### Santa Clara School

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

#### Thursday 2 May:

 4:30pm Parent/Child Holy Communion Workshop

#### Friday 3 May:

- 2:30pm Assembly
- Year 6 students return from camp

#### Friday 10 May:

- 8:50am Year 6 visit by Ursula Frayne
- Mother's Day Raffle
- 2:30pm Assembly



- Tuesday 14 May:
- 9:00am Fr Chris to visit Pre-Primary
- NAPLAN Testing Writing

#### Wednesday 15 May:

- NAPLAN Testing -Reading
- Thursday 16 May:
  NAPLAN Testing –
  Language

## Conventions Friday 17 May:

- 9:00am Year 4 Participation Mass
- NAPLAN Testing Numeracy
- 2:30pm Assembly



#### Friday 24 May:

Cross Country
 Carnival at Wyong
 Reserve – more info
 to follow

MONDAY 3 JUNE WA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

## Prayer:

Dear Lord, help me to live each day quietly, easily.

To lean upon your strength truthfully, restfully.

To wait for the unfolding of your will patiently, serenely.

To meet others peacefully, joyfully.

To face tomorrow confidently, courageously.

## Dear Parents/Carers, Staff and Students

#### **Welcome Back to Term Two**

Welcome back to our second School Term for the year. I trust that you all had a restful break from the school routine. It is so good to see the children returning to school, smartly dressed in their winter uniforms. The weather has become cooler over the past few days so, I'm sure, the children will appreciate wearing the warmer clothes. There is so much to look forward to this Term. Please ensure that you check the Term Calendar on the school website so that you are well informed of forthcoming events.

Education is about valuing and nurturing every young person's uniqueness and assisting them to fulfil their capabilities as students and later as adults. Together, parents and the school have a joint interest to ensure that we provide an environment that is conducive to successful learning and personal achievement; spiritually, academically, emotionally and physically. If education is valued in the home and



Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm Thursday 23 May First Holy Communion 9:30am Sunday 23 June

seen as life-enhancing, then children will view their schooling as being positive for them and worth investing their energies in. Parents and teachers working in collaboration can present education as a happy and fulfilling experience for children.

## Assistant Principal/Class Teacher - Larry King

I hereby inform you that Mr Larry King, our Assistant Principal, has officially resigned, effective Term Two, 2019. Mr King has been on his Long Service Leave since the end of Term Two 2018 and ended in Term One, 2019. I thank Mr King for his wonderful contribution in providing a valuable Catholic education to the hundreds of students in his care over

the past ten years at Santa Clara School. I wish him well in his future endeavours. Miss Messer is our present ongoing Assistant Principal and Year 6 Teacher.

#### Mary's Month

The month of May is devoted to Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Mary's participation in Christ's church in communion began at the Annunciation. Like Jesus, she obeyed the Father's will. From that moment, she was in communion with Him.

Like Mary, I hope all mothers at Santa Clara School will enjoy their special Mother's Day celebrations on Sunday 12 May. I share with you a quote "A mother is she who can take place of others, but whose place no one else can take".

#### National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2019

Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year in May. This year students in Years 3 and 5 at Santa Clara will participate in these assessments with the use of electronic devices.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or 'domains') of: • Reading • Writing • Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) • Numeracy. NAPLAN tests skills in Literacy and Numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum.

Detailed information can be found on the NAPLAN website:

http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parentcarersupport

If you are interested in looking at sample test questions follow this link:

http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/thetests

#### Term Two 2019

The first term of the 2019 school year is complete and we are unbelievably approaching the start point in our second term. It's timely then to check in around some important points that can have a really positive impact on your child's well-being.

The following is a short article entitled "Make this Year your Child's Best Ever at School", written by Michael Grose (Author/Parenting & Education Specialist) that I read over the holidays. It is very much worth the read.

"A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours. Here are five ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever at school:

- Commit to your child going to school every day on time. One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day

   and gets there on time. Kids spend more time asleep than at school, so we need to maximise every day to get full value.
- Help kids start each day well. A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some words of encouragement from you will help set a positive tone for a day of learning. This may mean that you adjust your morning routine so that kids have plenty of time get up, eat and get ready for the day.
- Establish work & study habits. The most successful students are those that develop regular study habits that suit their lifestyle, their study style and their school's expectations. Find out the work expectations from your child's or young person's school and help them establish a work routine that matches.
- Make sure your child gets enough sleep. Many children and young people are sleep-deprived, which impacts on their wellbeing and their learning. A good night's sleep consolidates learning, as well as assisting future learning. Children need between 10-12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of nine hours. Help kids get sufficient sleep by having a regular bedtime and getup time each day. Have a 45-minute wind-down time each night, and remove screens and mobile phones from bedrooms.
- Insist kids exercise. The old saying about 'a healthy body and a healthy mind' is so true. Exercise releases the chemicals needed for learning and wellbeing. Yet kids today get less exercise than those of past generations, which is an impediment to learning and mental health. Health professionals recommend a minimum of 60 minutes of exercise per day for kids of all ages. Encourage your child to play sport; promote free and active play and look for ways to make moving part of their daily lives."

The above tips are vitally important to the overall well-being of your child and can support them to be great learners this year at Santa Clara.

