



Santa Clara School

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15 February 2018

IMPORTANT DATES:

Friday 16 February:

- 2:30pm Assembly
- 2:30pm – 3:30pm
Sacrament
Enrolment Collection
in the hall with Parish
Sacrament
Coordinator
- 5:30pm Welcome
Picnic

SUNDAY

18 FEBRUARY

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Thursday 22 February:

- 5:00pm Parent
Information Night

Friday 23 February:

- 2:30pm Assembly

SATURDAY

24 FEBRUARY

6:30pm Sacramental
Enrolment Mass
Sausage Sizzle at
Bunnings Cannington

SUNDAY

25 FEBRUARY

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

- 9:30am Sacramental
Enrolment Mass

Tuesday 27 February:

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

Friday 2 March:

- 9:00am Year 6
Participation Mass
- 2:30pm Assembly

SUNDAY

4 MARCH

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

MONDAY

5 MARCH

LABOR DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Friday 9 March:

- 2:30pm Assembly

PRAYER:

A Friendship Blessing

May you be blessed with good friends.

May you learn to be a good friend to yourself.

*May you be able to journey to that place in your soul
where there is great love, warmth, feeling and forgiveness.*

May this change you.

May it transfigure that which is negative, distant or cold in you.

*May you be brought in to the real passion,
kinship and affinity of belonging.*

May you treasure your friends.

May you be good to them and may you be there for them;

*May they bring you all the blessings,
challenges, truth and light that you need for your journey.*

May you never be isolated;

But may you always be in the gentle nest of belonging.

*Taken from the book 'Spiritual Wisdom from the Celtic Word'
by John O'Donohue*

Dear Parents/Carers, Staff and Students

ASH WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

Last Wednesday saw the start of Lent. This is a time when we pay special attention to Prayer, Penance and Almsgiving and Abstinence. For our students, it is a time to place emphasis on not just "giving something up" but making a special effort to do something positive for someone else. It is also a time to prepare for the most significant event in the Church year.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

We celebrated Ash Wednesday on Wednesday 14 February, with a whole school Mass in the Santa Clara church at 9.00am. Fr Steven was the chief celebrant.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL STAFF COMMISSIONING MASS

On Tuesday 30 January, at the invitation of the Archbishop, Dr Tim Costello, I attended a Commissioning Mass at St Mary's Cathedral along with staff from other regions in the metropolitan area. The Cathedral was almost full to capacity. Archbishop, Tim Costello of Perth, commissioned staff new to the Archdiocese and spoke to all staff about the special vocation that they have in Catholic schools regardless of their roles. Staff then enjoyed some light refreshments after Mass and took the opportunity to catch up with staff members from other schools. The Mass was also attended by the Director of Catholic Education.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student leadership is an integral part of the Year 6 learning program. All Year 6 students are involved in leadership through participation in student committees. There are five student committees:

- *Library Committee*
- *Physical Education Committee*
- *School Pride Committee*
- *Public Relations Committee*
- *Pastoral Care Committee*

Each student is placed in committee for Semester One and then changes committee for the second semester.

The committees assist in a variety of ways throughout the school year – organizing school liturgies, assisting at sports carnivals, running assemblies, supporting younger students and assisting in environmental projects.

Being on the Student Committee is a privilege. It is very much a role of 'service and giving' as well as a role of leadership and responsibility. I wish the Year Six students all the best this year as they embark on many exciting new adventures, including their Student Leadership roles.

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE – DROP OFF AND PICK UP

I urge all families with cars to slow down to the minimum speed when entering and exiting during 'Drop Off' and 'Pick Up' times during the week. I especially ask you to take extra care on Monday and Friday mornings when students are taking part in the fun run club. I am there to supervise the students and I need your assistance to keep all students safe. Thank You.



To further enhance our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) programme at our school, Mrs Madafferi and Mr Tony Nunn worked hard during the school holidays to refurbish our makerspace room. The refurbishment is in good progress and on completion, it will cater for specific aspects of STEM. There will be a dedicated space for building with the use of cutting boards, recycled material, electronics and basic tools, tables and benches. Conversation and creativity areas will be planned in an environment where students can share ideas and allow their creativity to flow so that they can be inspired to design and generate original and functional products. There will also be a technology area where students can use a range of modern devices and gadgets.

2018 SANTA CLARA CORE VALUES

A key improvement strategy for our School Improvement Plan is developing a revitalized set of school values for Santa Clara Primary School. This is important work as values shape our relationships, our behaviours, our choices, and our sense of who we are within our community of learners. On Thursday 9 November, as a continuation of what we had already started earlier in the term, all teachers participated in a dynamic and engaging workshop that stimulated curiosity and dialogue as we collectively mapped the cultural landscape of our school to reference the school's past, the here and now and the future. As a result, a set of Santa Clara Core Values were developed.

The core values are:

Creative, Resilient, Caring,
Truthful and Courageous.

The teachers have commenced implementing these core values with their students.

God bless

Richard Win Pe
Principal

ABSENTEES

If your child is not attending school, or will be in late due to doctor/dental appointments etc, please notify the school office via email on:

admin@santaclara.wa.edu.au
or a phone call before 9:00am with an email or a signed note.

A written notification or email is required for all absences. It is a legal requirement in maintaining class roles so it would be greatly appreciated if parents could send in notes or emails for absentees as soon as practical.

STANDARD COLLECTION NOTICE: PUBLICITY AND THE USE OF STUDENT IMAGES

Attached to this week's newsletter is our policy on the use of students' photos being used in school publicity activities, such as newsletters, classroom activities, sporting events and CEO documents.

Please read this carefully and return only if you **do not** give permission for the school to use your child's photos for all school publicity activities.

Note: In all instances where images are to be used in local media, newspapers, videos or CEO documents, parents will be contacted and permission sought.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

TERM ONE PUBLIC HOLIDAY DATES

Parents are reminded that Term One for students commenced on Wednesday 31 January 2018 and concludes on Friday 13 April 2018. It should be noted that the following public holidays are scheduled throughout the term. These dates are:

Monday 5 March 2018 – Labor Day
 Friday 30 March 2018 – Good Friday
 Monday 2 April 2018 – Easter Monday
 Tuesday 3 April 2018 – Easter Tuesday

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING – KINDERGARTEN, PRE-PRIMARY, YEARS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 – THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2018

As indicated in the last newsletter, the Parent Information Evening for ALL Parents (at least one parent from each family) with children in Kindergarten to Year Six will be held next Thursday 22 February 2018. The format will be similar to previous years with all classes held on the one night.

The planned outline of the evening is as follows:

5:00 - 5:15pm Parents of students in **Kindergarten to Year 6** meet in the **School Hall** for a short prayer and information session with Mr Richard Win Pe (Principal) and some specialist teachers' information.

5:15 – 5:45pm Parents of students in **Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 5** move to respective **classrooms** for information particular to that year level by the class teacher.

5:45 – 6:15pm Parents of students in **Pre-Primary, Year 3, Year 4 & Year 6** move to respective **classrooms** for information particular to that year level by the class teacher.

6:15pm End of final sessions.

Please make every effort to attend! It is vital that you hear procedures, expectations, student management plans and information regarding your child's year at school.

NAPLAN 2018

Last week, the Year Three and Year Five students brought home an 'Information for Parents' NAPLAN brochure. This year's NAPLAN will be held in Term Two Week Three. The tests are scheduled on Tuesday 15 May (Language Conventions & Writing), Wednesday 16 May (Reading) and Thursday 17 May 2018 (Numeracy).

CARITAS / PROJECT COMPASSION 2018

Last week, the Santa Clara children (Kindergarten to Year Six) were given a Project Compassion money 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.

This year's theme is 'A Just Future'. The website below outlines the great work that Caritas Australia provides to many communities around the world. There are six feature stories - six weeks of Lent (14 February to 31 March 2018). Caritas Australia offers a different story to feature each week during Lent. Focused on the theme 'A Just Future', and featuring a new country each week, the stories explain the issues faced in each country. They also highlight how Caritas Australia is working together with vulnerable people, helping them develop their strengths and create change in their own communities.

<http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion>



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 Appeal](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)

www.caritas.org.au

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual fundraising and awareness raising event. In 2017, \$11 million was raised to help the world's poorest communities.

Children are asked to return their Project Compassion money boxes at the end of the Lenten period.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The Parent / Teacher interviews will be held between Monday 26 March to Wednesday 28 March 2018 after school. Timetables for Parent / Teacher interviews will be displayed on Classroom doors from Monday 19 March 2018. Parents are asked to select and write the time/s they would like to attend the interview.

Larry King
 Assistant Principal

West Coast Eagles Supporting Resilient Ricky

Last Tuesday the students welcomed six West Coast Eagles personnel to the school. Players Josh Kennedy, Tom Cole, Francis Watson, Hamish Brayshaw, Jackson Nelson and assistant coach, Jaymie Graham, talked about their history, their likes and the school's new Core Values. "Resilient Ricky" was an important aspect to all players and bouncing back from challenging situations was discussed.



COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

When shopping at Coles, remember to collect your vouchers!



Bring them into school office and drop them into the collection box in the foyer.

Remember to ask all of your family and friends to collect these vouchers as well!

We could win some really cool sports gear for the school!

Thanks from Miss Fitz



The Staff at Santa Clara School are hosting a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Cannington to raise money for the Maker Space on

Saturday 24 February 2018

Come down and say hello!

Uniform Shop News

Tracksuits that were on order are ready for collection.

The Uniform Shop is open on Wednesday mornings from 8.20am - 9.20am.

Sonia Thiel
Uniform Shop Coordinator



P&F News

Santa Clara P & F

Welcome you to the Family Fun Welcome Picnic

Friday 16th February
5.30pm - 8pm on the School Oval

Free Bouncing Castle and Face Painting, along with a sweet surprise for all children.

Bring your own picnic OR a

Sausage Sizzle and Soft Drinks will be available to purchase for \$2

Come relax with your family and catch up with friends and welcome in the new School Year.

Please note - this is not a supervised event. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**The first P&F Meeting
will be held on Tuesday 27 February
at 6:00pm in the hall.
ALL WELCOME**

Shrove Tuesday

On Tuesday, the P & F made and sold over 200 pancakes to the children at recess raising \$103.50 for Caritas.

Thank you for your support and to our volunteers Sharon Morris & Katie Closey.

Michelle Kinsman
P&F President



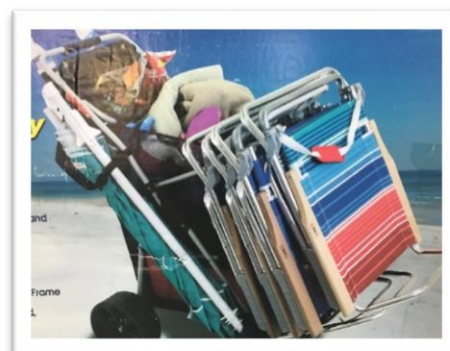
OPEN DAY

Friday 9 March 2018

St Norbert College warmly invites prospective students and their parents to tour our excellent college, its contemporary facilities and extensive grounds. Tours will be conducted at 9.00am and 1.00pm.

Enrolments for Year 7 in 2020

We have commenced our enrolments for 2020. Application forms may be obtained by phoning the Enrolment Officer, Mrs Hughes on 9350 5433.



The P&F are selling raffle tickets at the Welcome Picnic for this beach trolley kindly donated by the Crook family (Oliver in Year 1).

Tickets are \$2.00 each or
3 for \$5.00.

CANTEEN NEWS

The Canteen has a Facebook page. Keep up to date with the latest offers and specials. Like us on Facebook, search for Santa Clara School Canteen.



Specials During Lent

Fish Burger \$4.50

Fish 'n' Gems \$4.00

Sonia Thiel
Canteen Manager

CANTEEN ROSTERS

Friday 16 February Edith von Hofmann	Monday 19 February Michelle Kinsman
Friday 23 February Tram Le	Monday 26 February HELP NEEDED
Friday 2 March Lyn Nurzenski	Monday 5 March LABOR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

School Banking News



Congratulations to all who are part of the School Banking Programme at Santa Clara. In Term 3, you collectively banked just over \$1,650.00, bringing the total for 2017 to about \$5,157.54!!!! – I have yet to calculate the total for Term 4 of last year, but as soon as I have a minute...

It was great to see that so many of you remembered to bring in your bankbooks in the first week of school. A very big YAY to you all! Well done!

****If you're not part of the programme, then now or anytime is the perfect time to ask Mum or Dad to open a bank account for you and you can start saving for that "special" thing you would like. ****

\$\$ Younger siblings, can also be part of the programme; just open an account. \$\$

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

Also, 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).

There is an Account opening session scheduled for Friday 23 February 2018, between Kindy and Pre-Primary. I hope to see lots of new faces joining the programme.

Lots of love from

**\$\$\$ Susie,
The School Banking Bunny \$\$\$**

A Note from the Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Fiona Ewing and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on **0434 070 414**.

School Entry Health Assessment

All children in Western Australia are offered a health assessment during their first year of primary school. This usually occurs in kindergarten and is provided by the local School Health Nurse. This is an excellent opportunity to look at the health and development of each child at the beginning of school life.

The assessments are simple, standard tests which are non-invasive, quick and easy. The tests screen for problems which are best addressed, if picked up and treated early. The tests include:

- ☐ Vision and hearing checks
- ☐ 'Lift the lip' assessment
- ☐ Growth assessment including weight, height and Body Mass Index
- ☐ Developmental evaluation according to parent responses on the form
- ☐ Teacher and nurse observations
- ☐ Any other health, development and wellbeing concerns raised by parents.

Your child's results will be sent home after their health check has been completed. Results are always treated confidentially.

Please note, the screening tests indicate if there may be a problem – they do not diagnose a condition. If the test results for your child suggest there may be a problem, the School Health Nurse will contact you to talk about further assessment and possible referral.

School Entry Health Assessment forms are currently being distributed for parents to complete. **Please complete and sign the back page of the form before you return it. Please return the form to the class teacher as soon as possible.**

I look forward to working with you and your family. Please phone if you wish to discuss anything to do with the School Entry Health Assessment.

**Fiona Ewing
Clinical Nurse 0434 070 414**

UPDATED FAMILY INFORMATION AND STUDENT MEDICATION FORMS FOR 2018

REMINDER TO PARENTS:

- There are still a number of families who haven't as yet completed and returned their information sheet. Please send an email to admin@santaclara.wa.edu.au with changes to your details or fill in the attached form and return to the school office by Monday 19 February 2018.
- Please complete the attached Student Medication/Request Record if your child requires medication to be kept at school. *Please also inform the school office in writing of any changes to your child's/children's health or medical conditions.*



UPDATE OF FAMILY INFORMATION – FEBRUARY 2018

ALL FAMILIES ARE ASKED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS REPLY SLIP
TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY **MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY**. THANK YOU.

Names of Students: _____ **Class:** _____
 _____ **Class:** _____
 _____ **Class:** _____

Address: _____ **Home tel no.:** _____

Mother's/Female Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____
 (If same address, write 'as above')
Home tel no.: _____ **Work tel no.:** _____

Mobile Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Occupation: _____ **Employer:** _____

Father's/Male Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____
 (If same address, write 'as above')
Home tel no.: _____ **Work tel no.:** _____

Mobile Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Occupation: _____ **Employer:** _____

Name of Emergency Contact (other than parents)		Relationship to your child eg. Grandmother	Contact Numbers
1.			(h)
			(w)
			(mob)
2.			(h)
			(w)
			(mob)

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Santa Clara School Canteen Volunteer Roster Form

We are still looking for volunteers to help in the Canteen.

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

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 **19 February 2018**.

The Canteen cannot operate without your help.

A reminder is usually published in the newsletter prior to your roster. Morning tea, lunch and a drink are provided. For safety reasons, children are not permitted in the canteen.

This is a great way to get to know other members of the school community.

I look forward to meeting you.

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

☐ As Required

☐ Monthly

☐ Emergency

☐ Once a Term

☐ Twice a Term



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STANDARD COLLECTION NOTICE: PUBLICITY AND THE USE OF STUDENT IMAGES

Dear Parent/Guardian

As part of the school's publicity activities, there may, on occasion, arise the situation whereby the school, Catholic Education Office of WA (CEOWA) or local media will need to take photographs and/or video footage of your child/ren for publication in newspapers, school documents, CEOWA and Catholic agency documents (e.g. Caritas, CDF, Life Link, etc), training videos and/or the school/CEOWA website.

Should you NOT want your child/children to feature in such publicity, please complete the information below and return it to the school office.

I _____ Parent/Guardian of:

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

DO NOT give permission for the use of my child's/children's photo/video image in school publicity activities undertaken by the school, CEOWA or local media, for the duration of my child's/children's schooling at Santa Clara School.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



1. The doctor prescribing the medication is to be aware that school staff will administer or supervise the administering of medication to students.
2. The doctor is to provide in writing any additional information to staff regarding special requirements that may exist for the administration of the medication.
3. The doctor should provide in writing all information of any side effects of medication and consequences of providing medication when it is not necessary.

I _____ being the Parent/Guardian of student _____ Class: _____
request that STAFF OF SANTA CLARA SCHOOL administer the following medication:

Name of Medication	Expiry Date	Dose	Time to be taken	Start Date	End Date	Purpose of Treatment / Prescribed by Doctor Notes / Comments
Has any medication been given to your child today?		YES / NO	Date:	Dose:	Time:	Signature:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Mobile No.: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Mobile No.: _____