Dear Parents,

On Wednesday this week St. Joachim’s staff made their special prayer flags, in preparation for using them as a part of our special Feast Day celebration for the feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne on Tuesday 26th July. A reminder that all families are invited to make their own prayer flags on Wednesday 20th July (see inside the newsletter for more details) and to join us for Mass at St. Joachim’s hall at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday July 26th. This year we are looking forward to hosting students and staff from our sister school, St. Anne’s, to celebrate our special Feast Day together.

Our whole school concert “Super Kids Rock the World!” last night was a fabulous showcase of the amazing talents of our children! It was great to see a full house of St. Joachim’s families and friends enjoying the show at the Frankston Arts Centre.

As you know, the whole school concert has been a huge endeavour, and I sincerely thank our students for their wonderful performance (including many rehearsals) and our parents who organised costumes for their child/ren, did late pick ups after rehearsals, worked on supplied costumes, scenery etc and attended to support our children last night. A huge thank you to our Performing Arts teacher, Miss Jody Banks, for her hard work in writing the script, on set direction, choreography, musical arrangement, rehearsals and all round brilliance! A huge thank you also to our Visual Arts teacher, Miss Helina Walker, for her painting and making of the sets, props and being in charge of the whole ‘visual’ side of the concert. Helina was also responsible for running and organising the stage crew, being the stage manager on the night, helping to select the powerpoint backdrops, and running the concert drawing and colouring competitions.

Thank you to Father John, and Carol at the parish, for the huge amount of work they put in to organising adult education classes for First Eucharist, and to Father John for celebrating First Eucharist Masses for all children in the parish over the last 3 weekends. This sacrament of initiation allows our First Eucharist children to participate more fully in the sacred mystery of the Mass through the regular reception of the Body and Blood of Christ.

Best wishes to Mrs. Reena Naidoo who will be absent for the first 4 weeks of next term on leave. In Mrs. Naidoo’s absence MRN will be taught by Mrs. Donna Zammitt. Mrs. Naidoo will resume duty at school on Monday 8th August.

I wish all students, staff and families a safe, enjoyable and restful holiday. School will resume for Term 3 on Monday 11th July.

Paul Dwyer, Principal
As a school community we would like to congratulate all the children and their proud families who received their ‘First Holy Communion’. As we eat and drink in the Eucharistic banquet we believe that Christ becomes part of us, and we come alive in Christ – together we become the Body of Christ. We pray that this Eucharist may strengthen them and nourish them in love of Jesus.

Have a wonderful holiday and God Bless you all!

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As families will have read in previously newsletters, 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!

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?

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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Blowing in the Wind

St Joachim’s Feast Day
July 26

On Wednesday July 20, we will welcome families to come to the Art Room to create their flag. Families can come any time between 3:30 and 7:00pm and only need stay for the short time that it takes to paint your prayer 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...

Families can start designing their prayer flag any time from now. Prayer flags will be A4 size.

For questions please see or email one of the following:
Zeeta Andrew, Leeza Simpson, Helina Walker, Leonie Richardson

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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.
The St Joachim’s Staff Share Their Hopes & Dreams
From Mrs Stewart
Irene Stewart
Deputy Principal / Student Wellbeing
istewart@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

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

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.

AFL Footy Tipping

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At St Joachim’s we use an App to Communicate with our Families

Tiqbiz is a two way communication app

Parents are able to easily
- Notify the school of any student absences
- Connect to CareMonkey (used for medical and excursion permissions)
- Read the latest school newsletter
- Contact the school by email
- View and print the Uniform Order Form and Price List
- View the school website
- Organise your Parent / Teacher interviews

You’ll be notified of our
- News
- Messages
- Events & other communications.

The Instructions can be found on our school website.

P & F News

Simple everyday ways in which YOU can help the school fund raise.

Masters
Simply spend $30 or more in store and place your receipt (the store will give you a duplicate receipt, if requested) in the St Joachim’s fundraising bin located at the store exit. At the end of each term Masters calculates the amount spent and gives back to the school 5% of the amount spent after the first $300.

Ritches/IGA
Nominate St Joachim’s on your community rewards benefits and every time you shop 5% comes back to the school. Cards can be picked up in store or from the office.

P&F Meeting dates
1st Tues each month at 8.45am in the staff room.
- Next Meeting August 2
Extra-Curricular Activities
The Library Resource Centre is open every Monday & Wednesday lunchtimes for the following extracurricular activities:

- Computer Coding (Scratch Club) ........... Seniors
- Computers ........................................ Seniors
- Chess ............................................. Middles & Seniors
- Lego ...................................................... Juniors
- Drawing ............................................. Juniors
- Reading ........................................ Whole school

After School Borrowing
The Library is open for borrowing Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday for After-School Borrowing
Parents are most welcome!

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.
Super Kids Rock the World!

Thursday 23rd June, 7:00pm

WOW!

More pictures after the holidays

Thank you, thank you, thank you to...

Arek Rejman - live concert photos
Lucy McWaters - backstage photos
Make-up & Hair touch-ups before the show
Melinda Livera, Melanie Katsianis, Michelle De Chene, Sue Thomas, Michelle Perera, Alison Connolly

Costume Team
Angela Roberts, Melinda Livera, Tanya Petersen, Subasini Marimuthu, Shane Reeve

Sets & Props
Helina Walker, Mark Oakman, Sean Deeprose, Bill Walker, Adam Teeuwsen, Berwick Primary, St. Paul Apostle South Primary

Backstage Crew
Mark Oakman, Sean Deeprose, Neville Makiri, Dennis Jaskula

Set Transport
Mark Oakman

MC-Signora Larson
Face painting, program design & powerpoint backdrops- Leonie Richardson
Backstage runner/ traffic pattern- Leeza Simpson
Stage Communications- Tracey Craddock
Backstage assistance- Katy Kelly

Classroom Teachers - supervision, support and encouragement of the children

Admin Staff - support in the lead up to the concert in a variety of ways

Helina Walker - Painting & making sets, props and being in charge of the whole ‘visual’ side of the concert. Running & organising the stage crew, being the stage manager on the night, helping to select the powerpoint backdrops, running the concert drawing and colouring competitions.
As you know when I first came here there were no financial reserves in the parish and the weekly expenditure far outweighed the weekly income. We are very frugal and during the past 10 years we have built up the reserves of the parish and are meeting our repayments. This is in no small effort as a result of Carol’s ongoing commitment to our parish often working long hours without pay, even at the weekend, for which we all benefit. Yet the future will be challenging and the need for financial astuteness is second to none. Like any home we too have to pay our bills such as insurance, lighting, maintenance and the cost of everyday living. Just like you we too have to pay our mortgages and plan for the future. We can expect little or no assistance from the Archdiocese and must meet our needs ourselves.

When we look at the parish as a whole we have many resources that can assist us in future planning. We will need to get a market value for all our properties and then decide what we should keep and what we might sell to meet our future. We must formulate a long term strategic plan using all possible resources to their best advantage. We will need to employ professional external expertise so as not to be blinded by our own bias so the best possible outcome can be achieved for the majority of our people.

If you have a business background, accountancy, or are experienced in finances or banking then we need your expertise. In this sense our parish is like a business and we will need businesslike people to show us the way forward.

Priests are not trained in finances nor are they skilled to run the business side of the parish. Your help is essential in helping the Parish Priest in all matters regarding the future finances of the parish.

If this is where your talents lie the please consider joining this group and help us determine the best way forward financially for our parish.

Fr. John
This production is being filmed and edited on professional digital equipment and made available to you as DVD's.

Each DVD will commence with a lively music clip highlighting all the action of the performance, plus each disc will be fully navigational with a link to each performance for quick viewing.

If you would like to purchase a copy, please forward the completed form below along with payment to the school's office.

St. Joachim's Catholic Primary School
presents
Super Kids Rock The World!

orders need to be finalised by Friday 22nd July

DVD's will be available for pick up at the school Wednesday 27th July

Cheques can be made out to St. Joachim's Primary School
Please place this form and payment (cash or cheque) into an envelope.

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stagefright concert productions

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