

St Joseph's School Yarra Junction

Our vision states: *We value lifelong learning and have high expectations of possible achievements*

Newsletter No 43 – Thursday 14 February 2019



School Office Hours
8.45am – 3.30pm

PRINCIPAL

ACTING PRINCIPALS

Mrs. Prue Vanstan & Mrs. Jenny Allatt

ADMINISTRATION OFFICERS

Mrs. Alison Waldron & Mrs. Di Hendriks

Important dates to remember for February & March

FEBRUARY

Friday 15 Foundation/Grade 1 BBQ 6pm
Tuesday 19 Sacrament Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 26 Parish Advisory Board Meeting 7pm

MARCH

Monday 4 School Photos
Tuesday 5 Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Day
Wednesday 6 Ash Wednesday Mass
FRIDAY 8 SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY / PLANNING & CURRICULUM DAY
Monday 11 NO SCHOOL DAY – Labour Day
Tuesday 12 Reconciliation Day 7pm
Friday 15 School House Sports 5.30pm
Tuesday 19 School Advisory Board Meeting 7pm
Friday 29 Interschool Sports at Wesburn Year 3 - 6

Dear Parents and Friends,

Congratulations to all Year six students who received their leadership jackets last Friday. I hope that their final year of schooling will be a positive and memorable one.

Whilst parents were having their chats with the teachers, staff that were not involved in these chats were fortunate enough to spend time with the children in an informal setting. This was also an opportunity for me to get to know a little more about the students in our care. I also enjoyed learning a new game Ga-Ga and Year six students are teaching me to be a good referee for basketball.

Thank you to Mr Patrick for providing great games in the spa centre and thank you to Ms Heenan, Mr Wright, Mrs McConachy, Ms Cooper and Ms Spencer for their excellent assistance.

On Tuesday night, the first meeting of the St Joseph's School Advisory Board was held. I really enjoyed meeting the members. Their openness and obvious dedication to task is to be commended.

We have begun working on a new constitution, which will allow the Board to reflect on its role and set direction for 2019

The Board members are Fr Michael, Rebecca Lord – Mason F/1 F, Amy Ireland – Mitchell 4/5 O'B & Ollie 2/3 B, Andrea Maurici – Isabelle 4/5 O'B, Melissa Cooper – Lincoln 5/6 V & Bridie 2/3 B, Katie Weston – Ella F/1 D, Paul Voce – Sean 5/6 V, Desrae Thompson – Declan F/1 F, Prue and myself.

After the next meeting in March, the Board will publish a more detailed description of its activities.

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

A day has been scheduled for Friday 8th March.

This is an internal Professional Development Day. We apologise for the relative short notice, this date was only one available so we could have maximum participation. The day will involve evaluation of present educational practices and establish any modifications or additions needed.

Blessings and regards

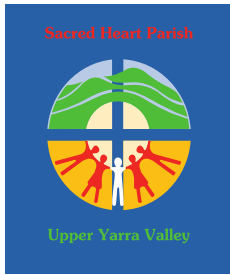
Jenny Allatt

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday – 7.00pm (Daylight Savings)

Sacred Heart Church, Warburton

Sunday – 8.30am

St. Thomas à Becket Church, Yarra Junction

Christmas Mass dates and times below

New Beginnings

Have you ever been really mad at someone? When we are angry with someone, we often want to get even. Jesus offers us a radically different response:

“You have heard the commandment, an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. But what I say to you is: offer no resistance to injury. When a person strikes you on the right cheek, turn and offer the other.”

This message from the gospel of Matthew (5:38-42) is challenging. We cannot take the words literally but the message is important. Jesus calls his followers to forgive those who harm us. Not only are we called to forgive, we are called to show compassion as children of God.

While we should not ignore wrongdoing, Jesus calls us to respond with love. When you're tempted to seek revenge, respond with kindness instead. Remember Jesus' words and choose the path of love.

The following example illustrates this:

Jack lives in a wealthy community where many young people drive expensive cars and live in expensive homes. Talk at his school often focuses on the newest games, computers, and clothes. Jack found his meaning by helping out at a soup kitchen, not by buying more and more for himself. He eventually helped lead service trips for other young people. He broke the cycle of greed and selfishness that traps many people in wealthy towns.

Thank you to all the staff, children and Father Michel for their contributions in preparing and participating in the beginning of school Mass last Friday. It was great to see many parents attending as well.

