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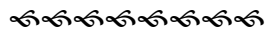
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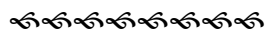
Dear Parents,

The 2015 school year has started very smoothly.

A special welcome to the families who joined our school community this year. I know your association with St. John Vianney's will be very rewarding.



Our Kindergarten students have settled in very quickly and already feel very much part of the school. Our Kindergarten teachers and our Parents and Friends Association put in a great deal of work prior to the arrival of the Kindergarten students to ensure their smooth transition to "big school". **Mrs Field** and **Mrs Tierney** welcome the Kindergarten students in an orientation morning and spend time with each student individually before the year begins. Our Parents and Friends prepare and deliver the Oscar and Samantha transition program during Term 4. Kindergarten parents have the opportunity to stay for a tea and tissue morning on their child's first day which is catered for by the Parents and Friends. The Kindergarten Literacy Retell program started on the students' second day! Thank you to the parents who volunteer to run this program.



We welcome back **Mrs Georgie Cox**, to her role of Assistant Principal, **Mr Luke Campbell** who will be teaching Year 4 and **Mrs Rachel Brook** who has returned to full time teaching on Year 3. A special welcome to **Mrs Karen Buttigieg** who has joined our staff to teach Year 2.



Mathematics Assessment Interviews

Thank you to all the parents who booked an MAI for their child online. There were a total of 292 MIA's booked through the website and as a result our support programs will begin early in the term.



During the break a new drain was put in place at the top of the stairs leading to the tree area. This drain will prevent water and mud washing down the stairs and damaging our Kokoda garden. The windows in the Multi-Purpose Room and adjoining classrooms were cleaned and all carpets throughout the school were steamed cleaned. A new garden was created in front of the Year 3 & 4 classrooms.



Parents who have changed their email address or parents new to the school need to update their email addresses. This can be completed via the school website by clicking on Subscribe to our Newsletter on the homepage and filling in the details. Ticking the box Receive Announcements will ensure you receive any message sent via email.

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Morning Assembly Prayer

The words of the 8.55am morning assembly prayer are printed below for the new families.

*Dear Father
Thank you for bringing us safely to St. John Vianney's today.
Please bless our families, friends and teachers.
Help me to make today a nice day for myself and everyone I meet.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.*



SCHOOL CAPTAINS

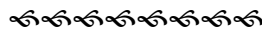
Jacob Bayada
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STUDENT COUNCIL

Fritzy Serrano
Christine Baik
Francis Fronteras
Edric De Los Ryes
Brannen Filippi
Thomas Hogan

SPORTS CAPTAINS

MacKillop (Blue) Grace Angollo & Gavriel Gutierrez
Smith (Gold) Kristen Cruz & Baskoro Tokhman
Watts (Green) Yna Diaz & Bailey Coleman
O'Neill (Red) Michaela Sabio & Thomas Hogan



Family Reflection:

A PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY

O Loving God,
bless our family with your love.
Guard us from all danger and harm;
Deliver us from anger that leads to division;
Empower us to forgive as we have been forgiven;
And send us into the world to witness to your love and grace;
In the name of Jesus Christ
We pray. Amen.

God Bless

*Glenn Patchell
Principal*

SPORTS DAYS 2015



Kindergarten	Monday and Friday
Year 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday and Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Friday
Year 5	Monday and Friday
Year 6	Wednesday and Friday

LIBRARY BORROWING DATES 2015



Kindergarten	Monday
Year 1	Tuesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Monday
Year 6	Wednesday



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.

FEES ACCOUNT



Accounts are to be posted out by the Catholic Education Office on Tuesday 10th February.

Fees are payable by **Friday 6 March**. Please contact Mrs. Fletcher, **before the due date**, if you are unable to finalise your account. Payment of fees can be paid by Eftpos, Bpay, Postbill, Cash and Cheque.



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.

TERM 1 CALENDAR

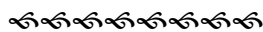
Thursday	5 February	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	6 February	Primary Swimming Carnival Riverstone ~ Yrs. 3-6
Thursday	12 February	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	13 February	2.00pm Parents & Friends Meeting ~ Staffroom
Monday	16 February	Parent Information Night -7.00pm K-2 in classrooms 7.45pm Yrs. 3-6 in classrooms
Wednesday	18 February	ASH WEDNESDAY
Thursday	19 February	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 Blacktown Zone Swimming Carnival Mt. Druitt
Friday	20 February	2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	26 February	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	27 February	Diocesan Swimming Carnival Blacktown 2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	5 March	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	6 March	2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	12 March	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	13 March	9.30am Welcome Assembly
Monday	16 March	School Photos
Thursday	19 March	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	20 March	Primary Cross Country 9.30am ~ Yrs. 3-6 2.00pm Parents & Friends Meeting ~ Staffroom
Monday	23 March	Young Leaders' Day (Student Council)
Thursday	26 March	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	27 March	Student of the Term 10.00am
Thursday	2 April	HOLY THURSDAY ~9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Friday	3 April	GOOD FRIDAY
Saturday	4 April	HOLY SATURDAY
Sunday	5 April	EASTER SUNDAY
SCHOOL RESUMES ON MONDAY 20 APRIL FOR ALL STUDENTS		



LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome to a new year of reading. Could you please ensure your child uses a library bag to help protect our precious library books. School library bags are available from the school office for \$2.00.

