Dear Parents,

Thank you to parents and teachers who met on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon and evening this week to discuss our students’ progress over the first semester. This was another great opportunity to work in partnership to improve our students’ learning and wellbeing.

I wish all children making their First Eucharist, in the last of the First Eucharist Masses this weekend, my prayerful best wishes.

Best wishes to Sue Larson who will be absent from school on leave for 3 weeks. Signora Larson will resume duty in Week 3 next term. Italian classes will be taken by Mrs. Carla Mackintosh while Signora Larson is away.

Some advance notice that we will be celebrating St. Joachim’s and St. Anne’s Feast Day on Tuesday July 26th (Week 3 of next term). We are currently organising special prayer flags (see article further on in this newsletter) and I invite all available families to join us for Mass on Tuesday 26th July at 10:00 a.m. in the hall, to celebrate our Feast Day.

Please carefully read through the parish information in this newsletter each week about the organisation of groups required for the future of our parish. Information about this can also be found in the Church bulletin each week.

As you know, school will conclude for the end of Term 2 next Friday (24th June) at 3:15 p.m.

We’re now into the final week before our whole school concert! Next week will see a flurry of activity at school around final rehearsals and checking that all is ready for the concert next Thursday evening. Thank you to parents for organising your children with the myriad of requirements that go into preparing the children for such a large and exciting event.

Paul Dwyer,
Principal
As a school community we keep in our prayers the students who will receive the sacrament of Eucharist for the first time - their First Holy Communion. It will be a special time when Jesus comes to be one with them as they continue on their faith journey and grow into strong and loving people in the family of God.

The following candidates will be receiving their ‘First Holy Communion’ this weekend.

Janis, Niña, Tanaya, Blake, Kai, Harry, Angelina, Christian, Lucas, Jack, Jonny, Jarred and Timena
Blowing in the Wind

At St Joachim’s, students and staff, will be working on a Feast Day project that has been inspired by a project by artist Tiffany Singh - *Fly Me Up to Where You Are!*

If you google Tiffany Singh or *Fly Me Up to Where You Are*, you will find lots of information on the project.

Have a look at this fabulous youtube clip

What are the hopes and dreams of our students and their families? What are their thoughts regarding the future?

**Pope VI**

“If you want peace, work for justice”

**Pope John Paul II**

“If you want Justice, defend life”

**Pope Benedict XVI**

“To cultivate peace, protect the environment”

The St Joachim’s staff will be working with children to:

*“Put our prayers out into the world and have them released by the wind”*

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**Human dignity, Relationships, Freedom, Responsibility, Liberation & Hope, Justice, Change, sustainability, Community, Belonging...**

This project will not only involve the students and staff, we will also want and need the support of families.

All students will be making their own prayer flag (in one Art lesson) after discussions and planning over many days with their classroom teacher.

The Staff also thought that families may like to create a prayer flag to send their wishes and hopes into the wind.

On Wednesday July 20, we will welcome families to come to the Art Room to create their flag. The Art Room will be open after school until 7:00pm and will have everything needed to create your A4 size prayer flag except your family’s thoughts...

For questions please see or email one of the following:

Zeeta Andrew, Leeza Simpson, Helina Walker or Leonie Richardson
From Mrs Stewart
Irene Stewart
Deputy Principal / Student Wellbeing
istewart@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

Take a Stand
Against Bullying
takeastand@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

St Joachims has a special email account that has been set up for students to send an email if they feel they are being bullied or worried about someone who is being bullied.

If your child is Bullied
- Listen calmly and get the full story
- Reassure your child that they are not to blame
- Ask what they want to do about it and how you can help
- Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au for possible strategies
- Contact the school
- Check in regularly with your child

Cyber Safety Tips for Parents
✓ Set up safe search and security controls
✓ Ensure devices are kept outside the bedroom
✓ Lights out = WiFi OFF
✓ Take an interest in children’s online activities
✓ Communicate with the school
✓ Don’t threaten to take away devices
✓ Teach children not to respond to cyberbullying

Lights Out = WiFi Off

Preschool Story Time
Every Friday at 3:00pm in the library there is “Story Time” for our pre-school friends. This story time is open to all of our siblings who are coming to Prep at St Joachim’s next year.

The Boon Wurrung Family School Partnerships (BW FSP) cluster is a cluster of 8 schools in and around the Frankston area working together to strengthen links with families, the local community and each other to improve student learning and wellbeing outcomes.

Don't forget to 'Like' the Cluster Facebook page and visit our webpage.
http://boonwurrungfspcluster.weebly.com/

AFL Footy Tipping

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Performing Arts News
Jody Banks
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Coming this Term…
Whole School Concert

Super Kids Rock the World!
Featuring all students across the school from Prep-6

Thursday 23rd June,
7:00pm
Frankston Arts Centre

*Ticket information will be sent out on Care Monkey soon!
Don’t forget to start getting your costume organised as described in the Care Monkey notice sent home to all families last term 😊

1 WEEK TO GO!
Costume lists for each class now on the school website for easy access 😊

TICKETS SOLD OUT!!!

Meet the Cast
The “Super Kids”

- Gab as “Jerome the Leader”
- Tom as “Sandon the Athletic One”
- Tayla as “Riva the Smart One”
- Seth as “Dizzy the Technological One”
- Millie as “Paige the Fashion One”

Carmen & her Henchmen

- Cassidy as “Carmen the supervillain”
- Oliver as “Phil”
- Corey as “Cal”
- Mario as “Bruce”
Important Concert Information for Parents
(as sent via CareMonkey)

This note is to give you final details about our Whole School Concert “Super Kids Rock the World!” to be held at the Frankston Arts Centre on Thursday the 23rd of June at 7.00pm. There is a lot of information contained in this notice; please take the time to read through all of the details so you know what is happening.

Concert DVD For Sale

A DVD order form for the official Concert DVD which will be filmed and edited by Stagefright Productions will be sent home this week. The DVD’s will be $30.00 and the due date is on the order form.

No Filming or Photography

Please note that no other filming or photography is permitted inside the theatre during the performance; this is a theatre rule and will be monitored by theatre staff. One of our parents, Arek Rejman who is a professional photographer, has been asked to take ‘live action’ concert photos for the school during the show. These professional photos will also be available for parents to purchase if they would like to; more information about this will be sent home early next term. You can of course take photos of your children in their costumes, etc. in the foyer before or after the show.

Concert Commences at 7:00pm

The concert will commence at 7.00pm and is expected to finish at 9.30pm including a 20 minute interval. Students in Years Prep, 1 & 2 are only in the first half of the concert, so parents are welcome to collect them and take them home at interval which is estimated to be at 8.15pm. Please note that students will be signed out upon collection and will not be able to return to the backstage areas once they have been picked up.

Theatre Café

The theatre café will be open from 6.00pm, and audience members are encouraged to pre-order their interval refreshments before the show begins, as with a capacity crowd there will be a long queue at interval.

Students Arrival Times & Drop Off Locations

On the performance night all performers are asked to arrive no later than the following times and meet at the following locations within the theatre:

6.00pm - Years 5 & 6
Please enter through Stage Door- outside at side of theatre

6.30pm - Year 4
Please enter through Stage Door- outside at side of theatre

6.30pm - Years Prep-3
Peninsula Room inside theatre off the main foyer

Students will be with their class teachers during the performance in different locations according to their year level. Years 5 & 6 will be in the dressing rooms behind the stage, Year 4 will be in the band room under the stage, and Years Prep-3 will be in the Peninsula Room off the main foyer.

Members of staff will meet the children at each location and mark them off and then direct them to their class teacher who will be supervising the students in a specified backstage area. We ask that parents do not come backstage with their child so that congestion in the dressing room areas is minimised. Children will also be marked off their class list by their teacher on arrival and will stay with their teacher for the rest of the night until the concert has finished, or they have been collected. There will be a list with the teacher at the door of the names of parents who are allowed backstage to help with make-up & hair touch-ups or as part of the backstage crew.

