



# Santa Clara School

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## Important Dates:

### Friday 18 September:

- Interschool Athletics Carnival at Xavier Catholic School

### Thursday 24 September: Last Day of Term for Students

AFL Grand Final Footy  
Colours Day

### Friday 25 September: Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free Day – School Closed

### School Holidays from Monday 28 September to Friday 9 October

### Staff & Students commence Term 4 Monday 12 October

### Tuesday 20 October:

- Kindergarten Health Screenings
- 6:00pm P&F Meeting
- 6:45pm School Board Meeting

### Friday 23 October:

- Athletics Carnival at Wyong Reserve  
(please note change in date)

## COMING UP:

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER  
WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER  
ALL SAINTS DAY

MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER  
ALL SOULS DAY

FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER  
STAFF CATHOLIC DAY –  
SCHOOL CLOSED

## Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Another term comes to an end. Time flies when we are busy learning. But what an exciting and productive term it has been, both for students, teachers and other staff.

On behalf of the whole school, I do hope you and your family have a relaxing and renewing school holiday break and that all children return to school safe and well.

**School Commences for students in Term 4 on Monday 12 October.  
School Closes for Term Four on Friday 11 December.  
PUPIL FREE DAY FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2015.**

We also farewell, our two student teachers, Sabrina and Olivia who spent this term learning the craft of educators. We wish them well for their future in their teaching profession.

## PRAYER

We have a number of people in our school community at the moment who are in need of our prayerful support. These include students who are unwell, very young babies, adults and former staff members.

Please remember them in your prayers and pray that the loving hand of God will sustain them through difficult times.

I am aware that many of you are offering amazing support behind the scenes. It is gratifying to be part of such a supporting and considerate community.

## Catholic Education at Santa Clara School

The students are engaged in many and varied learning activities achieving very pleasing results. When we take stock of all the work we do together at school for the educational benefit of our students, it is amazing just how much we are involved in. This is because we as Catholic Educators believe that our students must experience a wide range of learning experiences covering all areas to cater for their spiritual, intellectual, physical, creative and social emotional needs. This vision is very comprehensive. In order for the school to achieve this vision we must have the full support of parents and guardians, as well as assistance and involvement as required. School/Home partnership means working closely and collaboratively so that our students experience a positive involvement of staff, students and parents/guardians.

I encourage and urge you to become fully involved in the education of your child/ren by attending school functions, becoming involved in the P & F and School Board, assisting teachers in the classrooms, volunteering to help with events such as those organised by the P & F, and the school staff. The school is a community and it requires all members to contribute in some way.

### Early Childhood Education “born to learn”

An article in the West Weekend Magazine some time ago, outlined the study of Professor Elizabeth Spelke, a cognitive psychologist at Harvard University’s Department of Psychology, in which she claims that we are born with a significant amount of “core knowledge” hardwired into our brains. Her study is dedicated to understanding what shapes the most powerful known learning machine – the infant mind.

**We at Santa Clara take our Early Childhood Education based on play seriously. We believe that play is something more than a way for restless children to work off steam; more than a way for chubby children to burn off calories; more than a frivolous luxury. We believe that play is a central part of neurological growth and development – one important way that children build complex, skilled, responsive, socially adept and cognitively flexible brains.**

### UNIFORMS, JEWELLERY, HAIRCUTS

Thank you parents for taking the time to ensure that your children are attending school looking smart and clean in their school uniforms. Please refer to the Parent Handbook which is available on the school website, for the school policy on uniforms including hair and jewellery. It is vital that parents support the school by following this policy thereby ensuring that their children are wearing the correct uniform and jewellery and have appropriate haircuts.

God bless

**Richard Win Pe**  
**Principal**

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the twenty-four children, fourteen Year Six students and ten Parish children, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday morning. It was a beautiful mass and thank you to Father Chris for making it a special occasion for the children. Special thanks also to Mrs Laura Munut, Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator and Mrs Mim Ellis, Year Six teacher, for all their preparation for the day.



