TERM 3

SEPTEMBER 20

Number 15

Greetings Parents and Carers!

I can't believe that we've reached the end of another term!

Term 3 has been a 'full on' term of activity and great learning.

The students and staff enjoyed many memorable events during this term: Grandparents' and Fathers' Day Assemblies; Excursions to Australiana Pioneer Village (Yr 4), Featherdale Wildlife Sanctuary (Yr 3) and Calmsley Hill Farm (K); Incursions included an author visit by Deborah Abela, Responsible Pet Ownership Program (K-2), Professor Maths (K-6) and Life Education (Happy Harold).

In the area of sport, our students were involved in the free NRL clinic (Yr 3-6), Blacktown Zone and Diocesan Athletics, Milo T20 Cricket Yrs 3/4 & 5/6, and the wonderful Infants Fun Sports Day.

Term 3 has also been busy with Yrs 4&6 Religious Literacy online assessments, ICAS Maths & English competitions, the Voice of Youth school, cluster and regional public speaking competition (Yr6), Digital Technology support for students in classrooms using iPads and Chromebooks (K-6), an Australian Girls' Choir workshop and Yrs 5 & 6 focus on mathematical learning and problem solving in multiplicative thinking.

We've acknowledged and celebrated a number of **learning** achievements: ICAS awards (High Distinction, Distinction & Credit) for Writing, Spelling, Digital Technologies and Science, OUTSTANDING NAPLAN results and a multitude of Merit Awards in each class.

In particular I'd like to congratulate Keith Sarol in Yr6, who won the cluster final and then made it through to the western region final of the Voice of Youth contest. We are extremely proud of Keith's achievement in being presented with the SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD for his powerful speech 'Habitat Lost'. Congratulations, Keith!

The students and teachers in the primary classes celebrated the **Feast** of our patron saint, **St John Marie Baptiste Vianney** by beginning the day with **Mass**, while the Infants classes gathered for a special **prayer** celebration.

Of course, there's always time for a little fun and excitement at St John Vianney's! The students' SURPRISE for our feast day was lots of fun with Zorb balls, a jumping castle, bubble balls and a giant inflatable obstacle course Squeals of delight could be heard throughout the school.

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 22nd September Free NRL Program – Yrs. 3-6

Friday 22nd September FOOTY FRANKS FRIDAY (Hot dog and popper stall) P&F

School resumes Monday 9th
October
Summer Uniform for all
students

Friday 13th October 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima- St John Vianney Church

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PLEASE NOTE NEW SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER 8869 6300 We embraced the **Book Week theme, 'Escape to Everywhere'** with a special activity session in each class related to a special class theme. The items created were used to decorate the MPR for our **Book Character Parade. What a hilariously, enjoyable event this was for everyone!**

The P&F and a host of volunteers have been 'busy bees' this term also! They've organised our major fundraiser...the chocolate drive, (by the way they are still chasing overdue payments, so please pay by the end of the week), they shopped, wrapped, and set up an amazing Fathers' Day gift stall and organised a SPECTACULAR Fathers' Day Breakfast which was a HUGE success! On Friday, our last day of term, they'll be busy again preparing Hot Dog orders and poppers for FOOTY FRANKS FRIDAY!

PHEW! Is there any wonder we're all exhausted!

None of these wonderful achievements and events would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our staff and the cooperation and enthusiasm of our amazing students. Words cannot adequately express my heartfelt gratitude to you all.

I would also like to acknowledge the tireless and enthusiastic work of our P&F team who are so generous in giving their time and energy to support our school community through their wonderful work.

To all parents and carers, my special thanks for all you do to support us in our work. Thank you for the love and care you so freely give to your children ... they will grow into loving and caring people because of your example. May God continue to bless and guide you in your significant calling as parents and carers!

Whatever your plans for these holidays stay safe, enjoy each other's company and hopefully find time to relax. See you in Term 4!

Blessings! Georgina Cox Principal

REFLECTION:

'Love one another and you will be happy.'
It's as simple and as difficult as that.
There is no other way. Amen.
(Michael Leunig)

MISSION MASS

At 10:30am on Friday 13th October (Week 1 next term), our 8 Student Leaders, Mrs Smith, Mrs Rutherford and myself will be representing our school at the Diocesan Mission Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

School Attendance is one of the most challenging issues facing schools today.

We understand the impact that attendance can have on a student's wellbeing, academic achievement and success for the future.

To improve the education outcomes for each student and provide all student with an equal opportunity to learn, they need to be at school regularly.

Research confirms that regular **school attendance matters** and poor attendance is 'a long fuse with a big bang.'

As parents and carers you play a vital role in ensuring your child comes to school every day and on time.

Our current school attendance level is only 82.2%

The target for all schools in the Parramatta Diocese is 90% or above.

Congratulations again to Year 3 whose current attendance level is 91.1% above the Diocesan target!

Our school goal is to get all grades up to 90% attendance level or higher.



SUMMER UNIFORM

Students should be dressed in their summer uniform by Monday October 9. It is timely to revisit our uniform dress code at the change of season.

Uniform Dress Code

- children are to wear the correct school uniform neatly and with pride
- parents are asked to ensure their children wear the correct uniform
- <u>ALL ITEMS</u> of clothing must be <u>clearly marked</u> with the <u>child's name and class</u>
- girls are permitted to wear plain gold or silver single sleepers or studs
- ornamental bangles, bracelets, anklets or earrings are **NOT** to be worn.
- girls may wear one signet ring
- a necklace of Religious significance may be worn underneath the uniform
- boys are not to wear earrings to school
- nail polish is not to be worn
- boys hairstyles are to be <u>neat</u> and <u>simple</u>, no hair dye, no pronounced undercuts or designs, no rats tails or hair impeding their vision.
- girls with shoulder length hair are to have it tied back away from the face
- girls' hair accessories are to be navy blue
- school shoes are to be black (no black canvas or black joggers)
- sport shoes are to be a jogger design
- children are to wear the <u>school hat everyday</u> with the flap down and the peak of the cap facing forward.
- children without hats will be directed to the designated shade areas
- Yr. 6 students may wear their souvenir polo shirt on sports days
- Please ensure uniforms are clean and ironed

Note on socks ~ Please note boys and girls are to wear **navy ankle style** socks with both summer and winter uniforms. On sport days children wear **white sport style** socks.

TERM 3 CALENDAR

Thursday	September 21	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	September 22	9.30am Student of the Term ~ MPR
		11.30 NRL ~ Yrs.3-6
		Footy Franks (hot dogs) & Footy Jersey Day ~ P&F
		NO MERIT ASSEMBLY
		LAST DAY OF TERM

SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENTS ON MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER

TERM 4 (Weeks 1-3)

Thursday	October 12	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	October 13	10.30am Diocesan Mission Mass St Patrick's Cathedral
		11.30am NRL ~ K-2
		NO MERIT ASSEMBLY
Monday	October 16	7.00pm Kindy 2018 Orientation Night ~ MPR
Wednesday	October 18	Pyjama Day for Missions
Thursday	October 19	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	October 20	9.00-11.00am Oscar & Samantha Transition to School
		Playgroup
		11.30am NRL ~ K-2
		Merit Assembly
Tuesday	October 24	Yr.5 Incursion ~ Sally Murphy (Author)
Thursday	October 26	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	October 27	9.00-11.00am Oscar & Samantha Transition to School
		Playgroup
		11.30am NRL ~ K-2
		Merit Assembly

KEEP US INFORMED

If you have updated your email address or phone numbers, please contact the school office as soon as possible. It is important to have ALL contact details up to date for our records to ensure we can contact you when necessary.

SCHOOL FEES ~ TERM 3

Reminder: Thank you to those families who have finalised their Term 3 accounts.

