



# ST JOHN VIANNEY'S PARISH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*Dear Parents,  
Welcome back and welcome to Term 4! I am sure you enjoyed having your children home during the holidays and I hope you had the opportunity for some relaxation as well. Term 4 has started very smoothly with all the students settling back down to work very quickly. My thanks to the staff who spent many hours at school during the holidays preparing work for the new term. The school has a very dedicated staff indeed!*



## STUDENT OF THE TERM

TERM 3 2014

*Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their teacher to receive this special award:*

**Khodi Azzopardi, Elianah San Pedro, Daniel Sinclair, Sienna Tecala, Shayna Fernando, Maximus Lovering, Jade Kember, Kiara Tiqui, Hannah Bolton, Chelsea Oliver, Elsie Balilo, Julianna Mendoza, Justin Cruz, Leonelle Torres Rodriguez, Lasuba Aggrey, Michaela Debrincat**



## INFORMATION EVENING - KINDERGARTEN 2015

*Last Monday night the parents of the children starting Kindergarten in 2015 had their first official welcome into our school community at the Kindergarten Information Evening. It was wonderful to see both new and experienced parents at the meeting who left with a wealth of useful information about their child's transition to Kindergarten. My sincere thanks to staff members Mrs Field, Mrs Tierney, Mrs Rutherford, Mr Rose, Mrs Fidler and Mrs Fletcher and Mrs Hendrickson and Mrs Sinclair from the Parents and Friends Association who made themselves available on the night to distribute packages, present information and answer questions. The 2015 Kindergarten students start their orientation mornings in small groups next week and many will be involved in the Oscar and Samantha Transition Group which begins this Friday.*



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

#### STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Term 4 - 10 November

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### NOTES SENT HOME :

Crazy Socks—K-6

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**Family Reflection:**

May your grace not forsake us, O Lord we pray, but make us dedicated to your holy service and at all times obtain for us your help. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us.

*God Bless*

*Glenn Patchell*  
Mr. Glenn Patchell  
Principal

**Religious Education News****October – The Month of the Holy Rosary**

During the month of October we dedicate time to the Holy Rosary. The Holy Rosary is a well-known Catholic devotion.

The reason we dedicate October to the Holy Rosary is because the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated each year on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The Rosary is predominantly a scriptural prayer that draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is based on the Incarnation and Redemption.

Let us all spend some time during October praying the Rosary more often as we use this beautiful prayer as a way to draw closer to Jesus and Mary.

At St. John Vianney's the Year 3-6 children have the opportunity to pray the Rosary every Monday at lunchtime and we thank our volunteers **Mrs Lyndi Woollett and Mrs Jane Buttigieg** who generously lead the children in prayer each week.

**October – Crazy Sock Day Fundraiser**

October is traditionally Mission Month and this year the focus is '*Sock it to Poverty.*' St. John Vianney's Parish School will be supporting the work of Catholic Mission by holding a Crazy Sock Day fundraiser on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2014**. We are asking all students to wear **CRAZY SOCKS** to school on this day and to make a **GOLD COIN** donation to Catholic Mission's Socktober initiative.

**Laura Rutherford**  
Acting REC

### Term 3 Overview

The first event of Term 3 was the Grandparents' Assembly on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> July, which year one lovingly presented. This was a heartwarming assembly and we thank the year one teachers and students for their hard work and effort in presenting this beautiful performance.

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August, our school celebrated St John Vianney's feast day. This was a very memorable occasion as each class participated in studying about our school's patron saint.

The T20 Milo Cricket Blast for years five and six took place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August. All teams did extremely well and had lots of fun. We thank Mrs Tierney for organizing and giving up her time to train and prepare this enjoyable day.

The following day, some amazing athletes took part in the Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival. They all did extremely well and made our school proud.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August, was the day when three debaters competed in the third debate of this year. The debating team consists of nine debaters all of which were ecstatic when they realised that they had won all three debates. We thank Mrs Dobrzynski for preparing the debaters for their competition.

The next day was the Penrith Eisteddfod competition, with both junior and senior choirs came first place. We thank Mrs Stanley for preparing and conducting the choirs.

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August, eight chosen speakers presented their Voice of Youth speeches in front of years four, five, six, parents and teachers. Two speeches were chosen to represent our school in the Cluster Final.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> August, was a very busy day as the infants grades were shown a very entertaining performance about Responsible Pet Ownership. Then at recess time the P&F sold some delicious cakes to children of all ages. We thank the P&F for putting this stall together.

The children from years 3 to 6 who chose to attend the Lion King production, enjoyed this performance on 27<sup>th</sup> August at the Capitol Theatre. We thank Mrs Stanley for organizing this wonderful event. We also thank the teachers who attended it as well.

For the past three weeks, three amazing NRL coaches showed years 3-6 how to play NRL related games. The children really enjoyed this opportunity to practice their skills.

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, Kindergarten visited Fairfield City Farm. They loved this opportunity to learn about farm animals.

On 9<sup>th</sup> September year three visited Featherdale. They thoroughly enjoyed this excursion and learnt a lot about animals.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September was Footy Franks Friday, where we were allowed to wear our favourite footy team colours. At lunch we purchased hot dogs and ice blocks. We thank the P&F for putting this together.

We thank the staff, students and the P&F for being hard workers and co-operative. We hope you all had a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to Term 4 which will surely be a great term for fun and learning!



**Late Arrival Notes**

*Any student arriving after 8.55am needs to have a late arrival note **FILLED IN BY A PARENT AT THE OFFICE**. The late note stays in the office until it is entered into the new student data system and then passed onto the classroom teacher.*

*Students who arrive late, whose parents do not fill out the late form, will be entered into the data system as not having a legitimate reason for being late.*



**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY**

**Term 4 - MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER**

Religious Education

No school for students on this day

**SCHOOL FEES**

Thank you to all the families who have finalised their school fee account for 2014.

Just a reminder that all fees were payable by the end of Term 3, if you still have outstanding school fees, and you have not made any arrangements, please contact **Mrs. Fletcher**.

**Resource and Technology Fees** were mailed out by the Catholic Education Office and are due for payment by **11 November** as we need to purchase resources for the students, we ask that these accounts be settled by due date. If you are unable to finalise by the due date please contact **Mrs. Fletcher**. Thank you for your continued support.

**MILO T/20 BLAST SCHOOL CUP**

On Tuesday, October 14th, fifty-seven Year 3 and Year 4 students participated in the Milo T/20 Blast School Cup at Anne Aquilina Reserve. This competition was organised and run by Cricket NSW. All the students were given the opportunity to bat, bowl, field and wicket keep in every game that they played. Each game was played in a wonderful spirit of fun and enjoyment. There was lots of cheering, laughing and excitement as runs were scored, wickets taken and catches achieved.



I would like to thank **Mrs Moylan, Mrs O'Reilly, Mr Escueta, Mr Lobo, Mr Chandler, Mr and Mrs Norris, Mrs Slager, Mrs DeLuca, Mrs Hendrickson Mrs Nourdine, Mrs Oliver, Mrs Cunningham, Ms Kelly, Mrs Frendo and Mrs Franjic** for their help and guidance that they gave to each of our teams that they were assisting. Many thanks to all the other parents and grandparents who also came to watch the students and share in the fun.

I would also like to congratulate all of these students for their sportsmanship, enthusiasm, good manners and friendship that they displayed throughout the day.

**Anne Tierney**  
**Infants Sport Co-ordinator**

## TERM 4 CALENDAR



Friday	17 October	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha 11.30-1.00pm NRL Clinic K-2
Tuesday	21 October	Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Wednesday	22 October	Crazy Sock Day –Catholic Mission Fundraiser
Thursday	23 October	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6 Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Friday	24 October	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha 11.30-1.00pm NRL Clinic K-2 2.00pm -P&F Annual General Meeting Staff Room
Tuesday	28 October	Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Thursday	30 October	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6 Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Friday	31 October	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha 2.15pm Merit Assembly MPR World Teachers' Day
Tuesday	4 November	Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Thursday	6 November	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6 Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 9.15-10.45am
Friday	7 November	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha 2.15pm Merit Assembly MPR
Monday	10 November	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—No School for Students</b>
Tuesday	11 November	<b>Remembrance Day</b>
Thursday	13 November	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6
Friday	14 November	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha 2.15pm Merit Assembly MPR
Thursday	20 November	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6
Friday	21 November	9.15-10.45am Oscar & Samantha—Graduation 2.15pm Merit Assembly MPR
Tuesday	25 November	Parent Thank You Morning Tea –10.30am
Thursday	27 November	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6
Friday	28 November	9.30 Advent Assembly—Led by Year 3 2.00pm P&F Meeting—Staff Room
Thursday	4 December	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6
Friday	5 December	11.45am Student of the Term, Clear Speaking Awards, Religion Awards Semester 2 Reports go home—K-6

Monday	8 December	St Andrew's Orientation Day
Wednesday	10 December	10.00am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly
Thursday	11 December	9.15am Parish Mass—Yrs. 3-6
Friday	12 December	9.30am Year 6 Graduation
Monday	14 December	Year 6 Vision Valley
Tuesday	16 December	9.30am Christmas Assembly - led by Year 2
Wednesday	17 December	11.45—12.45 Change over afternoon
Thursday	18 December	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
Friday	19 December	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>

**2014 INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH COMPETITION  
CONGRATULATIONS!**



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**MERIT CERTIFICATES****Congratulations to the following Student****KINDERGARTEN**

Mico Aducayen  
Jerome Chin  
Jayden Galea  
Dominik Pino-Undzillo  
Cryztle Espino  
Meriel Cruz

**YEAR 1**

Sabine Escueta  
Mounir Abou-Yaghi  
Liam Robertson  
Angelica Mallett  
Isaac Xuereb  
Ethan Frendo

**YEAR 2**

Lucas Oliver  
Matthew Xerri  
Angelo Williams  
Hunter Black  
Alyssa Guillermo  
Emily Yaneza

**YEAR 3**

Leia Paltoo  
Adrian Padernilla  
Faustina Park  
Berend Slager  
Samuel Gutierrez  
Eliana Frendo

**YEAR 4**

Veronika Trpcevska  
Czar Williams  
Sophia Escueta  
Memphis Canicula  
Christopher Chrysanthou  
Owen DeLuca

**YEAR 5**

Grace Angollo  
Gerrell Quigg  
Carno Kalayji  
Caitlin Gunnion  
Luke Haber  
Joshua Viernes

**YEAR 6**

Michaela Debrincat  
Sean Garcia  
Paul Park  
Lara Abouchaaya  
Shaun Muinoi  
Kyrolos Ghannami

**STUDENTS NOT RETURNING NEXT TERM**

If you are aware that your child will not be returning next term please contact the office to fill in the relevant form. The school has a responsibility to inform the local DET School Education Area of the details of the new school in which the child has been enrolled.



**ENROLMENT** ~ St John Vianney's Primary follows the *Parramatta Diocesan document Enrolment Procedure in Parramatta Catholic system Schools, January 2002*.

This document states that when 'demand exceeds the number of places available, priority for enrolment will be given to first, children of Catholic families who live within the geographic boundaries of the parish (or parishes) for which the school was established, or live outside the parish geographic boundaries but regularly attend such a parish'. This document is available on the Catholic Education Office web site.

[www.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au)



**COMMUNICATION** ~ Staff value communication with parents and welcome the opportunity to meet. If you wish to meet with a staff member please make an appointment through the office for a mutually convenient time.



**SUPERVISION** ~ Morning supervision from 8.30 am. I ask you to ensure that your child is not at school before 8.30 am as there is NO supervision before this time. School finishes at 3.00pm and children should be picked up promptly. Afternoon supervision in the amphitheatre finishes at 3.30pm.



**MOBILE TELEPHONES** ~ We request that no mobile phones be brought to school. If your child needs it for safety reasons e.g. walks home alone, please send a note to the classroom teacher. In such circumstances the phone will be handed to the teacher in the morning and returned at 3.00pm.

**ANAPHYLAXIS****A LIFE THREATENING ALLERGY**

Throughout our school we have several children with life threatening allergies to various forms of food. This is a serious issue the school must address and we have implemented various management strategies to cater for these children.

