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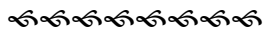
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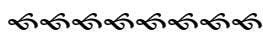
Dear Parents,

It is very good to be home after my pilgrimage to Jordan, Israel, Assisi and Rome. The pilgrimage was led by Delegate of the Diocesan Administrator Rev Christopher de Souza PP. The group included the Executive Director of Schools, Mr. Greg Whitby, Chancery representatives, Catholic Education leaders and primary and secondary Principals.

Since 2012 all Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta Principals have been offered the opportunity to participate in a pilgrimage. The pilgrimage was a powerful formation experience which gave me the opportunity to strengthen my faith. Although the entire pilgrimage was an amazing experience the highlights for me included The Church of the Nativity (Jesus' birthplace), The River Jordan (where John the Baptist baptised Jesus) and celebrating Mass in the Tomb where Jesus was buried. My thanks to the Diocese for providing me with such a wonderful Faith experience and to Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Moylan without whose support I would not have been able to participate in the pilgrimage.



This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. We are reminded by the Church that the season of Advent is a time of expectancy – we are to prepare with joy in our hearts for the coming of Christ.



Oscar and Samantha Graduation

The Oscar and Samantha transition program has been run by volunteers for 11 years. It is a wonderful program that helps our new Kindergarten children transition to "big school" through craft, music, reading, tours, activities and fun! I do not know of another school that runs such a comprehensive transition program every year. On behalf of the parents of the 2016 Kindergarten students my heartfelt thanks to the organisers and presenters of the program



Parent Thank You Morning Tea

On Tuesday, November 24 it was the school's opportunity to spoil parents and friends at the Parents Thank You Morning Tea. This was an opportunity for the school to say a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who contribute to our school in so many ways. St. John Vianney's would not be the school it is without the help and support of the parent community.

Once again, thank you!

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Advent Assembly

Christmas Assembly

Premier's Reading Challenge & Book Character Parade

Year 6 Graduation

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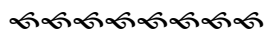
Class Placement

When making a decision as to which class students are going to be placed in for the following year teachers spend hours attempting to achieve an evenly balanced class grouping. Teachers use criteria such as behavioural needs, relationship considerations, special needs, ability ranges and gender mix. Students being with their best friend(s) may not be the optimum learning group placement. The final decision on class placement rests with the Principal.



Senior and Junior Choirs

*Mrs Stanley, our Music teacher, is offering parents and friends the opportunity to be entertained by the Junior and Senior Choirs. Both choirs will perform on **Wednesday, December 9 at 2.00pm** in the Multi-Purpose Room. All welcome!*



Family Reflection:

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord show his face to you and have mercy on you.
The Lord turn his countenance to you and give you peace
May Our Lord bless you.

St. Francis of Assisi

God Bless

Mr. Glenn Patchell

Principal



Religious Education News

Advent

This Sunday commences the liturgical season of Advent and the beginning of a new year in the Catholic Church. The word Advent is derived from the Latin word meaning coming and so refers to the coming of Christ at Christmas. During the four weeks of Advent we prepare for Christmas through prayer and reflection.

Advent has a twofold character, it is a time when we contemplate the first coming of Jesus Christ our Savior and when we direct our hearts and minds towards awaiting Christ's second coming.

Advent is a time for us to be awake and ready as Christ comes to us in unexpected ways. We must be ready to receive Him into our lives and make Him part of everything we do.

Christmas Coins for Kids

It is especially around Christmas that families and individuals who are going through a tough time feel their hardship the most. As a Catholic community, our Christmas Coins for Kids fundraising appeal allowed our school to have an impact on those who need help.

Thank you to everyone who generously contributed to our appeal. The spirit of Christmas is truly amongst us here.

Laura Rutherford

Religious Education Coordinator



ADVENT ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 9.30AM

Multi-Purpose Room

*Year 5 invites you to join our school community
in prayer as we commence the Advent Season*



CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Tuesday 15th December 9.30am

Multi-Purpose Room

Led by Year 2



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 206.

We have waiting lists for most grades.