Term 3 School Fees were due on 23 August and now need to be finalised.

Please contact Mrs. Fletcher if you are unable to finalise your account.

MEDICATION

If your child requires medication during the day, e.g. antibiotics, please send a note to the office together with the medication, details of dosage and time to be administered. If medication is required for a period of 5 days or more, a form will be sent home for completion. Just a reminder that **NO MEDICATION** is to be in your child's school bag. All medication must be kept in the office as we need to record all medication given to students.

SPORTS NEWS



Milo T/20 School Cup Blast

Last Thursday 63 students from Years 3 and 4 participated in the Milo T/20 School Cup Blast at Blacktown International Sportspark. It was a very busy day with the students playing four games of cricket in which they batted, bowled, fielded and had the opportunity to be wicket-keepers.

Despite the terribly windy weather, the students had an enormous amount of fun and were exhausted at the end of the day.

This day would not have been successful without the help of Miss D'sa, Mr Gunnion, Mr Azzopardi, Mrs O'Keefe, Mr and Mrs Sinclair, Mrs Portelli, Mrs Ortega, Mrs Norris and Ms Scott.

All of these parents and Miss D'sa kindly gave their time to guide and supervise a team for the whole day. Thank you so much for your generosity. I would also like to thank all the parents who took to the field to support and cheer on the students at different stages during the day. The students loved having their parents nearby to watch their achievements throughout the day.

Mrs Tierney

INFANTS SPORTS DAY

Our annual Infants Fun Sports Day was held in the grounds of St John Vianney's on Thursday, 14th September. Despite the wild, windy, weather the students enjoyed themselves showing off their ball skills, running abilities and making their way through the obstacle course.

Many students also had a picnic lunch with their families after the event.

Thank you to Mrs Cox for organising a special treat for the children - an ice block at the end of the day.

Also, thank you to the family members who came to support the children as they made their way around the activity stations.

It goes without saying that these days cannot be successful without the support of the wonderful staff at SJV to assist in the event running smoothly and I greatly appreciate the support that they always give to me in making my job more manageable.

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Kersivien for the use and setting up of the portable sound system.

THANK YOU ALL.

Another fun day full of happy memories was had in the eyes of the Infants children.

Marg Hancock Sports Coordinator

CONGRATULATIONS to **AMAYAH BURNS** who competed in the NSWCPS Championships, which was held on Monday, 18th September at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre, Homebush.

Amayah competed in three events on the day - 11yrs 800m, Shot put and Discus. Amayah performed to the best of her ability against extreme competition. This experience will be of great benefit to Amayah as she continues to compete in the sport she loves.

Unfortunately, this is the end of her primary Athletics journey but I am confident that she will have many more opportunities to perform as she begins high school next year.

WELL DONE AMAYAH AND BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE!!

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following Students:

KF	Brooke Shaw Oliver Villaret Elijah Yumol Lilliana Broadfoot Scyanna Du Ross Hayley Ayliffe	KT	David Lopez Kyle Sarol Bethenny Scott Simon Pastoral Isis Daraoay Mia Castro Candiotti
IB	Sharmane Bompat Joseph Abou-Yaghi Tyenna Jimenez Nathan Leonardo Chloe Marcelo Prudence Baay	1D	Anabelle Bernard Nathan Angelo Caleb Dacayo Jack Vatuloka Janelle Lobo-Kakodkar Nicole Maliwat
2C	Talia Gomez Olivia Harrison Marcus Liao	2S	Aayana Chaudhary Thomas Nourdine Samuel Vella Kodie-Leigh Scott Jordan Laidlaw Lucas Ocampo
3A	Lara Hendrickson Marcus Jones Tyarrah Jimenez Nicolas Perez Monique Papachristou Rhianna Bartlett	30	Eliannah San Pedro Adelle Hogan Naomi Menardo Cypher Dela Cruz Samuel Hogan Hayley Gunnion
4D	Charlize Mahusay Jaeda Liao Ruby O'Keefe Ysabella Sibucao Cadence Autagavaia Mounir Abou-Yaghi	4M	Ian Ceniza Adyn Manansala Elizabeth Angok Jary Corpuz Jose Abrigo Sandra Gorgees
5НЈ	Angelo Williams Noah Coupe Lucas Perez Alexander Ayre Madison Allie Zac Payne	5R	Jared Cruz Chelsea Gumogda Dominic Mercado Jackson Malouf Deborah Angelo Adriel Dolores
6M	Reese Nunez Sophia Pastoral Liam Micallef Willson Go Sahana Kumar Victoria-Rose Bayada	6R	Berend Slager Abec Angok Kiara Tiqui Sarina Singh John Trinh Larissa Mitchell

