



Newsletter

DATES COMING UP IN TERM 3:

Friday 28 August:

- 9:00am Book Fair
Dress Up & Parade

Thursday 3 September:

- 4:30pm First Eucharist
Parent Workshop in the Hall

Friday 4 September:

- Faction Athletics
Carnival at Wyong Reserve

Friday 11 September:

- 9:00am Awards
Assembly – Year 2 to attend Mass
- School P&F Disco

Thursday 17 September:

- 9:00am First Eucharist Rehearsal
- NAIDOC Celebrations

Friday 18 September:

- 9:00am Awards
Assembly – Year 1 to attend Mass
- Interschool Athletics
Carnival at Ern Clark Oval
- 4:30pm Reconciliation for First Eucharist Candidates

SUNDAY
20 SEPTEMBER:
9:30am MASS
FIRST EUCHARIST
CELEBRATION



THURSDAY
24 SEPTEMBER:
LAST DAY OF TERM 3 FOR
STUDENTS & STAFF

Friday 25 September:
Catholic Day –
Pupil Free Day –
SCHOOL CLOSED

Dear Parents & Carers,

Struggle Town!

For the first time I have actually been sitting here trying to think of something to write. Not because there is nothing amazing happening at Santa Clara but because I have found myself in Struggle Town this week, just feeling really flat and grumpy. Now normally I am quite a happy sort of guy and it is rare for me to be like this but I have definitely not been myself due to a few things beyond my control. I am sure you can all relate to times where little things turn into big things and patience seems to disappear!

So because of these feelings, I decided to practise my preaching. Each day this week I told myself to remember all the things I love about my life, to look for the positive in each moment and to be fully present when interacting with others. And do you know what? I have once again found those feelings of excitement and happiness. What I realised is that with the busyness of life, if I lost sight of my daily routine of asking myself the above, saying my daily prayers/reflection and taking the time to simply be, my levels of enthusiasm simply vanished.

I am very lucky to be surrounded by many people here that inspire me to be better. It is these people that give me a 'pick me up' when it is needed. It was earlier this week that I found myself asking Mrs Google for some inspiration where I came across some from Mother Teresa.

Many of the quotes were just what I needed for a bit of a pick me up, but just as I turned on my emails I received a message from a mate with a quote from Mother Teresa that really hit the mark. It just reminded me that we have an impact on others by what we do, simple isn't it? It is amazing to think that little things we do could be huge for others. That if we did not care or be that drop in the ocean, their life could be much less.

We know only too well that what we are doing is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. But if the drop were not there, the ocean would be missing something.

-Mother Teresa-



WE WILL INSPIRE

CREATIVITY • CARING • RESILIENCE • COURAGE • TRUTH

Our actions can make a difference.

So for the rest of this week I decided to leave Struggle Town and enter each day with eyes of gratefulness and a sense of being there for others. I mean I am pretty lucky. It is an absolute privilege each day that I get to work in an awesome place with awesome people and then go home to my beautiful girls and wonderful family and friends. You also should never forget the importance of the drops in the ocean that you offer others each day in each interaction. I find it very uplifting to know we all have an impact on others.

Mother Teresa was an amazing person with a heart that loved unconditionally. Although at times she had feelings of doubt her ability to serve was inspirational. The drops she left in the ocean were many which is why she is one of our newest saints. May we call on Mother Teresa to remind us of the need to serve.

Happy Father's Day!



To all our dads I couldn't resist wishing you all an early Happy Father's Day. When I think about my own two girls it reminds me of all the crazy ideas I am able to get away with, like using them as an excuse to get extra dessert or going to Maccas for a Happy Meal and also trying out my amazing dad jokes like the ones above! Sienna, my nine year old finds them hilarious but Izabella now gives me that look 'you're not funny dad'!! I am sure many of you out there can relate to this. I hope you all have a great day!

Sacrament of The Eucharist

Eucharist Celebrations [Holy Communion] will be celebrated on Sunday, 20 September at 9:30am. Our School and Parish have worked together to establish and follow social distancing protocols in place by reserving seating for immediate family members. I would like to thank Marietta and Elena, along with Fiona for their support in preparing the children for the sacrament.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Unfortunately, the Premier, Mr McGowan, has announced that the lifting of Phase 4 COVID-19 restrictions has been delayed by two months. This means we still have no set date for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I understand that this is very frustrating for families, but these decisions have been made in the interests of everyone's safety.

Social Distancing

Please remember that we are still in Phase 4 restrictions and we must abide by the two

square metre rule as well as maintaining 1.5 metres distance from each other. I have noticed that a number of parents on school grounds are not maintaining this distance and encourage them to do so. We are still on high alert in our schools and understand that things could regress quickly if we are not careful. Please do the right thing in the interests of everyone's health and safety.

Athletics Faction Carnival

I am so pleased that our Athletics Carnival will still be able to go ahead (weather permitting) on Friday, 4th September. I am very much looking forward to my first SC carnival. Again we will need to adhere to the social distancing rules by maintaining a 1.5 metre distance from each other.

