

St Joseph's School Yarra Junction

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

Newsletter No 41 – Friday 1st 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 8	Whole School Mass 9am
Tuesday 12	School Advisory Board Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 13	2019 Introductory Meetings for Parents & Teachers 2pm to 8pm
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
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,

On behalf of the staff, I would like to welcome you and your family to the 2019 school year.

As John indicated at the conclusion of the 2018 school year, a new Principal is still to be appointed which hopefully will be at beginning of term three.

In the interim, Prue Vanstan and myself will be in the role of Acting Principal. I am certainly no stranger to this vibrant community. In 2011, I was fortunate enough to be in a similar role before John was appointed. You can be assured that the duo Principalship role has had a firm beginning and will continue to do so. I am privileged to be in this position and am always available as is Prue to discuss your child's needs. Today we see the full contingent come together. Foundation began on Wednesday and have had a head start and look old hands already. Education is a lifelong journey for all of us, and to be a part of the student's every day journey, is a privilege for staff and one we are deeply committed to.

A new year brings new beginnings; new beginnings bring hope and positivity, which we strive for students and ourselves each day.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to welcome new staff members:

Mr Terry Foley – Foundation/Grade 1
Ms Rebecca Heenan – Grade 2/3B
Mr David Patrick – PE
Mr Brad Wright – Learning Support Officer

The staff met on Tuesday 29th Jan and I was impressed by their knowledge, dedication, insight and commitment to the students.

At our staff meeting, several items were discussed and the following we would ask families to assist us with:

- Good nutritional lunches, (only milk or water)
- Punctuality, children need the structure and stability of arriving on time
Children need to wear prescribed uniform to provide them with ownership and sense of belonging and most importantly a sense of partnership between family and school, working together in a collaborative framework

Introductory Meetings will be held on Wednesday 13th February from 2pm through to 8pm. These are teacher/parent conversations as subjects of a sensitive nature may be discussed.

Interviews are strictly 10 minutes only. If you need more time with a particular teacher, please arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

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To make the most of your interviews, parents may wish to consider the following questions:

1. What are your child's strengths?
2. Where would you like to see your child develop further this year?
3. What are your child's interests?
4. Is there anything in your child's life outside school that could be impacting on their educational development?

Bookings times are now open.

Website: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Code: pmwvj

May God bless us all and work together in peace, harmony and love
Jenny Allatt



Parish Priest: Rev. Michel Corriveau

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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

WE
MISSED
YOU!



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.

