



Santa Clara School

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IMPORTANT DATES

12 October 2017

Friday 13 October:

- 2:30pm Assembly
- P&F QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 20 October:

- 12:00pm Swimming Carnival for Years 3 – 6 at Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre, Progress Way, Belmont
- No Assembly

Monday 23 October:

- St Vincent de Paul Hamper Collection begins

Tuesday 24 October:

- 8:45am Pre-Primary Classroom visit by Fr Chris

Friday 27 October:

- WORLD TEACHERS' DAY
- 9:00am Year 5 Participation Mass
- 2:15pm Pre-Primary Curriculum Assembly

Tuesday 31 October:

- 6:00pm P&F Meeting
- 6:45pm Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

9:00am FEAST OF ALL SAINTS' MASS

THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER ALL SOULS' DAY

FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER STAFF CATHOLIC DAY - SCHOOL & OUT OF SCHOOL CARE CLOSED

Friday 10 November:

- 10:50am Remembrance Day Ceremony – Year 6 Curriculum Assembly
- 2:15pm Year 2 Curriculum Assembly - *Please note change in date*

PRAYER:

Lord grant that we may have eyes that see

Have hearts that understand

Have courage to give

Have strength to hope

Have openness to receive

Have seriousness to be silent

Have depth to think

Have concern to care

Have desire to search.

Open our minds and hearts

So that we may know you

And experience the precious things

You are wanting to give.

Amen

Dear Parents/Carers, Staff and Students

Welcome back to Term 4.

Santa Clara Catholic Primary School is an energetic and vibrant learning community with an enviable reputation within the local community. The school prides itself on its welcoming and supportive community and the level of parent involvement. The school 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. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have helped to make Santa Clara the wonderful school that we enjoy today. I thank the Parish Priest, Fr Chris for his continued support and guidance and the school's deeply committed and professional staff.

2017 School Cyclic Review and Improvement

School Review and Improvement is an

ongoing process of self-evaluation measured against a commonly agreed set of criteria. It informs action planning at the school level to identify areas of strength and areas for improvement. Above all, Catholic schools must be good schools with a strong learning orientation and a strong sense of purpose. In all aspects of improving and developing, schools should be learning-centred, constantly striving for excellence and have the student as their primary focus.

Our School Review was held on 4 and 5 September and I am happy to inform you that the CEWA panel of educators affirmed, challenged and endorsed our school's improvement journey over the past three years.

The panel commended us on the effectiveness of our school's engagement of self-review, the impact of self-review on school improvement and on the future directions for the

improvement of student outcomes that the school has identified.

The report of the review outlined the school as a coeducational parish primary school with a strong reputation in the school community as a school demonstrating a clear Catholic Identity and with a comprehensive curriculum program. The welcoming, caring and student centred aspects of the school were widely acknowledged. There was evidence of a strong culture of inclusivity that is embraced by leaders, staff, parents and students.

The panel congratulated the school community on its preparation for and participation in the School's Cyclic Review. The engagement of the panel with a wide range of stakeholders throughout the day provided the panel with a clear and positive indication of how Santa Clara is working towards learning improvement for each child within an authentic Catholic community.

The panel appreciated the open and honest engagement evident in this review and the preparedness of the Leadership Team in particular to engage in robust conversations about the challenges ahead. It was clear that much has been achieved and the school is encouraged to take time to celebrate the successes while planning for a vibrant future.

I take this opportunity to thank the Leadership Team, the staff members who were involved, students, and the Board and P&F members.

Makerspace at Santa Clara School – Living a Dream

You may recall in my previous newsletter, dated 31 August 2017, I outlined our vision of reshaping our teaching and learning at Santa Clara school to ensure that our students are equipped for their future learning journey. In brief, in a 21st century of teaching and learning, a Makerspace is a place where young students have an opportunity to explore their own interests, learn to use tools and materials, both physical and virtual and develop creative projects. Makerspace provide hands-on, creative ways for our students to design, experiment, and investigate as they engage in Science, Engineering, Technology and Mathematics.

I am happy to inform you that after much consultation with the Catholic Education Office, the School Board, the P&F, and the entire Santa Clara staff, a decision has been made to transform one of the two OSC rooms into a Makerspace room. The transformation of the OSC room to a single room has smoothly commenced without causing any disruptions to the daily functioning of the service that Mrs Keren Barry provides for the students who attend the before, after

and vacation OSC hours during this time of change. Much of the transformation will occur during non-contact hours of the Out of School Care and I re-assure you that the quality of service we provide for the students at OSC will not be compromised.

It is with this knowledge that we at Santa Clara passionately embark upon our Makerspace journey, so that we may equip **your** children with all the skills needed to be successful learners in this ever-changing world. The makerspace is set to open Term 1 of 2018.

Congratulations Mrs Madafferri

It gives me great pleasure in informing you that Mrs Madafferri has been successful in her proposal to seek a grant of \$5000 for our school's Makerspace program. Please join me in congratulating her for the relentless work she does to achieve the best outcomes for the students in our school.

School Board & P&F AGM 2017

I would encourage as many parents as possible to keep Thursday evening, 23 November, free so that you can attend the important meetings. These meetings are a way of showing your support for the hard work that both of these parent bodies do throughout the year.

A sundowner followed by the meeting will commence at 5 pm in the School Hall.

Students Not Returning to Santa Clara School in 2018

If your child is not returning to school in 2018, I earnestly ask you to let Mrs Walker know as soon as possible.

Have a good weekend.

God bless

Richard Win Pe
Principal

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child will be absent from class, kindly email the school office as soon as possible at: admin@santaclara.wa.edu.au.

You are more than welcome to ring the school office before 9:00am, if your child is away that day, and to also send a follow up email, as we require written notification, recording a reason, for all student absences.

Thank you.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to the final term of 2017. This term brings many exciting events to the community.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the students who represented the school at last term's Interschool Carnival on Friday 15 September 2017 at Good Shepherd School. The school finished a close second, with St Augustine's Primary School coming first. The final standings were: St Augustine's 681 points, Santa Clara 657 points, St Jude's 642 points and Good Shepherd 588 points. Thank you to Miss Fitzpatrick for all the work she has done in preparing the children for the Carnival.

THE YEAR 2 CURRICULUM ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER AT 2:15pm.

Due to the Senior Swimming Carnival taking place on Friday 20 October 2017, there will be no assembly.

SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Students in Years 3 – 6 will be participating in the Senior Swimming Carnival to be held on Friday 20 October 2017 at the Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre (Progress Way, Belmont). Students will be leaving school around 12:00 noon and return at the end of the end by 3:00pm.

Please complete and return the form sent home earlier this week by no later than Monday 16 October.

PRE-PRIMARY VISIT BY FATHER CHRIS

On Tuesday 24 October, Father Chris will visit the Pre-Primary class at 8:45am. Parents are welcome to attend.

CATHOLIC DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY

– FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2017 –

SCHOOL & OUT OF SCHOOL CARE CLOSED

Parents are reminded that there will be no school (pupil free day) on Friday 3 November as it is the annual scheduled Catholic Day for School Staff and Out of School Care Staff.

**The term finishes
for students on Friday 8 December,
and for staff on Friday 15 December 2017.**

HELPING THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS APPEAL - 2017

It has been the tradition at Santa Clara that the school community rallies together to support the very worthwhile charity of St Vincent de Paul. It would be great if we could receive non-perishable goods to allow St Vincent de Paul to make up Christmas hampers for those who are struggling around the St James / Bentley area. Some Christmas Appeal items could include:

Christmas Pudding	Custard
Tinned Fruit	Bon Bons
Tea / Coffee / Milo	Long Life Milk
Cereal	Dried Fruit
Fruit Mince Pies	Tinned Vegetables
Tinned Peas / Corn	Jelly
Long Life Juice	Christmas Cake
Pasta & Pasta Sauce	Jam
Vegemite / Peanut Butter	Muesli Bars
Pancake Mix	Socks
Cleaning Products	Toiletries
Washing Powder	Nappies

Please remember it is important that the goods purchased must be non-perishable food items within the expiry date to be used.

Our appeal begins on Monday 23 October (Term Four Week Three), and continues until Monday 20 November 2017 (the beginning of Week 7) when the hampers will be collected by St Vincent de Paul volunteers and distributed to those in need around Christmas time. Please be as generous as you can – maybe picking up one or two items for a hamper each time you go to the shop is a great way to help others. Many of us have “too much” and have never struggled to pay the rent or put food on our table. We can only imagine what it would feel like to tell your children to go to bed hungry because there is no money to buy food. Please be like Jesus and help others. All donations are to be given to your child's teacher or at Administration.



Help make tomorrow a better day.

Larry King
Assistant Principal

FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On the 8th of August all students from Years 1 - 6 participated in the Faction Athletics Carnival held at Wyong Reserve. We had a wonderful sunny day and everybody had a great time whilst demonstrating some impressive results. Big thank you to all staff and parents who volunteered their time to help out on the day. Results from this carnival are below:

	RUNNER UP	CHAMPION	<div style="text-align: center;"> Faction Results:  1st Larney 542 points 2nd Dominic 525 points 3rd Clare 501 points 4th Catherine 433 points </div>
YEAR 3 BOY	Isaac	Riley	
YEAR 3 GIRL	Laylah	Dariana	
YEAR 4 BOY	Dawit	Kai	
YEAR 4 GIRL	Julie	Nazret	
YEAR 5 BOY	Samuel	Marley	
YEAR 5 GIRL	Binfun	Ella	
YEAR 6 BOY	Shane	Oak	
YEAR 6 GIRL	Zara	Jaimee	



INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Interschool Athletics Carnival was held Friday, 15th of August. I am so impressed with how well the selected students from Santa Clara performed and represented their school on the day. Out of the 4 schools we came second, which is an amazing achievement. Well done to each and every one of those students. Thank you to the Santa Clara parent cheer squad. I was told many times throughout the day that we were the loudest!

Miss Fitzpatrick
Physical Education Teacher

SANTA CLARA P & F

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 13th October

7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start

BYO Alcohol, nibbles and snacks

Cool drinks available to purchase

Loads of Prizes to be won including Raffles, Door Prize and Spot Prizes

Tables of 8

\$20.00 per person

Tickets on sale after school in the undercover area or phone Michelle Kinsman 0409 05 05 22

Come along for some fun and test your knowledge and game skills.

Sorry no children allowed



CANTEEN NEWS



The new Summer Menu is now in place.

- Please remember that Sushi may not be available every Monday so please have an alternative choice ready.
- New on Fridays is a delicious Mexican Taco Boat – Mexican chicken in a crunchy tortilla boat topped with chopped tomatoes, shredded lettuce, grated cheese and salsa.

Like us on Facebook:

Santa Clara School Canteen



Thank you.

Sonia Thiel
Canteen Manager

QUIZ NIGHT DONATIONS

Thank you to the families who have already brought in prizes for our Quiz Night tomorrow night.

There is still time if you would like to contribute any items. You are more than welcome to drop them off in the tubs in the classrooms or leave them at the school office.

Much appreciated.

P&F Committee

CANTEEN ROSTERS TERM 4

Friday 13 October Thuy Phan	Monday 16 October Sharon Morris
Friday 20 October Tanya Spiegl	Monday 23 October Sandy Pattani
Friday 27 October Edith von Hofmann	Monday 30 October HELP NEEDED
Friday 3 November SCHOOL CLOSED – CATHOLIC DAY FOR SCHOOL STAFF & OSC STAFF	Monday 6 November HELP NEEDED

KIDS CAN JOIN THE FUN AND LEARN TO PLAY CRICKET

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Play + Learn

PLAY FOR FUN!

PLAY TO WIN

Cricket is a sport for all and there's more ways than ever for kids to experience the fun of cricket!

**Santa Clara School Canteen
Volunteer Roster Form
HELPERS NEEDED ESPECIALLY ON MONDAYS**

Our Canteen is open on Mondays and Fridays from 8:30am to 1:30pm and a time can be arranged to suit. We need at least one volunteer each day plus a few emergency helpers on call. Morning tea, lunch and a drink are provided.

If you are able to assist in any way, we ask that you complete the attached reply slip and return to the school office by **Monday 16 October 2017** so the Term 4 Roster can be finalised.

Thank you for your help and support.

Sonia Thiel
Canteen Manager

Canteen Volunteers Reply Slip

Yes, I would love to help in the canteen.

Name: _____ Contact Telephone No.: _____

Email Address: _____

I am available: *(please tick)* ☐ MONDAY ☐ FRIDAY ☐ BOTH DAYS
☐ Once a Term ☐ Twice a Term ☐ As Required ☐ Monthly ☐ Emergency



Santa Clara CALENDAR TERM FOUR

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	W/END
Week 1	9 Oct Staff & Students Return	10 Oct	11 Oct	12 Oct	13 Oct P&F Quiz /Bingo Night	14 Oct
						15 Oct
Week 2	16 Oct	17 Oct	18 Oct	19 Oct	20 Oct 12 noon to 2:45pm Senior Swimming Carnival for Years 3-6 at Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre	21 Oct
						22 Oct
Week 3	23 Oct Begin St Vincent de Paul Hamper Collection	24 Oct 8:45am Pre-primary Classroom visit by Fr Chris	25 Oct	26 Oct	27 Oct WORLD TEACHERS' DAY 9:00am Year 5 Participation Mass 2:15pm PP Curriculum Assembly	28 Oct
						29 Oct
Week 4	30 Oct	31 Oct 6:00pm P&F Meeting 6:45pm School Board	1 Nov Feast of All Saints Mass (Yr 2 to organise)	2 Nov All Souls Day	3 Nov CATHOLIC DAY Student Free Day	4 Nov
						5 Nov
Week 5	6 Nov	7 Nov	8 Nov	9 Nov	10 Nov 10:50am Remembrance Day Ceremony (Year 6 Curriculum Assembly) 2:15pm Year 2 Curriculum Assembly	11 Nov
						12 Nov
Week 6	13 Nov	14 Nov	15 Nov 9:00am Kindergarten Classroom visit by Fr Chris	16 Nov 6:00pm Kindy 2018 Parent Information Session	17 Nov 9:00am Year 4 Participation Mass 9:00-10:00am Kindy 2018 Orientation	18 Nov
						19 Nov Christ the King
Week 7	20 Nov	21 Nov	22 Nov	23 Nov 5.00pm Combined P&F / School Board Sundowner 5.30pm AGM	24 Nov	25 Nov
						26 Nov Our Lord Jesus Chris, King of the Universe
Week 8	27 Nov	28 Nov	29 Nov 9:30am PP Graduation	30 Nov 6:00pm Christmas Concert	1 Dec	2 Dec
						3 Dec 1 st Sunday of Advent
Week 9	4 Dec Reports sent home to parents	5 Dec	6 Dec	7 Dec	8 Dec Last day for children 9:00am Graduation Mass 10:15am Graduation Morning Tea 11am-12pm Grad. Award Ceremony 2:30pm Year 5 Final Assembly	9 Dec
						10 Dec 2 nd Sunday of Advent
Week 10	11 Dec Staff PD	12 Dec Staff PD	13 Dec Staff PD	14 Dec Staff PD	15 Dec Staff PD	16 Dec
						17 Dec 3 rd Sunday of Advent

2017 TERM DATES (Students)
2018 TERM DATES (Students)

Term 1 1 Feb-7 April
Term 1 31 Jan-13 April

Term 2 24 Apr-30 June
Term 2 30 April- 29 June

Term 3 17 July - 22 Sept
Term 3 16 July-21 Sept

Term 4 9 Oct – 8 Dec
Term 4 8 Oct – 13 Dec

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