



TERM 4

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**Greetings Parents and Carers!**

### **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Last Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month, was Remembrance Day. On Friday, our year 6 students led us in a most reverent and moving assembly to honour our past and present veterans who served in the armed forces. At 11.00am we paused to remember those who fought for the freedom we now enjoy in this nation, who were prepared to sacrifice their own comforts, safety and lives for those who would come later. They held strongly to their beliefs and were willing to risk all to maintain them. At St John Vianney's Parish School we will always remember and give thanks to those men and women who died or suffered in wars and conflicts.

We have established an Anzac Memorial Garden, a Kokoda Track Memorial Garden, The Light Horse Memorial Garden and The Peace & Remembrance Garden.

Another memorial garden is under construction at the front of the office. This will be a French/Australian themed garden to honour our veterans who liberated Villers-Bretonneux.

*Lest We Forget.*

Special thanks to Mrs Kersvien, Mrs Rose and Mrs Hastings for planning our beautiful assembly last Friday and for continuing to enhance our school environment with the stunning memorial gardens that have been so carefully designed.

### **ASSESSMENT and TESTING**

Teachers and students are currently working through a variety of assessments and testing. This data will assist to inform Semester 2 Reports. Thank you for encouraging your children to continue to work to the best of their ability as the end of the term draws closer. It is very important to maintain the usual routines of uniforms, homework and school procedures to ensure a smooth end of year for all. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

### **IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Ice Block & Zooper Dooper**  
**Stalls**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Premier's Reading Challenge**  
**~ Mufti theme Australian**  
**Bush - MPR**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
**2.00pm Choir Performance**  
**MPR**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Year 6 Reports go home**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Year 6 Graduation 9.30am**  
**MPR**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Year 6 Fun Day**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
**2.00pm Change over**  
**afternoon**

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**PLEASE NOTE**  
**NEW SCHOOL**  
**PHONE NUMBER**

**8869 6300**

### **OSCAR and SAMANTHA GRADUATION**

This Friday, 17th November, Mrs Smith and I will have the pleasure of attending the Oscar and Samantha graduation ceremony in the MPR. This 'transition to school program' is run by our wonderful parent volunteers and has been in operation for 13 years. The program has proven to be a great success in preparing the new Kindy students for 'big school'. We are both looking forward to meeting the children who completed the program this year and presenting them with their special certificates. Sincere thanks to **Narelle Sinclair, Tina Hendrickson, Fran Nourdine, Teneile Shaw, Charlene Cutajar, Melissa Azzopardi, Cheryl Morales, Belinda Borg** and **Maryanne Vella** for your generosity of time and energy for keeping this great initiative going at St John Vianney's Parish school.

### **ROAD CLOSURE TO CAMERON STREET** **CAMERON STREET WILL BE CLOSED DUE TO ROAD WORK ON** **MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER FROM 9.30AM UNTIL 1.00PM**

#### *Reflection: Remembrance Day*

*O Lord we thank You for the brave and thankful dead,  
who laid down their lives on the battlefields of war.  
We bless You for the courage of those who have died in the cause of truth and righteousness.  
Into Your hands we commend them.  
Grant us to follow their example in faithfulness and endurance even unto death,  
that we may, with them enjoy eternal life. Through Christ Our Lord.*

#### ***Blessings!***

***Georgina Cox***  
***Principal***

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

##### **First Holy Communion**

*On Sunday, 26th November a group of our students will celebrate their First Holy Communion. The children, their families and catechists have been preparing for many weeks for this important occasion. For our students, this weekend will be a special time as they continue on their faith journey and grow into strong and loving people in the family of God. As a school community we keep in our prayers the students and their families from the school and parish who will be receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist and celebrate the communion it brings to us all.*

**Laura Rutherford**  
**Religious Education Coordinator**



ADVENT ASSEMBLY  
FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

9.30AM

Multi-Purpose Room

*Year 2 invites you to join our school community  
in prayer as we commence the Advent Season*



**CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.30am**

Multi-Purpose Room

**Led by Year 3**



## **PLEASE BE ON TIME!**

This is an important reminder that school commences at 8:55am Mon - Fri and parents/carers have a responsibility to ensure their child is at school ON TIME!

