

Santa Clara School

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Important Dates:

Tuesday 29 July:

Bishops' The Religious Literacy Assessment Years 3 & 5

Thursday 31 July: **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Friday 1 August:

9:00am Year Participation Mass

Friday 8 August:

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

MONDAY 11 AUGUST:

- 9:00am Mass -Feast of Santa Feast or Clara (Year 1) 20am Market
- Stalls
- Talent 11:40am Quest
- 1:30pm Movies in Classrooms

Friday 15 August:

9:00am Mass – Feast of the **Assumption of Mary** (Year 2)

24 July 2014

Lord, help us to remember that the children we teach

do not come to school empty handed.

They bring with them the habits, attitudes and feelings

engendered by living within the family.

Remind us that we share and care in the lives

of these children in partnership with parents.

Grant us the wisdom and grace to use our

professional skills effectively to make this a

fruitful partnership which will benefit the child,

the family and the community.

Be with us each day, Lord that Your

presence may inspire us in a life of service.

Dear Parents/Caregivers, Staff and Students

What makes our school so special?

Santa Clara is a vibrant community with a wide range of ethnic groups. We strive to create a culturally inclusive environment where EVERYONE BELONGS! We celebrate the cohesive and inclusive nature of our nation and promote the benefits of cultural diversity. At Santa Clara, children from various religious denominations are most welcome.

Welcome back everyone. It's so nice to start a school term with lots of smiles and excitement for the days ahead. Many of our staff members were in during the holidays to prepare lessons, pay bills or tend to the grounds in preparation for the students to return. We should celebrate this as a strength within the school community because it demonstrates a professionalism and dedication which is solely directed to providing the best we can for the children. Doesn't time fly so quickly! I hope that everyone was able to enjoy a relaxing holiday with family and friends over the break.

St Clare's Feast Day

On Monday 11 August we are celebrating St Clare's Feast Day, the patron saint of Santa Clara school.

Performing Arts Festival - Opening Mass

Two of our Year 6 student leaders, accompanied By Mrs Carla Klomp will represent Santa Clara School at an Opening Mass on Thursday 24 July at St Mary's Cathedral, Victoria Square. There will be over 250 students and staff from Catholic Schools in WA taking part in the mass. I am the commentator for the mass. Pray for me!

SCHOOL ABSENCES

Please note that a written note explaining ANY and ALL absences from school for your child/ren must be handed to your child's teacher on their return to school. It is a legal requirement that we keep a signed letter explaining all absences, on file.

Pupil Free Days

Please be aware that **Monday 1 September and Tuesday 2 September are Pupil Free Days**. The Teachers and Teacher Assistants will be participating in a Curriculum Conference titled "LEADING – A Call To Action".

Term 3 ends: Friday 26 September 2014

Richard Win Pe Principal



SANTA CLARA PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation is the last Sacrament celebrated this year and will be celebrated on Sunday 14 September 2014 at the Santa Clara Parish. Please note the Year Six student Retreat Day will be held on Wednesday 3 September 2014 at the Schoenstatt Shrine in Armadale. The bus will depart at 8:50am and arrive back around 2:45pm. The timetable for the Sacrament is stated below.

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

8:50am Wednesday
3 September 2014
At Schoenstatt Shrine, Armadale
(Please note new date & venue)

Celebrated on: 9.30am Sunday 14 September 2014

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

THE 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* next week. The test will be conducted on Tuesday 29 July 2014.

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 is of the large-scale, Assessment part 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.

MISSION ACTIVITIES – ST CLARE'S FEAST DAY – MONDAY 11 AUGUST 2014

The Feast Day of Santa Clara, whom our school is named after, occurs on Monday 11 August 2014. This day is always special to our community. We are going to celebrate her memory with three activities which will help the children remember her story. Last year, the school fete raised over \$950 and this was donated to the Missions.

We once again ask parents to help to make our Mission Fundraising a success on our St Clare's Feast Day. Each class will organise a stall to raise funds for the children who are in the Catholic Missions around the world. Our stalls will be run during the day and will begin operating at around 10:30am for a hour. We ask that parents volunteer items for the stalls your children's classrooms are operating so that our event is successful. Most stalls will operate at a cost of 50 cents. Some may be as little as 20 cents. Please send your child/ren along to school on Monday 11 August with a few coins to spend. Could we please ask that you send along coins such as 10, 20 and 50 cents so that change does not become a concern.