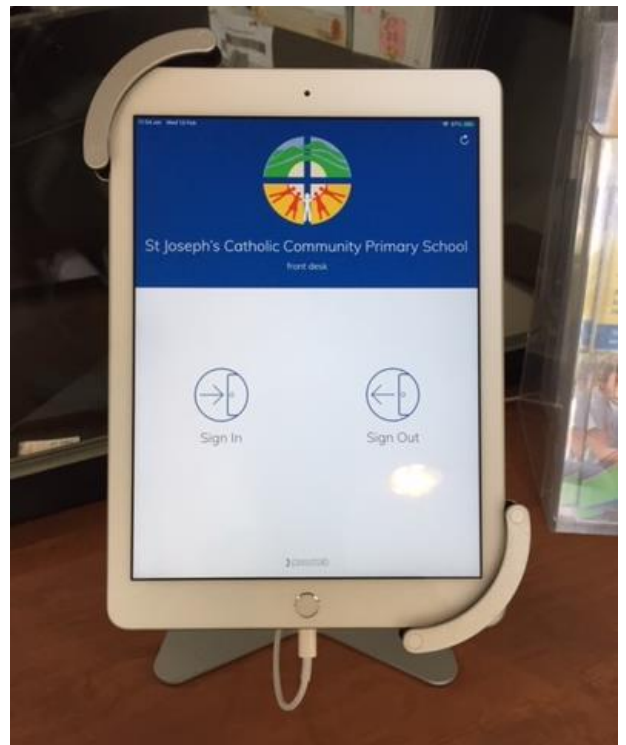
Karen McQuade

Christian Life Leader





St Joseph's have introduced a new sign in system. This is to be used by all Visitors to the school and students arriving late and leaving early.



Absent from School:

If your child is absent from school, please ensure you notify the office (via email, flexibuzz or phone message). The roll is marked each morning at 9.30am and our schools policy is to call parents if their child/children are absent **without** notification.

Lost Property:

Help!!! There is an avalanche of lost property. If you have lost something, please come to the office to have a look. It's super important that all your Child's/Children's property is clearly labelled. All un named items will be given to the uniform shop at the end of each month to recycle for other families.



Congratulations Jess from 5/6 V.

Jess and her pony Imperial Vagabond competed in Barastoc Horse of the year at Werribee on 7 & 8 of Feb 2019. Jess will now go onto represent Victoria at the 2019 Nationals later this year.



Jessica Sharp put on a beautiful display of riding to be declared Champion Rider 9, 10 and 11 Years and went on to be declared 2019 Barastoc 50th Anniversary Celebration Show Champion Junior Rider.

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

UPPER YARRA YOUTH EVENTS TEAM PRESENT

TENDER TONALITIES & MYSTERIOUS MELODIES

SAT 16TH FEB 6-10PM

ST MARY'S CHURCH

ADULT \$25
CONC \$15
U-18 FREE

RIVER FOLK FESTIVAL 2019 LAUNCH
FEATURING:
DANA SIPOS (CAN)
CHARM OF FINCHES (VIC)
YOUTH MUSIC SHOWCASE

3560 WARBURTON HWY, WARBURTON [FACEBOOK.COM/THERIVERFOLKFESTIVAL](https://www.facebook.com/theriverfolkfestival)

KREATIONZ

CHEER AND DANCE

Recreational and Competitive

Want to watch your budding ballerina blossom? Or see your energetic cheerleader reach for the stars?

Join the Kreationz Cheer and Dance family today where your child can dream, sparkle and shine!

JAZZ
CHEERLEADING
CLASSICAL BALLET
CONTEMPORARY
KINDERBALLET
HIP HOP
TAP
SONG & DANCE
VCE DANCE
BIRTHDAY PARTIES

STUDIOS LOCATED
IN YARRA
JUNCTION,
EMERALD AND
FERNTREE GULLY

Classes for ages 16 months to adults

GUITAR LESSONS

JACK PATTERSON

CURRENTLY STUDYING MUSIC AT BOX HILL INSTITUTE WITH HIGH GRADES AND AM ABLE TO TEACH MULTIPLE GENRES OF MUSIC TO SUIT YOUR STYLE.

A GUITAR WILL BE PROVIDED DURING THE LESSON IF YOU DON'T HAVE ONE, LOAN GUITARS CAN BE ARRANGED

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING YOU ALL.

HALF AN HOUR LESSONS AVAILABLE ON TUESDAYS IN THE DISCOVERY ROOM

SINGLE STUDENT LESSON: \$25
TWO STUDENT SHARED LESSON: \$20

CONTACT JACK: 0498 010 329
OR
ENQUIRE AT SCHOOL OFFICE