There are far too many students arriving anywhere from 5-45 mins after the bell. This does not make for a smooth start to the day's learning! **It is a mandatory requirement that Parents/Carers fill in a late note at the office for the student.** (Being in a rush is not an excuse) This term, if a late note is not completed by the adult bringing the child to school the parent/carer will be contacted by the school.

It would be much easier to make sure your child is at school before 8:55am. **Supervision begins at 8:30am** .... Again some parents are dropping students as early as 7:45am – 8:15am. Please make alternative arrangements if you are unable to drop your child at the required time. This is a child safety issue!

THANK YOU for your cooperation and support.

Mrs Cox

## **EVERY LEARNER.....EVERY DAY**



## **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%. This is BELOW THE EXPECTED Diocesan target of 90%.**

### CALENDAR TERM 4

Thursday	November 16	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	November 17	9.00-11.00am Oscar & Samantha Transition to School Playgroup Graduation & Party Day 2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	November 23	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	November 24	2.15pm Merit Assembly ~MPR Ice Block & Zooper Dooper Stall ~ P&F
Sunday	November 26	First Holy Communion ~ SJV
Tuesday	November 28	<b>10AM PARENTS HELPERS THANK YOU MORNING TEA ~ MPR</b>
Wednesday	November 29	10.00am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly ~ MPR Mufti theme – Australiana Bush
Thursday	November 30	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	December 1	9.30am Advent Assembly Led by Year 2 ~ MPR 2.00pm P&F meeting ~ Staffroom
Sunday	December 3	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
Wednesday	December 6	9.30am Student of the Term, Clear Speaking Awards, Religion Awards 2.00pm Combined Choirs Performance for Students & Parents
Thursday	December 7	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 Yr. 6 Reports go home
Friday	December 8	<b>FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> 9.30am Yr. 6 Graduation ~ MPR Kindergarten – Yr. 5 Reports go home
Sunday	December 10	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
Monday	December 11	Yr. 6 Fun Day
Tuesday	December 12	9.30am Christmas Assembly Led by Year 3~ MPR 2.00pm Change over afternoon
Thursday	December 14	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	December 15	<b>STUDENT'S LAST DAY</b>
Sunday	December 17	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
Monday	December 18	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
Tuesday	December 19	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>

### SCHOOL RESUMES

**Monday January 29 2018 ~ Staff Development Day**

**Tuesday January 30 2018 ~ Students Yrs.1-6**

**Thursday February 1st 2018 ~ Kindergarten**

**Friday February 2 2018 ~ Primary Swimming Carnival**





### **THANK YOU MORNING TEA**

*A special 'Thank You' morning tea will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room at **10am on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November.***

*This is our school's way of showing our gratitude to all the 'helpers' who have so generously given of their time to help in our school in a variety of ways this year.*

*Invitations have been sent and RSVPs are due by Tuesday 21st November.*

### **PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE ASSEMBLY**



On **Wednesday 29th November**, St John Vianney's will be celebrating reading and literature with the Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly. To make this event a great celebration the students can come **dressed up in mufti**. The theme is "**Australiana Bush**", which means come dressed in your **jeans/shorts, checked shirt, and straw hat or Akubra hat**.

The assembly will begin at **10.00am** and we would love as many parents as possible to come and join the fun and the celebrate reading.

Yours in reading,  
**Cheryl Kersivien**

### **COMBINED CHOIRS PERFORMANCE**

Mrs Susie Ferreira, our Music teacher, is offering parents and friends the opportunity to be entertained by the Combined Choirs who will 'showcase' their vocal talents on **Wednesday, December 6 at 2.00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room**. All welcome!



## MERIT CERTIFICATES

**Congratulations to the following Students:**

**KF** Hayley Ayliffe  
Anna Prokhorov  
Setaleki Manu  
Mary Cabiguen  
Oliver Viflaret  
Sabrina Santiago

**KT** Marina Siric  
Mateo Martinez  
John Barral  
Bella Ramia  
Hrishi Koduri  
Stephanie Nery

**IB** Mikayla Sococ  
Alicia Williams  
McKenzie O'Keefe  
Alexandra Castillo  
Jake Cutajar

**1D** Majella Nguyen  
Elijah Sibucan  
Skye Garcia  
Alyanna Maningat  
John Abrigo  
Sierra Galea

**2C** Caitlin Umadhay  
Maria Kanesh  
Gabriel Hidalgo  
Nina Isakov  
Vatican Talione  
April Vocalan

**2S** Carmen Sokar  
Elias Hellouie  
Boris Prokhorov  
Kodie-Leigh Scott  
Clare Ciappara  
Elias Hellouie

**3A** Caitlin Ortega  
Nicholas Chrysanthou  
Keira Hamilton  
Joel Autagavaia  
Keira Hamilton  
Marcus Jones

**30** Lachlan Rull  
Rylarni Du Ross  
Helyna Nery  
Mentweb Angelo  
Mico Aducayen  
Adia Aniano

**4D** Blake Norris  
Bernadette Mercado  
Ruby O'Keefe  
Brennan Scott  
Marcus Amurao  
Cadence Autagavaia

**4M** Sandra Gorgees  
Ian Ceniza  
Jeremy Portelli  
Gabrielle DeGuzman  
Jerrell Marticio  
Angelina Shafiq

**5HJ** Jaiden Fidler  
Mia Javier  
Cyanne Dela Cruz  
Dean Ocampo  
Angelique Papachristou  
Jairo Arispe

**5R** Frienczel Espino  
Emily Yaneza  
Adriel Dolores  
Deborah Angelo  
Nikolai Quimpo  
Dominic Mercado

**6M** Vya Perez  
Sebastian Franjic  
Sophia Pastoral  
Leila Mamaril  
Reese Nunez  
Wilson Go

**6R** Carl Aringo  
Sarina Singh  
John Trinh  
Sebastian Santiago  
Mariam Ghannami  
Berend Slager

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

We are phasing out paper copies of our School Newsletter.  
To access a copy, go to St John Vianney's website  
[www.stjohnvianneys@parra.catholic.edu](http://www.stjohnvianneys@parra.catholic.edu)  
click on related link and click on newsletter.



### STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2018

If your child is not returning to St John Vianney's in 2018, please call into the office to complete the necessary documentation. This information assists us in finalising as soon as possible classes for next year. THANK YOU!

### SCHOOL FEES 2017

Thank you to all the families who have finalised their fees for 2017. Just a reminder that all fees were payable by the end of Term 3. If you still have outstanding school please contact Mrs. Fletcher.

### 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.

### 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.



## P&F NEWS

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9:00-11:00am	Oscar & Samantha transition to school program Graduation
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Lunch	Iceblock Stall
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	2:00pm	P&F Meeting

### *Oscar & Samantha Transition to school program*

The transition to kindergarten program is nearly over for another year. This Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November is the last day which is the graduation and party day. It has been great to meet all the children and their families over the last four weeks. The children are very excited about starting Kindy next year. This program could not run as smoothly as it does without the help of the lovely volunteers. A big thank you to **Tina, Fran, Teneile, Charlene, Melissa, Cheryl, Belinda and Maryanne**.

### *Ice Block Stall*

The ice block stall was very popular with all the children again. Thank you to the following ladies who helped to sell ice blocks: **Fran, Teneile, Tina, Maryanne and Cheryl**. The next stall will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Ice blocks will cost \$1.00 and zooper doopers will cost 50c. Please bring money on the day.

### *P&F Meeting*

The next P&F meeting will be held on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 2:00pm** in the staffroom. We hope everyone will come along and share their thoughts and ideas. We would love for you to come and have a coffee and someafternoon 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

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**KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE**  
**BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL**  
**PICK-UP & DROP-OFF**  
**DAILY 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, or **to make the switch** please contact Jackie De Abreu on (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website [www.kindercare.com.au](http://www.kindercare.com.au)

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