The Stalls will be:

Year Level	Stall	Please send
		along
Pre Primary	Popcorn	Pre-popped
		popcorn
Year One	White Elephant	Good
		conditioned old
		toys, books
		etc.
Year Two	Cup Cakes	Cup cakes and
		other single
		serve cakes
Year Three	Whole Home-	Whole cakes
	made Cakes	with name and
		ingredients on
		cake
Year Four	Lolly Bags	Whole bags of
		Iollies, variety
Year Five	Homemade	Cookies
	cookies	
Year Six	Games	Lollies and fun
	Raffles	packs as prizes

The agenda for the day is as follows:

9:00am - 10:00am - Whole School Mass - Feast of Santa Clara Mass

10:25 – 10:30am – St Clare information (Year 6's)

10:30 – 11:30am - Market Stalls in the undercover area

11:40am – 12:45pm – Talent Showcase in school hall

12:50 - 1:30pm - Lunch

1:30 – 3:00pm - Movies in classrooms.



MASSES FOR TERM THREE

Please note the following masses will be held this term.

Friday 8 August 2014 – Feast Day of St Dominic and Mary of the Cross. This is a school mass celebrating St Mary MacKillop and St Dominic Feast Days commencing at 9:00am.

Monday 11 August 2014 – Feast Day of St Clare. This is a school mass celebrating St Clare's Feast Day and will commence at 9:00am

Friday 15 August 2014 – Holy Day of Obligation (Assumption of Mary) school mass. This mass will commence at 9:00am.

Sunday 14 September 2014 – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass. This is a Parish mass and will commence at 9:30am.

Larry King Assistant Principal – Religious Education

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Welcome back to Term Three everyone. I trust that you have all enjoyed a good break and that your children are well rested and ready for another term's learning. This term promises to be quite busy with lots of fun and exciting activities going on across the school.

COMMUNION PHOTOS

Photographic proofs from last term's First Communion celebration are now available for viewing in the School office. Order forms and envelopes for Mayfair Photographic Studios are available with the proofs should you wish to place an order. Orders may be given to Mrs Lewis in the office.

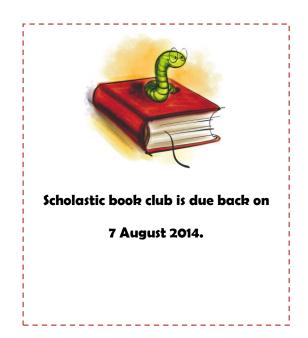
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Parents are reminded that school photo day is on next Thursday the 31st of July. Children are expected to come to school dressed in their full Winter uniform on this day. Please remember that order forms should be brought to school on Photo Day only with orders details and payment. The children need to hand these forms directly to the photographers. Full details are provided below.

Fr CHRIS AT MORNING TEA

On Tuesday 22nd July, Fr Chris joined the staff of Santa Clara School for morning tea in the school staff room. This was an opportunity for the school staff to officially welcome Fr Chris into the school community. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

Warmest Regards,
ADRIAN TULETT
ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL





SCHOOL PHOTO 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 have been sent home at the end of last term. We request that your children bring their envelope to school on photo 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 office to collect a Family envelope. We ask that the eldest child of the family collect their siblings at the scheduled time for family photos.

On delivery of the school photos, the Family photos will be left at reception for your collection. *Please note that they will not be sent home with the children.*

Please ensure the correct money is enclosed in your envelope as **NO** change can be given on photo day by our Photographers or by the School. Payment options are cash, cheque, money order, direct credit, credit card or online for your convenience.

Online Orders close 6 days after photo day.

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 day** will incur an additional **\$20.00 search fee**.

All children will have an individual portrait taken whether purchasing photos or not as the school requires the images for their data base.

CANTEEN ROSTER		
TERM 3		
Monday 21 July PUPIL FREE DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	Friday 25 July Natalie Chehab	
Monday 28 July	Friday 1 August	
Leanne Hamilton	Jo Mazzoleni	
Monday 4 August	Friday 8 August	
Trisha Forte	Julia Pearson	
Monday 11 August	Friday 15 August	
Trina Green	Laura Munut	



P&FNEWS

For planning purposes the P & F are seeking expressions of interest for a dance to be held on Saturday 20th September in the school hall.

Theme: Spring Dance

Approximate cost: \$15 per person

LIVE BAND AND LIQUOR ON SALE!

Please support your P & F.

If you are interested please email Sonia Thiel

foondi@bigpond.com

Remember there are still 2015 Entertainment Books for Sale from the school office. \$65