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Thursday	26 November	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	27 November	9.30am Advent Assembly – Led by Year 5 ~ MPR 2.00pm P&F Meeting ~ Staff Room Ice Blocks – P&F
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 Pizza & Poppers ~ P&F
Monday	7 December	St Andrew's Orientation Day
Tuesday	8 December	9.30am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly & Book Character Parade ~ MPR
Wednesday	9 December	2.00pm Senior & Junior Choir perform ~ MPR
Thursday	10 December	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6 Learning Support Christmas Party
Friday	11 December	9.30am Year 6 Graduation Ice Blocks – P&F
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	Free Ice blocks ~ P&F 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 Mathematic 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 Samuel Vella
Clare Ciappara
Aayana Chaudhary
Faavian Ahmad
Ayurvi Chaudhary
Zyra Broadfoot

KT Carlos Lopez
Nina Isakov
Chelsea Quimpo
Skyler Gacho
Charlize Pascale
John-Paul Abouchaaya
Adrienne Mahusay

IBJ Hayden Tarr
Angelica Icaca
Annabelle Sococ
Adia Aniano
Cypher DelaCruz
Lachlan Rull

ID Lara Hendrickson
Laura Dobysh
Timothy Cheng
Cooper Malouf
Meriel Cruz
Nicholas Chrysanthou

2A Jasmine Rull
Daniel Sinclair
Jaeda Liao
Brooke Ayliffe
Irish Raymundo
Jose Abrigo

2B Pedrito Gatbonton
Mariana Kayafis
Alexis Vella
Adrienne Sultana
Ian Ceniza
Lara Derjani

3B Lucas Perez
Kyle Loader
Eon Aniano
Adriel Dolores
Deborah Angelo
Alyssa Guillermo

30 Jeremy Fronteras
Abinav Chennupati
Noah Coupe
Emily Yaneza
Anastasia Prokhorov
Lauren De Luca

4C Jayden Turner
Sophia Pastoral
Liesl Rull
Jayden Ramia
Sylvia Kapanipua
Andrea Batula

4M Veronika Pino-Undzillo
Jade Kember
Carl Aringo
Sarina Singh
Abec Angok
Jacob Bolton

5HJ Rafter Santos
Shawn Hendrickson
Clarisse Villanueva
Veronika Trpcevska
Jared Lesaca
Maxwell Hogan

5R Jayden Norris
Jocelyn Chen
Jasmine Icaca
Kirolos Philips
Diann Joe
Gisele Lucic-Posa

6M Andreas Kaskaniotis
Francis Fronteras
Rishabh Shrestha
Vila Hokafonu
Michaela Sabio
Rishabh Shrestha

6R Kristen Cruz
Luke Haber
Elsie Balilo
Aidan Morris
Chrisitan Harms
Jessica Pareja-Delgado

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.



NEWSLETTER DATES FOR TERM 4

Wednesday 9 December



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.



SCHOOL FEES ~ REMINDER



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 to finalise your account, please contact **Mrs. Fletcher**.

RESOURCE & TECHNOLOGY FEES ~ REMINDER

As you are aware Resource & Technology Fees are the only fees payable in Term 4 and were due for payment on **Monday 9 November**.

If you have not been able to finalise these fees or if you are not sure if you have paid would you be so kind as to contact Mrs. Fletcher as we are in the process of purchasing resources for the students.

Thank you for your continued support.

P & F Diary Dates

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Friday November 27	Lunch	Ice block stall
Friday November 27	2:00pm	P&F Meeting
Friday December 4	Lunch	Pizza & Popper stall
Friday December 11	Lunch	Ice block stall
Wed December 16	Afternoon	Free Ice blocks
Every Thursday	9:00am	School banking

O & S Update

Our transition to school program Oscar and Samantha finished last Friday. The children received their certificates and art work folders from **Mrs Cox** and **Mrs Rutherford** and then we celebrated with some yummy party food. Fran would like to say a HUGE thank you to **Narelle** and **Tina** for all the behind the scenes organisation for Oscar and Samantha. Thank you also to all the volunteers **Yvette, Melissa, Charlene** and **Janelle** that helped each week. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and relatives who brought the kids each week, we sincerely hope they have enjoyed this experience and have made some friends and feel more at ease about starting 'big school' next year.

Ice Block Stall

Our ice block stall that was held on the 13th November was another great success. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event. The funds received from this stall will go towards the cost incurred of running the Oscar and Samantha transition to school program. The popcorn was also very popular with the children and again thank you to **Joel Icaca** and Foxtel for this very generous donation. There are two more ice block stalls to go. The ice block dates are Nov 27th and Dec 11th. There is **no need to pre purchase just send the money with your child on the day**. Ice-blocks cost \$1 and Zooper Doopers cost 50c.

Pizza & Popper Stall

The P & F will be holding a pizza stall for the first time on Fri 4th December. We will be selling pizza slices for \$1.50 a slice. There will be a meal deal available consisting of 2 slices of pizza and a popper for \$4. Poppers will cost \$1.00. The children can choose between two choices of pizza toppings – Cheese or Ham & Cheese. Children will be given order forms this week. Order forms and money need to be returned by **Wed 2nd December**. **Pizza needs to be pre ordered so we need to know how many to order by Wed**. The P & F would greatly appreciate some help from parents on the day with serving the pizza to the children.

Free Ice Blocks

On Wed 16th December (the last day of school) the P&F would like to give each child a free Zooper Dooper or ice block to say thank you for their support of our fundraisers throughout the year. If your child is unable to eat a Zooper Dooper or ice block for any reason, please let the P&F know through Facebook or email. Alternatively you can let your child's teacher know on the day.

P & F Meeting

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
svj.pandf@gmail.com

Clothing Pool ~ Open every second Monday

The clothing pool will be open on Monday 30 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

OLMC Parramatta

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta is now accepting applications for Mercy Scholarships for Academic Excellence and Music Excellence. Girls entering Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2017 are invited to apply. Visit the College website www.olmc.nsw.edu.au for more information.



SMOOSH

64 McClean Street
Blacktown 2148
Contact: 0451114611

December Pupil Free Days Thursday 17th & Friday 18th December 2015 Bookings are Now being taken

Pupil Free Day Hours 7am to 6pm

Cost: Thursday 17th December \$40.00.
Friday 18th December \$40.00 + 5.00 Christmas Lunch
(CCB & CCR reducible conditions apply) per child.

Breakfast and Afternoon tea are provided Breakfast and Afternoon tea are provided
Pupil Free Day Fee is non-refundable if SMOOSH is not notified Two Weeks prior to booked day.

Parent note for Children attending Please Label all items

- o Sun Hat (we have a no hat no play Sun policy)
- o No Singlet Tops or Thongs please
- o Recess, lunch and drink

Thursday 17th December Water Tag

It Water Tag and a whole lot of water games.
Bring your towel and a change of clothes for a whole lot of water fun
SMOOSH Sun Policy procedure will apply.
Breakfast and Afternoon provided



Friday 18th December

Join us Jolly Christmas Celebration
Activities: Beautiful Tree Ornaments
Present from under the Tree plus Christmas Lunch
Bring you technology, DS, I Pod, Tablet,
Breakfast and Afternoon tea are provided.
Lunch cost \$5.00



December 17th & 18th Pupil Free Days.

I wish to enrol my child/ren.....For

- Thursday 17th December Water Tag
- Friday 18th December; Christmas Craft and Christmas Lunch

Parent /Guardian Signature Date.....

SMOOSH Summer VACATION CARE January 2016

SMOOSH offers CCB or CCR reducible Fees

South Marayong Out of School Hours

64 McClean Street Blacktown 2148
 Email:southmarayongoosh@gmail.com
 Mobile 0451 114 611

Week 1.....

Monday 11th January
In Construction Day
 Bring your ideas and
 for a day of building.



Tuesday 12th January
Movie Day
 Cool off from the heat
 at the movies with
 Popcorn and drink
Incursion cost \$25.00



Wednesday 13th January
Boot Camp Just for Kids
 Are you up for the challenge?
 Followed by yummy morning tea
Incursion cost \$10.00



Thursday 14th January
Pirates Unite.
 Today you will be transformed
 as you entry the world of
 Captain Jack Sparrow.



Friday 15th January
Giant Games
 That's right join in the fun
 of MEGA GAMES
Incursion Cost 10.00



Week2.....

Monday 18th January
WATER WARS!
 Bring towel and change of clothes
 Your favourite water gun, for the
 Biggest water fight ever



Tuesday 19th January
Fourrrrr
 There be lots of fun and laughter
 as you putt your way around
 Mario's Mini Golf Course
incursion cost \$10.00



Wednesday 20th January
Get messy and have fun
making Crazy Art !!!!!!!



Thursday 21st January
 Join us for an amazing day out
 when we visit the
 Australian Reptile Park
Excursion \$30.00



Friday 22nd January
Australia Day
 Join in the Celebrations
 Aussieback yard Cricket, face painting
 BBQ Lunch Followed by a
 Dance Party
Incursion \$10.00



SMOOSH
 Pupil Free Day
 27th January 2016

Electronic games,
 Movie's back to
 school craft
 \$40.00 per day
 CCB and CCR
 available
 Booking close
 December

SMOOSH will be closed on Monday 25th of January
 re-opening **27th Jaunay** for a Fun Pupil Free Day



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

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

DR.ARUNTHA JESUTHASAN (FEMALE GP)
DR.CHARLES HAYES (MALE GP)
DR.VAN NGUYEN (MALE GP)
DILHAN JAYAMANNE (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

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- Minor Surgical Procedures
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- Pre-Employment Medicals
- Travel Medicine

Dentist Dr.Garima Malhotra

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Lourdes MEDICAL CENTRE

81- 83 Richmond Rd, Blacktown, NSW | 9622 1998

St John Vianney's Parish School

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