At the end of the night, students can be collected from the following areas within the theatre:

Years 5 & 6 - Stage Door outside at side of theatre

Years 3 & 4
in front of the Box Office in main foyer

Year 2
McClelland Gallery Lounge (upstairs near Dress Circle)

Years Prep & 1
Peninsula Room
On the Day of the Concert

All students will be attending a run through at the Frankston Arts Centre during the day on Thursday the 23rd of June and each grade level will be shuttled by bus between 9.30am and 3.00pm. Only the Main Cast characters (selected Seniors) are required to bring their costumes to the theatre during the day rehearsal.

Tuesday June 21st Dress Rehearsal

Next Tuesday June 21st, we will be having a dress rehearsal in our school hall, however only students in Years 3-6 will need to bring their costumes to school in a labelled bag on this day. No make-up is required for the dress rehearsal.

On the performance evening the children are asked to bring the following:

All costumes in a named bag (unless they come wearing their costume)

A small snack to eat while waiting backstage (muesli bar, piece of fruit, sandwiches are all good) No chips, chewing gum or popcorn allowed as these leave a mess on the floors.

Water bottle (no soft drinks)

Cards, books or quiet games to play while backstage (no electronics allowed and no phones)

A warm jumper or jacket, shoes or slippers to wear when not on stage

Make Up Requirements

As this concert performance is being held in a professional theatre with stage lighting, all children are encouraged to wear make-up so they don’t look ‘washed-out’ under the bright lights and so that their faces can be clearly seen from the audience. The following basic make-up is suggested:

Boys- foundation, brown eyeshadow (lightly applied), black eyeliner, brown blush, brown lipstick (lightly applied) to give a natural look that brings out facial expression

Girls- foundation, blue eyeshadow, black eyeliner, black mascara, red blush, red lipstick

Performers are asked to already have their hair done and their make-up applied before they arrive as this will help us have enough time to get them ready. Girls in Years 3-6 are asked to bring their own eyeliner, mascara, lipstick and hairbrush with them so that we can do touch-ups if needed when they arrive.

Choir Members

Choir members are asked to come to the theatre dressed in their Choir outfits as this will be their first performance costume.

Parking

Parking- there is parking at the theatre in an undercover carpark- payment is by ticket machine (credit card or coins only)- $1.50 per hour, all day $5.50- display ticket on the dashboard.

If you have any questions at all about any of the above information, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Banks at jbanks@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

All students across the school have worked very hard over the term in preparing for our Whole School Concert and are extremely excited to be performing on the Frankston Arts Centre stage. Thank you to our wonderful parent community for the support and encouragement you have given your children in the lead up to this exciting event; we hope you enjoy the show!!!

Yours sincerely,

Jody Banks, Performing Arts Teacher

Sports News

Reagon Haines
Sport Teacher

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St Joachim’s Celebrates Another Double Win.

Last week Monday, 6th June, St Joachim’s senior school students participated in the Frankston District Inter-School Sports Lightning Premiership games. Football, netball and tee-ball played at Casey Fields and soccer and handball played at Flinders Christian College.
I would like to commend all the students on their efforts, sportsmanship and behaviour displayed throughout the day. The football and netball teams finished third overall.

Congratulations to the soccer teams on winning the soccer division. The A Soccer Team will represent the Frankston District at the Peninsula Division Playoffs to be held in week one of term 3 at the Dallas Brooks Park, Mornington, on Friday 15th July from 12:00pm to 3:30pm.

On behalf of the St Joachim’s community I would like to wish the soccer team the very best for the games.

Thank you to all the parents and staff who supervised the teams.

Assembly

Every Thursday at 2:30pm
Parents Welcome

A whole school assembly is held in the school hall every fortnight. Level assemblies are held on the other week.

Uniform Shop

Trading Hours

Wed 8:30 – 9:00am Thurs 2:45pm – 3:30pm
Tracey Craddock Uniform Shop Coordinator
tcraddock@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

Or use an order form which is available on
✓ the Tiqbiz app,
✓ the school website
✓ or at the school office

Lost Property

is located in the Library

The library is open after school every day except Thursday for parents and students to retrieve lost items. Students are also able to retrieve their lost property when their class visits the library.

Facebook Buy & Sell

St Joachim’s Uniforms

St Joachim’s families are welcome to join the St Joachim’s second hand uniform Facebook page.

Search for “Buy & Sell St Joachim’s Uniforms” and ask to join. – You may pick up a great bargain!
CAFÉ Strategy: Flip the Sound

Have you ever taught your child a rule from the English language to then have them point out an example where it doesn’t work? Many words in the English language don’t follow basic phonics rules. For example, children learn that ch makes the /ch/ sound we hear in chip. However, this rule does not apply when decoding the word school. Children need to be given tools to use when reading so they are not stumped when common rules don’t apply. Flip the sound is a strategy good readers use when they come to a word that doesn’t sound right or make sense. Knowing the multiple sounds a letter or letter combination can make and being able to flip the sounds around is an essential skill.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

1. When your child reads a word incorrectly, wait until he/she gets to the end of the sentence. Then, stop your child and ask, “Did the word you just read sound right?” Put your hand palm-down and flip your hand over while saying, “Try flipping the sound.”

2. Remind your child that when good readers use the strategy of flip the sound, they listen for a word they recognize. They then check to make sure that word makes sense in the sentence.

3. When sounding out words, review the different sounds letters make. Ask your child, “What other sound could that letter make?” Encourage your child to use the strategy of flip the sound to try different words until he/she is successful.

4. If your child is still struggling with this strategy, give your child the kinesthetic prompt of flipping over your hand as a quiet reminder to try the strategy.

1. This strategy can be compared to the strategy of cross checking. Remind your child to look at the word and ask, “Does it look right, does it sound right, does it make sense?” If it doesn’t sound right, they will then know to flip the sound and try again.

2. Thank you for your continued support at home!

Written by: Allison Behne © www.thedailycafe.com
Ideas and strategies are taken from: The CAFE Book, written by Gail Boushey & Joan Moser
Why does this parish exist & what is its mandate in light of the gospels?

One of the many things I boast about in this parish is the way we care for each other. You have always shown a deep commitment to social justice issues in our local area. You have especially focused on the disadvantaged and struggling members of our community and the Frankston area. Our parish emergency fund is a prime example of this. As you often hear me say this is the most generous parish I know. Your care and concern speaks for itself.

Our parish has many pastoral issues ranging from illness, single parent families, loneliness, the unemployed, domestic violence, the house bound, mental illness and eight nursing homes just to name a few. One of my fears in preparing for our future is that this core value is not ignored but takes central stage in any future we plan together. The voice of the marginalised must be valued if we are to continue to be the best parish in the archdiocese.

In the future do we supply emergency accommodation as a core value of this parish?

What strategic planning do we need to ensure we care for our most vulnerable?

How do we prioritise what is most important?

How do we establish cross communication for best possible outcomes?

What does our parish need to move forward in pastoral care?

How can we use our physical resources more productively to achieve our goals?

What finances should be set aside to offset costs etc.?

How do we utilise the existing resources and expertise of the wider community?

What other resources are available within the Frankston area?

These are just some of the areas that this group will need to address. I know you agree with me when I say that buildings are important but the heart of our parish is our people. Our care for each other has always set this parish apart and in my eyes we are second to none in this. Hence I believe this is the most important group as it holds the heart of the parish in its hand.

So if you believe that you would like to play an essential part in shaping the future of the parish this group is for you. All assistance will be given in helping you address these concerns as determined by the group.

Fr. John
trivia night

Funds raised will be donated towards missionaries living and working in Thailand with orphaned and abandoned children or those at risk of being trafficked.

Guests of Honour
David & Andrea Cross from ZOE Foundation Australia will be speaking about the work they do in Chiang Mai.

July 16th

Arrive at 7pm / 7.30pm Start
St James the Less Hall, Mt Eliza
105 Koetong Parade, Mount Eliza VIC 3930

Tickets $25 pp

Trivia + Games + Raffle + Silent Auction + Loads of Prizes

How to purchase tickets: Tables of 8 people
1. Email: info@gbab.org.au with your four names, who you are paying for & contact address to receive tickets
2. Transfer the total amount directly to GBAB Account Name: GBAB Sponsorship Donations BSB: 032 000 ACC NO: 165 771 317 BSB: TRIVIA (by 15 July 2023)
3. Bring your tickets along on the night