

# St Joseph's School Yarra Junction

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

Newsletter No 52 – Thursday 9 May 2019 [www.sjyarrajunction.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sjyarrajunction.catholic.edu.au)



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 May & June

<b>Monday 13</b>	<b>NAPLAN WEEK online testing Year 3 &amp; 5</b>
Wednesday 15	Mass – Senior VV 9am
<b>Saturday 18</b>	<b>P &amp; F Working Bee 8.30am – 1pm</b>
	<b>ELECTION – Do not forget to vote</b>
Wednesday 22	NO UYSC BUS (please make alternate arrangements for drop off and pick up) Mass – F/1D 9am
Friday 24	Cross Country Wesburn Year 3 - 6
Tuesday 28	School Assembly 4/5/6's – 2.20pm
Wednesday 29	Mass Senior O'B 9am
<b>Friday 31</b>	<b>ALL ENROLMENTS DUE FOR 2020</b>
<b>June</b>	
Wednesday 5	OPEN MORNING – 9am till 11am
<b>Tuesday 11</b>	<b>School Closure Day – NO SCHOOL DAY</b> School Advisory Board Meeting 7pm

Dear Parents and Friends,

As we enter week three it is good to see all the children highly engaged and motivated after completing camps and excursions.

We once again have conducted a number of school tours this week for perspective enrolments. Meeting these families and sharing the school experience with them has been a privilege.

We will be conducting two open days on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June from 9am-11am.

These days are a celebration of learning and all parents, grandparents and friends of past, present and future parents are invited to come along and see the school in action.

In the F/1 area, we are very excited as our new concertina doors have been installed and look fantastic.

As we enter third term parents of junior students often ask for advice regarding assisting their child at home especially in the area of literacy.

An invitation is extended to all parents and carers to come along for a "Readers, Writers and Parents" session. It will cover all aspects of reading progress including writing and spelling and look at strategies we utilize in the classroom and easy, fun ones you can use at home. It will be held on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 9.00am. We look forward to sharing many ideas and also to answer any queries you may have.

On Wednesday, the Year 6 students represented St. Joseph's at a memorial service.

This Sunday we celebrate a very important day and we hope all who undertake that vital mothering role get thoroughly spoilt with love and gratitude on this special day.

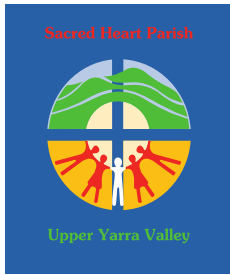
**Please note the school closure day advertised for the 7<sup>th</sup> June has been rescheduled for Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, due to a facilitator for staff PD being un-available.**

*Blessings and regards*  
*Jenny Allatt*

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### Weekend Mass Times

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

**Sunday – 8.30am**  
St. Thomas à Becket Church, Yarra Junction

## Easter liturgy

On Tuesday, we had a liturgy in the church to celebrate Easter. It comprised of some role-plays, prayers, songs and PowerPoint displays designed to reflect on the gospel stories in the bible. These described the events that took place after Jesus died on the Cross.

Jesus rose from the dead three days later. The women that visited the tomb found it was empty, and then told the disciples who went to visit also. Jesus appeared to Mary later in the day and she related the good news to the disciples.

Jesus then appeared several times to his disciples encouraging them to tell all that he had truly risen and follow his ways by healing, praying and caring for others.

The resurrection of Jesus is significant because it fulfils the predictions in the Old Testament scriptures that Jesus was God's son. He died so that we may be forgiven and be with God in eternal life.

Thank you to the members of the Mini Vinnies, who acted out the scenes very well and helped with the setting up.

May you all find peace and happiness through the Risen Christ!

*Karen McQuade*

*Christian Life Leader*





## Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St. Joseph's School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by **6 September 2019**.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

Please note, all class teachers have the list of Usernames and Passwords your children need to log on to the website and keep record of the number of books read. If your child is interested in participating, they can ask their teacher for these, or you can check at the office where we also have the list. Some teachers may be helping the children to enter books in class time, but they are encouraged to do so from home. Parents may need to help the younger ones. If you have any questions or need help, please see Di in the office or the library.

Most of all, enjoy reading with your child!

# Parents and Friends Project Working Bee



When: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 8.30am – 1pm  
Where: Playground near the oval  
Sausage Sizzle provided.

The Parents and Friends committee have organised to fund the 'River Nile' project in the playground near the oval. The day aims to get a dry creek bed formed with river rocks, some plantings, re decking the two bridges to the oval, painting of the fort, replacing some of the sleepers and mulching the area. On the day, some other jobs will include tidying the area near the office.

Working together on a project means that we can come together and create something for our school community, sharing our skills and vision. If you could lend a hand for a few hours, we would be most grateful. This also means you would have attended your working bee for the year.

