Our vision states: we value life-long learning and have high expectations of possible achievements.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
8.45am – 3.30pm

PRINCIPAL
Mr John Faulkner

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Mr Marty McKenna

ADMINISTRATION OFFICERS
Mrs Sue Lucas / Mrs Di Hendriks

### Dates to Remember

**MAY**
- 19th: Eucharist workshop 7pm
- 20th: Kirth Kiln excursion - Middles
- 21st: Kidsmatter Launch
- 22rd: School closure day
  - Cross Country
  - Junior Photo Trail/Tabloid Sports
- 26th: Open Day 8am – 8pm
- 27th: Assembly 2.30pm
- 29th: Aussie Sports Expo – Seniors

**JUNE**
- 3rd: School Nurse
- 4th: School Nurse
- 8th: Queen’s birthday holiday

**Note for your diary:**
Upper Yarra Secondary College has a pupil free day on Monday June 15th. No buses will run on that day.

### Parents and friends,

**NAPLAN**
Congratulations to all our Year 3 and Year 5 Students who have conducted themselves wonderfully during Naplan Week. They have demonstrated some excellent attributes; including persistence, determination and deep concentration. Thank you also to the remainder of the school community, who allowed our students the best opportunity to perform with minimal interruptions and distractions. Many specialist classes were rescheduled and changes were made, combined with several cold and rainy days. It was a great team effort! Normal classes will now resume as we focus on the remaining weeks of Term 2!

**Photo Trail**
As you now know, poor weather has resulted in our Foundation and Junior classes postponing their planned Photo Trail excursion from last Thursday to Tuesday 26th May (Week 7). Fingers crossed that the weather will be kinder to us on that day!

**Working Bee**
Weather permitting; we will be having our scheduled Friday Afternoon Working Bee from 3:15pm-5:00pm this Friday 15th May. Looking forward to seeing as many people as possible – there are currently 14 families rostered! If the weather remains poor I will Tiqbiz to postpone.

**Assembly**
We thank Junior B for their presentation this week as they displayed and presented some of their wonderful writing. What creative thinkers we have coming through our school! The presentation at the next assembly will be by Middle T on Wednesday 27th May.

**School Closure**
Just a reminder that on Friday 22nd May, we will be involved in a school closure day for all students. Please mark this day in your diaries! Staff will be visiting a school in Healesville to focus on future technology possibilities in our classrooms. The benefits of such days will impact our school and our students for years to come!

**Footy News!**
A BIG congratulations to Josh Sharp, Patrick Huynh and Max Bradley for their recent selection in a Dandenong Ranges Junior Football Interleague team! Great effort boys!

**Open Day**
Finally, a reminder that our **St. Joseph’s Open Day** will be taking place on Wednesday 27th May.

Have a great weekend everyone! Stay warm!

Marty McKenna
Acting Principal

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WE PAY RESPECT TO THE ELDERS BOTH PAST AND PRESENT OF THE KULIN NATION AND EXTEND THAT RESPECT TO OTHER INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS
**ALIVE IN OUR FAITH**

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Saturday – 4.30pm**
Sacred Heart Church, Warburton

**Sunday – 9.00am**
St. Thomas à Becket Church, Yarra Junction

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**LAST WEEKENDS READINGS**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading**: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
_The Holy Spirit descends on Jews and Gentiles alike._

**Responsorial Psalm**: Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

**Second Reading**: 1 Jn 4:7-10
_One without love does not know God._

**1 Jn 4:11-16**

**Gospel Acclamation**: Jn 14:23
_cf. Jn 14:18_

**Gospel**: Jn 15:9-17
_Live on in Christ._

**THIS WEEKENDS READINGS**

**The Ascension of the Lord**

**First Reading**: Acts 1:1-11
_Jesus is taken up into heaven._

**Responsorial Psalm**: Ps 46:2-3, 6-9. R. see v.6

**Second Reading**: Eph 1:17-23
_Live a life worthy of your calling._

**Eph 4:1-13**

**Eph 4:1-7. 11-13**

**Gospel Acclamation**: Mt 28:19. 20

**Gospel**: Mk 16:15-20
_Jesus commissions the eleven, ascends to heaven._

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**The Ascension**

Jesus speaks to the disciples in next Sunday’s gospel saying, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me.” He explained that he had to go back to his Father so they would need to spread the Good News. Jesus told them to teach others about him and to remember that he was with them always. He promised to send a helper. This was the Holy Spirit, the third person of God, who would be sent at Pentecost.

What does this mean for us today? As baptised Christians, the love of God has been poured into our hearts through the power of his Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the presence of God with us today. At Eucharist we can encounter the presence of Jesus through the bread and wine. At Confirmation further gifts are bestowed on us through the Holy Spirit. This means that Jesus is with us today, just as he was with the disciples. However, it takes faith to believe this. Faith is another gift from God. Through prayer and sacrament we too can form a deep relationship with God.

