



Santa Clara School

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21 February 2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday 18 February to
Friday 1 March
Swimming Lessons for
Pre-Primary to Year 6

Thursday 21 February
Parent Information Night
Commencing at 5:00pm

Friday 22 February:
• School Banking
• No Assembly due to
Swimming Lessons

Saturday 23 February
Sacramental
Commitment Mass
6:30pm Mass

Sunday 24 February
Sacramental
Commitment Mass
9:30am Mass

Tuesday 26 February:
• 6:00pm P&F Meeting

Friday 1 March:
• 9:00am Year 6
Participation Mass
• School Banking
• No Assembly due to
Swimming Lessons
• Kindy/Pre-Primary
Welcome Picnic

MONDAY 4 MARCH
LABOR DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 5 March:
• SHROVE TUESDAY
• 9:00am Fr Chris to
visit Year 2 Class
• P&F Selling
Pancakes at Recess
for 50c each

WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH
ASH WEDNESDAY
9:00am Mass

Friday 8 March:
• Swimming Carnival
at Cannington
Leisureplex

THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019
LAST DAY OF TERM
FOR STUDENTS

LOVE

Love will teach us all things;
But we must learn how to win love;
It is got with difficulty:
It is a possession dearly bought with much labour and a long time;
For one must love not sometimes only,
For a passing moment,
But always.
And let not men's sin dishearten thee:
Love a man even in his sin,
For that love is a likeness of the divine love,
And is the summit of love on earth.

*Feodor Dostoevsky
1821 - 1881
Russian Novelist*

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Santa Clara School,

The start of school term has certainly been a warm one but I must make a comment on how well groomed the children looked. Their enthusiastic smiles and happy faces gave me immense pleasure when I greeted them. They are now settling into the school routine and I have actually had the pleasure to meet and greet with them on various days. Their commitment to learning is a credit to themselves, their teachers and parents.

We at Santa Clara School aim to provide students, through the whole school community, the opportunity to participate in a school life filled with experiences that reflect Jesus' actions and the choices he would have made, so they are able to lead by example. These experiences need to be filled with personal example and charity, to encourage participation and a concern for others.

21 Century Teaching/Learning at Santa Clara School

We are dedicated to a student-centred teaching and learning that promotes

academic excellence through an enriched inter-disciplinary curriculum. As a staff, we are here to support all of you, by any means necessary, to ensure your child reaches the fullest academic, spiritual and emotional potentials.

Our goal is to ensure that all students become critical thinkers, active problem solvers, inquisitive readers, diligent researchers and efficient writers. We do all this to prepare your child for the demands of the real world so that your children may become productive citizens, become our future leaders and contribute and/or give back something positive to the community, as they continue their learning journey beyond the primary school years.

JUST A LITTLE
Reminder

FRIDAY, 12 APRIL 2019
PUPIL FREE DAY –
SCHOOL CLOSED

The Power of Positivity

I encourage you all to approach the 2019 School Year with a positive attitude. Take the time to be active participants in your child/ren's education - encompassing the spiritual, emotional, physical and intellectual domains. Successful and enjoyable school life for the students requires active participation by both parents and staff in an open and trusting relationship. At Santa Clara School, we have the added bonus of interested parishioners, extended family members and the general community.

Effective relationships are destroyed by lack of communication, gossip and negativity. If you want to share your thoughts - both positive and negative - please come and discuss them through the appropriate channel of communication.



National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence – Friday, 15 March 2019

It is with delight I inform you that, at the invitation of the Prime Minister, Mr Scott Morrison, our school will take part in the ninth annual **National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence** on Friday, 15 March. It is an important opportunity for the whole school community to reject bullying and cyberbullying and keep our young students safe.

The safety of ALL children at Santa Clara School is everyone's responsibility and we will get the best results by working in partnerships with our families.

Teachers will be receiving anti-bullying materials and teaching resources that will be used in the classrooms.

STAFF MATTERS

Principal

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, I am writing to inform you that I will be finishing my tenure as the Principal of Santa Clara School on 31 December 2019. I have thoroughly enjoyed my professional journey at Santa Clara and I will be ending with great memories of students, staff and parents. The school will be notified of the process for the employment of a new Principal in due time.

Mrs Madaffer

It is with great delight I inform you that Mrs Madaffer is expecting the birth of her second child in July 2019. Congratulations to Mrs Madaffer and her husband as they welcome a new addition to their family.

Meeting with Teachers

I cannot stress enough the importance of parents communicating with class teachers over any concerns they may have about their child's progress. Whether it is to do with homework, reading books, class work, behaviour etc. please make an appointment to see the class teacher so they are aware your child maybe experiencing problems. Successful and enjoyable school life requires positive and active participation by both parents and teachers in an open and trusting relationship.

DRESS & HAIR STANDARDS

Santa Clara has traditionally set very high standards, including personal standards of presentation for its students. I am asking for your cooperation and support in maintaining these standards.

- No student is permitted to have a colour put into his or her hair. This includes streaks.
- Boys are required to have short hair above the collar and behind the ears - short back and sides.
- Girls with long hair must have it tied back with ribbons or headbands being in school colours only.
- Only one earring per ear and only studs or sleepers are permitted in gold or silver.
- Nail polish is also not permitted to be worn.

Board Meeting

The first Santa Clara Board Meeting for 2019 was held on Tuesday, 12 February. The School Board amongst other functions is responsible for the present and the future operations of the school and overseeing the financial operations.

Santa Clara Board Members for 2019 are:

Mr Bevan Castle	Board Chair
Mr Matthew Keane	Secretary
Mrs Jo Barton	Treasurer
Mr Ryan Butler	Member
Mr Wayne Barton	Member
Ms Fiona Messer	Assistant Principal
Fr Chris	Ex-Officio Member
Mr Richard Win Pe	Ex-Officio Member

God bless

Richard Win Pe
Principal



A Message from the Director of Catholic Education WA

State Parliament passed the new Criminal Law Amendment (Intimate Images) Bill yesterday, making it illegal to distribute an intimate image of a person without consent.

In the case of someone under 16, the law says they cannot legally consent to an image of themselves being shared. The law aims to strike a balance between protecting young people from this harmful behaviour, and not unduly criminalising them.

The new intimate image laws will come into effect following the commencement of the *Criminal Law Amendment (Intimate Images) Act 2018 (WA)* on 15 April 2019.

As young people under the age of 16 are not exempt from this new offence, it is imperative that information regarding these new laws is shared with our students and their parents.

The key messages for young people are:

- It is against the law to take, keep, send or ask for an intimate image of a person under the age of 18
- It is against the law to share an intimate image of a person of any age without their consent.

The Department of Justice has provided all education providers in Western Australia with [FAQs](#). Legal Aid can provide free legal education sessions and resources for young people between 10 and 18 years old. Please see the school for more information if you are interested in these sessions.

With the increasing use of digital technology and social media it is important that we continue to ensure that our schools and colleges are safe places of learning and development for all our students.

Child safety requires a consolidated approach from teachers, parents, friends and the community and I encourage you to pass on information regarding these laws to your students, staff and parents.

Dr Debra Sayce
Executive Director



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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING TONIGHT

Tonight, Thursday, 21 February will be our annual Parent Information Evening when you have the opportunity to meet with your children's teachers and hear firsthand about how their class will operate this year, teacher expectations and learning foci for first term. The timetable for the evening is structured so that those parents with more than one child can get around to at least two different class teacher sessions. Times are as follows:

5:00pm – 5:15pm	Session 1	Welcome	Mr Win Pe
5:15pm – 5:45pm	Session 2	Kindy & Years 1, 2 & 5	Class Teachers
5:45pm – 6:15pm	Session 3	PP & Years 3, 4 & 6	Class Teachers

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The Parent/Teacher interviews will be held between Monday, 25 March to Wednesday, 27 March 2019, before and after school. Timetables for the interviews will be displayed on classroom doors from Monday, 18 March 2019. Parents are asked to select and write the time/s they would like to attend the interview.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Ash Wednesday Mass on Wednesday, 6 March, will be the beginning of Lent, which is marked by celebrating Ash Wednesday. This is the day where palms given out at last year's Palm Sunday Mass are burnt and made into a paste which is then marked as a cross on each person's forehead. It helps us to remember to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.

Year 4 will be helping us to celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass commencing at 9:00am in the church. We would love to see many families come and join us for this celebration.

SACRAMENTS

Thank you to all those families who have registered their children to receive Sacraments this year. If you have not yet done this, please make an appointment to see Father Chris as soon as possible.

COMMITMENT MASSES

A reminder that the Commitment Masses for those students receiving a Sacrament will be **this weekend**:

Saturday, 23 February 2019 at 6:30pm Mass
OR
Sunday, 24 February 2019 at 9:30am Mass

Attendance of parents/guardians is required at this Mass, also.

Please note that Sacraments are **PARISH BASED**. This means that the children will receive the Sacrament at the parish they belong to. We, as a school, support the children by preparing them through the Religious Education Units of Work taught and by assisting our Parish, Santa Clara, with help they may require. If parents wish for their child to receive a Sacrament, it is your responsibility to liaise with your parish in order for this to occur. We will provide information for Santa Clara as a service to our families and as support to the parish.

Miss Fiona Messer
Assistant Principal



Other Sacramental Dates:

Reconciliation Prior to Sacraments:

Prior to Eucharist:



Friday, 21 June 2019
From 4:00pm – 5:00pm
and
Saturday, 22 June 2019
From 11:00am – 12:00noon

Prior to Confirmation:



Friday, 6 September 2019
From 4:00pm – 5:00pm
and
Saturday, 7 September 2019
From 11:00am – 12:00 noon

Parent-Child Workshops:

Reconciliation:

Thursday, 4 April 2019
From 4:30pm to 6:00pm

Eucharist:

Thursday, 2 May 2019
From 4:30pm to 6:00pm

Confirmation:

Thursday, 1 August 2019
From 4:30pm to 6:00pm



Celebration of Sacraments:

Reconciliation:

Thursday, 23 May 2019 at
4:30pm

Holy Communion:

Sunday, 23 June 2019 at 9:30am
(Followed by Morning Tea)

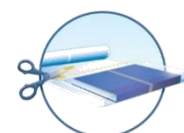
Confirmation:

Sunday, 8 September 2019
at 9:30am
(Followed by Morning Tea)



Can You Help With
Book Covering?

If you are able to help with some book covering, please come and see me in the Library on Tuesdays and maybe grab a bundle or two.



Thanks so much from Mrs Kinsman

Immunisation Reminder from the Community Health Nurse

The West Australian Immunisation Schedule recommends that children who have turned 4 years of age have the following booster immunisations:

- **DTPa-IPV - Vaccine against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough) and Polio**
- **All other WA schedule vaccinations recommended and completed including MMRx2 (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)**

Your child should have these immunisations as soon as they have turned 4.

If you need more information about these vaccines, please phone one of the following:

- Local Immunisation Clinic on (08) 6151 1308
- Central Immunisation Clinic in Perth on (08) 9321 1312
- Australian Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809 or www.humanservices.gov.au
- Your Community Health Nurse on (08) 9258 8053

At school enrolment, the parent/guardian is required to provide the immunisation status of their child. The only acceptable documentation for this purpose is the **child's Immunisation History Statement** from the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR). The date of the statement should be within the two months prior to enrolment.

A child's current AIR Immunisation History Statement can be accessed at any time by the parent/guardian through:

- MyGov, by logging in to their Medicare online account
- Medicare Express Plus App, by logging in to the Medicare account
- Visiting a Medicare or Centrelink office or
- Calling the AIR General Enquiries Line on 1800 653 809 for the Statement to be posted

Overseas immunisation records must not be accepted directly and must be verified by an Australian immunisation provider.

For translating and interpreting services, parents/guardians are advised to call 131 450. See this link for more information:

https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/S_T/Starting-or-moving-schools-immunisation-records

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on **(08) 9258 8053**.

Fiona Ewing
Clinical Nurse
Child and Adolescent Community Health

P & F NEWS

Look What's Happening

- **Tuesday, 26 February: First P & F Meeting at 6:00pm**
- **Tuesday, 5 March: Shrove Tuesday – Selling Pancakes at Recess for 50c each**
- **Friday, 15 March: Welcome Picnic – More info to follow**

Shrove Tuesday

What is Shrove Tuesday?
 Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, which is the start of Lent.

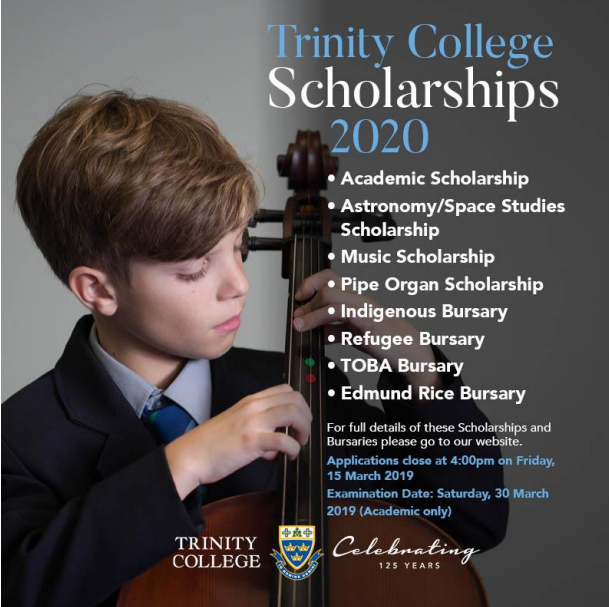
On Tuesday, 5 March, the P & F are selling pancakes for 50c each at Recess.

All money will be donated to Caritas.



Uniform Shop


OPEN WEDNESDAY MORNINGS
From 8:20am – 9:30am



Trinity College Scholarships 2020

- Academic Scholarship
- Astronomy/Space Studies Scholarship
- Music Scholarship
- Pipe Organ Scholarship
- Indigenous Bursary
- Refugee Bursary
- TOBA Bursary
- Edmund Rice Bursary

For full details of these Scholarships and Bursaries please go to our website.
Applications close at 4:00pm on Friday, 15 March 2019
Examination Date: Saturday, 30 March 2019 (Academic only)

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School Banking News

Calling All School Bankers!

A big congratulations for remembering that School Banking is back for 2019!

There are some great Rewards this year, so look out for the posters I've put up.

For those who would like to join the programme, please see Mrs Walker in the office for a Parent Information Brochure. You can, also, join online if that's more convenient for you.

There will be an Account Opening session on Friday, 29 March, with more details to follow closer to the date.

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Come and find me;
I'll be wearing the Bunny Ears!!

Lots of love from
\$\$\$ Susie the School Banking Bunny \$\$\$