Tuesday morning as they are not at school on Monday. This is one of our annual fund-raising activities and it is always great fun and the children really enjoy taking part. Great prizes are on offer, with the opportunity for all those participating to win. Parents are welcome to attend and give their children encouragement on the day. A great course will be set out by Mr Boxsell and the Sports Ministry so we look forward to a fun-filled event.

WINTER CARNIVAL: The Year Five and Six students will be participating in a Winter Carnival on Friday 27 June. Thanks to Mr Boxsell who plans, organises and coordinates with other schools so our students have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of physical activities and events. More information will be coming home over the coming weeks.

CYBER-SAFE: Just a brief note on Cyber-safety this week. Please reserve the evening of **Tuesday 26 August between 5:30pm and 7:00pm** for cyber-safety parent workshops. It is essential that we are fully informed and fully aware of what our students are doing on the internet. This link (previously included) is designed specifically for parents; it is a user friendly, interactive, online guide offering age-appropriate strategies to help keep your children and teens safe online and includes links to parent quizzes, print-outs and other information in six different languages:

http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents/Resources/Educate%20yourself.aspx#sthash.SvdXYMYB.dpuf

Mr Adrian Tulett Assistant Principal

YEAR FIVE & YEAR SIX PARTICIPATION MASS - FRIDAY 4 JULY 2014.

The Year Five and Year Six classes will be at Friday week's (4 July 2014) Participation Mass, commencing at 9:00am. Parents of the Year Five and Year Six students are most welcome to attend.

LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY RENOVATION STAGE ONE

I am excited to announce that the stage of the Library renovation is complete and it's looking amazing! This stage was very involved, as it included a complete refurbishment of the shelving system, along with new tables and chairs. The children are loving the new easy-to-use shelving systems and are now able to find the books they want more independently. The bright orange and lime book ends have given the Library a much needed facelift and the new curved desks allow for a greater use of space in a more creative way. We have also purchased some ergonomic Hokki stools, which allow the children to slightly move whilst sitting on them (see picture). These are particularly beneficial for those children who find sitting

at desks challenging. They have proven to be a big hit amongst the children and we are looking towards buying some more in the next stage of the refurbishment early in 2015. We have also purchased a class set of donut cushions for the children to sit on around the Library which are firm favourites and add a lot of colour! (see picture)

Please feel free to come and visit our new Library space any time on Thursdays and Fridays when it is open. I'm sure you'll see a vast improvement, turning our old tired looking Library into an innovative and child-centred learning environment that the children are thoroughly enjoying. Watch this space for any new developments in our amazing new Library!

We have a large amount of new books waiting to go onto our new shelves for the children to borrow, however they all need to be covered in clear contact before they can ao circulation. We are asking for volunteers to take home 10 books to cover and bring back. The covering will all be cut to size, we just need it put on the books. Please see Mrs Tilzey or your class teacher if you are able to assist in the covering of these books. Your help is greatly appreciated and the children can't wait for these new books to hit the shelves!

Thanking you in anticipation,

Lisa Tilzey











SCHOOL PHOTO DAY THURSDAY 31 JULY 2014

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RICK THE ROCK EAGLE VISITS SANTA CLARA SCHOOL



On Monday 16 June, the West Coast Eagles' mascot, Rick the Rock Eagle, visited and entertained the school children. Rick was his mischievous self, but assisted students in determining what makes good friendships, making the right choice and healthy eating. Special thanks to Joe and Bradd and the West Coast Eagles for making available many prizes for the children.







YEAR THREE EXCURSION AT FREMANTLE PRISON

On Tuesday 17 June, the Year Three children visited the Fremantle Prison and saw the legendary Moondyne Joe's cell. This term the Year Three students have been reading Mark Greenwood's book, 'The Legend of Moondyne Joe. Unfortunately for one student, Tanaka, witnessed life in prison and received fifty lashes. Thank you to the nine parents/Grandparents who also attended and made this excursion an enjoyable one.







YEAR FOUR

Learning about the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Chanel & Mickayla

One of the activities we enjoyed doing when we were learning about Communion was to create our own symbol for Communion. We had to think of the words from the bible that say "I live in everyone who receives Me in Holy Communion" and decide what they meant for us. Then we designed a symbol to represent this. Mickayla's focussed on the Bread and the Wine, while mine included a dove as well.

