



Santa Clara School

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7 March 2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

Friday 8 March:

- Years 3 – 6
Swimming Carnival
at Cannington
Leisureplex
- **NO ASSEMBLY**

Sunday 10 March
1st Sunday of Lent



Monday 11 March:

- T20 Cricket Carnival
for Years 3 – 6 at
Wyong Reserve

THURSDAY 14 MARCH
2:30pm Special Assembly
- To commemorate The
National Day of Action
Against Bullying and
Violence

Friday 15 March:

- The National Day of
Action Against
Bullying and
Violence
- Selected Year 5 & 6
Students -
Interschool Cricket
Carnival at Harold
Rossiter Reserve
- **NO ASSEMBLY**
- 5:30pm P&F
Welcome Picnic

Sunday 17 March
2nd Sunday of Lent



Wednesday 20 March:

- 9:00am Year 6
Incursion - 'In
Search of Safety'
Community
Education Program



Friday 22 March:

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

Sunday 24 March
3rd Sunday of Lent



THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019
LAST DAY OF TERM
FOR STUDENTS

Prayer:

Loving Lord,
Inspire me to bring out
The best in others
And 'touch hearts'
By being welcoming,
Generous and positive in attitude,
Showing individuals that they matter
And are important.

Dear Parents/Carers, Staff and Students

We are proud of the wonderful school we have developed and the great learning experiences and opportunities we offer our students. Our school is committed to providing a quality education for all students that develops the whole child. Our school values underpin all that we do in a supportive and caring environment. Santa Clara Catholic Primary School focuses on quality teaching and learning, with a strong emphasis on literacy and numeracy, and units of inquiry featuring significant and relevant content for life in the 21st century. Santa Clara prides itself on embedding technology into every classroom.

What is a Catholic School?

Below is a list of what the basic qualities that our school aspires to live out in our day-to-day life.

- Santa Clara aspires to be a good school that strives to ensure that learning occurs for every student, during every class, every day within the context of a faith community. The community includes, parish priest and parents/carers as well as staff and pupils.

JUST A LITTLE
Reminder

FRIDAY, 12 APRIL 2019
PUPIL FREE DAY –
SCHOOL CLOSED

- It is a place where God is named and recognised, and where gospel values and teaching of Christ's Church are reflected in its policies, its structures and the relationships of its members.
- We are orientated towards evangelisation. Because of this parents/carers, teachers and support staff strive to be models of Christian living, able to show pupils how their faith and contemporary life can be integrated.
- We focus on the total development – spiritual, moral, social, emotional, intellectual – of the individual child. In doing this, we provide a context for each child's natural creativity to emerge and show a deep sensitivity to all existence.

- The school enhances the dignity of each person. Therefore, its structures are intended to be liberating rather than constraining. There is a tolerance of failure (First Attempt In Learning) and a commitment to forgiveness and reconciliation where the growth of the individual rather than the formation of people according to a set of narrow, preconceived expectations.
- The school community has a special orientation towards the poor. By 'poor' I mean those who are deficient in resources, competence, power and even a sense of 'acceptability'.
- We stress that education is a call to service, not merely a means of gaining material prosperity. Our policies and procedures show that we value the achievements of and affirms the personal worth of every child, not just the naturally talented and the highly motivated.
- Openness is valued. This is seen in the quality of the relationships existing between members – children, staff, parents/carers, parish priests.
- Truth is sought. The curriculum is designed in such a way that pupils are encouraged to develop an openness to truth, and a tolerance of different views.
- Santa Clara is characterised by hopefulness.

Parent Information Evening

The Kindy – Year 6 Parent Information evening took place on 21 February. 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.

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.



Gates Open

The school gates open at 8:25am, except at 8:20am on 'Running Club' days – Mondays & Fridays.

Children will always receive 'duty of care' while they are at School. If care is required before this time, it is necessary for parents to enrol children in the Outside School Hours Care Program (OSHC) and pay the required fee.

For more information, please contact the Santa Clara Primary School OSHC Approved Supervisor, Mrs Keren Barry, on 9251 0405 or by email at Keren.Barry@cewa.edu.au.

ANAPHYLAXIS

What is Anaphylaxis?

"Anaphylaxis is a severe and sudden allergic reaction. It occurs when a person is exposed to an allergen. Anaphylaxis is potentially life threatening and always requires an emergency response."

There are a few children who are Anaphylactic at Santa Clara Catholic Primary School. The products that they are allergic to include nuts, eggs, milk, bananas and many more. It is impractical to ban all foods that these children are allergic to from our school. Nuts are a product that can be avoided easily. We ask that you don't pack nuts or nut products (nut bars) for consumption at school. Please leave these to eat when your child returns home from school.

Washing hands is a very important means of cutting down contamination within the school. Please remind your child that after eating at school they should always wash their hands to remove any residual food.

Sharing of food is not permitted at this school. Your child should only eat the food that is packed for them and not share with anyone else. It may seem a nice gesture but it could turn out to be very serious.