God bless

Richard Win Pe Principal

#### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

#### **Mother's Day**

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers and grandmothers. We Mother hope you are all very spoilt with love and kindness.



#### **NAPLAN**

In Week 3, the students in Year 3 and Year 5 will take part in NAPLAN testing. NAPLAN is a government initiative for all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students. We have prepared the students to work under the test conditions NAPLAN requires. We endeavour to keep the students calm about the experience – it is a point in time assessment which allows you to compare their progress with other students in their year level throughout Australia. It is simply another activity the children need to complete in a certain way on specialized booklets. Completing NAPLAN should not be a stressful experience for any student.

#### **Reconciliation and Eucharist Sacraments**

Both these Sacraments will be held this term for children in Years 3 (Reconciliation) and 4 (First Holy Communion). Parents are reminded that if they would like their child to receive a Sacrament this year, they must make the time to support them in becoming prepared. This includes attending any Parent meetings and Sacrament rehearsals.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion Parent-Child Workshop will be held today, Thursday 2 May, at 4:30pm. All children receiving a Sacrament are expected to attend with one or both of their parents.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on Thursday 23 May (Week 4) at 4:30pm and the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 23 June (Week 8) at 9:30am. The First Holy Communion Mass will be followed by morning tea.

#### STUDENT REPORT ACCESS FOR PARENTS THROUGH SEQTA ENGAGE (PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6)

Parents are reminded that Semester 1 Reports (at the end of Term 2) will be accessed through SEQTA Engage.

Information was sent home earlier this year requesting you to check that you have access to this site:

https://santaclara.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/

You will need your username and password from last year or the one set up this year.

If you require a new account to be set up, have forgotten your username/password details or have issues with access to this site, please complete the form on the last page of this newsletter and return to the office.

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:**



From 4:00pm – 5:00pm Saturday, 7 September 2019

Friday, 6 September 2019 From 11:00am - 12:00 noon

## **TODAY**

Parent-Child Workshops:

#### **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)



### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Kindy are able to order the following items on Fridays for lunch:

Ham & Pineapple Pizza \$3.50 **OR** 

Chicken Nuggets 4 for \$3.00 6 for \$4.50

New for Term 2:
Monday for Lunch

Nachos \$4.00 Soup Cup \$3.00 Rice Paper Rolls \$5.00

Friday for Lunch

Beef Cheese Burger \$4.50 Soup Cup \$3.00

Find us on Facebook:

Santa Clara School Canteen



Sonia Thiel Canteen Manager

### **UNIFORM NEWS**

There will be a 2 week transitioning period to accommodate weather changes.

Please ensure that your child will be in full winter uniform by Monday, 13 May.

Sonia Thiel Uniform Shop Coordinator



### Loose Change??

For the duration of Term 2, the P & F are collecting your silver coins.

The class who collects the most money will win a class party courtesy of the P & F at the end of the Term!

Start collecting today!

Thank you for your support.



## Santa Clara P & F Mother's Day Raffle

Spoil your Mum this Mother's Day with a gorgeous hamper. \$2 each or 3 for \$5

All tickets and/or money to be returned in a sealed envelope clearly marked to the P & F box in the school office foyer by Friday morning, 12 May.

Prize will be drawn at the school assembly Friday 12 May 2019.

### Santa Clara Sports Colours Day Friday 31 May 2019



Are you a Football or Soccer fan?
Do you like Netball or Basketball?
Maybe you prefer Rugby or Cricket?





Whatever your favourite sport is, for a gold coin donation, come dressed in your favourite team colours and show your support.



All proceeds will be donated to Caritas, on behalf of the P & F.





Don't forget to collect your stickers every time you shop at Woolworths and place them in the box provided in the school office for our chance to earn some fantastic educational resources for our school.

Every \$10 spent will earn 1 sticker.

Offer starts Wednesday, 1 May & ends Tuesday, 25 June.

Thank you for your support.



## 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 selfdefense 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 schools 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





Keyed Up Music will be running Keyboard lessons at Santa Clara Primary School in Term 2.

Prices start at \$17.55 for a Keyboard group lesson.

To enrol, go to:

www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrol

ment or for more information,
please contact Therese
on 1300 366 243.

# Student Report Access Pre Primary to Year 6 SEQTA Engage Parent Log-in

Dear Parents,

It is important that you please check your log in for SEQTA Engage as early as possible so that you will be able to access your child's Semester One Report at the end of Term 2. To do this you need to go to the following site: <a href="https://santaclara.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/">https://santaclara.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/</a> and use your current username and password credentials.

If you have remembered your username but have forgotten your password, please click on the Forgot your password? link and an immediate email will be sent to you. The email will expire within one hour, so please action this immediately. If you have forgotten both of these, then please contact the school and we can assist you.

Parents who are new to using SEQTA Engage are asked to complete the form below and return it to school as soon as possible. Once your account has been provisioned we will send a note home with your child letting you know when to expect an email to set up your account. This email will expire within 7 days so please, action this as soon as possible.

If you have any issues, please contact Fiona Messer who will be able to assist.

Fiona Messer Fiona.me	esser@cewa.edu.au
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