Dear Parents,

Today all classes were involved in a variety of fun artistic, creative and Italian based activities as part of our school “La Festa Artistica!” celebration of Italian and the Arts. It was great to see the fantastic, brightly coloured, Italian themed costumes worn by students and staff. (See photos further on in this newsletter) Thank you to all families for supporting this great community building event, through organising costumes, assisting with organisation and running of activities and by your attendance at our La Festa morning parade and our evening program tonight between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. here at school. A huge thank you to our wonderful 4 key staff members, Helina Walker, Sue Larson, Leonie Richardson and Jody Banks, who have lead many months of planning and untold behind the scenes and after hours work to plan La Festa. Without their organisation and leadership, and the support of our great staff, this event would not be possible.

Today a parent survey will be sent home on Care Monkey asking all parents for feedback about the possibility of using our canteen at school. I encourage all families to have a voice, so we can determine what level of support we have to consider our options further. The survey is due by next Friday (20th November). With thanks.

On Friday 4th December we are holding a Parent helpers thank you morning tea for all parents who have assisted at school this year in any way. The thank you morning tea will be held in the staff room commencing at 8:45 a.m. on this day. I look forward to seeing lots of parents there to acknowledge the great work you do in supporting our fabulous school.

A clarification re our end of year date. The last day of school this year for students is Wednesday 16th December. School will finish at 3:15 p.m. on this day. Staff will be involved in handover meetings and planning on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December.

Kind regards,

Paul Dwyer
Principal
From Mrs Stewart
Deputy Principal
istewart@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

Remembrance Day Ceremony

On Tuesday November 11, we had a prayer service lead by our senior leaders and Mrs O’Callaghan to remember the brave men and women who fought in the wars.

All students in our school made a poppy which they lay beneath the St Joachim’s Remembrance Day art which lists the names of the St Joachim’s community family members who have lost their lives through war.

Congratulations to all our students who were most respectful throughout the service.

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.

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 www.sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au
• or can be picked up at the school office.
I am going to be a shining light to others by caring for others and looking after God’s creations and by trying my best.

By Issy

I am going to be a shining light to others by looking after the world.

By Kenzi

I am going to be a shining light to others by being kind.

By Kesean

I am going to be a shining light to others by being a good friend and loving others.

By Bella

I am going to be a shining light to others by trying my best.

By Gemma

I am going to be a shining light to others by being nice and loving.

By Sydney

I am going to be a shining light to others by loving my family.

By Ava

Last Year’s Winning Team Was Red House! Which Team Will Win in 2015?

Twilight Athletics Carnival

Wed, 25th Nov

5:00pm – 7:00pm

St Joachim’s Oval

The St Joachim’s Twilight Athletics Carnival will be held on the St Joachim’s Oval on Wednesday, 25th November, from 5:30pm – 7:00pm. Could all families be in attendance no later than 5:00pm for a 5:30pm start.

Request for Parental Assistance at the Athletics Carnival

If you are able to help on the day with supervision or place judging please complete the following and return to school by Monday 23rd November.

I, ____________________________ , parent of ______________________________ in Grade ________ am able to assist at the Twilight Athletics Event on Wednesday 25th November 2015.

Please tick:  Supervision  Place Judge

Or email Mrs Janine Turner

jturner@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au
Wednesday 18 November
Wear Orange to School.

St Joachim’s are supporting the SES’s (State Emergency Service) WOW day.

The focus of WOW Day is to encourage the community to show their support in a very simple but highly visible gesture by wearing the colour orange. This is the colour worn by SES volunteers.

There are 40,000 SES volunteers across Australia who each year collectively provides around a million hours of their time to help communities in times of natural disasters and emergencies.

On WOW Day, the simple concept of wearing orange will show your support of SES volunteers across Australia and will show that they are valued by the communities they support and keep safe.

***Just a reminder to all parents that students need to wear clothes appropriate for school including covered shoulders and closed in shoes.***

A gold coin donation on the day would greatly assist the wonderful work of the SES.

An Interview with Mrs Bennett

- Name Mrs Bennett
- The car I drive: Mazda Cx5 (Red)
- Interests outside of school Geelong Football Club and reading
- Best part about being a teacher: watching children succeed
- Favourite team: Geelong
- Favourite holiday destination Geelong
- Pets Jimmy, Ruby (dogs) and 10 Guinea Pigs
- Favourite food: Pizza
- Favourite T.V show Blacklist
- Favourite book Wonder
- Favourite film: Sound of Music
- Favourite singer / band: Coldplay
- Three people I’d invite to dinner Cameron Ling, Princess Diana and Pope Francis
- I became a teacher because my dad was a principal and teaching is in my blood
- If I weren’t a teacher I’d be a journalist
- If I could take three things to a deserted island, what would they be? Coffee, Book and a husband

The Frankston SES looks forward to bringing out a truck and being involved with children of St Joachim’s becoming educated about our role in the community.

Cybersafety
Parent Information Evening
John Paul College Ngargee Centre

Tuesday 8 December
7:00pm to 9:00pm

This is a parent and guardian only event. Students will not be admitted.

Parents and guardians of all year levels are strongly encouraged to attend.

Please see advertisement at the end of this Newsletter.

www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au
La Festa Fun!

Enormous thanks to our Parent Helpers!
SKYE UNITED FC

Four Free Soccer Clinics for Females
Come and Try Days

Special guest appearances from Melbourne Victory Player Gulcon Koca to be advised.

Ages: 5 - 12 years

When: Starting Wednesday 18/11/15 till Wednesday 9/12/15 (4 Weeks duration)

Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Where: Botany Park Reserve, Shearwater Dr, CARRUM DOWNS, Melbourne, VIC

What to bring: Sports shorts, runners or boots

Essential: All players “MUST” be accompanied by a parent for the duration of the sessions or else player will not be allowed to participate.

Register online click on link below.
www.skyesoccerclub.net.au
https://form.jotform.co/52977744326871
or email register.skye@gmail.com
or call 0408 336 947

Skye United FC’s experienced Senior Women’s Head Coach Steve Babbage 0418 632 121 will be overseeing the program.

DANDENONG SHOW
November 14th & 15th 2015

Where the city meets the country, the Dandenong Show has lots to offer; farm animals, dogs, arts and crafts, amusement rides, show-bags and fireworks. Don’t forget to visit the animal nursery and look out for the free entertainment. There is something for everyone!

Dandenong Show Grounds – Greaves Reserve,
Bennet Street Dandenong
For further information please see our website
www.Dandyshow.com.au

Accident

A car accident occurred on Friday September 11th 2015 at pick up time 3:20pm.
A black holden reversed out of a driveway and backed into a parent’s silver car. We are asking all witnesses to contact Irene Stewart by email istewart@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au or drop into the school office.
Thank your support.

Please join us for a

FORUM ON
YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES IN CARRUM DOWNS

WHEN: Tuesday 17 November 2015  TIME: 6PM - 7:30PM
VENUE: Lyrebird Community Centre
203 Lyrebird Drive, Carrum Downs VIC 3201
RSVP: E: sonya.kilkenny@parliament.vic.gov.au / P: 9773 2727 for further information.

Sonya Kilkenny MP
MEMBER FOR CARRUM

Jenny Mikakos MP
MINISTER FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS
MINISTER FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN

Together with senior representatives from Victoria Police, community & youth workers.
MEDICATION & CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD)

Presentation by Paediatrician Dr Sian Hughes

An Information session suitable for parents, carers and professionals focusing on the use of medication for children with ASD.

Opportunity for participants to have an open discussion exploring questions or concerns such as:

• When is medication an option?
• Learn about the possible benefits and possible risks of medicine?
• What is important to you in making a decision about medicine?

WHEN: Thursday 19th November 2015
TIME: 6.00pm – 7.30pm
WHERE: Upstairs Training Room - Biala Peninsula
1 Elizabeth St Mornington 3931
PARKING: Available on site car parking
COST: FREE to Biala Families
$20 per person - Non Biala Families
$40 per person - Non Biala Professionals

Limited Numbers - For bookings contact Biala Peninsula Inc.
PH: (03) 5975 1820 or admin@bialapeninsula.org.au
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Tuesday 8 December 7:00pm to 9:00pm
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Growing up Online:
An informative & entertaining session for Parents and carers is delivered with Susan’s famous ‘no nonsense’ approach & will cover the positive benefits of technology as well as what parents need to be aware of:

- What are kids doing online – The popular social networking sites and apps. What they are, what are the legal ages to use them & why these rules should be obeyed. The difference between an ‘online friend’ and a ‘stranger’.
- Online Grooming – What is it and when/how does it occur? What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.
- Cyberbullying - What it is, where it happens, what it looks like, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.
- ‘Sexting’ – the taking and sending of explicit images...what are the REAL consequences. (Primary school kids to).
- Potential dangers and safety tips – how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online via parental controls and restriction passcodes.
- Learn the lingo.......be able to converse with your children in the language of cyberspace.
- Be confident in setting rules and boundaries around internet use in the home. It’s OK to say NO!
- The session will conclude with time for Q’s. Susan also provides a range of useful handouts and information about where to go to access further up to date information.

What Susan doesn’t know about Cybersafety is not worth knowing! She is absolutely brilliant and her presentations are dynamic and entertaining. She has the unique ability to connect with each audience from young people to adults.

Susan Mclean is Australia’s foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She is a mother of three and was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people. She took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training in this area in both the USA and UK and is a sought after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP’s, and both State and Federal Governments. She is a member of the National Centre Against Bullying (NCAB) Cybersafety Committee and is afforded ‘expert’ status on the Safer Internet Programme Data Base. She is also a member of the Australian Government’s Cybersafety working group and a published author. Her book ‘Sext’s Texts & Selfies’, is the definitive parents’ guide to helping their children stay safe online.

www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au
frankston's Christmas Festival of Lights

Saturday 28 November 2015
5pm to 10pm • Davey Street, Frankston

frankston.vic.gov.au
Facebook: Frankston’s Christmas Festival of Lights

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