Keeping these simple thoughts in mind will help to keep these children safe.

God bless

Richard Win Pe
Principal



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Ash Wednesday



Yesterday was Ash Wednesday – the beginning of Lent, one of the most important times in the Church's calendar. Lent lasts for forty days and it is during this time we may give up something to remind us of what Jesus gave up for us. It is also a time to try to turn away from sin and live the way Jesus taught us. The children participated reverently and prayerfully during our Liturgical celebration and had their foreheads marked with ashes in the shape of a cross. This symbolises that the person belongs to Jesus Christ, who died on a cross.

We thank Father Chris for helping us understand the importance of this day and sharing his wisdom with us about Lent. It was also wonderful to see so many parents join us for this celebration and join together as one parish and school community. Classes have also discussed Lenten Promises and begun to think about how they can change their lives and turn back to God and it has been interesting to read and hear some of these promises! If the children do keep these promises, there should be some really happy parents out there!! Of course, as parents and models for our children, it is also a time for each of us to examine our lives and look for ways to become better people and more like Jesus. I encourage parents to have the conversation of sacrifice and how to live our lives more like Jesus with your children – perhaps a great conversation at the dinner table.

Project Compassion



One way we can also show compassion is through the support of programs such as Caritas Australia's Project Compassion Appeal. Each year, Lent offers us the opportunity to share what we have with those who have less. In 2019, Project Compassion carries a simple, yet insightful message: "100% Hope" – which helps to raise our awareness of the global issues and how we are able to work towards making our world a fairer place for all.

Each family will be sent home a box that can be filled with loose change, spare pocket money or donations. We encourage families to fill this box over the Lenten period and donate to help not only people within Australia, but also those struggling in other countries. These boxes will later be collected and

forwarded onto Caritas Australia so they can help people both in Australia and other countries of the world.

As a school, we will also be raising awareness of the plight of others. Each classroom will have a Lenten donation box. The Environmental Committee will work with the children to donate money to make our world a more just place for all.



Bullying No Way



The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is next Friday, 15 March.

In order to celebrate this day we will be holding a special assembly to commemorate this day on **THURSDAY, 14 MARCH AT 2:30pm**. At this assembly, each class will select a class representative to speak about (and depending on the activity – show) what activities they did in class. There will be NO merit awards presented at this assembly – it will purely be to demonstrate how we are spreading the Anti-bullying message at Santa Clara. ***This also means that there will be NO assembly on Friday, 15 March.***

Sporting Events

We have a number of sporting events coming up. Please feel free to come and support them if you are able:

- Friday 8 March: Years 3 - 6 Swimming Carnival at Cannington Leisureplex (12:00pm – 3:00pm)
- Monday 11 March: Years 3 - 6 Santa Clara Cricket Carnival at Wyong Reserve (9:00am - 1:00pm)
- Friday 15 March: Interschool Cricket Carnival (selected Year 5/6's) at Harold Rossiter Park, Kent Street, East Victoria Park (all day)

P&F Welcome Picnic

Just a quick reminder that the P&F has organised an absolutely terrific Welcome Picnic to be held on **Friday, 15 March from 5:30pm till 7:30pm**, on the Oval. Save the date now! This fun evening includes something for everyone with music and a bouncy castle! BYO camp chairs, picnic rugs, drinks and nibbles. This is a wonderful way for old friends and families to catch up and new families to be welcomed into the Santa Clara community. See you there!

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)



Miss Fiona Messer
Assistant Principal



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

2019 P & F Class Representatives

The P & F have filled the positions of Class Representatives for the following year groups. They are as follows:

Kindy	Julia Watts
Pre-Primary	Corrine Mein
Year One	Men Ban
Year Two	Alisha Crook
Year Three	Sandhya Pattani
Year Four	Katie Closey
Year Five	Volunteer Needed
Year Six	Volunteer Needed

We are still looking for volunteers to fill the positions for Years 5 and 6.

If you would like to be a Class Representative, please fill in the form below and return to the School Office as soon as possible.

Thank you to all who have kindly volunteered. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Michelle Kinsman

Student Absences

If your child/children will be absent from school, or will be in late due to doctor/dentist appointments etc, the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia requires **that either a phone call (before 9:00am - with follow up email as soon as possible) or email** is made to the school on the morning the child is absent.

Please direct these **absentee emails to the school office** via admin@santaclara.wa.edu.au containing the following information:

- The **name** of the student
- The **class/roll** group of the student
- The **reason** for the absence
- The **full name of the parent/guardian** at the end of the message - *The 'from' email address is not sufficient as it does not necessarily have the full name of the person sending it.*

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

P & F Class Representative for 2019

I would like to be a Class Representative for Year _____.

Name: _____

Mobile No.: _____ Email: _____



Santa Clara P & F

**Welcome you to the Family Fun
Welcome Picnic**

Friday 15th March

5.30pm – 7.30pm on the School Oval

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



Please note – this is a BYO food and beverage event

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

This is not a supervised event. Children must be accompanied by an adult.