Happy Reading.
Mrs. Kersivien
Teacher/Librarian



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.



DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ANNUAL FEES FOR 2015

Annual Diocesan Tuition Fee can be paid upfront at the start of the year or as three equal payments in Terms 1, 2 and 3. The fee is only charged for the first three (3) children currently enrolled in the diocese (in other words there is no additional Diocesan Tuition Fee for the fourth child attending a systemic school in the diocese or other participating Catholic schools – see ‘Sibling Discounts’ below). To work out how much the fee is for each child, check the table below.

Diocesan Tuition Fees and Building Levy

Per Annum per Student No charge for 4 th + children	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50 %
Primary: Kindergarten	\$ 1,047	\$ 786	\$ 525
Years 1-6	\$ 1,350	\$ 1,014	\$ 675
Secondary: Years 7-8	\$ 1,875	\$ 1,407	\$ 939
Years 9-10	\$ 2,079	\$ 1,560	\$ 1,041
Years 11-12	\$ 2,658	\$ 1,995	\$ 1,329
Building Levy One Levy per Family	\$ 702		

The 2015 term rate, for each of the first three terms, will be as follows:

Per Term per Student	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child
Primary: Kindergarten	\$ 349	\$ 262	\$ 175
Years 1-6	\$ 450	\$ 338	\$ 225
Secondary: Years 7-8	\$ 625	\$ 469	\$ 313
Years 9-10	\$ 693	\$ 520	\$ 347
Years 11-12	\$ 886	\$ 665	\$ 443
Building Levy	\$ 234		

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan School or at St Dominic’s College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. This levy has replaced the various building levies that parents previously paid to school building funds (managed by either parishes or schools). *The levy for 2015 is \$702 per family, payable in three equal instalments of \$234 in terms one, two, and three.*

Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee

The Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee for 2014 is **\$1,731 per student, payable in three equal instalments of \$577 in terms one, two and three.** The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 401, 411, 415, 416, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 426, 427, 428, 442, 457, 459, 476, 485, 497, 580, 600, 601, 651, 675, 676, 679, 685, 944, 956, 976 and 977 including where any of these are the preceding visas for families on bridging visas 010 and 090. Families charged this fee in 2013 will continue to be charged on a per family basis to the eldest student whilst the family has continuous current students.

Other School Based Fees

RESOURCE FEES

Fees paid in Term 4 for the following year, per child per year \$ 110

TECHNOLOGY FEES

Years 1-6, fees paid in Term 4 for the following year, per child, per year \$60

Kindergarten, invoiced in Term 1

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

P&F Diary Dates

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Friday February 13 2015	2pm	P&F Meeting

Tea & Tissues Morning Tea – Monday 2nd February

It was wonderful to see all our new Kindergarten students in their school uniforms. Parents commented that their children were at ease with coming to school and attributed positive start to the transition program we ran in Term 4, 2014. It was very reassuring to know that the time and energy invested by everyone involved in to the O & S program had paid off with a settled start to Kindergarten. We hope the term continues in this positive way! It was great to stop for a chat with parents at the *Tea and Tissues morning tea*.

School Banking – Every Thursday - Update from Lisa Muinoi

Banking will start back this **THURSDAY 5th February**.

I would like to thank everyone and let you know that for 2014 you helped to raise \$1,468.27 in commission for the school, thank you for your support.

This year's Dollarmites theme is outer space and rewards for Term 1 are an ET DVD or Planet Handball.

A Grand Prize to Disneyland has been announced for 2015. All students who make 25 or more deposits within the year go into a draw for a trip to Disneyland for 2 adults and 2 children, It includes return airfares, 5 nights accommodation, 3 day Disneyland entry and AUD\$2,000.00 spending money.

More information about the rewards and competition will be coming out within the next few weeks. Good luck to all banking students.

The Good Guys - Prospect

The Good Guys Prospect provide SJV with vouchers redeemable in their shop from parents and friends who mentioned the school when they purchased items. Please be sure to mention SJV at the cash register.

First P & F Meeting for the year - Friday February 13 at 2pm, Staffroom.

Our first meeting this year is on Week 3, Friday 13th February. All meetings will be scheduled in Week 3 and Week 8 of each term. We really look forward to meeting new families at this gathering – as well as welcoming all the existing families. These meetings are a great opportunity to hear from Mr Patchell about all the interesting new school projects, it is also a forum where parents can ask questions or clarify any issues that they may have.



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.

Janelle DeLuca

P & F Secretary

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Join the Mighty Hawks in 2015



Register online now at
www.doonsidehawks.com.au
 All ages welcome, Under 5's to All Age, Boys and Girls!
 For Further Details call our registrar on
 0412 774 050 or
registrar@doonsidehawks.com.au




**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.
 For further enquiries, please contact Jackie De Abreu on
 (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au

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