



Santa Clara School

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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 3 March:
Pupil Free Day – Staff
Professional
Development -
SCHOOL CLOSED

SUNDAY 5 MARCH:
- 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

MONDAY 6 MARCH:
LABOR DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

TUESDAY 7 MARCH
CANTEEN OPEN TODAY

Friday 10 March:
- 2:30pm Assembly

SUNDAY 12 MARCH:
- 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Tuesday 14 March:
- Year 1 Classroom visit by
Fr Chris

THURSDAY 16 MARCH:
12:30pm
PARENT/TEACHER
INTERVIEWS -
STUDENTS DISMISSED
AT 12:00noon

Friday 17 March:
- Years 5/6 Boys/Girls T20
Cricket Carnival at
Raphael Park, Geddes
Street, Victoria Park

SUNDAY 19 MARCH:
- 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Tuesday 21 March:
- 6:00pm P&F Meeting
- 6:45pm School Board
Meeting

COMING UP:

Wednesday 5 April:
2:00pm Music Assembly
Pre-Primary to Year 6

THURSDAY 6 APRIL
LAST DAY OF TERM
FOR STUDENTS

TERM 2 COMMENCES
FOR STUDENTS ON
WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL

Prayer:

*Loving God,
You have taught us to listen to
the wisdom of the tiny mustard seed,
reminding that harvest comes
from the tiniest seed planted in the earth.
May we allow the seeds of hope growing
in us to come to fruit and bear
abundantly in the world today.*



Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Schools are dynamic 'people organisations' and as a school community we all have a vested interest in the well-being of the school. The working relationship between the home and the school is a vital link, ensuring a positive and productive education for every child.

As Principal, my number one priority is the happiness and safety of every child. Children who are feeling happy and safe are receptive learners. If you have concerns about your child, please contact us, as 'problems' are far more easily attended to now than in the last week of school!

CODE OF CONDUCT

Santa Clara School has a Code of Conduct to describe the minimum standards of conduct for all those who engage or join with Santa Clara, in any capacity. It is an expectation that all who join the school will comply with the Code of Conduct.

The Code of Conduct outlines the work practices, behaviours, relationships,

attitudes and responsibilities for staff, parents, volunteers, visitors, and students at Santa Clara School. It applies to all current and future staff, parents, visitors, volunteers and students at Santa Clara School.

A comprehensive copy of the Code of Conduct is available on our school's website. I urge all families to read this document.

MEETING WITH TEACHERS

We are only too aware that at times parents tend to think their concerns are trivial and you debate with yourself whether you should contact the school. Our response is that NOTHING is too trivial when it comes to the education of YOUR child. So if you have concerns or want clarification, please contact us. I will ask you, however, to consider that the number one priority of teachers is student learning, therefore if you arrive unannounced at the classroom door; it may not be convenient or possible to release the teacher from teaching duties to speak to you. It is always best to arrange a meeting time beforehand.

2017 BOARD & P&F

Our first Board Meeting for 2017 was held on 21 February.

The following are the new Executive:

- Chair – Bevan Castle
- Treasurer – Jo Barton
- Secretary – Thuy Phan
- Ex Officio – Fr Chris Alambe
- Ex Officio – Richard Win Pe

Members:

- Richard Mavros
- Prosper Baeni
- Wayne Barton
- Matthew Keane (to be confirmed)

Leadership Team:

- Larry King
- Kristy Madafferi
- Richard Win Pe

The voluntary appointment of the 2017 P&F Executive is now complete.

I am happy to inform you of the following positions:

- President – Michelle Kinsman
- Treasurer – Jodie Matthews- Goobie
- Secretary – Sharon Morris

Please make them feel most welcome.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Kindy – Year 6 Parent Information evening took place last week. After a reflective prayer there were various presentations about our school and its operations. Then parents met with the respective Year Level teachers and were given information pertaining to those particular classes. Thank you to all parents for your attendance at the meetings. Your support of the classroom teacher and the great interest that you have in your child's education was clearly evident by your presence. If for some reason you were unable to attend the meeting please contact the class teacher who would be more than happy to pass information on to you. I would like to thank all the teachers for their preparation and time given towards making these evenings as informative as possible for parents.

God Bless

Richard Win Pe
Principal

PUPIL FREE DAY – FRIDAY 7 APRIL 2017 & MONDAY 24 APRIL 2017

Parents are to note that Thursday 6 April 2017 is the last school day for students for the term. Staff will be attending a Protective Behaviour Workshop on Friday 7 April 2017 and a Professional Development day on Monday 24 April 2017. Please note Tuesday 25 April 2017 is a public holiday celebrating Anzac Day. I wish all students and parents a safe holiday and look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday 26 April 2017.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

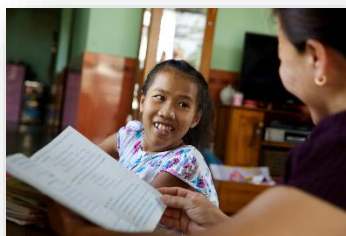
PROJECT COMPASSION CARITAS AUSTRALIA



By now, Santa Clara students would have been given a Project Compassion box to assist families throughout the world. Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal brings thousands of Australian's together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

In 2017, Caritas will feature stories and show what can happen when faith, commitment and hard work combine together. Last newsletter I began to highlight some families from around the world who will be assisted by your donations to Project Compassion. This week, Nguyet's story (from Vietnam), is focused.