Please get in contact if you could advise us about the following

- Sleepers: what would be best used in the playground
- Digger equipment to widen the 'River Nile'
- Re building the 2 access bridges to the oval.

If you wish to find out more please see Leonie Shalders or Prue Vanstan.

## Parents & Friends

Winter is coming and so are the rainy lunchtimes. We are updating the puzzles and games available for use by the children during rainy lunchtimes. Any donations of puzzles and games that your children have outplayed or outgrown would be appreciated. Missing counters, dice etc are not a problem as we can probably find replacements for them. Please leave any donations at the office.

Any questions feel free to contact Andrea Maurici on 0402 037 190.



# Taste of MLMC

**Thursday 9 May - 5pm to 8.30pm**

Invitation to all parents and students in grades 4, 5 and 6

Please join us at our twilight open house event for a unique taste of what MLMC has to offer your child. Here's your chance to explore the College, meet the teachers and students and engage in a range of fun-filled interactive activities.

**Please register at [mlmc.vic.edu.au](http://mlmc.vic.edu.au)**

**Be your best. Give your best.**



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# Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS



## Building Resilience in Children on the Autism Spectrum

Join us for this insightful and strategy based workshop as Sonia Street, Psychologist, unpacks building resilience in children on the Autism Spectrum.

In this workshop, Sonia will be covering:

- Emotional Resilience
- Coping strategies
- Problem Solving
- Practical skills to build resilience

*This workshop is aimed at Early Childhood Educators, Primary School Staff and Parents*

**Presenter:** Sonia Street, Psychologist

**Date:** Thursday 13th June 2019

**Time:** 7pm – 9pm with doors open from 6:40pm

**Price:** \$25 for Parents inc GST  
\$30 for Educators and other Professionals inc GST  
*All Educators and other Professionals receive a Certificate of Participation*

**Location:** Mooroolbark Salvation Army – 305 Manchester Road, Mooroolbark

To book your ticket: <http://eventbrite.com.au/e/61226732806>

Spectrum Journeys Inc is a not for profit community service that aims to equip & encourage early childhood educators, teachers, future professionals & families as they support children on the Autism Spectrum to flourish. For more information, see Spectrum Journeys Inc on Facebook or visit our website.

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## CALM TODDLERS Happy Parents with Lynne Kennedy

Have you ever wondered why your toddler doesn't seem to listen to you, even after repeat yourself a thousand times? Or why they refuse to share their toys, take turns or be reasonable? The simple answer is, a toddler's brain is still under construction and as much as we want our toddlers to understand they simply can not see the world the same as adults do.

In this parenting session, we will discuss some of the underlying reasons why challenging toddler behaviour occurs and explore respectful ways to set clear limits while maintaining a loving connection, which in turn will result in day to day life becoming calmer and happier for the whole family.

Tuesday 7th May, 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Chirnside Park Community Hub, 33 Kimberley Drive, Chirnside Park

Thursday 27th June, 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Yarra Junction Cire Community Hub, 2463 Warburton Hwy, Yarra Junction

Cost: \$10 per person (payment required prior to event)

For further information or to book call 1300 835 235

# OPEN EVENING

## Take a tour and enjoy some hot soup.

**JOIN US**  
and find out why Cire Community School is becoming the right choice for young people seeking an alternative secondary education.

A hands on approach to learning with a vocational focus, providing young people with the skills they need to further their education or gain employment.

We deliver quality education and personal development programs for students in years 7 to 10 at our Yarra Junction campus and years 10 to 12 VICAL at our Mt Evelyn campus.

A complimentary bus service is available for students attending the Yarra Junction campus from Healesville, Lyndale, Chirnside Park, Mooroolbark, Emerald, Cockatoo, Launching Place, Mt Evelyn and surrounding areas.

**MT EVELYN CAMPUS**  
20 Old Hereford Rd, Mt Evelyn  
**Thursday 16th May**  
Drop in between  
4.00pm - 7.00pm

**YARRA JUNCTION CAMPUS**  
39-41 Little Yarra Rd, Yarra Junction  
**Thursday 23rd May**  
Drop in between  
4.00pm - 7.00pm

**1300 835 235**

# ANXIETY in Young Children (4-8years)

with Lynne Kennedy

Fearful and anxious behaviour is common in young children, especially as they come across new situations and experiences. Most children learn to cope with different fears and worries; however, some children react more quickly or intensely to situations they find threatening and find it hard to get their anxious feelings under control.

In this workshop, we will explore ways to help our children manage their fears and gain the confidence to deal with situations as they arise.

Thursday 16th May - 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Cire Community Hub - Yarra Junction, 2463 Warburton Hwy, Yarra Junction

Monday 24th June - 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Chirnside Park Community Hub, 33 Kimberley Drive, Chirnside Park

Cost: \$10 per person (payment required prior to event)

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