### Santa Clara School

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Friday 10 June:

- Years 3 to 6 **Interschool Cross** Country Carnival at Good Shepherd School, Arbuthnot Street, Kelmscott
- 2:15pm Years 1 & 3 Cake Stall in undercover area
- 2:15pm Year 1 RE Assembly



**SUNDAY 12 JUNE** 9:30am CONFIRMATION

Tuesday 14 June:

- 8:45am Pre-Primary Classroom visit by Fr
- Friday 17 June:
  9:30am Years 3 6 Faction Swimming
  Carnival at Aqualife, 42 Somerset Street,
- 2:15pm Pre-Primary **RE Assembly**
- Wednesday 22 June:
- 9:00am Kindergarten Classroom visit by Fr
- Friday 24 June: **Patricipation Mass**
- Years 5 & 6 -**Lightning Carnival at** Maida Vale Reserve, 15 Ridgehill Road, Maida Vale
- Monday 27 June:
- School Run 4 Fun-**Pre-Primary to Year 6**

Wednesday 29 June:
School Run 4 Fun – Kindergarten

THURSDAY 30 JUNE LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS

**FRIDAY 1 JULY PUPIL FREE DAY** STAFF PROFESSIONAL **DEVELOPMENT** SCHOOL CLOSED



### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"The Soul is healed by being with children".

**FYODOR DOSTOEVSKY** 

### Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and **Students**

There are many exciting thinas planned for this school year and in our planning I am constantly delighted with the generosity of staff to embrace new ideas and 'apply shoulder to wheel' in order for them to be successful. I have great cause to thank God for the opportunity to work with people who only apply their best to every initiative and task placed before them. All their efforts are of course for the benefit of the young people in our care. For that reason alone we can all claim pride in being part of the Santa Clara School community.

We are indeed fortunate to have the wonderful staff that we have looking after our children. This includes Suzanne Walker and Jaimee Wyss who are treasures within our school. I hear frequently from families new to our school just how good our teachers, specialists and teacher assistants, and ancillary staff are.

The school, too, is striving to be in a sound financial position and that's due to good planning, careful spending and a clear vision as to what needs to be done and in what order. Our thanks go to the School Board and Ms Jaimee Wyss for their role in the financial structure of our school.

Our Out of School Hours Care operates efficiently, assisting working families with morning, after school and vacation care. The children are well looked after by our Supervisor Officer Mrs Barry and her team of workers.

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All of the above gives credence to the good reputation the school enjoys. And I haven't even mentioned the many wonderful parents who assist us in so many ways.

I'm fortunate to see the school as a whole and the goodness which I see is everywhere. Most importantly, this testament comes from you, the parents.

Thank you to all parents for your continued support as we work together maintaining a safe and healthy teaching and learning environment for all students and staff.

### **Parent-Teacher Partnerships**

When families are involved in their children's education in positive ways, children can achieve higher grades and test scores, have better attendance at school, demonstrate more positive attitudes and behaviour. The family is critical to student achievement. I know finding time to be part of your child's education is not easy. One of the first

questions many parents ask is, "How can I be involved with my child's school when I work full time?" It's a fair question say teachers, but school involvement isn't necessarily restricted to the classroom or even to out-ofhours activities. Involvement could incorporate reading school newsletters, supporting school's the home values in encouraging students to respect the policies even if you are not in full agreement with them.

Teachers agree that parental involvement can include helping with sporting activities, parent committees, fundraising, classroom assistance. and Look working for bees. opportunities to share knowledge and experience and respect the teacher's professionalism. No matter what support or assistance parents can offer, regardless of whether it's during school hours or out-ofschool hours. it's alwavs appreciated.

Ultimately, your child will reap the benefits of your involvement.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** 

Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation is a very special occasion for our students and an event that represents a particular and significant milestone in their faith journey.

Please pray for the candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 12 June at Santa Clara Church commencing at 9.30 am.

God bless





### **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

This Sunday, 12 June 2016, Year Six students from the school and the Parish will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Mass will commence at 9:30am at the Santa Clara Parish.

### LIFELINK LINK AT SANTA CLARA

Thank you to all the students who participated in this year's LifeLink chain link promotion. Congratulations to the Year Five class who had the longest chain. The school raised \$523 and all funds will go to this important Catholic organisation, an organisation helping **Real** People, in **Real** need, with **Real** Stories.







Yesterday, three students represented Santa Clara School at the LifeLink Day Launch at Lake Monger. There were approximately seventyfive Catholic schools in attendance. Dawit (Year 3), Breanna (Year 4) and Abbey-Mae (Year 5) enjoyed the morning by laying out the school's link chains and having a delicious morning tea. Thank you to Mr Win Pe for driving the students to Lake Monger.

Regards

Larry King Assistant Principal

### **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS**

### Hello Everyone

What a busy time it has been for students and teachers over the last couple of weeks. Students have just completed two weeks of daily swimming lessons. Lessons went smoothly and all children participated well. They were especially well behaved and used beautiful manners whilst travelling on the bus and at the pools. Thank you to Mr Boxsell and Mrs Lewis who supervised all classes at the pool and to all class teachers for being flexible in your planning and teaching of lessons, along with supervision of your classes whilst on the bus and at the pools.

## LATE ARRIVALS AND ABSENTEES

Just another reminder that a signed absentee note or email to the teacher and office is required for school records if your child is absent. This is in addition to phone calls to the school office. It has been good to see a real reduction in student late arrivals This is occurring. really beneficial to all; it avoids the students feeling embarrassed, interruptions to lessons, morning prayers or vital "housekeeping" time in class. Thank you to parents and students for your support in this matter.

### STUDENT PICKUP

If parents are arranging someone to collect their children, other than the usual pickup person, we ask that you notify the school with a phone call or email to the office or classroom teacher.

### REPORTS AND ASSESSMENT

Classroom teachers are in the midst of midyear assessments

and writing student reports which will come home to parents on Monday 27 June. Teachers put a great deal of thought and care into reporting to parents and report time is always a good time for teachers, students and parents to reflect on student and teacher learning and set goals for the next semester.

### SCHOOL EVENTS COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

## YEARS 3 - 6 INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

This Friday, 10 June, a representative group of students from Years 3 to 6 will be participating in the Interschool Cross Country Carnival which will be held at Good Shepherd School in Kelmscott. The children will depart school at 8.50am and return by 3.00pm.

Students are now required to bring morning tea and lunch, along with water, a hat and a change of clothes in case of bad weather.

We wish all our participating students the best of luck on Friday.

### YEARS 3 - 6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Friday 17 June, the Years 3 - 6 students will be participating in our swimming carnival which will be held at Aqualife, 42 Somerset Street, East Victoria Park.

This Swimming Meet is a part of the Physical Education Program of the school and there is an expectation that all children from Years 3 – 6 will participate in some way. The focus of the carnival is

participation and all competitors will be awarded points for finishing their event.

The carnival will commence at 12.00noon and conclude at 2.30pm. Students will be given time at school to eat their morning tea and lunch. Please provide your child with afternoon tea and a drink, along with their towel and a dry t-shirt to change into after swimming. Students may wear their sports uniform with bathers underneath. Please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.

### WINTER CARNIVAL

The Year Five and Six students will be participating in the Interschool Winter Lightning Carnival in Maida Vale on Friday 24 June. Thanks to Mr Boxsell who plans, organises coordinates with other schools so our students have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of physical activities and events. More information about this will be coming home over the coming weeks.

### **PUPIL FREE DAY**

All staff will be participating in Professional Development on Friday 1 July 2016, focussing on the Year of Mercy and The Sacraments in Religious Education.

Students' last day of term will be Thursday 30 June 2016.

God Bless.

Mrs Mim Ellis Assistant Principal



Santa Clara P&F is holding a **School Run 4 Fun** Program for the students as a major fundraiser this term so we do ask for your support.

The event will take place on Monday 27 June for Pre-Primary to Year 6 and Wednesday 29 June for Kindergarten.

Students will receive a poster size Superhero Sponsorship Form (coming home with this week's newsletter) with a great selection of toy brands including Apple, GoPro, Razor, Star Wars, Monster High and Nerf just to name a few. This form will assist with collecting sponsorship donations on behalf of the school.

All funds raised will be used to purchase new equipment for the students.

Thank you from the P&F Committee

### **FUN RUN VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers are needed to help stamp hands on the morning of the fun run.

Please come along and cheer the children on as they raise important funds for our school.

If you would like to help please see the Phys Ed teacher for instruction.

Thank You Santa Clara P&F

### **■** SCHOLASTIC

Book Club orders due next Friday 17 June 2016.



# Cake Stall

Hosted by Year One & Year Three



Friday 10th June 2016

2.15pm in the Undercover Area

Come down and support Santa Clara and grab some delicious treats or afternoon tea

Hope to see you there!







### **OSC NEWS**

 REMINDER – PUPIL FREE DAY ON FRIDAY 1 JULY 2016

Bookings are open now for the above date.

 Vacation Care programs will be available 13 June 2016.

Please complete and return by Friday 24 June 2016.

Thank you

Keren
OSC Supervisor Approval

### **P&F Coming Events:**

### Term 2

Friday 10 June Years 1 & 3 Cake Stall -

please note change in date

Monday 27 June Fun Run – For Pre-Primary

to Year 6

Wednesday 29 June Fun Run – For Kindergarten

Term 3

Friday 5 August School Disco

Friday 12 August Kindy & Pre-Primary Cake

Stall

Term 4

Friday 28 October Years 4 & 6 Cake Stall

CANTEEN ROSTERS	
Monday 13 June Famatta Browne	
Monday 20 June Maria Papalia	
Monday 27 June HELP NEEDED	

FRIDAY 1 JULY
PUPIL FREE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

### RELAXATION AND MINDFULNESS TO REDUCE STRESS

### FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

WITH HILARY SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER



DATE: TUESDAY 21st JUNE 2016

TIME: 9 - 10AM RELAXATION SESSION

10 - 10.30AM MORNING TEA

VENUE: KINDY ROOM

COMFORTABLE CLOTHING RECOMMENDED

BRING CUSHION OR BLANKET IF DESIRED

Using the iPads to practice

our Math concepts.



In the block area — "We made a mouse trap! We are coming back at night time to get the 'mouses' and put them in a cage and give them lots of different food!"