Nguyet's story – Vietnam (Love Your Neighbour)



Nguyet lives with a severe disability, and has suffered isolation in her native Vietnam as a result. A Caritas-supported program offered her education, creative outlets and much-needed community interaction.

We [have hope that she] can be independent, and build the future she wants."

Tim, Nguyet's mother

In a small town in Vietnam, a severe disability kept young Nguyet behind closed doors. Constrained by the high demands of her condition, her parents were also isolated from their neighbours. There is a high level of disability in Vietnam, particularly as a legacy of war, but little support for families whose children have disabilities. People with disability have poorer health outcomes, lower educational achievements, lower economic participation and higher rates of poverty than people without disability.

The future seemed bleak for the whole family, until Nguyet's family became participants in a program supported by Caritas Australia. A neighbour kindly introduced the family to the Capacity Building for Parent Associations Supporting Children with Disabilities program, which has given them support on several levels.

The neighbour, a teacher, has been able to offer Nguyet home-based education, and there is capacity building for her parents and others in the same situation, through their local Parents' Association. At Association meetings, Nguyet's mother has been able to increase her skills for managing her daughter's condition, and share her experiences with other parents of children with disabilities.

Nguyet has learnt to read and write and better manage her physical needs, and her creative gifts have been unlocked. Now she is increasingly engaging with her neighbours, and she and her parents are more confident about her future.

Whenever they are supported and cared for properly, children with disabilities can [achieve] change." - Duong, Nguyet's case manager

FATHER CHRIS VISITING YEAR ONE CLASS – TUESDAY 14 MARCH 2017

Father Chris will be visiting the Year One class on Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 9:00am. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

T20 INTERSCHOOL CRICKET CARNIVAL – RAPHAEL PARK – FRIDAY 17 MARCH 2017

On Friday 17 March 2017, one Year Five/Six Boys and Girls teams will represent the school in a T20 Cricket Competition. We wish both teams a great day with plenty of runs, catches and wickets. Thank you to Miss Fitzpatrick for organising this day.

SANTA CLARA SCHOOL DRIVE AWAY

DROP OFF/PICK UP ZONE – Morning & Afternoon

It has come to my attention that parents are needed to be reminded that the crosswalk is not allowed to be used to depart through the front gate during the **DROP OFF/PICK UP times. Parents and students must depart the school using either side gate at these times. Students have been advised of this procedure on numerous occasions.**

In addition, if your child is not ready or waiting to be picked up, parents are reminded to drive around to the back of the line. It is unfair for waiting parents to park waiting for your child. To increase the flow of the pick up, parents are asked to watch the teachers on duty as they will instruct to where you pick your child up from.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS – THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2017

Parents are reminded that the Parent / Teacher interviews will be held next Thursday 16 March 2017.

Students will depart school at 12:00noon and the Teacher / Parent interviews will commence at 12:30pm.

***Parents please note that there will be NO
childminding facilities available.***

Families are asked to be prompt with picking up their children at 12:00noon. Parents will be contacted for children still waiting to be collected.

Out of School Care will be available should you wish to register your child/ren. Please see Keren for more information.

Timetables for Parent / Teacher interviews will be displayed on Classroom doors from Thursday 9 March 2017. Parents are asked to select and write the time/s they would like to attend the interview. Further information will be provided closer to the week.

***Larry King
Assistant Principal RE & Admin***



2017 Student Residential Address Collection

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the department), to advise you that the department has requested your child's school provide a *statement of addresses*, in accordance with section 21 of the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (the Regulation).

A *statement of addresses* contains the following three pieces of information about students at the school:

- Students' residential address (**not student names or other identifying information**)
- Students' level of education (i.e. whether the student is receiving primary or secondary education)
- Students' boarding school status (boarders or day students)

Authority for and Purpose of Collection

Consistent with previous practice, and following the *2016 Australian Bureau of Statistics National Census of Population and Housing (Census)*, it is timely that information held by the department is updated in order to ensure that Australian Government funding calculations for your child's school are accurate.

Under section 21 of the Regulation, a *statement of addresses* **must not explicitly identify an individual student**. Accordingly, all information in the *statement of addresses* provided by your child's school to the department is de-identified.

Use and Disclosure of Information

It is important to ensure the *statements of addresses* are accurate, and the department may from time to time carry out audits of *statements of addresses* to verify their accuracy. In the event of an audit, the department's contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school for the purpose of verifying the information. The department's contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

Any further use and disclosure of information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with section 65 of the Regulation.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this notice, you can contact the department by:

- Email: seshelpdesk@education.gov.au
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

For further information about the department, including the department's privacy policy, please go to: <https://education.gov.au>.

