Dear Parents and Carers,

March 3, 2016

As we finish the halfway mark of the term it’s not a bad time is a stop and reflect how we have been going this term so far. As mentioned previously, the first four weeks of school can be described as the establishment phase of the school year and now we utilize the information we have gathered to plan for the year ahead. Teachers and students should be congratulated for their efforts during these this phase. It can be hectic with teachers releasing students and staff for 1:1 numeracy interviews, online assessments plus the ongoing planned school program which includes specialist programs, liturgical celebrations, sacramental preparations, incursions and excursions!

Every new year provides opportunities for fresh starts and 2016 will certainly provide a fresh start for most of our students and staff when we move to our new building. The construction is on schedule and the handover date has been set at early April, but this could change so I’m not promising anything at this stage only to say the new spaces are going to provide our children with a great environment for learning and teaching opportunities. As you can see the rooms are taking shape and bricks are on the wall! Always a good sign.

National Young Leaders Day: Yesterday our class captains in grades three to six spent a day at “Jeff’s Shed” at the National Young Leaders Day. The National Young Leaders Day is an annual event founded in 1997 to develop strong leadership values amongst young Australians. The Program consists of keynote talks, multimedia presentations and interactive learning that seek a range of specific outcomes for young people who aspire to lead themselves & others well.
Looking forward to seeing our student leaders putting their learning into action. Special thanks to Mrs Croughan and Mrs Vescio who were the chaperones for the day.

Birthday wishes to all these children who celebrated their birthday this week: HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Jaymes 3V, Dominic 1N, Angelina 3H, Alexandra 6V, Ashleigh 5C, Daniella 2S, Isla 1R, Sophie 5B, Riley 3A.

A final reminder that school will be closed tomorrow for students as all staff will be attending the Parish Staff Conference at Hume Global Learning Centre, Broadmeadows.

Have a great extended weekend,

Paul McEntee
Principal

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*** Vacation Bookings for Vacation Care are at Selwyn House***
PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Last Monday morning, there was a minor accident in Bridgewater Road, near the bus stop, where a car (Blue Camry Altisse) was hit by another car that was pulling out of a car parking spot. If anyone witnessed this accident, could you please inform the General Office.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 4th March
No canteen

Monday 7th March
Jane 12:30 – 2:15pm

Wednesday 9th March
No Canteen

Thursday 10th March
Mary 9:00 – 10:30am
Liz 12:30 – 2:15pm
Rana 12:30 – 2:15pm

Religious Education News
Mary McCormick, R.E. Leader

School Masses:

This term we won’t have a class mass each week.

Below are the dates for the class and whole school masses.
March 8th Year 5 & 6 Level mass

All families welcome to attend these masses.

Important Sacrament Dates for 2016:

Please take note of 2 important dates in the coming week:

Reconciliation
Second Rite of Reconciliation - March 15th (Year 3A & 3V) or March 16th (Year 3A & 3V)
Our Lady’s Church at 7.00pm
Students and families of children attend and the children make their First Reconciliation.
First Eucharist
Sign-up weekend – April 30th or May 1st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.
Presentation weekend – May 21st or May 22nd
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal and mass book

Parent Child workshop evening – May 17th OR May 18th
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend ONE of these evenings. Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.

First Eucharist masses – June 5th
Either 12.30pm OR 2.30pm Students will be celebrating their First Eucharist in Our Lady’s Church at ONE of these times.

Confirmation
Sign-up weekend – July 30th OR July 31st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and hand in a special card to register for the Sacrament.
Parent Child workshop evening – August 3rd
Our Lady’s parents and students to attend. Our Lady’s School at 7.00pm.
Presentation weekend – August 20th OR August 21st
Students and families attend one of the weekend Parish masses and receive their medal.
Confirmation mass – August 28th at 3pm
3.00pm
Students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Kolbe Catholic College Hall

Project Compassion

Students are learning in their classrooms about how CARITAS is helping around our world.

Here are some of the stories your children have been learning about:

Sreymom - Cambodia
Before enrolling in the Mondulkiri Community Health Program, supported by Caritas Australia, young midwife Sreymom lacked the practical experience necessary to safely assist childbirth. Now, with the skills and knowledge gained through the program, Sreymom is a trusted midwife who is helping to improve the health of indigenous women and children in her region.
CARITAS assisted with training.

LEARNING MORE CREATING CHANGE

Check out the FUNDRAISING thermometer near the School Office to see how much we have raised!

So please keep encouraging your children to donate so that CARITAS can continue helping those in our world who really need some positive change in their lives.
Student Wellbeing
@ Our Lady's
...Providing a safe and supportive learning environment
Playground Awards

When children are playing on the yard all teachers have been very keen to catch children who are following our school expectations. The following children are this week’s winners:

Be **RESPONSIBLE** – Anastasia 1B
Be **RESPECTFUL** – Declan 5C

**Grinners are Winners**

Congratulations to all the children who received awards this week.
This week’s winning class is Prep T.
A perfect score this week.
Great work!

**Grinners are WINNERS**

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Unisex bomber jacket with new school logo (size 10) $25
Unisex bomber jacket (size 10) $20
Please call Lisa 0412 756 183

All Saints Basketball – Winter - 2016

Dear Parents,

All Saints Basketball Church/School group is URGENTLY need players each for following age groups for New WINTER season commencing IN MARCH 2016. Entries close on 27/02/2016

Basketball
Under 8's girls/boys - Born 2009 and after
Under 10's girls/boys - Born 2008 & 2007
Under 12's boys - Born 2006 & 2005
Under 14's girls/boys –Born 2004 & 2003
Under 16s girls/boys –Born 2002 & 2001
Under 18's girls/boys –Born 2000 & 1999

Currently we have 16 Basketball teams. If your children are interested in playing basketball under the “All Saints” banner in 2016 please contact Roshan ASAP on 0433 175 170 or email details to carslva@hotmail.com

Registration cost (12-15weeks) – $30  Practice & Match fee per week: for the entire season until AUG 2016 = $220 ,Uniform: All Saints Top=$40

Practices at Craigieburn Leisure Centre:  Matches on Saturdays: (Pre scheduled fixtures).

Thank you

Roshan Silva (All Saints –President/Basketball Coach)

VICTORY THROUGH HARMONY

Please complete & return:

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Team Name – All Saints  Team Coach – Roshan Silva- Mob 0433 175 170
School & Grade:
Full Name  :
Date of Birth  :
Parent/Guardian Home Phone  :
Parent/Guardian Mobile No  :
Parent/Guardian Email Address  :

Please return Details to Roshan Silva or carslva@hotmail.com  ASAP
NAB AFL Auskick is a great way for kids to have fun, make friends and learn skills of Australian Football.

Through weekly coaching sessions with our passionate coaches and coordinators, your child will be part of a great team, learning new skills and playing non-contact AFL games.

PLUS Each participant will receive an awesome benefits pack full of gear when they join.

CREATE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A LIFETIME.

TO REGISTER FOR NAB AFL AUSKICK, FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS ONLINE:

1. Visit aflauskick.com.au
2. Enter your postcode in the centre locator
3. Select the centre you would like to attend
4. Complete the registration process

KIDS
Play & Post! Colour In the NAB AFL Auskick image for your chance to WIN an AFL prize pack to the value of $250.

To enter, ask your parents to:

1. Follow aflauskick on Instagram
2. Take a photo of your colouring in and post it on Instagram with aflauskick

For more information and terms and conditions, visit aflauskick.com.au/playandpost

These rules are based on rules of support.
Considering returning to the workforce after family leave...

Benefits to you
Completing a qualification will lead to:
- a firm foundation in a career as a professional support worker
- the skills and knowledge required to deliver up-to-date care which will improve the quality of life for people who have a disability or are elderly
- confidence to deliver care with safety, dignity and in a way which meets the specific needs of an individual
- greater job flexibility and career choices due to the ability to work across aged care, disability and home and community care
- a direct pathway to Certificate IV training.

Course delivery
Field’s Certificate III qualifications are specifically tailored to suit those returning to the workforce and consist of half day interactive workshops - conducted during the hours of 16 am - 2.30 pm allowing for school pickups and drop-offs.

Training includes pre-reading, assessments and 120 hours of work placement. Ongoing coaching and mentoring will be provided from experienced trainers.

No prerequisites are required to enrol in these courses.

Fees and funding
Course fees are based on a number of factors and you may be eligible for government funding.

Please call Field on 1300 360 185 to discuss funding eligibility and the most appropriate funding or payment option for you. Individuals from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Have you thought about the flexibility of disability or aged care support work?
The Community Sector is growing rapidly and the demand for well trained support workers in aged care and disability is increasing. Field’s Certificate III qualifications have been designed in close consultation with service providers and clients requiring personal care. The qualifications are ideal for those new to the industry - you will learn to maintain an empowering environment for your clients to support their independence.

Call us now to kick start your new career in this rapidly expanding industry
For further information please contact 1300 360 185 or info@field.org.au