Brandon & Shayan

We learned that Jesus loves each of us for our differences. We were asked to think about our own unique differences and to write a 'psalm' praising God for the unique way that he made us. We wrote our psalms in our books first, then did a good copy on coloured paper, which we decorated. Then we outlined the words so that they would stand out.

Dannielle & Avelyn

This term we have been preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. One of our tasks was to research paintings of The Last Supper, and how artists represented Jesus and the Eucharist. Then we designed our own painting of The Last Supper. We sketched the outline of the painting with light coloured pencil, and then painted over it with water colour paints.

We think that the paintings created by our class are colourful and bright. Also, the Eucharist is very clearly represented in all of them. Most have followed a traditional approach to the subject, like the famous Leonardo da Vinci painting, but some have taken a more contemporary and symbolic way of showing the Eucharist.



Zoe & Henon

A few weeks before Communion, the Year 3 & Year 4 classes visited the Schoenstatt Shrine. We had such an amazing time there.

When we arrived we met Sr Lisette. We decorated candles with colourful wax and some wheat. Every colour on the candle represents something special. Red was for the cross, blue was for the holy water, green and yellow represents the wine connected to the wheat, and the purple represented the grapes

First Holy Communion

On Sunday the 22nd of June, six children from the Year Four class and three boys from the Santa Clara Parish received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. Here are their thoughts about the day.

Alison & Peter

When we arrived on Sunday, we gathered with the other children receiving the Sacrament in the school hall. We were each given a pin to wear and had a photo taken with our families. Then we lined up behind the acolytes and altar servers and processed into the church with Fr Chris following us. We were nervous and quite excited, as we walked down the aisle to our places.

Erin & Hannah

During the mass we had the important job of proclaiming the readings from the Lectionary. I was given the first reading, from the book of Deuteronomy. It was about Moses reminding the Israelites about their journey through the wilderness and God sustaining them with manna from heaven. As I stepped up to the microphone it felt like I was about to explode. I took a big breath and began (Erin).

My reading was from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. In it St Paul reminds us that we are all one when we share in the Body of Christ. When I was reading, my heart was racing and I almost mixed up the words (Hannah)

Abby & Michael

Finally the time came to receive the Body and Blood of Christ and we lined up in the aisle in front of the altar. Again we were very nervous, because we didn't know what it would be like. Michael received the Host first from Fr Chris, and then he moved to the right to receive the Blood from the acolyte. The other boys also went to the right and the girls went to another acolyte on the left. When I put the Body and Blood in my mouth I was thinking about Jesus sharing the bread with his disciples.





CANTEEN ROSTER	
Friday 27 June Laura Munut	Monday 30 June Mitzi Bettridge
Friday 4 July Luba Crossing	
TERM 3	
Monday 21 July PUPIL FREE DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	Friday 25 July
Monday 28 July	Friday 1 August
Monday 4 August	Friday 8 August
Monday 11 August	Friday 15 August

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

All pre-orders are now available for collection from the Uniform Shop.

Please finalise before the end of the term. Thank you.

Email:

The West Australian

Parents,

HELP OUR SCHOOL WIN CASH

The West Australian is giving schools the chance to WIN part of \$10 000 cash in the Quick Cash for Schools promotion.

On Saturday 28 June a coupon will be published in The Weekend West and each coupon collected will give our school an entry into the draw to win part of \$10 000.

THE MORE COUPONS COLLECTED THE MORE CHANCES TO WIN!

Please collect as many of these coupons as you can from your friends and family and bring them in to our collection point in the school office.

Thanks for your support.

P & F Committee

BUSINESS CONTACT LIST

The P&F would like to compile a list of businesses/services offered by families from the school community. This will be a great way to promote your business and an easy directory if you are looking for a local service. This list will be distributed to all Santa Clara School families. To cover the distribution costs a fee of \$10 will apply. If you are interested in being on this list please fill in the details below and return it along with the \$10 to the Santa Clara P&F c/o the school office.

Santa Clara P&F Business Contact List Reply Slip Business Name: Service/Product Provided: Contact Person: Phone Number: