Santa Clara School

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21 March 2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

Friday 22 March:

- 9:00am Year 3 **Participation Mass**
- 2:30pm Assembly

Sunday 24 March 3rd Sunday of Lent



Monday 25 March to Wednesday 27 March Parent/Teacher Interviews

MONDAY 25 MARCH 9:00am Mass - FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION **OF THE LORD**

Tuesday 26 March:

- 9:00am Fr Chris to visit Year 1 Class
- 6:00pm P&F Meeting
- 6:45pm Board Meeting

Wednesday 27 March:

8:45am Year 6 Grip Leadership Conference

Friday 29 March:

- 8:15am School **Banking - Account Opening Session**
- 2:30pm Assembly

Sunday 31 March 4th Sunday of Lent



Thursday 4 April:

- Year 5 Growth & **Development** Workshop
- 4:30pm Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshop

Friday 5 April:

- Interschool **Swimming Carnival** at Belmont Oasis
- 2:30pm Assembly

Sunday 7 April 5th Sunday of Lent



HURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019 LAST DAY OF TERM FOR

- 9:00am End of Term Mass lead by Year 2
 10:50am ANZAC Day Service Year 4 Curriculum Assembly

Prayer:

God help us to change. To change ourselves and to change our world. To know the need for it. To deal with the pain of it. To feel the joy of it. To undertake the journey without understanding the destination. The art of gentle revolution. Amen

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

I have had the privilege of meeting the families that are looking to enrol their children at Santa Clara. The most rewarding part of the interview process is walking the families around our wonderful school. It fills me with great pride to show them the great facilities our children are able to access everyday including the library, and our colourful, creative classrooms. Our future parents are always commenting about the way the school is presented - its cleanliness, the sense of welcome and the positivity observed in the classes by children and staff alike. We are truly blessed to have such a great school where everyone feels welcomed and where everyone works together to achieve great things.

New Principal 2020

The process for the employment of the new Principal at Santa Clara School in 2020 will commence in May 2019.

Information for Parents Regarding **Emails**

Because of the nature of their work, teachers spend almost all their time in the classroom. When they are not in the classroom, teachers may be in staff meetings, on excursions or planning and marking. Added to this, all teachers



FRIDAY, 12 APRIL 2019 **PUPIL FREE DAY -SCHOOL CLOSED**

perform a range of playground and cocurricular duties. Because teachers have a range of duties to fulfil, it may take longer than a parent might wish for them to respond to an email or telephone call.

Please remember to respect staff and their personal time.

GENERALLY SPEAKING, TEACHERS WILL ENDEAVOUR TO RESPOND TO AN EMAIL OR TELEPHONE CALL WITHIN 48 HOURS.

 Email should not be used to send vital messages. For example, do not use email to inform a teacher that your child is to wait for you at the office after school or meet you somewhere when the day ends. A teacher may not have time to read your message. Instead, contact the office to be sure your message is received and clearly understood.

 Please don't seek to discuss in detail your child's academic progress, learning expectations or behavioural issues via email. These are best addressed through a telephone conversation or by scheduling a personal meeting with your child's teacher(s). Teachers and parents may agree to continue communication on these matters by email only after personal contact has been made in the first instance.

Action Against Bullying

As parents, I urge you to take the lead in preventing bullying among young people as our school participated in the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. For those many parents present at our Special Assembly on Thursday, 14 March, you witnessed classes P- 6 showcase some of the actions being implemented in our school to prevent bullying and violence.

In a media release, the peak body for parents with children in New South Wales Catholic schools said that parents have a part to play in addressing bullying.

Bullying is an area of great concern for many parents, and understandably so. Any parent of a child that has been bullied knows how distressing it is, not only for the child, but for the whole family.

To help prevent bullying, I urge you to actively engage in and support the bullying strategies of our

school that are already in place, as well as model positive behaviour at home.

By setting good examples and reinforcing positive behaviour on a daily basis, parents and carers are helping to prevent bullying among children and young people.

To help prevent cyberbullying, parents should monitor their children's use of electronic devices and educate their children about cyber safety and being socially responsible users of technology.

Please encourage device free time, monitor your child's social media and online activity, ensure you support our school's policy on the use of mobile devices and explore the Office of the eSafety Commissioner's website for information on cyber safety.

The Catholic tradition teaches that parents are the first educators of their children. You, as parents, are their role models.

As parents, you might also like to reflect on our own use of digital devices and social media and the examples you are setting for your children.

Thank you in anticipation.

God bless

Richard Win Pe Principal



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Bullying No Way



We celebrated the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence last Thursday, 14 March 2019.

Every class confidently discussed what they had learnt, and there was a lot of different strategies demonstrated. Congratulations on getting the "Bullying - No Way!" message out to our community.









Second Sunday of Lent 17 March 2019

Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Parent/Teacher Meetings (Monday, 25 March to Wednesday, 27 March)

A reminder that these meetings will take place next week. These 10 minute meetings are a great opportunity to meet with the classroom teacher to discuss the progress your child has made this year.

If you need to discuss anything further, please schedule an additional meeting with the teacher at this time. Please add your name to the lists found outside your child's classroom if you have not yet made an appointment.

Annunciation Mass



The Annunciation of the Lord celebrates the angel Gabriel's appearance to the Virgin Mary, announcing that she had been chosen to be the Mother of Our Lord.

This Mass will be celebrated on Monday, 25 March at 9:00am in the Church. Please feel free to join us if you are available.

Miss Fiona Messer Assistant Principal





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)



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Scholastic Book Club orders are due in by next Friday, 29 March 2019.

Canteen News

Lemonade Icv Poles are now available in the canteen for \$1.50.



OSC NEWS

April Vacation Care Program will be available from Friday, 22 March.

All bookings need to be done via our app "My Family Lounge".

Please see Keren if you require help with the app.



OSC are in need of boxes galore for Vacation Care. Any size! Please drop them off to the friendly staff at OSC.

Thank you from Keren & Daniela

Uniform Shop OPEN WEDNESDAY **MORNINGS**

From 8:20am - 9:30am

Winter Uniform fitting timetables for Pre-Primary and Year 1 are up on the windows outside the classrooms.

> Please select a time to suit.

Uniform Shop opening hours are as normal on Wednesdays (as above) for other year levels needing uniform fittings for winter.



School Banking News

\$\$ Calling All Future School Bankers \$\$

There will be an Account Opening session on Friday, 29 March from 8:15am onwards, in the undercover bike area behind Kindy.

For those who would like to join the programme before this date, please see Mrs Walker in the office for a Parent Information Brochure.

You are also welcome to join online if it's more convenient for you.

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

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

Perth Goju Karate

Perth Goju Karate teaches karate classes at Santa Clara Catholic Primary School, in the school hall.

A special offer for Santa Clara students -4 WEEKS FREE beginners karate lessons!

Classes are held after school on Tuesdays and are a great way for children of all ages to learn self-defense in a fun and safe environment.



We also teach classes for teens and adults and they

are fantastic for fitness, wellbeing and of course, self-defense.

Students who attend the school's on-site After Care are collected and taken to the class in the hall and returned to After Care when their class is finished.

Classes continue over the school holidays (with a short break over the Christmas period) which makes it perfect for the kids who are looking to try something on the holidays.

Karate has many benefits which include confidence, respect, discipline and fitness.

Call now to take advantage of this 4 week trial.

Sensei Johnny Moran - 0402 830 402



The P & F are running our Annual Chocolate Easter Raffle Fundraiser.

We kindly ask all families for donations of Easter chocolates which can be placed in the baskets provided in the classrooms commencing next week.

All donations need to be placed in the baskets by Monday, 8 April.

The raffle tickets will be given out to your child/ren next week and need to be returned to the P & F box, in the school office, in a clearly marked and sealed envelope by Tuesday, 9 April.

The raffle will be drawn in the classrooms on Wednesday, 10 April.

Thank you for your support.

SPORTING EVENTS DURING MARCH!

SANTA CLARA SWIMMING CARNIVAL 8 March

Well done to all who participated in the water and those who helped out on the shore! These are the results from the day.

	CHAMPION	RUNNER UP
YEAR 3 BOY	Riley Robertson and Jacob Pilkington	Daniel Fawcett
YEAR 3 GIRL	Sonya Pattani	Anissha Sureshkumar
YEAR 4 BOY	Mitchell Kinsman	Eli Tompkin-Drew and Andre Dweh
YEAR 4 GIRL	Emily Yau	Amelie Cotte
YEAR 5 BOY	Jakob Kago	Luke Paradiso
YEAR 5 GIRL	Jayshnee Keane	Ella Baxter
YEAR 6 BOY	Lachlan Butler	Noah Mazzoleni
YEAR 6 GIRL	Emily Lai	Nazret Beyene



Faction Results:

1st Clare 254 points 2nd Dominic 211 points 3rd Catherine 207 points 4th Larney 106 points



SANTA CLARA CRICKET CARNIVAL 11 March

It was a beautiful day out at Wyong Reserve for the Santa Clara Cricket Carnival. All students from Years 3 - 6 participated in a T20 cricket competition in their allocated teams. It was great to see all of the smiles and skills learnt throughout PE classes put into action. Well done to the winning teams!







INTERSCHOOL CRICKET CARNIVAL 15 March

The students from Years 5 and 6 that were selected to participate in the Interschool T20 Cricket Carnival came home with some exceptional results this year. Out of 9 schools, the Girls Team finished in 6th place. The Boys Team was undefeated and finished in 1st place! Overall Santa Clara as a school came in at 2nd place. Well done to all students for these AMAZING results. Our winning flag is hung up in admin for all to see. Thank you also to Mr Tulett and all of the parents for being there on the day and supporting our school.





YEAR 5 NEWS

The Four Virtues

By Senuk, Hargun, Kai and Bethany

What do the Four Virtues actually mean?

In class we have been learning about the Four Virtues in Religion. The Four Virtues are Prudence, Justice, Fortitude and Temperance.

- o Prudence means to make wise choices and decisions.
- Justice means to be fair to yourself and others.
- o Fortitude is to have the courage and resilience to step up and help with the situation.
- Temperance is to have self-control for your actions so it decreases the amount of bad things you do so you don't upset others.

The Four Virtues are to help you draw closer to God as a Christian or Catholic.

Examples of the Four Virtues

Here are some examples when you could use the Four Virtues:

For Prudence, you could be at a meeting with other staff to make a smart decision, for example, looking after the environment.

Here is a example for Justice. When you're playing with a friend and you have a device but your friend doesn't, you could share with your friend.

An example of Fortitude is when someone is in a bad situation and you have the courage to step up and help with the situation.

An example for Temperance is when someone's annoying you like crazy and you get angry. You can just calm down and walk away so you can practise self-control!

How To Use Lines

In Year 5 we were learning how to draw different lines with different types of pencils, such as 2B, 4H, 4B and HB. These had different thicknesses and darkness. We were drawing different patterns for us to get used the tone and texture each pencil could create.

We then moved onto drawing different pictures and combined all the elements into one piece of art. First we did a draft and then we got the teacher's permission to draw a final copy. We were not allowed to shade and not allowed to use colours. To make the effect of shading you will need to do individual lines.



By Yuuri, Miley, Calvin and Luke



Swimming Carnival



Intro

On the 11 March 2019, the Santa Clara Catholic Primary School Years 3 – 6 participated in a school swimming carnival. It was a Santa Clara Faction Carnival where all four factions (Larney, Dominic, Catherine and Clare) were involved. This event was held at Cannington Leisureplex from 12:30 – 3:00pm.

How It All Worked

In the beginning, the Year 5 Boys did the 25m Freestyle, and then the Year 5 Girls did the 25m Freestyle. The Year 5 Boys did 50m Freestyle, then the Year 5 Girls did 50m Freestyle. The same was with Backstroke and Breaststroke.

The Winners

At last, we announced all the winners. The Faction winners – Fourth was Larney, Third was Catherine, Second was Dominic and First was Clare. The Year 5 Champion Boys and Girls and Runner Up Champion Boys and Girls were Luke as the Runner Up Boy, Jakob the Champion Boy, Ella the Runner Up Girl and Jayshnee was the Champion Girl.

By Rishab, Jakob, Riley and Tiya

Binary Code

By James, Allen, Laylah and Essiete

Introduction

This year in digital technologies we have been learning about Binary Code.



Binary Code is a way of coding a computer. It is made up of 1's and 0's put in a certain pattern to make letters. Binary Code has at least 8 1's or 0's.

What It Is

Binary Code is a type a code to communicate digitally. Binary Code is made up of 1's and 0's put together in a certain pattern. When the patterns are put together they can make a command for the computer. The computer then reads the command and does what it says.

What We Did

Our class was given the challenge to make a poster with our name in Binary Code. For some people it was easy because their name is short like Ava. If your name was long like Jayshnee, you could shorten it to a nick name. After that we made secret messages to one of our friends, written in Binary Code.

Conclusion

We hope you enjoyed this newsletter and want to learn more about Binary Coding. Do you know when you write something into Google, it reads the message as 1's and 0's?