Opportunity through learning

School F E E S

School fee payments, Health Care Cards and Direct Debit forms (if applicable) are due in by the end of this week. If you anticipate any issues with making this due date, and have not already advised myself or Mr Win Pe, please do so at your earliest convenience.

Thank you to those who have already been in contact with me, made first/full payments and arranged direct debits. It is greatly appreciated!

Jaimee Wyss
Finance Officer

CANTEEN NEWS



The canteen will be open for recess and lunch on Tuesday 7 March.

This is due to the PD Day on Friday and Public Holiday on the Monday.

Please choose from Monday's menu.

Thank you

Sonia Thiel
Canteen Manager

CANTEEN ROSTERS

Friday 3 March
**PUPIL FREE DAY –
SCHOOL CLOSED**

Monday 6 March
**LABOR DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

Friday 10 March
Michelle Kinsman

Monday 13 March
Elsa Callanan

Friday 17 March
Erica Lwe

Monday 20 March
Sharon Morris

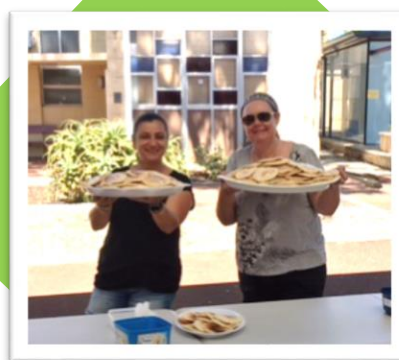
Shrove Tuesday

On Tuesday, the P&F made and sold over 250 pancakes to the children at recess.

We raised \$129 for Caritas.

Thank you to our volunteers:

Erica Lwe,
Edith von Hofmann,
Sharon Morris,
Jodie Matthews-Goobie,
Sonia Thiel and
Michelle Kinsman



P & F CLASS REPS FOR 2017

Thank you to the following parents who have kindly offered to be Class Representatives for 2017:

Kindergarten	Ameesh Pattani
Pre-Primary	Joanne Mazzoleni
Year 1	Edith Osei-Tutu
Year 2	Lucia Jones
Year 3	Katie Mavros
Year 4	Christina Monte Silva
Year 5	Thuy Phan
Year 6	Sharon Morris



School Banking News

Congratulations to all who are part of the School Banking Programme at Santa Clara. It was so nice to have so many of you remember - so well done!

If you're not part of the programme then maybe with School Holidays coming up it's the perfect time to ask Mum or Dad to open a Bank account for you and you can start saving for that "special" thing that you want.

If you are part of the programme and haven't been making deposits to your bank account, then come and see me (Friday mornings).

If you have lots of Dollarmites at home and are wondering what to do with them, please return them to me so that I can re-use them.

Don't forget that when you've made 10 deposits you can order Rewards! (Make sure that you choose something that is available in the correct Term).

WELL DONE EVERYBODY!

Just a reminder that there is NO School Banking on Friday 3rd March – Pupil Free Day!

Lots of love from
\$\$\$ The School Banking Bunny \$\$\$

YEAR 4 NEWS

The start to Year Four has been such an exciting time for us. We have been given Chrome books to use during class time and while at home. Here are our thoughts on what we do with them at school and the many different things we like about them. We hope you enjoy reading!

Things I do with my chrome book at School:

I use Google classroom to now what I have for my homework and subjects that I do. I especially like to do nitro type and check my email.

By Dawit Abraham

We use google docs and Study ladder.

By Dale Brown

I like to playing nitro type, going on google docs playing all the typing games.

By Zaelan Brown

On my chromebook, I use google docs for homework and I like it!

By Josh Hickmott

I do homework, I 'turn in' my work in google classroom, and I go to websites such as studyladder, sound waves, nitro type, and google classroom. I like decorating the chromebook by making the background and the profile picture different.

By Abbey Luu

I do my homework, docs, projects and sometimes nitro type (typing game).

By Ethan Lwe

Go to the classroom to do the work and we play the spelling game.

By Ruihong Ma

We use a chrome books for learning.

By Noah Mazzoleni

I do my homework and I use classroom also google.

By Alex Nguyen

We use our chrome books for work.

By Jordan Surin



Why you like using the chrome book?

Like it because it have many school work and some typing games and google docs is fun and smart.

By Thea Danielle Arias

That it is easy to use and you finish work quicker.

By Julie Baraka

I like that it is touch screen and very easy to do my homework on my chromebook. I also like that I don't have to write with a pencil. You can also use a mouse and keys.

By Nazret Beyene

I like using my chromebook because it is much better than paper.

By Lachlan Butler

I like to use my chromebooks google docs because when you make a spelling mistake it will highlight it in red and we get to do fun things like studyladder and nitro type!

By Ashleigh Callanan

I like using my chromebook because you can find your homework in google classroom and it's better than writing.

By Kai Jewell

I like that the chromebook is touchscreen and that it is very easy to see homework. I like how it is very easy to turn in my homework.

By Emily Lai

That it has touch screen.

By Immanuel Tesfaye

It is smart and easy to use at school and home so I can try something new for a change.

By Michael Venables