**In order for our school to continue to be allergy aware we ask that you consider not including nuts, eggs, yoghurt or foods cooked in peanut oil as part of your child's recess or lunch.**



**PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Every Thursday	9am	School Banking books to be submitted
Friday October 17	9am	Oscar and Samantha
Friday October 24	2pm	P&F Meeting – AGM

**Cookie Drive**

Thank you so much to all of the families who returned their money from the Cookie Drive. If you still have any outstanding Cookies sales, please return monies as soon as possible. We have paid for the products, all outstanding money is PROFIT that Mr Patchell will use to purchase new blackout blinds in the MPR so that multimedia presentations can be clearly viewed.

**End of Term Footy Franks Friday: September 19**

**Footy Franks Friday** was a great success. Thank you to all families who purchased Hot Dog/s and/or Iceblock as well as joining in wearing their favourite footy colour shirt for gold coin donation.

The sales and preparation ran smoothly thanks to the wonderful team of mums and dad who helped and contributed to this event: **Melissa Azzopardi, Novy Beltejar, Belinda Chandler, Yvette Ciappara, Charlene Cutajar, Fiona Dela Cruz, Tina Hendrickson, Linda Hogan, Cheryl Lualhati, Lisa Muinoi, Sheena Norris, Bruno Nourdine, Fran Nourdine, Narelle Sinclair and Maryanne Vella.**

We raised \$1160.63! This profit will also go towards the blackout blinds in MPR.

**Oscar and Samantha Kindy 2015**

We had great response to our call for volunteers for Oscar and Samantha Transition to Kindergarten 2015. Thank you to all volunteers: **Melissa Azzopardi, Yvette Ciappara, Charlene Cutajar, Rhodora Ocampo, Tatjana Prokhorov and Jocelyn Quimpo.**

O&S starts on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 9am with volunteers meeting at 8:30am at the shed.

**Next P & F Meeting - AGM - Friday October 24 at 2pm, Staffroom.**

Please come along and vote for the 2014-2015 Committee members – better still, why not volunteer to join the committee? You'll meet some wonderful parents, make great friends and help your child's education through real partnership with the life of the school.

**Staying In Touch**

You can stay in touch with news and events, contribute your ideas and helpful contacts through our "SJV Parents & Friends" page on Facebook.

**Clothing Pool ~ Open every second Monday**

The clothing pool will be open on **Monday 27 October 2.30-3.00pm** operating from the old canteen. We are in desperate need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition, please leave items at the school office. Thank you.

Janelle DeLuca  
P & F Secretary

COMMUNITY NEWS



**KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE  
BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE SERVICE**

Kindercare Learning Centre located in Doonside is a privately owned centre offering a variety of services including Long Day, Before & After School Care and Vacation Care for ages 0-12 years.

Full Government subsidy and eligibility offered.

Our centre is open 7am to 6pm all year round.

Our Before School Care operates from 7.00am – 8.45am.

Our After School Care operates from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

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**NEW AND RETURNING REGISTRATION: SATURDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 2014**  
**NEW STUDENTS CAN ALSO JOIN ON: SATURDAYS, 18 OCT, 25 OCT.**

New Students Ages 3 to 5  
Parents must be present during class  
Class time: 8:30 to 9:00 A.M.  
  
New Students Ages 5 to 7  
and Returning Students thru 2nd Orange  
Class time 9:00 to 9:45 A.M.  
  
New Students 9 to 12  
and Returning Students 3rd Orange  
thru 2nd Purple  
Class time 9:45 to 10:25 A.M.  
  
New Students 13 to 16  
Class time 9:45 to 10:25 A.M.

Returning Students  
3rd Purple thru 4th Brown  
Class time: 10:30 to 11:10 A.M.  
  
Parents/Adults Karate/half defence  
Class time 10:00 to 11:00 A.M.  
  
Black Belts Only  
Class Time 12:00 to 12:45 P.M.  
  
Note to all students: no black-soled shoes  
are permitted in the hall

Registration will be accepted up to the third week. No pre-registration is necessary, just turn up 10 to 15 minutes before class time above if possible....See you there! For further information contact Matt Klein on 9904-5667.