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eNEWS 2019 - Term 2 Edition 13

Thursday May 30 2019

Dear Community,

My apologies for the late eNEWS.

I have been somewhat preoccupied over the last two days, with the development of the old Kealba Secondary College site, at 27 Driscolls Road, Kealba.

I have sent you all the community flier, placed in local residents' letterboxes this week, as well as a letter from myself, detailing my concerns regarding what I consider, to be an over-development and out-of-community-character development, of the site.

I am simply asking all of you to consider contacting Brimbank Council, to express your concerns about and objections to the size & nature of the development.

At the heart of my concerns & objections are the safety & privacy of your children, as they learn & play each day, at St. Paul's. To me this is all that matters in doing my job well, as Principal, with ultimate responsibility for your children, whilst you entrust them to my care and the care of the St. Paul's staff team, whilst they are here at St. Paul's each day, Monday to Friday.

So, I ask each of you, as a matter of urgency, to lodge your concerns & objections with the council, as well with our local politicians & councilors.

Thank you in anticipation of your support for & action on, a matter of great urgency.

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Denis J. Daly	
Principal.	

OPEN DAY & ART SHOW

Our 2019 Open Afternoon & Art Show, will take place in Week 1 of Term 3, on *Wednesday July 17, from* **3.00** pm until 5.30 pm. This will be an opportunity for families to visit classrooms, the Gallery Space, Discovery Centre & hall, to see children's learning & artistic talents on display, as well as to listen to their children share some of their learning achievements. Be sure to put the date & time in your diaries and calendars.

2020 FOUNDATION (PREP) STUDENTS – ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

Enrolment Interviews for new families who have applied to enrol their children for Foundation (Prep) in 2020, have been conducted. Interviews with existing families will be conducted in the first half of Term 3. To ensure that we set aside a place for any of our existing families, who have a child eligible to enrol next year, we ask that you contact the school office, to obtain an Enrolment Application form. Alternatively, an Enrolment Pack (including an Enrolment Application) can be downloaded from the school website at <u>www.spkealba.catholic.edu.au</u>. We would appreciate you completing the application and returning it to the School office, as soon as possible.

SECONDARY COLLEGE ENROLMENTS

Parents & guardians of students in Years 4, 5 & 6 are reminded that considerable thought & planning need to be undertaken in selecting & applying for enrolment in Catholic, independent & state secondary colleges. It is too late to leave your thinking, choosing & applying until Grade 6, as most secondary colleges are accepting applications as early as Grade 4.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

All students should be in their winter uniforms by now (Terms 3 & 4). Just a reminder to all parents (especially our new Prep Families) that the Uniform shop is open on Friday mornings, from 8.30 am to 9.30 am for purchases, trying sizes and to place orders. Academy Uniform order forms with prices, can be downloaded via the Skoolbag App or are available in the office foyer. Alternatively you may visit their web site at www.academyuniforms.com.au

STUDENT LUNCH BAGS / BOXES & UNIFORM ITEMS

A reminder to parents & guardians, to please label your children's lunch bags or boxes and uniform items. Many recently have been misplaced, lost, handed in or found their way into the lost property without names; this makes it difficult to return these items to your child.

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S BRINGING LUNCHES TO SCHOOL FOR THEIR CHILDREN

If you choose to bring lunch and snacks to the school rather than to send lunches with your children in the morning or order from the Canteen on days available, office staff would appreciate if you could do so within the following times only:

Lunch between 10.30 & 10.45 am

Snacks between 1.30 & 1.45pm

If you bring food after these times, your children will be watching other children eat their lunch or snacks whilst they do not have any food of their own. Also outside of these times causes disruptions in the class rooms.

ABSENCE NOTIFICATIONS & UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

If children are absent from school for any reason, **Parents or Guardians must notify the school** due to Child Safety Unexplained Student Absence laws.

* For extended holidays, outside of normal holiday periods, in writing, via the Skoolbag App, a form at the office, letter or email. Please provide your child's name, grade, first date not attending school and date returning to school. If travelling overseas please also include the country visiting. (School must be notified prior to leaving).

* For other reasons: illness/sick, medical appointments, personal, family or other reasons, please advise via the Skoolbag App, a phone call, verbally to office staff or class teachers, email or letter. Also please provide your child's name, grade, reason and time of absence. (School must be notified prior, by or on the day of absence before 9.30am).

If we do not receive any notification, office staff shall be obliged to ring either parent/guardian on mobile, home number or at work. If we are unable to make contact, then we will call the Emergency contacts you have provided. *If we are unable to make contact with parents, guardians or emergency contacts, legislation requires us to call the police, to notify an 'Unexplained Student Absence'.*

We would greatly appreciate your co-operation on this matter.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos which were taken earlier in the year, were either delivered to you personally or delivered to the school last week and given out to your child to be taken home. If you have not received them or have any further queries, then please contact (ARP) Arthur Reeds Photos direct on 5243 4390 or via their website on <u>www.arthurreedphotos.com.au</u>

WOOLWORTHS 'EARN AND LEARN' STICKERS

As in previous years, the school is collecting the 'Earn & Learn' stickers, given out by Woolworths stores, with your shopping, until June 25 2019. We ask if you could please collect the stickesr and send them to school, with your children. The more we collect the greater the chance we have to select new school sports equipment & education resources, for our school.

PARENTS GROUP: NEXT METINGS & TERM 2 EVENTS

The next Parents Group Meetings will be held in the evening of *Tuesday June 4, at 6.30 pm in the staffroom* and in the morning of *Friday June 7, at 9.00 am, in the Discovery Center (library)*.

The following are a list of events & activities that have been organized by the Parents Group & supported by school staff, in Term 2:

- Family Entertainment Books Fundraiser: commenced Monday April 1. To order your Book or your Digital membership online visit: <u>www.entbook.com.au/94z4839</u> Alternatively, you may complete an order form, or purchase a book for \$70.00 cash, which are both available from the School Office.
- Pie Drive (supplied by Tony's Pies): Order forms sent home Wednesday May 22 and are due back to school by Thursday June 13



2019 CALENDAR TERM 2 MAY • THURS. 30: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILY NIGHT 6.00 PM – 8.00 PM • FRI. 31: PREP 2020 ENROLMENT ACCEPTANCES DUE JUNE • MON. 10: QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY • TUES. 11: PMI MUSIC CONCERT 11.00 AM (SCHOOL HALL) • THURS. 13: PIE DRIVE ORDERS AND MONEY DUE • SAT. 15: YR. 3 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2.00 PM – 3.00 PM (ST. MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, KEILOR DOWNS) • THURS. 20: WORLD REFUGEE DAY • FRI. 28: SCHOOL FEAST DAY CELEBRATION (FEAST OF ST. PAUL 29.06) • FRI. 28: TERM 2 FINISHES AT 1.50 PM



A Children's Prayer

Hail Mary, full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death,



Amen

MASS TIMES

ST PAUL'S CHURCH SUNSHINE AVENUE

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Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	No Mass No Mass 9.30 am 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 Saturday	9.30 am 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......Teacher......Teacher.....

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