### AFL GRAND FINAL FOOTY COLOURS DAY THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2015



Wear the colours of this year’s Grand Finalists next Thursday 24 September 2015. It is down to four teams at that stage, but who will be in this year’s AFL Grand Final on Saturday week. On Thursday 24 September, students are asked to wear the AFL Grand Finalists’ footy colours. The cost is a gold coin donation and all monies raised will assist the more needy people around the world.

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

I would like to wish all Santa Clara School children, parents and staff the best for a relaxing and safe holiday (Friday 25 September to Sunday 11 October 2015). Term Three concludes for students on Thursday 24 September 2015. Term Four commences for staff and students on Monday 12 October 2015.

**Larry King**  
**Assistant Principal Religious Education**

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Hello Everyone,

Week nine already; we are so close to holidays after such a busy term. I would like to congratulate all the Confirmation candidates who took part in this Sacrament on Sunday. It was lovely to see so many families together for this milestone in the children's spiritual development.

**END OF TERM:** Term Three finishes for students on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September. The teachers will be taking part in a professional development day on Friday before commencing their holidays. At the end of this term we farewell our Notre Dame student teachers. Thank you to Miss Olivia van Moorsel and Miss Sabrina Guest for their great contributions to Santa Clara School this term.

**TERM FOUR:** Term Four commences on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October** for staff and students.

**INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS:** The interschool athletics carnival is coming up on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September** at Xavier Catholic School. Mr Boxsell has prepared notes for participants and these have been sent home on Wednesday. A big thank you to Mr Boxsell who puts in a lot of time and effort to prepare students and organise events such as these.

**SCHOOL HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL:** Our school athletics carnival will be taking place on Friday of week Two, Term four, **23<sup>rd</sup> October**. This is always a fun day with lots of assistance from parents. More information will be coming home later.

**CYBER-SAFETY:** At Santa Clara School cyber-safety and awareness is a priority: Here are some safety tips to share with your children:

- Do not reply to rude or nasty comments.
- Immediately tell an adult if you feel uncomfortable or worried online.
- Have your computer in a common area of the house **NOT IN THE BEDROOM!**
- Help your parents to learn about the internet. Teach your parents the language of the cyberspace.
- Let your parents know where you go online, just as you would in real life.
- Ask your parents to spend time online with you - learn and explore together.
- Make sure that there are filters and other monitoring/blocking software to minimise dangers.
- Together with mum or dad, set house rules about what information you can put onto websites or share with others.
- Never ever share **PERSONAL INFORMATION** such as your name, address, phone number or school!
- Social Networking profiles such as MySpace, Facebook and Bebo **MUST BE SET TO PRIVATE.**
- An 'online friend' that you don't know in real life is a **STRANGER.**
- Passwords **MUST NOT BE SHARED!!!!** Choose passwords that others can't guess.....not your fav food or pet's name.
- Change passwords 4 times per year (last day of every term).
- Be aware that information on the internet is not always reliable.
- If you are playing games online, **YOUR** parents should know how to play the game too in case of problems. Play online games together.
- Learn about search engines and how they work.
- The internet and the various applications are a lot of fun .....surf safely with your parents!

God bless everyone. I would like to thank parents and families for your support this term and wish you a happy and safe holiday.

😊  


**Ms Evelyn Temmen**  
Assistant Principal



*Some of our families have recently experienced the loss of loved ones and we keep those families in our prayers, hearts and minds at this difficult time.*

### A MESSAGE FROM HILARY CAMPOS SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER

As Term 3 draws to a close, I await the birth of my granddaughter. I am very excited as she will be my first grandchild. Living only two kilometres from my daughter and son-in-law, my services are requested and I can't think of a better way to spend my time. Therefore I will be taking Term 4 as long service leave.

I wish all the students a smooth and satisfying Term 4 and special "Good Luck" wishes to the Year 6 preparing for their very important life change - moving to high school next year.

May all parents/caregivers and staff have a gentle and calm end to 2015. May you be surrounded and supported by family and friends for the festive season, ready to begin a new, refreshing year.

Thank you to those who gave up their time to attend Morning Teas and Workshops. I hope they have been of interest and help. Thank you, too, to the P & F for their interest and support of these events.

I look forward to my return to school to continue my role as social worker at Santa Clara in Term 1, 2016.

God Bless

**Hilary Campos**  
**Social Worker**

## KINDERGARTEN DAYS FOR 2016

We would like to inform all Kindergarten families of the change in attendance days for the 2016 school year.

**Kindergarten sessions will now be on  
Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays  
from 8:50am to 2:45pm.**

## 3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM FOR 2016

**These sessions will now take place on  
Monday & Tuesday mornings  
from 8:45am to 11:30am.**

## 3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

If your child has attained 3 years of age and will turn 4 after 30 June 2016, they are eligible to attend our 3 Year Old Program in 2016.

**Enrolment forms must be completed for  
all children wishing to attend Santa  
Clara School (including siblings).**

If you haven't completed an enrolment form, please do so as soon as possible. Forms are available from the school office.

## OSC NEWS

- A reminder that **Friday 25 September is a Pupil Free Day** and bookings are required by Tuesday 22 September.
- Vacation Care programs are now available either on the school website or in O.S.C.

**Forms due back by Tuesday 22 September.**

Thank you

**Keren Barry**  
**Supervisor Approval**

### P&F Coming Events for Term 4

Friday 23 October (Please note change in date of carnival)	Sports Carnival Lunch - Subway
Friday 30 October	Cake Stall – Kindy, Pre- Primary & Year 4



# *Confirmation*

## *13th September 2015*

*Last Sunday, 13 students of Santa Clara Primary School and 10 Parish children received the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was a very spiritual event and the cake was delicious. The children received the Holy Spirit so it can empower them to be part of God's family and help them to follow God in their daily lives.*

*The candidates chose a Saint name to have in Confirmation. They renewed their Baptismal Promises and were anointed with the Oil of Chrism.*

*Confirmation helps to strengthen the candidates' connection to God and allows them to become an adult member of the church community.*

*After the Sacrament, the candidates attended a morning tea in the hall to celebrate the newly confirmed children. The candidates were showered with gifts from their generous sponsors, family and friends.*

*Special thanks to all the people who helped run this excellent event.*

*Article by:  
Gemma Harrison  
and Isaac Klomp  
(Year 6)*





## CANTEEN NEWS

The new Summer Menu is out now and will be coming home this week.

Please note the changes in prices and lots of new specials.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

<b>Friday 18 September</b> <b>Jo Mazzoleni</b>	<b>Monday 21 September</b> <b>Maria Papalia</b>
<b>Friday 25 September</b> <b>PUPIL FREE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	
<b>TERM 4</b>	
<b>Monday 12 October</b> <b>Maria Papalia</b>	<b>Friday 16 October</b> <b>Famatta Browne</b>
<b>Monday 19 October</b> <b>Julia Pearson</b>	<b>Friday 23 October</b> <b>Laura Munut</b>

## Perth Seido Karate – Youth



Seido Karate is a traditional style of karate founded by Kaicho Tadashi Nakamura. Seido is an international organisation and is practiced in many countries around the world.

Seido Karate Perth has a youth programme catering for children from the age of 8. We practice in a safe and structured manner, and the youth members are taught to have high levels of etiquette and respect for both themselves and others.

### Benefits

- Fitness
- Co-ordination
- Confidence
- Self defence
- Patience
- Discipline

Young people who practice Seido karate nearly always excel in other areas.

### What we teach and practice

- Traditional martial arts basic technique
- Traditional forms (kata)
- Meditation
- Martial arts history and understanding of Seido system
- Fitness
- Self defence
- Free fighting (advanced students only – after at least 2 years)

### When we train

- Tuesday 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm
- Saturday 9:00 am – 9:45 AM

### What to wear

- Comfortable gym-type clothes
- No shoes in dojo! (This includes parents and other family members)
- Karate Gi (uniform) available for purchase

### Cost (2015 pricing)

- \$50 per month per student
- Capped at \$100 per month per family – includes parents

We are non profit, all fees cover costs of hall hire and equipment. All instructors work as volunteers.

### Contact Details

Head Instructor: Sensei Paul O'Docherty  
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International website: [www.seido.com](http://www.seido.com)

## YEAR 4 NETBALL NEWSFLASH

Our team played a Semi-Final cliff hanger to the end!!

**SANTA CLARA: 11 / PANTHERS: 12**

Spectators witnessed sheer determination from all players. Santa Clara fought back from 5 goals down in the first quarter against the top team on the ladder. Controlling our play on court and then the goals came magnificently. An outstanding effort girls!!

Thank you to the players, parents and supporters for another **FUN** season of netball.

**Sharon Morris & Gilda Barbato**  
**Coaches**



**CANNING COUGARS**  
TEE-BALL CLUB (inc)



**An exciting summer sport for boys and girls of age 5 to 12**

Tee-Ball is a fast moving, non-contact team sport that provides lots of fun whilst developing hand-eye coordination, ball skills, general fitness and confidence.

Season runs from mid-October to March excluding school holidays.  
Games played on **Saturday at 8:30am or 9:30am** and run for approx 1 hour.  
All games played at **Centenary Park, Centenary Avenue, Wilson WA 6107**.  
Weekly training day set by the Team Coach after consultation with parents.  
Membership fees are \$130 for first and \$110 for subsequent players.

### Important Season Events

**Registration Day:** 11:00am-2:00pm Saturday 5 September 2015  
**Meet the Coach:** 1:00pm-3:00pm Saturday 19 September 2015  
**First game:** 8:30am Saturday 17 October 2015



More info at [www.cctbc.com.au](http://www.cctbc.com.au)  
Contact [registrar@cctbc.com.au](mailto:registrar@cctbc.com.au)

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including glove, ball, bag and other goodies



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# Santa Clara CALENDAR TERM FOUR

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	W/END
<b>Week 1</b>	12 Oct Students Return	13 Oct	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct	17 Oct
						18 Oct
<b>Week 2</b>	19 Oct	20 Oct  6:00pm P&F Meeting 6:45pm School Board	21 Oct	22 Oct	23 Oct ATHLETICS CARNIVAL WYONG RESERVE	24 Oct
						25 Oct
<b>Week 3</b>	26 Oct	27 Oct 8:45am Pre-primary Classroom visit by Fr Chris	28 Oct	29 Oct	30 Oct 9:00am Year 5 Participation Mass  Celebrating WORLD TEACHERS' DAY  2:15pm Year 1 Curriculum Assembly	31 Oct
						1 Nov Feast of All Saints
<b>Week 4</b>	2 Nov All Souls Day	3 Nov Melbourne Cup Luncheon	4 Nov	5 Nov	6 Nov  CATHOLIC DAY Student Free-Day	7 Nov
						8 Nov
<b>Week 5</b>	9 Nov  Begin St Vincent de Paul Hamper Collection	10 Nov	11 Nov 10:00-12:00pm Canning Shire Remembrance Day (Year 6) 10:50am Remembrance Day Ceremony (Year 5 Curriculum Assembly)	12 Nov	13 Nov	14 Nov
						15 Nov
<b>Week 6</b>	16 Nov	17 Nov 8:45am Kindergarten Classroom visit by Fr Chris	18 Nov	19 Nov  6:00pm Kindy 2016 Parent Information Session	20 Nov  9:00-10:00am Kindy 2016 Orientation  9:00am Year 4 Participation Mass	21 Nov
						22 Nov Christ the King
<b>Week 7</b>	23 Nov	24 Nov	25 Nov	26 Nov 5.00pm Combined P&F / School Board Sundowner 5.30pm AGM	27 Nov	28 Nov
						29 Nov 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent
<b>Week 8</b>	30 Nov	1 Dec	2 Dec 9:30am PP Graduation	3 Dec  Portfolios and Reports to go home	4 Dec  6:00pm Christmas Concert	5 Dec
						6 Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
<b>Week 9</b>	7 Dec	8 Dec	9 Dec 1:30-2:30pm Choir - Senior Citizens	10 Dec Graduation & Thanksgiving Mass & Presentations (Year 6)	11 Dec  2:00pm Year 6 Farewell Assembly	12 Dec
						13 Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
<b>Week 10</b>	14 Dec  Staff PD	15 Dec  Staff PD	16 Dec  Staff PD	17 Dec  Staff PD	18 Dec  Staff PD	19 Dec
						20 Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent