St. Joachim’s Catholic Primary School

“Research demonstrates that effective schools have high levels of parent and community engagement. Such engagement with the school is strongly related to enhanced wellbeing, positive behaviours and improved student learning.”

Catholic Education Office – Melbourne.

At St Joachim’s we see the growth and development of our students as a shared responsibility. Our school aims to provide many opportunities for parents to be part of their child’s learning and to develop the relationship between home and school, which we see of great value to the parents, children and the teachers.

Our St Joachim’s "Parents and Friends" committee is one way that parents can become involved in our school community. Primarily the role of the P&F is to support the life of the school and promote family and community within the school. By its very nature, it also provides social contact between parents, friends, school staff and students.

Currently our Parents and Friends committee has approximately eight members. Our P & F President is Veronica Wheeler (Mum of Grace - JHE and Ethan - PRA). At our last meeting we discussed plans for our 25th Anniversary Reunion, looked at setting up a "cuppa" after Friday Masses and shared ideas about next Friday night's school disco.

Our next Parents and Friends Meeting is scheduled for Thursday 21 June at 7pm in the staffroom. We invite and warmly welcome all parents to join us.

Don’t hesitate to contact Veronica, Leonie or myself if you have any questions.

Irene Stewart
Assistant Principal.

NEWSLETTER NO.16 FRIDAY 1ST JUNE 2012

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the following students who this weekend will celebrate their First Communion. Our thoughts and prayers are for you and your family at this wonderful time.

Jack Fletcher
Andre Gabriel
Hunter White
Zoe Yapp
Bethany Tai
Noah Douglas
Luke Wilkinson

FOOTY CLINIC

Monday 4th & 18th June.
The SEDA group (Sports Education Development Australia) will be back for another two Mondays to run fabulous football clinics with our students. Children will need to wear their sports uniforms on these Mondays.

DISCO – JUNE 8

Year P-2 from 5:30 – 6:30
Year 3-6 from 6:45 – 8:00pm
See yesterday’s flyer or www.sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

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MASS TIMES
28th MAY — 3rd JUNE
Wednesday 9.30am—Holy Family
Thursday 9.15am—St. Anne’s Church
Friday 9.00am—St. Joachim’s
Saturday 6.00pm—St. Anne’s Church
Sunday 8.30am—St. Anne’s Church
Sunday 10.00am—St. Anne’s Church

DATES FOR THE DIARY

4th June Monday - Footy Clinic
8th June Friday - School Disco
11th June Monday - Queen’s Birthday
15th June Friday - Walk to school day
18th June Monday - Prep excursion
18th June Monday - Junior School Fairy Ball
21st June Thursday - Parents & Friends
27th / 28th June - Wed / Thurs - Parent Teacher Interviews.

FIRST EUCHARIST—DRESS CODE
Many parents have enquired about the dress code for their children for First Eucharist. The general rule for boys is a neat pair of trousers (no jeans) and a nice shirt (tie not necessary) plus a good pair of shoes (no runners). For the girls, it is not necessary to dress up in a white dress and veil. Girls may wear a nice dress, skirt or trousers with a neat shirt/top and neat footwear (no runners). Please contact the parish office if you require any further information.

Earn & Learn 2012

Dear Parents

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program is designed to assist schools in obtaining valuable teaching resources — simply by doing your grocery shop at a Woolworths supermarket. From Wednesday 9th May, you can collect Earn & Learn stickers when you shop at Woolworths. There’ll be one sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the stickers onto a sticker card and when the card is full it can be dropped into the sticker collection box here at the school or at your local supermarket. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to select from over 7,000 valuable school resources including maths & science equipment, arts and crafts material, sports gear and lots more. For further information go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

JUNIOR SCHOOL FAIRYTALE BALL

The Fairytale’s Ball is to be held on Monday 18th June for the Junior School. It will commence at approx 12pm in the Hall foyer and then dancing & display of children’s constructions in the Hall. It will finish at approximately 1.30pm. All parents are invited to attend. Children and Junior School Staff will be dress up as their favourite Fairytale character.
CLAY FOR KIDS

Miss Walker was overwhelmed with a huge response of grade prep, one and two students interested in the Clay for Kids after school hours workshop. How very exciting! 10 students will begin the workshop starting on Monday in the Art room from 3:30pm - 5:30pm each week. Due to popular interest the same workshop will be running for 3 weeks in term 3 for those students who missed out this term on Monday 30th July, Monday 6th August and Monday 13th August. Keep a look out in the newsletter for some photos of students’ clay sculptures.

Thanks,
Miss Helina Walker

Peninsula Youth Music Society
3rd Winter Music School
Come along to our Winter Music School and be a part of one of our groups. These include: Orchestra, Theatre, Vocal, Dance and Stage Band
For more information please call:
5975 8841
Or visit our website
www.pyms.org.au

Music Notes :
Congratulations to our wonderful St Joachim’s School Choir for their performance at the Peninsula Choral Festival this week. They worked incredibly hard to prepare for this event and have done us proud. Well done! Special thanks to Mary Johnston (St Anne’s music teacher) for conducting on the night. I welcome more students to join our choir - we will be rehearsing one lunch time a week until ‘Seussical’ is finished, then resume our Thursday after school rehearsals. Come and be part of something special!

‘Seussical’ rehearsals began this week.
Students from St Joachim’s and St Anne’s are playing the people of Hooville. You can get tickets through the John Paul College website. If anyone can lend our cast white dresses (preferably 40s style - full circle) or can help to sew a few things please let me know.

Instrumental music :
Our lessons are now well underway. When asked how they like their lessons, the kids simply grin! Our marvellous teachers, Andrew and Natasha, have launched our instrumental program brilliantly!

Thank you for your requests to be part of the program. I have received responses from 15% of the students which is incredible! We are a musical bunch at St Joachim’s.

There are a few places available in guitar and keyboard lessons. Please let me know asap if you are interested.

Guitar:
Monday 5:30 group lesson - Middle or Senior student

Keyboard:
Tuesday 4:00 private or group lesson

Our Choir Performs..

The St Joachim’s School Choir recently sang at the Peninsula Choral Festival. They were completely amazing! The feedback we received was that our choir was a ‘real team who were working together to produce a sweet, clear sound’. Their beaming smiles and comments about singing on the stage one more time say it all. WELL DONE! We are proud of you all!!!

Thank you to Mrs Chalker for supporting and to Mrs Johnston for conducting and supporting the choir. Years 3 - 6 students: if you want to join the choir please see Mrs Carr. There is always room for more. There are many more special events to come this year.

Thankyou
Gill Carr
gcarr@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au
KILBREDA COLLEGE
ENROLMENT DATES

Year 7/2013 Transition Evening –
23 Aug 2012
Year 7/2013 Orientation Day –
30 Nov 2012
Year 7/2014 Information Evening –
13 Sept 2012

LIBRARY NEWS

Recently I asked the parent community for help in managing the Scholastic Book Club. Well my prayers were answered!

I would like to introduce to you all, our new Book Club manager, Sarah McCoy. Sarah is the mum of Jai in JJJL and Madison who will be starting at St Joachim's in 2013. Thank you Sarah for offering your time and skills to help out in the library.

Now if I could find a few more volunteers to share the book covering load, I'd be even more happy. Can you take a bag of books home and cover them in a time that suits you? If so please call into the library and see me (Leonie) or email me at

lrichardson@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au

Leonie Richardson

Library

St Joachim’s Catholic Primary School
1987 - 2012

This year St Joachim’s celebrates 25 years of educating children of Carrum Downs.

We thought that this was something worth celebrating so we are planning a celebration for all past students and their families, current students and their families, past staff and current staff.

That’s a lot of celebrating to plan.

We are currently looking for people interested in celebrating and/or interested in helping with our planning.

Please email Leonie Richardson
lrichardson@sjcarrumdowns.catholic.edu.au your details and we’ll keep you in the loop. Don’t forget to spread the word!
TERM 2 SPORTS EVENTS
DISTRICT SELECTIONS
A number of children from our school were involved in District selections in the last week of Term 1. The codes of sport were soccer, netball, basketball and football.

Congratulations to the following children, some of whom made the district team, and two who were selected for the regional team:

District Team:

a. **Soccer**: Hudson, Nicholas Scialpi, Ethan Vargas

b. **Netball**: Caitlyn Stanley, Jemma Loos

c. **Football**: Jack Lyons, Jason Carter, Mackenzie Gardner, Liam Cox

Regional Team:

a. **Soccer**: Dorje-Katja Jankos

b. **Football**: Aaron Philp

DISTRICT INTER-SCHOOL GAMES
Inter-school winter games commence this Friday and will run over the next 5 weeks on a Friday between 11:30 and 1pm. The games will be played on a home and away basis. The year 6 and year 5 children will be taking part in the games. The games are soccer, football, netball and T-ball. These games will conclude with the Lightning Premiership games day, where the teams play one another at a venue to be decided.

COLES VOUCHERS IN EXCHANGE FOR SPORT EQUIPMENT PROGRAMME
Thank you very much to St Joachim's community for your marvellous response to the collection of the Coles sports vouchers. As a result of your amazing efforts the school collected a total of 41545 vouchers. Sports equipment is extremely expensive, so the voucher programme has gone a long way towards alleviating the expense.

The following sports equipment has been purchased through the voucher programme:
6 indoor tennis nets, and the equipment in the photograph

The Coles and Safeway Voucher Programme will be run again this year. We appeal to you, the community, for your continued support in collecting the vouchers from both stores. These can be placed in the voucher boxes that will be placed in the office / administration block when the program resumes this year.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity to express the schools thanks to everyone for their support in collecting the vouchers.

Reagon Haines
PE
MINI OLYMPICS!

Come and Celebrate the start of the School holidays!

For Grade 5 and 6 students. Snacks provided.

When: Friday 29th of June
7:00pm-9:00pm

Where: St Annes hall, Seaford

Parents are asked to come and sign their child in with contact details.

This is a Seaford Youth event.

For more information contact Alana O'Reilly on 04 3463 3166.
30 May 2012

**OSHC NEWS**
Welcome to another week at Camp Australia OSCH Club. Annette, Iwona and Rohini would like to say welcome all the new families who have started coming to before and after school care. We would love to have more new families, especially for our breakfast club. If anyone is interested in joining, please call the OSHC phone or come in and have a chat. If you have any queries, questions or concerns about your child or the program, or would like to give us feedback, please give Annette in for a chat. We also now have a feedback box next to the sign in sheet. I would like to encourage any input into the program from parents and children, including interests, special events or celebrations or any other ideas. Thank you.

**WHAT’S ON THIS WEEK**
This week we have been focusing on books. We have been reading our favourite books and writing our own stories on the computer.

**OTHER NEWS**
On **MONDAYS** during After School Care the children will be playing in the Hall. Could **ALL** children please bring their runners with them. Also please remember to give them a jumper or coat as the weather is getting colder. Thank you.

**REMINDERS**

**How to get started** before using our programs register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

**Once registered** you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online.

**Save on Care** You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non-means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.

**Changing Bookings** Permanent bookings need to be cancelled by parents online or by ringing Camp Australia. If you would like to change your permanent bookings by cancelling a day, it needs to be done online by the parent or by ringing Camp Australia. Annette is only able to cancel casual bookings. Bookings cancelled in less than 7 days will still be charged for. If your child is not going to be attending before or after school care and they are on the roll, please let us know as soon as possible.

**Change of Details** Please let us know as soon as possible if any of your details change such as phone numbers, addresses or authority to collect, so that you can be contacted in an emergency. Thank you.

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**AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

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**Awards of the Week: Andre Gabriel**
Last week, the Middle School students learnt about Pentecost and participated in a liturgy to celebrate this special occasion.

We reflected on times in our own lives when the Holy Spirit has been with us.

We have made a display to celebrate Pentecost in the Middle School corridor. We would love for you to come and have a look!

MTO, MCC, MCM