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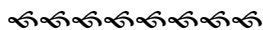
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Dear Parents,

Kindergarten Orientation Visits

The children starting Kindergarten in 2016 have been coming to school for their orientation visits in small groups. The children have been excited about coming to "big school". Mrs Field and Mrs Tierney make sure the children have a wonderful morning visit. We are certainly looking forward to officially welcoming these students into our school community in 2016. On these orientation mornings a group of Kindergarten students go to Year 1 for the morning. All Kindergarten students have a turn going to Year 1. Thank you to Mrs Bayada, Mrs Sultana and Mrs Derjani who give the Kindergarten students a great morning in Year 1.



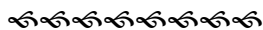
Parents and Friends AGM

On Friday 23rd October the Parents and Friends Association conducted their Annual General Meeting. My sincere thanks to the current committee who continue to work tirelessly to raise funds for our school. Your efforts are greatly appreciated by staff, parents and students. Thank you!

The 2015/2016 Committee was elected at the Annual General Meeting:

President:	Mrs Fran Nourdine
Vice President:	Mrs Yvette Ciappara
Secretary:	Mrs Narelle Sinclair
Treasurer:	Mrs Tina Hendrickson

Congratulations and thank you to these parents who have generously taken on these important roles for the benefit of our students.



World Teachers' Day

This Friday, 30th October, is World Teachers' Day. To mark the day the Parents and Friends made a very generous donation to the Catholic Mission fundraiser. This was a wonderful show of support for the teaching staff. It is very important to recognise the commitment of all teachers who work at our school – full time, part time and casual. Gestures like this strengthen the vital parent/teacher partnership we have at our school. Thank you P&F!

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

2016 Kindergarten Oscar
& Samantha

2016 Kindergarten
Orientation Mornings

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Last Saturday I attended retirement celebrations for a teacher at Our Lady of the Rosary St. Marys. Mrs Helen Minol is retiring after teaching for 50 years at the one school! I had the privilege of teaching with Helen in the 90's. Helen is a great example of a dedicated and committed teacher. Happy retirement Helen!

Leave

I will be on leave from next Monday. Please see the separate note that went home today.

Family Reflection:

Most loving God, we thank you for the
example of St. Mary of the Cross,
who in her living of the Gospel, witnessed to the human
dignity of each person. She faced life's challenges with faith and courage.
We pray through her intercession for our needs.

*God Bless
Glenn Patchell
Principal*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Crazy Sock Day Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to our Crazy Sock Day Catholic Mission fundraiser. With your help we were able to raise a massive \$401.25 for Catholic Mission.

All Saint's Day – 1st November

All Saint's Day, officially the Solemnity of All Saints, is celebrated on the 1st November. It is a day on which parts of Western Christianity glorify God for all God's saints, known and unknown.

All Souls Day – 2nd November

All Souls Day always proceeds All Saint's Day and commemorates all the faithful departed. On this feast day we remember and honour the multitude who have walked the earth before us. The celebration is associated with the doctrine that the souls of the faithful at death, who have not yet attained full sanctification and moral perfection, cannot immediately attain the beatific vision in heaven. The sanctification is carried out after death in Purgatory.

Both All Saint's Day and All Souls Day celebrate the belief that there is a spiritual communion between those of us who are living, those who are dead and the Saints in heaven; we are all part of the household of God.

Laura Rutherford
Religious Education Coordinator





STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2016

If you are aware that your child will not be returning in 2016, please contact the office as soon as possible as we are soon to organise classes for 2016.



NEWSLETTER DATES FOR TERM 4

Wednesday 11 November
Wednesday 25 November
Wednesday 9 December



SCHOOL FEES



Thank you to all the families who have finalised their school fee account for 2015. 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 **Monday 9 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.



CHILD PROTECTION – DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA PARENT VOLUNTEERS

It is a Diocesan requirement that parents who volunteer at school must complete the CEO Online Child Protection Module. This training is available online at <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au> and **MUST** be completed every two years.
Click on child Protection Training
Click on For Volunteers
Read instruction and click on start the module.

If you are not sure whether you need to update your Child Protection, please contact the school office.



TERM 4 CALENDAR

Thursday	29 October	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6 Kindergarten 2016 Orientation 9.15am-10.45am
Friday	30 October	World Teachers' Day 9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha Ice Blocks – P&F 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Monday	2 November	ALL SOULS DAY
Tuesday	3 November	Kindergarten 2016 Orientation 9.15am-10.45am
Thursday	5 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6 Kindergarten 2016 Orientation 9.15am-10.45am
Friday	6 November	9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Wednesday	11 November	REMEMBRANCE DAY
Thursday	12 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	13 November	9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha Ice Blocks – P&F 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Thursday	19 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	20 November	9.15am -10.45am Oscar & Samantha 2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR
Tuesday	24 November	10.00am Parent Thank You Morning Tea ~MPR
Thursday	26 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	27 November	9.30am Advent Assembly – Led by Year 3 ~ MPR 2.00pm P&F Meeting ~ Staff Room
Thursday	3 December	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	4 December	11.45am Student of the Term, Clear Speaking Awards, Religion Awards Semester 2 Reports go home – K-6 Hot Dogs & Ice Blocks ~ P&F
Monday	7 December	St Andrew's Orientation Day
Tuesday	8 December	9.30am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly ~ MPR
Thursday	10 December	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	11 December	9.30am Year 6 Graduation
Monday	14 December	Vision Valley Year 6
Tuesday	15 December	9.30am Christmas Assembly ~ Led by Year 2 2.00pm -3.00pm Change over afternoon
Wednesday	16 December	LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS
Thursday	17 December	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Friday	18 December	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

2016 DATES

Wednesday 27 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews
Thursday 28 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews
Friday 29 January	Mathematics Assessment Interviews

Mathematics Assessment Interviews are for students in Years 1-6 2016

It is an expectation every student in Years 1-6 books in for a Mathematics Assessment Interview
Information about booking a Mathematics Assessment Interview for your child will be sent home shortly.

Monday 1 February	Students in Years 1-6 return
Tuesday 2 February	Kindergarten begin
Friday 5 February	Primary (Years 3-6) Swimming Carnival

MERIT CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following Students:

KF Isaac Bayada
Abieyuwa Edosowman
Thomas Nourdine
Amelia Azzopardi
Brenda Abreu

KT Maria Kanesh
Taylor Tuamtong
Sebastian Canicula
Elias Hellouie
Lucas Ocampo
Megan Bartlett

IBJ Allistaire Reyes
Jayden Galea
Mentweb Angelo
Ethan McIntrye
Tyarra Jimenez
Rylarni DuRoss

ID Ruby Black
Lara Hendrickson
Gabriel Paul
Cooper Malouf
Helyna Nery
Bianca Madrid

2A Josef Piquero
Aniya Jomon
Bella Flores

2B Sandra Gorgees
Blake Norris
Ethan Frendo
Sophia Madrid
Jovie Viernes
Avria Bergado

3B Alexander Ayre
Edward Paul
Kyle Loader
Leisel Iacson
Kodi Dijanosic
Naomi Girgis

30 Mikayla Cunningham
Alexis Turner
Angelo Williams
Jackson Malouf
Grace Boktor

4C Kiara Tiqui
Giselle Quigg
Keith Sarol
Mena Gorgees
Leia Paltoo
Samuel Gutierrez

4M Willson Go
Mariam Ghannami
Ben Filippi
Victoria Bayada
Faustina Park
Amayah Burns

5HJ Christopher Furtado
Aidan Mercado
Charlize Tahimic
Shanelle Gumogda
Aaron Sabio
Sophia Escueta

5R Zara Lobo
Hannah Bolton
Jesua Arispe
Jonathan Buttigieg
Nirvana Prasad
Mary Dcruz

6M Aidan Micallef
Vila Hokafonu
Edric De Los Reyes
Kate Slager
Thomas Hogan
Evelina Dobysh

6R Oscar Camage
Gavriel Gutierrez
Yna Diaz
Marc Go
John Ceniza
Emilyn Yaneza



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.



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

Thank you to all the families, friends and staff members who collected stickers for the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program. The school received 20,520 points and has purchased much needed sports equipment, which will be delivered early next year.

The equipment purchased will be utilized throughout the infants and primary classes.

The items purchased are as follows -

Soccer balls, basket balls volley balls, ball bags for storage, a balance platform kit, a mini soccer goal kit, tee ball bases and field markers.

The students at St John Vianney's will have many hours of enjoyment using the new equipment. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Margaret Hancock
Sport Coordinator



ST JOHN VIANNEY'S SUPER STAR ATHLETE CLARA NOURDINE HAS DONE IT AGAIN!

Clara competed over two days at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush, last week at the NSW PSSA ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS. She was attempting to qualify for the NATIONALS which will be held in Canberra on 4th - 8th December.

Clara competed in three events over the two days.

She qualified for the **100m** and **200m FINALS** which was a total of six races.

Clara was also in **the Junior Girls Long Jump** where she had six jumps to complete.

It was very hot over the two days which made conditions extremely difficult for all athletes involved. Although, when looking at the results, Clara handled herself like a professional athlete would.

Clara's results were AMAZING !!!

Clara placed equal **4th** in the **100m Final** with a **PB of 13.92 seconds**,
4th in the **200m Final** with another **PB of 28.38 seconds**.

The **GREATEST** result was that Clara placed **2nd** in the **Long Jump** with a **PB of 4.52m** which now means that Clara will be jumping out of her skin at the **NATIONALS!!!!**

We are very, very proud of Clara at St John Vianney's and we know that Clara has the talent, but she also has the drive to train hard and compete with great sportsmanship to achieve the best results that she can produce at any athletics event.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR
EXCITING JOURNEY TO FULFILL YOUR DREAMS.**

WE WILL BE THERE IN SPIRIT CHEERING YOU ON.

GO! CLARA GO!!

Marg Hancock
Sports Coordinator



Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/Information-for-childcare-and-schools.aspx>

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Friday October 30	9:00am	O & S Transition to School Playgroup
Friday October 30	Lunch	Ice block stall
Friday October 30	9:00am	Last day for graduation bear orders
Every Thurs	9:00am	School Banking
Mon 2 nd Nov - Fri 6 th Nov	8:30 – 9:00am 2:30 – 3:00pm	Chocolate Guessing Competition
Friday November 6	9:00am	O & S Playgroup
Friday November 13	9:00am	O & S Playgroup
Friday November 13	Lunch	Ice block stall

O & S Update

Our transition to school program Oscar and Samantha is now into its third week. We have had a great response with over 50 children attending the program. The children are very excited and are having a lot of fun doing craft, singing songs and playing games. They are becoming very familiar with the school and meeting lots of new friends. Thanks again to all the wonderful parent volunteers, your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

Ice Block Stall

The ice block stall was a great success with the children enjoying this cold treat on such a warm day. There are two more ice block days in which the children can purchase zooper doopers for 50c and ice blocks for \$1. The dates for these are this Fri Oct 30th and Fri Nov 13th. **No need to pre purchase**, just send the money with your child on the day.

Parent & Friends AGM

The P & F Annual General Meeting was held on Friday 23rd October. The elections for the new committee for 2015/2016 took place with all positions being filled. The committee members are:

President: Fran Nourdine

Vice President: Yvette Ciappara

Treasurer: Tina Hendrickson

Secretary: Narelle Sinclair

The P & F committee looks forward to your continued support over the coming year. Any ideas or suggestions would be most welcome.

Graduation Bears

The P & F have sourced graduation bears and balls for the Year 6 students to keep as a memento of their time at St John Vianney's. Thank you to the parents who have already sent in their orders. The last day for orders is **Friday 30th October**. Graduation bears cost \$15 and balls cost \$10.

Chocolate Guessing Competition

The P & F will be running a chocolate guessing competition. If you love chocolate especially Cadbury Favourites then this is for you! The competition involves guessing how many chocolates there are in the glass jar. The person who guesses the closest without going over the number of chocolates will win the jar of chocolates. It will cost 50c a guess or \$1 for three guesses. The P & F will be near the amphitheatre from 8:30 in the morning and 2:30 in the afternoon all next week. Send some money with your children to have a guess or pop on over yourself and have a guess.

Next P & F Meeting – Friday November 27th at 2pm, Staffroom.

Come and hear some insights about what is happening at school. The conversation is always lively and the parking is great at 2pm. Grandparents, extended family and new faces are always welcome.

School Banking

School Banking is on every Thursday. The School Banking co-ordinator is Mrs Lisa Muinoi. If you have any queries/concerns about School Banking please send a note in your child's bank wallet for Mrs Muinoi to read. Alternatively, you can contact us via email or Facebook and we will forward your queries to Mrs Muinoi.

The Good Guys – Prospect

The Good Guys Prospect will 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.

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 9 November 2.30-3.00pm operating from the old canteen. We are still in need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition, please leave items at the school office. Thank you.

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.

For further enquiries, please contact Jackie De Abreu on

(02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au

SMOOSH Before and After School Care Vacation Care

Are you working, studying or need casual care for your kids?

SMOOSH can Help!

We offer: * Peace of Mind, Qualified, caring staff;

A fun and safe environment; *Great activities *Healthy Snacks

*Casual & full time places at Reasonable rates

Child Care Benefit, Fee Rebate

***Drop off & pick up available from St John Vianney's School.**

Conveniently located at Marayong South Public School -access

Via McClean St (Marayong) or Tuggerah Place (Woodcroft)

Morning session: 7 am to 9am Afternoon session: 3pm to 6pm

SMOOSH is now taking enrolments for 2016

Call Lynda on 0451 114 611

Bulk Billing For GP Services

OPENING HOURS

MON-FRI 8AM-6PM
SAT&SUN 9AM-2PM
(PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ADVISED)

NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY

**DOCTOR HOME VISITS AND
AFTER HOURS SERVICES AVAILABLE**

**PARKING ON SITE AVAILABLE
PATHOLOGY ON PREMISES**



DOCTORS AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST

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DR.CHARLES HAYES (MALE GP)

DR.VAN NGUYEN (MALE GP)

DILHAN JAYAMANNE (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

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Dentist Dr.Garima Malhotra

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- Medicare Bulk Billing-For Eligible Children Aged Between 2-17 Years Of Age-Benefits Of Up To \$1000/Child
- 10% Discount For Seniors And Pensioners
- Patients From All Funds Welcome-Health Fund Claims On The Spot



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