Congratulations to our Grade 6 graduates who officially graduated at our Graduation ceremony last night. Thank you to our Grade 6 parents who entrusted their children to our care for the last 7 years. Thank you also to the three Grade 6 parents (Kerryn Laws, Mr Gnanasekaran Amirthalingam and Samantha Rosenbrock) whose reflections of the last 7 years at St. Joachim’s brought back many fond memories for our children and their families. Best wishes to our graduates and their families for the journey ahead. Finally, my thanks to our Grade 6 teachers; Tahlia O’Callaghan, Donna Bennett, Vivien Taylor, Jen Finley and Janine Turner who have done a fabulous job with our Grade 6 students this year and helped to shape them into the mature, responsible and talented students they are.

It was great to see so many parents and families at our end of year Mass today. Our end of year Mass is always an important opportunity to give thanks for the many blessings we have received during the year as a school and parish community. Our school and parish, in partnership with our families, have achieved many great things for our children this year. Thank you to all students, parents, staff and Father John for celebrating a special liturgy with us. Thank you also to Father John for his support, care, wisdom and guidance of our school and parish this year.

Well done to all students who received an encouragement award today at our end of year awards. Thank you to our Federal member for Isaacs, Mark Dreyfus, who presented the Community Spirit and Leadership award won by Matthew Khorani. Congratulations Matthew! Thank you also to our State member for Carrum, Sonya Kilkenny, who presented the Community Leadership award to Anna Alex. Congratulations Anna! Congratulations also to Breeana Hickey who was presented with the Citizenship certificate at Seaford RSL on Monday evening this week. The winner of the 2015 St. Joachim’s P.E/Health award is Nathan Kennedy. Great work Nathan! Our 2015 winner of the St. Joachim’s General Excellence award is Mariana Dellacroce. Well done Mariana!

Thank you to students, staff and parents for your fantastic work this year and for the warm welcome I have received this term. I look forward to working with all of you next year.

Please note: School will resume for the 2016 school year for students in Grades 1 to 6 on Thursday 28th January. Our new Preps will start school on Monday 1st February next year.

As we approach the fourth Sunday of Advent, in preparation for Christmas, I wish all students, staff and families a happy, safe and holy Christmas season. I hope the coming holidays afford all families an opportunity for a restful break and the chance to spend some extra time together.

Christmas blessings,

Regards,

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

And so we come to the end of another year.

This morning we came together as a community to celebrate and reflect upon our school year. We looked back at the gifts that we have shared together during 2015 and will continue to develop and share in the future. We thank God for these gifts and the gift of one another.

May we all celebrate the love, hope and peace that Christmas brings.

Goodbye....

We say goodbye to some of our staff, students and families who are leaving St Joachim’s. We sincerely thank them for their contribution to our school community over the years and wish them well for the future.

Ayano...................Samra & Johnny
Bakker..................Chloe
Bowyer..................Logan
Charma..................Claudia
Coyle-Madut..........Aliai
Dellacroce.............Mariana
Doulkeridis...........Ava
Eilul........................Lily & Grace
Karunaratne..........Noah, Seth & Sean
Kennedy................Nathan
Laws.....................Samantha
O’Brien..................Daniel
O’Toole..................Taylah
Park.....................Alex
Ramachandran.........Amritha & Amrish
Rosenbrock ..........Tara
Sreekumar..............Neha
Varas....................Geremi
Vargas.................Lana
Ventakesh Babu......Drupad
White...................Kirralee
Willis...................Aidan
Wood...................Matthew

Seaford RSL Citizenship Award

Congratulations to Breeana for receiving the Seaford RSL Citizenship Award.

Breeana was presented with the award at a ceremony at the RSL last night. The award is given to one student who shows excellent leadership qualities and has a caring nature.

Well done Breeana!
St Joachim’s Uniform Policy requires all students to wear black lace up shoes each day unless they are in their sports uniform.

Classroom Requisites 2016

In addition to the booklist items distributed into the classroom, students are also required to bring the following items to class at the beginning of Term One in 2016.

All items are to be clearly labelled with the child’s name and class.

**Prep 2016**

- St Joachim’s School Bag
- St Joachim’s School Hat
- Library Bag
- 2 Large Boxes of Tissues
- Colouring Book (for wet days)
- Spare pair of undies and socks in a plastic bag
- 2 Packet of Wet Ones 500g
- 1 Sunscreen 30+ (Roll on)
- Drink Bottle (Water only - to be brought to school daily)
- Art Smock (It is important that all students have their own long sleeved art smock that fits over their torso to protect their school uniform from art materials such as paint, PVA glue etc. Please clearly write the students full name on the inside of their art smock).
- 1 Pair of Headphones (To be used on computer. Can be purchased from K-Mart for $5.00, placed in a plastic zip lock bag and labelled with the student’s name.)

**Year 1 2016**

- St Joachim’s School Bag
- St Joachim’s School Hat
- Library Bag
- 1 Colouring/Activity Book
- 2 Large boxes of Tissues
- 2 Packet of Wet Ones 500g
- 1 Sunscreen 30+ (Roll On)
- Drink Bottle (Water only - to be brought to school daily.)
- 1 Deck of Playing Cards
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**Year 2 2016**

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- Library Bag
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Year 3 2016

- St Joachim’s School Bag
- St Joachim’s School Hat
- 1 Pencil case
- Library Bag
- Sunscreen 30+ (Roll On)
- 2 Large Boxes of Tissues
- 1 Water Bottle
- 1 Deck of Playing Cards
- Art Smock (It is important that all students have their own long sleeved art smock that fits over their torso to protect their school uniform from art materials such as paint, PVA glue etc. Please clearly write the students full name on the inside of their art smock).

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Year 4 2016

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- 1 Pencil case
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- 1 Deck of Playing Cards
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Year 5/6 2016

- St Joachim’s School Bag
- St Joachim’s School Hat
- Sunscreen 30+ (Roll on)
- 1 Pencil case
- 2 Large Boxes of Tissues
- Plastic Drink Bottle (water only - to be brought to school daily)
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St Anne’s Parish Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve – Thursday 24th December

- 6.30pm Paraliturgy – St. Anne’s Church
  Please note that this is a Liturgy not Mass and is suitable for families with young children up to school year level 1. We need children to participate in this Liturgy and ask that children dress up as Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Angels or Kings.

- 8.00pm Mass – St. Anne’s Church (Family Mass)
• Midnight Mass – St. Anne’s Church  
  (Preceded by carols at 11.30pm)

Christmas Day – Friday 25th December
• 8.30am Mass – St. Anne’s Church
• 10.00am Mass – St. Anne’s Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation
• Saturday 19th December – 9.00am until 11.00am at the Parish Centre
• Thursday 24th December – 9.00am until 11.00am at the Parish Centre

St. Vincent de Paul Gift Tree

The St. Vincent de Paul Gift Tree is located in the foyer of the Church.

Each gift tag on the tree indicates the age & gender of a child whose Christmas you can make brighter by the purchase of a Christmas gift.

All gifts will be distributed in our local community by St. Vincent de Paul, Seaford Conference.

Gifts should be kept to a maximum price of $20.00.

When returning your gift please attach the gift tag to it and place it under the tree. All gifts should be left unwrapped.

We ask that no soft toys be purchased for the gift tree and that gifts are placed under the tree by the 18th December.

Library News

Thank you to those families that have returned all St. Joachim’s Library books and Take Home Readers to school.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could have a look around your home in the holidays and return any St. Joachim’s books at the start of Term 1.

Wishing all families a fabulous Christmas and may 2016 bring much joy and laughter to you.

YCW NETBALL CLUB

WANTS YOU

Are you between 6 and 60?

Do you want to get fit, play a team sport, make new friends, be competitive and above all have fun……?!

If the answer is yes then the YCW NETBALL CLUB is the club for you.

We are recruiting now for our 2016 season and we need players of all shapes, sizes, ability and age — we need YOU!!!!!

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Trading Hours

Wed 8:30 – 9:00am
Thurs 2:45pm – 3:30pm

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