P&F NEWS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	
Friday 22 nd Sept	Lunch Footy Franks Friday (hot dog) & Jersey day		
Friday 20 th October	9:00-11:00am	Oscar & Samantha Transition to school Program	
Friday 27 th October	9:00-11:00am	m Oscar & Samantha transition to school program	
Friday 27 th October	Lunch	Iceblock Stall	
Friday 27 th October	2:00pm	P&F Annual General Meeting	

Footy Franks Friday, Jersey day and popper stall

On the last day of term Friday 22nd September the P&F will be holding the annual "Footy Franks Finals Jersey day" and hot dog stall. The children can wear their favourite rugby league, soccer, AFL or other sports jersey to school. **NO donation is required.** It will be great to see all the children supporting their team. Also at lunch the P&F will be selling hot dogs costing \$2.50 and poppers costing \$1. **These must be pre ordered**. The P&F would **greatly appreciate any help from volunteers who can spare** any **amount of time on the day to help prepare and sell the hot dogs**. Please write your name and mobile number on your child's order form if interested.

Oscar & Samantha Transition to school program

It is nearly that time of year again when our transition to school program will begin for the Kindergarten children of 2018. This program can only continue to run if there is the generous support of volunteers to enable it to be a smooth, fun and interactive program for the children. The Oscar and Samantha program has been implemented at the school for over 8 years and is a great program for the children to become familiar with the school surroundings, develop friendships with other children who will be in their class and have fun and learn with the activities provided. Oscar and Samantha will commence on the 20th October and finish on the 17th November. It will run on Friday mornings from 9:00am until 11:00am. If anyone is interested in helping with the program for any amount of time please let Narelle Sinclair know through the P&F email, Facebook, in person or leave your details With the office staff. Thank you in anticipation of your help.

P&F Meeting

The next P&F meeting will be held on <u>Friday 27th October at 2:00pm</u> in the staffroom. This meeting is our AGM where all committee positions are up for election. Please have a think over the coming weeks if you would consider taking on any position within the committee as some of the current committee members will be stepping away from any further roles in the committee. If you wish to have a chat about what is involved within certain roles on the committee please contact the P&F through Facebook, email or leave your name at the office. We hope everyone will come along and share their thoughts and ideas. We would love for you to come and have a coffee and some afternoon tea and toddlers are most welcome to attend.

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.



Narelle Sinclair P & F Secretary sjv.pandf@gmail.com

CLOTHING POOL ~ Open every second Monday

The clothing pool will be open on **Monday 16th October 2.30-3.00pm**. We are in desperate need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition. Please leave items at the school office. Thank you.

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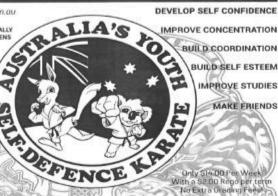
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New and Returning Students Ages 5-8

New and Returning Students
Ages 3-4
Parents must be present
Class Time 8-30 to 9:000M.

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Ages 9-16
and Returning Students
Class Time 9-45 to 10:25AA

Returning Students please see website at www.karate-kids.com.au for class times.

REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO THE THIRD WEEK OF TERM. 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



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