Having a relationship with Jesus gives us confidence, just as it did for the disciples. By talking to God, we can have hope and freedom from anxiety. You don’t have to go through your days feeling overwhelmed or under-prepared. Jesus can be your support through problems and pain – he can guide you through it and offer support through other people.

Next Wednesday, the whole school will be attending a special Mass in which two students and a teacher will be baptised. One will also be receiving their first Eucharist and Confirmation. It will be a great opportunity for students to witness initiation into the Church through the sacraments, which they are learning about in class this term.

Karen McQuade,
Christian Life Leader
Dear Families

We are all invited to the

KIDSMATTER LAUNCH NIGHT

ON

21st May at 7-8.30pm in the SPA CENTRE. It will be a fun night for all of us and there are going to be great prizes!

RSVP: 18th May. Please return slip to the office or class teacher.

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St Joseph's Kidsmatter Launch Night 21st May

Yes, the _____________________________ family will be attending.

Number of people: ______________
The Story of Sadako

Sadako Sasaki was a Japanese girl living in Hiroshima when the atomic bomb was dropped on Japan (August 6, 1945). In 1955, at age 11, Sadako was diagnosed with leukemia, a type of cancer caused by the atomic bomb.

While in the hospital, Sadako started to fold paper cranes. In Japan, there is a belief that if you folded 1000 paper cranes, then your wish would come true. Sadako spent 14 months in the hospital, folding paper cranes with whatever paper she could get. Paper was scarce so she used the paper from medicine bottles, candy wrappers, and left over gift wrap paper. Her wish was that she would get well again, and to attain peace & healing to the victims of the world.

Sadako died on October 25, 1955, she was 12 years old and had folded over 1300 paper cranes. Sadako’s friends and classmates raised money to build a memorial in honor of Sadako and other atomic bomb victims. The Hiroshima Peace Memorial was completed in 1958 and has a statue of Sadako holding a golden crane. At the base is a plaque that says:

This is our cry.
This is our prayer.
Peace in the world.

Although Sadako died at a very young age, her legacy continues. To this day, the paper crane is probably the most recognized origami model. The paper crane is often given as a wish for peace.

Sadako's brother (Masahiro Sasaki), who is now over 70 years old, saved five of the original paper cranes folded by his sister when she was in the hospital. He hopes to donate the remaining 5 cranes to the five continents of the world.

During our Japanese Club at school, we are attempting to fold 1000 Paper Cranes to make a wish for world peace! If you would like to join in our attempt the instructions are on the following page. Here is a useful YouTube clip to help! [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ux1EcrNZl4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ux1EcrNZl4) Enjoy your Origami! Arigato (Thank you) Liz O'Brien
Please Help!

Konichiwa! Ogenkidesuka?
Hello, how are you all?

I am currently making some resources for Japanese and I’m looking for some help! If you could cut or laminate a few resources for Japanese lessons please contact me at school or by e-mail. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

Thanks in advance Liz O’Brien
lobrien@sjyarrajunction.catholic.edu.au

origami crane
easy folding instructions

1 Start with a square sheet of paper. Fold it in half diagonally, then fold it in half again.

2 Place your thumb under the top sheet, pulling it to the right to form a square. Crease the folds.

3 Turn the paper over and repeat step 2.

4 Fold the right and left corners to the center line, crease the folds, and reopen.

5 Grasp the lower tip and pull up as shown by the arrow. Fold at the horizontal dotted line. Note that right and left corners will swing to the center. Fold along creases.

6 Turn the paper over and repeat step 5.

7 Fold right and left corners to center, and crease. Turn the paper over and repeat this step.

8 Fold the right flap to the left, turn the paper over and, once again, fold the right flap to the left.

9 Fold the two lower points up between the two flaps on each side.

10 Swing the two tips out slightly, and crease. Fold one tip downward to form the head.

11 Spread the wings and crease. Blow a little air into the hole underneath to fill out the body. You’re done!
**SAVE the DATE !!**

Parish Trivia /Social night  
Saturday June 27th  
7.30 - 10pm  
at Spa Centre, St Josephs School  
Come along for a relaxed evening catching up with friends & having some fun!  
More details to come.

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**WORKING BEE – TOMORROW (Weather permitting)**

The following families are rostered on:

- FARR
- LUNSON
- VRANKEN
- PERRY
- GIBSON
- MARTIN
- VOCE
- SMITH (Angus, Lily, Harvey)

JOLLY
McLEAN/ADAMS
VUKMAN
SMITH (Angus, Lily, Harvey)
JUFFERMANS-GOODLUCK
RAWLINSON
WARREN

Please bring tools etc that may be useful. We will message on tiqbiz if it is postponed.