Assemblies and Masses

Our Awards Assemblies will recommence on Friday, 11 September (Week 8) at 9:00am. Again, protocols will need to be followed including 1.5 metre social distancing and no handshakes at the Merit Award presentations. To maintain reduced numbers of people in our Hall, only the parents/grandparents of Merit Award winners are invited to attend the assemblies.

We are also pleased that our students have once again been attending Mass at the Parish on Fridays one year level at a time.

Have a blessed fortnight! I look forward to seeing many of you at next week's Athletics Carnival.

Clinton Payne
Principal



INFORMATION FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Miss Fiona Messer & Mrs Kristy Madafferi

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

THE WORD

Jesus told his disciples that he would suffer and die and then be raised to life. But Peter said, "This must never happen to you". Jesus said to him: "Get away from me Satan! You are an obstacle because these thoughts of yours don't come from God but from human nature. If any of you want to come with me, you must forget yourself, carry your cross and follow me."

LOOK CLOSER

Paradox: Thinking like God:

'Those who save their own life will lose it; but those who lose their life for my sake will find it'. The word 'life' has two meanings: our physical, earthly life, and our eternal spiritual life. So Jesus is warning us against selfishly seeking after material comforts. He promises reward for those who give up these comforts to follow Jesus.

Talk about it: What things do you really enjoy? What would you give up so you could follow Jesus?

PRAYER SPACE

Symbol: Cross

Lord God,

You call us to love. Help us to love others and not be selfish. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW?

Wearing Crosses:

Is the cross you wear around your neck just a piece of nice jewellery? In Jesus' time, crosses were instruments of torture and death. You may as well be wearing a mini electric chair or hangman's noose! The cross is the key to understanding the radical message of the Gospel, that Jesus' life led to suffering and death but it is precisely because of this self-sacrifice that the resurrection was possible. Christians are called to take up our cross and follow... not a religion for the faint-hearted.

UPCOMING EVENTS

28 AUG Book Week Parade: We will be celebrating Book Week with a dress up parade at 9am. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite character from a book.

3 SEP First Eucharist Parent Workshop: 4.30pm start in the hall for all First Communion candidates and their parents.

4 SEP Faction Athletics Carnival: Please ensure that you return your child's permission slip for the Athletics Carnival ASAP. Feel free to come and support this event – there will be a coffee van attending in the morning. Subway orders are due by Friday 28 Sep 2020.

11 SEP School P&F Disco: 5.00-8.30pm in the hall, this will be a student only event.

23 SEP School Photos Look out for more information regarding this in the newsletter.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Reading continues to be a focus at Santa Clara. To develop reading comprehension skills, you might like to support your child by asking literal and inferential comprehension questions during at home reading.

To develop a **literal understanding**, children are required to identify what is directly stated in the text.

Questions you could ask at home:

- Where is the story set?
- Who is in the story?
- What is the main character's name?
- When is the story set?
- What is happening in the story?



To develop **inferential understanding**, children are required to draw on their prior knowledge and identify clues in a text.

Prompts you could ask at home:

Why did this happen?

Why did you think the character did this?

What clues are in the story that support your thinking?

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **School Photos:** These are scheduled for Week 10. Please see the letter attached to this newsletter for further information.
- **First Communion Candidates:** Please reply to the email sent out by Miss Messer regarding seating.
- **Last Day of Term 3:** Please note that the term ends on Thursday 24 September. Friday is a Pupil Free Day. OSHC will be open for bookings.



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Wednesday, 23 September 2020

Dear Parents,

***For the duration of COVID-19**, please be aware that Kapture photographers are following all recommended health guidelines and safe practices. Photographers will use verbal queues and instructions in an effort to uphold a high standard of student presentation. Students may be instructed by photographers to use single use sterile combs, use wet wipes or tissues, to fix collars, buttons and stray hairs - without physically touching students.*

Our school photo day is coming! Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. **If you pay online, there is no need to return the order envelope to school.**

Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. Please note the photographers cannot open sealed envelopes and cannot provide change.

Sibling orders can only be placed online at www.kapture.com.au.

You have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please note there is a physical limit in the school schedule to how many sibling photos can be taken. Once the maximum capacity of sibling orders has been reached, no more sibling orders can be placed.

If maximum capacity is not reached, sibling orders **close 12pm midday sharp, AT LEAST one business day prior to the first photo day**. Enter your school code **now** in the Order Online page of our website for a live countdown.

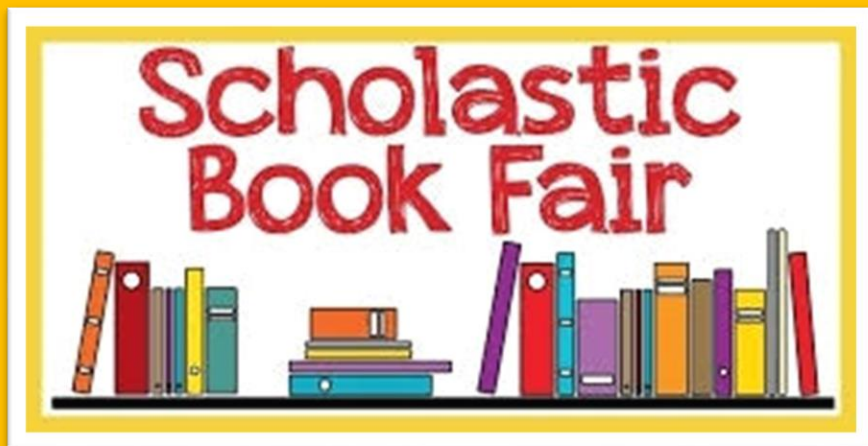
The school or the photographers cannot accept late orders for sibling photography. Please do not ask as your request simply cannot be accommodated.

Order now to avoid missing out!

Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture. You can place an order online for class or individual photographs at any time for the remainder of the current school year; however a \$20 fee will apply if you order more than 10 days after photography.

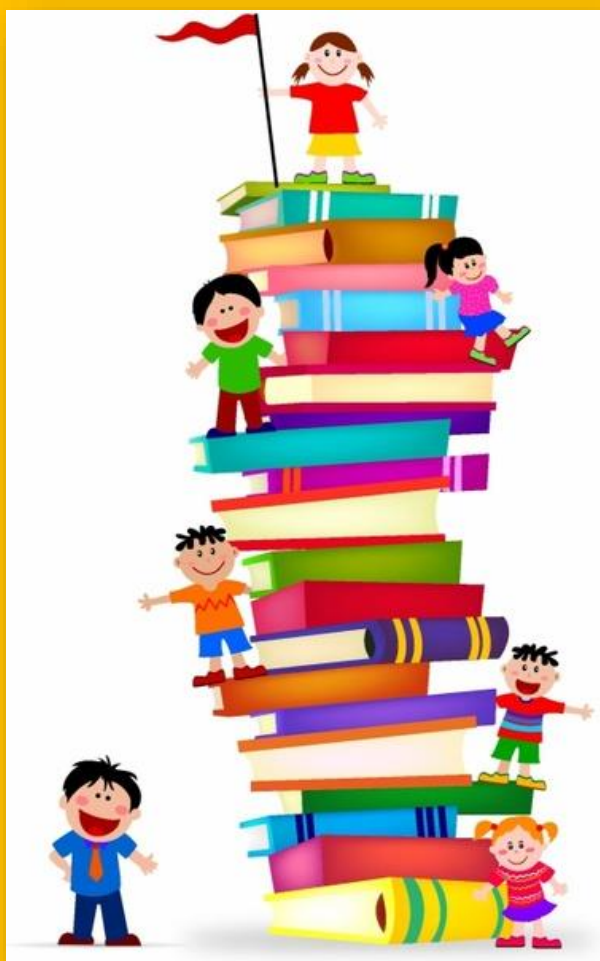
If your child is in a sports or special photo, you can use the same school code on your order envelope to view and order these photos on Kapture's website, around the time that school photos are ready to be delivered. Please note; class, individual and sibling portraits are not available to view online prior to purchase.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on **9240 1714** or email **enquiries@kapture.com.au**.



SANTA CLARA BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

THURSDAY 27th AUGUST - THURSDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER



HOURS OF OPERATION

Thursday 27th August
2.30pm - 3.30pm

**Friday 28th August, Monday 31st
August, Tuesday 1st September
AND Wednesday 2nd September**
8.30am - 9.00am & 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Thursday 3rd September
8.30am - 9.00am

**Pop into our MakerSpace
Room & say Hello & maybe
grab a book, or 2!**

**Proceeds of ALL sales go back
to our School!**

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Kinsman



CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP



UNIFORM SHOP OPEN WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

**From
8:20am – 9:30am**

**New Email:
uniform@
santaclara.
wa.edu.au**

CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen now offers a choice of a side salad with any Chicken Nugget order for an extra \$1.00.

Side salad will consist of carrot sticks, cucumber, tomato and shredded lettuce.

Also available on Fridays are Crumbed Fish and Salad for \$4.00.

You can also add a side salad to your Fish and Gem order for an extra \$1.00.

Quickcliq can be accessed at the following website address for Canteen & Uniform Shop purchases:

www.quickcliq.com.au

Please feel free to sign up to the service now and set up your account.

Please read the instructions at: <https://quickcliq.com.au/LearnMoreParents.aspx>



Athletics Carnival Lunch Order

A reminder that all Subway order forms for our Athletics Carnival, being held next Friday, 4th September, are due in **by this Friday, 28th August.**

– Please Note –

The Canteen WILL NOT be open for any orders on carnival day.

Thank you for your support.



P&F News



**Sports Colour Day
Thursday, 24 September**

**Term 4
Get Ready for a BLAST of Colour!
Friday, 30 October**



**Thanks for your
continued support!**



- **The next P&F Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 22 September at 6:00pm in the MakerSpace room. ALL WELCOME.**

**Find us on Facebook:
Santa Clara Primary School P&F**



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1434716443415256/?ref=bookmarks>

**TODAY'S THE DAY
TO HAVE A BLAST!**



Registrations are now open!
Bentley Cricket Club
www.playcricket.com.au

OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM