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NEWSLETTER – FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday 3rd May 2018

Dear Community,

The month of May is considered by the church to be the 'Month of Mary', the Mother of Jesus.

In 1883 Pope Leo XIII began the practice of dedicating the month of May to Mary. This came about because in Greek and Roman culture May was always known to be the 'season of new life' (the season of spring begins in May in the northern hemisphere); in Greek culture people celebrated Artemis the goddess of fruitfulness or fertility during May; and, in Roman culture they celebrated Flora the goddess of blossom during May.

Therefore, in Christianity the church began to see that May was all about 'new life' and 'motherhood' and there was a decision made by Pope Leo to adopt the month of May as Mary's month. Also in May we celebrate Pentecost, just after Easter; Pentecost was the birth of the Christian church through the coming of Holy Spirit, when the apostles were sent out to preach the good news of Jesus.

Mary is also known as the 'Mother of the Church'; we, the people, are the Church, so it follows that Mary is our Mother.

So as we enter the month of May, 'Mary's Month', I pray that it is a time of reflection on and prayer to Mary, our 'heavenly Mother' but also a time to think of and look to our own Mothers and the most vital and life-giving of roles they play in our lives. In advance of 'Mothers Day', I would like to wish all our Mums, Grandmothers, aunts and the influential women in our lives and our world, a very 'Happy Mothers Day'.

This will be my last newsletter for May, as I will be travelling to the United States, to attend the International Conference On Thinking (ICOT), in Miami. Whilst I am on leave Mr. Matthew Stead will be Acting Principal.

Have a great week of learning together everyone.

Denis J. Daly

Principal



'Madonna & Child' by Parker Fitzgerald and Brittany Richardson

NAPLAN 2018

NAPLAN 2018 testing will take place on May 15, May 16 & May 17. If you are the parent or guardian of a Year 3 or Year 5 student, please take the time to read the **NAPLAN 2018 Parent Information Brochure** attached to this newsletter.

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PREP (FOUNDATION) 2019 – ENROLMENTS OPEN

We have concluded Prep interviews for new families wishing to enrol their child in 2019 this week. Prep interviews for existing families wishing to enrol their child in 2019 will be held at a later date.

To ensure we have a placing for our existing families wishing to enrol their child in 2019, we ask that you obtain an Enrolment Application from the school office as soon as possible. Please be sure to pass this information on to prospective new families, who have a child due to start school in 2019. Enrolment places for Prep 2019 are limited and Enrolment Applications (available from the office) need to be filled out as soon as possible.

NAPLAN on paper – information for parents and carers

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Why do students do NAPLAN tests?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life.

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in the annual NAPLAN tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. NAPLAN tests are just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process; they do not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance.

NAPLAN tests also provide schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

What will be tested?

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through their regular school curriculum. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

To give you an idea of what the tests look like, see example questions at nap.edu.au/naplanexample

How can I help my child prepare for NAPLAN?

Help your child prepare for NAPLAN by reassuring them that the tests are just one part of their school program, and by reminding them on the day to simply try their best. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

ACARA does not recommend the use of services by coaching providers or excessive preparation. NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress.

Participation in NAPLAN

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are expected to participate in the annual NAPLAN tests.

Students with disability may qualify for adjustments that reflect the support normally provided for classroom assessments. A formal exemption may be granted for a student with significant intellectual disability and/or significant coexisting conditions, or for a student who has recently arrived in Australia and has a non-English speaking background.

Your school principal and your local test administration authority can give you more information on special provisions or the process required to gain a formal exemption.

Will my child sit NAPLAN on paper or online?

Your child will sit the NAPLAN paper tests in 2018.

However, children in some other schools across Australia may sit the NAPLAN online tests this year. Federal, state and territory education ministers have agreed that NAPLAN will move online over the next two to three years. State and territory education authorities will determine when their schools move online.

As students are presented with questions that test the same range of difficulty, regardless of whether they complete the test online or on paper, results for both formats will be reported on the same NAPLAN assessment scale.

To find out more about NAPLAN Online, visit nap.edu.au/online-assessment

What if my child is absent from school on test days?

Where possible, schools may arrange for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 18 May 2018.

NAPLAN 2018 tests timetable

	Tuesday 15 May	Wednesday 16 May	Thursday 17 May
Year 3	language conventions 40 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 45 minutes	numeracy 45 minutes
Year 5	language conventions 40 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 50 minutes	numeracy 50 minutes
Year 7	language conventions 45 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 65 minutes	numeracy 60 minutes
Year 9	language conventions 45 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 65 minutes	numeracy 60 minutes

How is my child's performance measured?

Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale for each test. A result at the national minimum standard indicates that the student has demonstrated the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to participate fully in that year level. The performance of individual students can be compared to the average performance of all students in Australia.

A NAPLAN report will be issued by your school later in the year. If you do not receive a report, you should contact your school.

How are NAPLAN test results used?

- Students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.
- Teachers use results to help them better identify students who require greater challenges or additional support.
- Schools use results to identify strengths and weaknesses in teaching programs and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.
- School systems use results to review programs and support offered to schools.
- The community can see average school NAPLAN results at myschool.edu.au

Where can I get more information?

For more information about NAPLAN:

- contact your child's school
- contact your local test administration authority at nap.edu.au/TAA
- visit nap.edu.au

For information about how personal information for NAPLAN will be handled by ACARA, please visit nap.edu.au/naplanprivacy

URGENT REQUEST

As of the first day of Term 3, Monday 16 July, all excursion and school activity permission forms will be sent out to families, through CareMonkey. It is therefore, essential that all children have a CareMonkey Profile, in order for parents to be able to give permission for their children to attend excursions or take part in school activities, requiring parent permission or consent. We ask all families to set up a CareMonkey profile for their children IMMEDIATELY.

Email invitations are continuing to be sent to all families for whom we have an email address, to download the CareMonkey app. Thank you to those parents who have responded to the email and have set up a profile for their children. If you have not yet responded to the email please do so as soon as possible. **Please check your email inbox or spam for the CareMonkey email.** Thank you for your support in ensuring your children are safe and cared for at all times.



STUDENT ABSENCES

Following a review of the Attendance Guidelines by the Minister for Education in Term 4, 2017 **'schools must advise parents/guardians of unexplained absences, on the same day, as soon as practicable, including for post-compulsory aged students'**. All schools must fully implement the changes to the Attendance Guidelines by the end of Term 2, 2018. These changes will help ensure the safety of school-aged children during school hours and that schools are supported in their duty of care obligations.

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, we ask that you log onto the Skoolbag app, then go to eForms, hit Absentee Form and complete the details of the absence then hit Submit. All Absentee Forms are sent to the Principal. They are then forwarded to the classroom teacher and the office. As of early Term 2, if your child is away and we have not been notified, you will receive an SMS message asking you to contact the school. If we do not hear from you within a certain time (to be notified) we will call your emergency contacts. If we cannot reach the emergency contacts we are mandated by legislation to call the police. If you have not yet downloaded the Skoolbag app, we ask that you do this as soon as possible. These practices are to ensure the safety of your children.

Full implementation of the new Attendance Guidelines is required by the end of Term 2, 2018. St. Paul's is currently exploring an automated SMS notification service, to inform parents of an unexplained student absence. **Parents and guardians are asked to notify the school immediately a student absence is known, preferably the day before but definitely before 8.50 am on the day of the absence.**





How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.



2018 IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2	TERM 3
<p>APRIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MON 7 SCHOOL CLOSURE • TUES 15TH DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY 10-12PM • THURS 24 - FIRST COMMUNION FAMILY NIGHT 6PM <p>JUNE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THUR 7 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS - FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART 9.30AM • MON 11 - QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY • SAT 16 - SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2PM • MON 25 - REPORTS SENT HOME • THURS 28 - LEARNING CONVERSATIONS 2.30PM TO 8.00PM - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50 PM • FRI 29 - ST. PAUL'S FEAST DAY - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 12.00PM • FRI 29 - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50PM END TERM 	<p>JULY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MON 16 - TERM 3 COMMENCES • FRI 27TH DIVISIONAL GRAND FINALS <p>AUGUST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WED 15 - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION 9.30AM WHOLE SCHOOL MASS • THURS 23RD DISTRICT ATHLETICS <p>SEPTEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THUR 13 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 9.30AM • THURS 20 - WHOLE SCHOOL CIRCUS PERFORMANCE - EVENING • FRI 21 - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50PM END TERM
TERM 4	
<p>OCTOBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MON 8 - TERM 4 COMMENCES • FRI 12TH DIVISIONAL GRAND FINALS • MON TO FRI 15, 16, 17, 18 19 - SCHOOL REVIEW • WED 24 - CEM/VRQA COMPLIANCE REVIEW • WED 24 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 9.30AM • WED 31 - YR 4 CAMP <p>NOVEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THURS, FRI 1, 2 - YR 4 CAMP • MON 5 - SCHOOL CLOSURE REPORT WRITING • TUES 6 - MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY • WED, THURS, FRI 21, 22, 23 - YR 5 CAMP • SAT 24 - STATE ELECTION <p>DECEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FRI 7 - CHRISTMAS FUN DAY, CARNIVAL AND CAROLS • THURS 13 - YR 6 GRADUATION 7PM • FRI 14 YR 6 FINAL DAY • WED 19 P - 5 STUDENTS FINAL DAY 1.50PM DISMISSAL • THURS 20 - STAFF FINAL DAY 	



PROBLEM SOLVING WITH PLANKS

This week at St Paul's, all children had an opportunity to explore their creative and problem solving skills during a 'Planks Incursion.' This involved lots of constructing, discussion, mathematical and scientific thinking including trial and error. Children showed great persistence and resilience when building their creations. Here are some highlights from the workshops:



Thanks to all the teachers and students who got involved and took on a growth mindset. Hope to see even more interesting creations next year; Mrs Calvano (Math Leader)

SENIOR GIRLS' SOCCER GALA DAY

On Tuesday 24th April and Friday 27th April, a group of girls and boys from Year 5 and 6 chose to attend a Soccer Gala Day at Green Gully Reserve, which was organised by Mr McCall. Congratulations to all who participated. Whilst they may not have won the final, they should be very proud of their strong efforts and for the wonderful way they supported each other. They represented St Paul's in a very positive manner. Well done!!



Girls' Soccer Team

Year 5s: Nhi V, Nikki G, Ashleigh O, Helena P.

Year 6s: Mia D, Ruby C, Annie A, Chanelle D, Maddison M, Emily N, Isis K, Fiona N, Kristy V and Paris B.

Boys' Soccer Team

Year 5s: Nicholas D.

Year 6s: Michael T, Dion M, John N, Justin P, Elias S, Tom T, Sammy Z, Randee A, Ethan D, Thomas D, Isam S, Ephraim E, Ivan F, Jamie N, Daniel K.

Almighty God

We give you our school.

We give you all the teachers and staff who work here,

We give you all the children who study here.

We pray our school would be place of great discovery, adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love,

A place where every one is respected and all are deeply valued.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



MASS TIMES

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

SUNSHINE AVENUE

KEALBA

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	9.30 am
Thursday	9.30 am
Friday	No Mass
Saturday	5.00 pm (Latin)
	6.30 pm
Sunday	8.00 am (Maltese)
	10.00 am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 6.00 pm

ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH

ODESSA AVENUE

KEILOR DOWNS

Monday	9.30 am
Tuesday	9.30 am
Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	9.30 am
Saturday	5.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am
	11.00am
	5.30pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4.30 pm



LUNCH ORDERS WITH FLEXISCHOOLS

A large number of families have now logged on to www.flexischools.com.au, created an account and are ordering lunches online. Cinzia Brancatisano, Canteen Manager, is happy to answer your questions regarding the account setup procedure and the new online ordering process. Snack items and drinks for the recess break (2nd break), need to be ordered online at the same time as the lunch order, as there are no counter / window sales during winter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

I am asking for any parents, grandparents or guardians who have any free time to come and help and be part of a great volunteer team to provide lunch for our precious children. We desperately need volunteers on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY each week. If you are interested, please complete the section below and return it to the school, as soon as possible.

Please note that you must have a current 'Working With Children Check' registration to be able to assist in the canteen.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEER:

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Eldest Child..... Grade.....Teacher.....

I am available to work on the following day(s).....

Contact No.....

FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER WITH **AVER & LINE.** children's photography specialists



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- 20 minute portrait session
- 20 minute viewing / selection session
- 8"x12" print
- Glass bottle frame + print of your choice
- Complimentary retouching (Remove unwanted dribble or bumps!)
- Opportunity to purchase the BEST value packages & lowest cost options!
- We also have the best value digital files available!

St Pauls Primary School Family Portrait Fundraiser The easiest way to have boutique portraits, book now to secure your session!

WHEN: Sunday 3rd of June
WHERE: Indoors at the school
TO BOOK: head to www.averandline.com.au/book
enter the password **hooray2** and select your school + session time
then pay your \$15 online
BOOK BY: Monday 28th of May
CONTACT: Evelyn on ParentsGroup@spkealba.catholic.edu.au

www.averandline.com.au

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Ave Maria College invites you to the



2018 Community Education Seminar

A presentation by
Robyn Treyvaud and Dr David Collins

Thursday, 3 May 2018
7.00pm to 8.30pm
Francis Hall
14 - 22 Vida Street
Aberfeldie

Bookings via: www.trybooking.com/USKQ

This event is made freely available to parents of Ave Maria College. Members of the broader community are welcome. We thank you for a gold coin donation on arrival.

Connecting Families: Parenting the Digital Teen

- What does research tell us about girls' use of technology and social media
- How do we raise responsible cyber citizens
- The impact of technology use on girls' health, well-being, relationships and reputations
- Learn about: identity and self image, relationships and communication, privacy and security, online addiction and risks for your teenage daughter.



Robyn Treyvaud is an internationally-recognised expert in online safety and digital citizenship. As the Founder of Cyber Safe Kids, Robyn established a global organisation and network that assisted educators, schools and local communities in understanding and overcoming the challenges of the digital world. Robyn is now the Head of Education at Wangle Family Insites, an Australian founded cyber safety platform designed for children, young adults and importantly, families. Wangle Family Insites have collaborated with leading childhood medical researchers, Telethon Kids Institute to bring a new approach to cyber safety. While initially starting her career in education, Robyn's transition into consulting led her to become a trusted advisor to the media, industry and governments in Australia based on her research and findings in schools around Australia and Asia.



David is a local doctoral trained Clinical Psychologist who has worked with young people for over a decade. David has worked in a variety of settings in public mental health, has been an honorary research fellow with the University of Melbourne, and has been involved in local and international research collaborations developing treatment programs for a range of psychological difficulties. In addition to his private practice, David has delivered workshops for teachers, psychologists, counsellors, parents, and students across Australia in the Neuroscience of young brains. David is also the director and developer of BRAiNgro, a whole school well-being program running in schools across Australia teaching young people about the neuroscience of well-being.

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre

362 Albert St, EAST MELBOURNE



Saturday 5th May 2018



10.00am - 4.00pm

- *Pray in the Chapel*
- *Take a tour of the Museum*
- *Visit the Gift Shop*
- *Enjoy a light refreshment*
- *Mary MacKillop Walking Tour available @ 11am*

For further information and acceptances please contact MMHC on
(03) 9926 9300 or admin.mmhc@sosj.org.au

Join us for a one time event

DINNER & SHOW

DAISY
PULLS
IT OFF

THURSDAY, MAY 10TH DINNER AT 5.30PM SHOW AT 7.00PM

\$30 2 course meal and 1 drink provided
(beer, wine or soft drink.)

RSVP
FRIDAY 4 MAY
rsvp@crtsydenham.net

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CATHOLIC REGIONAL
COLLEGE SYDENHAM



Open Day

SUNDAY 20 MAY

Come see why
we're leaders in
learning excellence.

65 & 204 Churchill Avenue,
Braybrook · 11am - 3pm

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A school community where faith, learning and relationships matter

ENROLMENTS FOR YEAR 7 2020
ARE NOW OPEN


Call to book a personal school tour or
request an enrolment pack

on 9366 2544
or echalmers@crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au




Key Dates: Enrolments for Year 7 2020


Friday 31st Aug 2018: Applications for Year 7 2020 close.
Friday 19th Oct 2018: Offers of places posted to families
Friday 2nd Nov 2018: Final date for acceptance of offers made.



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CRC ST ALBANS

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

2018 marks the 40th anniversary of the Federation of Catholic Regional College.

We would like to reconnect with past students and families to preserve the stories and memories from your time spent here at the College.

If you would like to share your stories or memorabilia please contact us.

Call Jill on 9366 2544
or email:
40years@crcstalbens.com.au



CRCNK Enrolment Year 7, 2020

Enrolment is currently open for Grade 5, 2018 students

Enrolment Closes 3 August, 2018

Offers posted to families Friday, 9 October, 2018
Final date for acceptance Friday, 2 November, 2018

College Tour Dates Term 2

Wednesday, 9 May 9.15am – Full

Thursday, 24 May 9.15am

Thursday, 31 May 9.15am

Bookings required

Please phone 9361 5900
or email office@crcnk.vic.edu.au



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