

# St. Luke's **Catholic Primary School** Community Newsletter

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#### **Annual Theme:**

2017: Be Our Best For Jesus

Term: 4 Friday 20th October 2017

### What's on next week?

<b>2</b> 3rd	2.20pm Assembly
24th	
25th	
26th	Athletics Carnival
27th	

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#### We are eSmart

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# Thank you

to Father Berny for a beautiful mass, celebrating the Feast of St Luke





# **Principals Report:**

#### Week 2

#### St. Luke's Feast Day Mass

On Wednesday our school celebrated the Feast of our patron, St Luke. It was a beautiful and very special occasion, as Fr. Berny lead the entire school community in Mass. Thank you to the students who participated in the Mass with specific roles, such as reading or in a procession (Gospel, offertory, entrance, gathering), but also a big thank you to all the students, as the singing and the responses were clear and done with great enthusiasm. Our teachers and staff, are such a great model for our students in their reverence and the way they conduct themselves throughout the Mass, thank you also. Students enjoyed extra play at lunch, and then joined their buddy class in the afternoon for activities, learning more about St Luke and his work spreading the Gospel, as well as learning more about the history of our school.

You may have noticed something new and different at the beginning of our Feast Day Mass. As we gathered together to begin Mass, we acknowledged our school community houses. These houses hold a special significance and reflect the pioneering and early days of our school.

**Hicks (blue)** - Named in honour of St Luke's first Principal Steve Hicks, and the Hicks family. The house represents all who hold leadership positions in our school.

**Amadei (orange)** - Named in honour of our first administration officer, Jen Amadei. This house represents the importance of non-teaching staff to our school.

**Dickinson (red)** - Named in honour of our first Religious Education Coordinator, Melanie Dickinson, now Ford. This house represents teachers who have journeyed through their graduate years into leadership.

**Murray - (green)** Named in honour of our first Deputy Principal, Theresa Murray. This house represents those in our school who are experienced educators.

**Nolan (gold) -** Named in honour of our first graduate teacher, Brigid Nolan. This house represents the enthusiasm, youthfulness and new ideas which graduate teachers bring to our schools.

#### Staff Meeting - Wednesday

Our dedicated staff at St Luke's began our Term 4 Professional Reading Schedule on Wednesday. One of the most highly effective principles for professional learning, is for teachers and support staff to engage in collaborative professional reading. It is a time where teachers and support staff are exposed to relevant and research / evidence based educational concepts. One of the aspects of a highly functioning professional reading schedule, is the opportunity to participate in conversation, shared experiences and a 360 degree feedback loop. The purpose of any professional learning, is for the knowledge, skills or concepts to be put into daily classroom practice.

#### **Budget Workshop**

On Tuesday, Jen and I attended a budget workshop facilitated by the Catholic Education Office. It was a real learning experience for me, as although I feel I have somewhat of a, perhaps surface level understanding of budgets (my wife would disagree!), I learnt that

there are many layers and complexities to how our school is financially, each year. Jen and David do a great job in leading this often challenging and unseen area, which is a valued and vital cog in our school.

Our **school athletics** sports day has now been <u>rescheduled</u> for THURSDAY 26th October.

#### **School Fete**

Our inaugural school fete is fast approaching. There is plenty of work being done behind the scenes to make this fantastic

scenes to make this fantastic initiative a reality and success. Shortly, classroom delegates will be calling on the support of parents, to assist in our major fundraiser of 2017. It promises to be a fun filled event for the whole family.

9am - 3pm

McEwen
Reserve

Come dressed for athletics in your house colours!

PARENT HELP:
Any parents that are available to asset with setting up and/or packing up, please email ckert@streparton cathcic edu au

Athletics Day

Please keep our hard working groundsman Frank York in **your thoughts and prayers.** Frank and his family were recently involved in a serious car accident. We will welcome back Frank when he is fully recovered.

The importance of having dreams in life is something that should never be underestimated or dismissed. This week, a young man from Box Hill, Melbourne made his debut in the National Basketball Association (NBA) in the USA. He has said it was his dream since childhood and the experience was surreal. Remember the name Ben Simmons, as in years to come, he will dominate the NBA.

We should always encourage our kids to reach for the stars, no matter their passion.

Enjoy the weekend and this beautiful Spring weather.

Be well,

**Mark Harmer (Deputy Principal)** 



# **Religious Education / Catholic Identity**

# **Making Jesus Real:**

# **Masses**

# **MJR Focus:**

"T.U.P—Tolerance, Understanding and Patience"

## **Social Skills Focus:**

For this week our social skills focus was

# **FLEXIBILITY**

- 1. Being open to change.
- 2. Not always having your own way

Throughout the year we invite our families to reinforce each set of social skills that are the focus for our fortnight. These social skills link with the Making Jesus Real (MJR) program in our school.

# Our MJR scripture for this fortnight is:

"With all humility, gentleness and patience, be tolerant with one another in love" Ephesians 4:2

# **Assembly Gospel & Foyer Display:**

Week / Learning Group

**Gospel Reflection Focus** 

Week 3 - 3 / 4 Murray **Monday 23rd October**  Matthew 22: 15-21

Week 4 - Prep Dainton Monday 30th October

Matthew 22:34-40

**Foyer Display: Junior Learning Community** 

# **End of Year / Graduation Mass**

When: Thursday 14th December What: End of Year / Graduation Mass Where: St. Brendan's Church Time: 6pm

# **Parish News:**



# St. Brendan's Parish Children's Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday at 11.00am Mass during school term.

We will recommence this Sunday 15th October



## St. Brendan's Parish Sacramental Program 2018

The St. Brendan's Parish Sacramental Program is a program run by the parish for children in Year 3 or older who would like to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist and become fully initiated into the Catholic Church

In order for your child to participate in this program they need to be Baptised. If your child is not baptised, please contact the parish house as soon as possible.

Parish Office Hours - Monday and Tuesday 9am to 3pm and Wednesday to Friday 9am to 4pm 58212633 or email Laura at sacramental.coord@bigpond.com

# **School Information**

0438 311 991 Pre Loved Paula Holland **Uniforms** Kaylene Armstrong 0417 454 250 **Town Bus** 5831 2150 Shepp Transit **Country Bus** Paul Lucas 5825 2344 After School Care Stepping Stones 1300 665 699 **School Banking** Jo O'Neill 0418 311 251 **Community Group** Lucy Gallace 0417 995 032

Lunch Orders: Lunch order day is Wednesday, please remind your child to place their lunch order in the

lunch tub first thing in the morning.

















Skoolbag











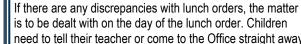
Please only use the large brown lunch bags available from the office - \$2 for 50.











need to tell their teacher or come to the Office straight away.

# **Curriculum Update:**

# **Children's Chatter Matters!**

#### Term 4 : Language Learning activities

2. Share books with your child by reading and asking questions. This will help your child hear the entire sequence and flow of the story, which will assist them learning story structure. Once your child has had the opportunity to have a few texts read to them uninterrupted, it is important that during reading, you begin to take turns in talking about what is happening in the pictures and ask your child questions that focus on the elements of the story.

Before reading a story with your child discuss the following questions: What is the title of the book?

What does the cover tell you about the book? What do you think the book is about? Have we read a book like this before?

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*During* reading with your child, the following questions can be asked: What do you think will happen next?

What is the problem in the book?

How do you think the problem will be solved? Why do you think the character did that?





How do you think the character feels?

When you were reading this part, what were you

When you were reading this part, what were you picturing in your head?

After reading ask the following questions: Describe the setting of the story? Where did the story take place? What was your favourite part? Which part would you change?





# CARNIVAL RIDES WRIST BAND's



# **FIRST EVER SCHOOL FETE**

Come along, bring your family & friends and join in the fun ... 4 hours unlimited rides for \$35 ...

including the Cha Cha Ride, Tea Cups, Jumping Castles, Mini boats & Train

**Pre Purchase your \$35 rides armband** by returning the note that went home with students Thursday.

# **Awards:**

AT JO	Encouragement Award	You Can Do it Award	
Prep D	Arvind Senthil Kumar	Annalise Gallace	
Prep K	Millie Muston	Alyssa Casuscelli	
1/2 B	N/A	N/A	
1/2 K	Amira James	Maya Pearson	
1/2 R	Talia Dichiera	Abigael Wambugu	
3/4 C	Grace Novotny	Thomas Ranson	
3/4 H/M	Tia Bailey	Darsyn Harris	
3/4 M	Teagan Moffatt	Declan Keady	
5/6 S	Cohan Hall	Emma Ash	
5/6 H	Zavier Gallace	Kade Metcalf	

### **CHANGES TO TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS**

For any changes to travel arrangements and collection of students, please contact the school via phoning 5822 1834 by 3pm.

Please do not rely on emailing staff. Thank you

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Please note our school office hours are Monday to Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

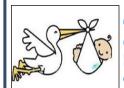
Jen works Monday to Thursday and Karli works Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

The office email address is: office@slshepparton.catholic.edu.au. This email will go to both Jen and Karli

# Congratulations

Congratulations to Tanya and Paul, Liana (3/4C), Zoe (PrepD) & Isla Demase on the arrival of their new son/brother Ethan•





Welcome to the world Ethan Camm! Congratulations to Chris & Monique, Logan (PrepD) and Brax on the arrival of their new son/brother.



# FETE UPDATE

# We are now gathering items for classroom silent auctions.

\*Donations can be as small or big as you like.

\*There are no expectations on your donation.

Categories for each classroom are:

Prep Kent Prep Dainton
Pamper Male Prep Dainton
Pamper Female

1 / 2 Kent1 / 2 RyanBaby & ToddlerSport

1/2 Black 3/4 Murray

Books, puzzles/crosswords Boys

3 / 4 Calder 3 / 4 Harmer/Muston

Auto Package Sweets

5 / 6 Hicks Girls 5 / 6 Simpson Garden

Please send to school with your child as the auction buckets shall be kept in the classroom.

#### Raffle Books

Raffle books were due back today. If you have not returned your raffle book yet, could you please do so on Monday.

#### **Carnival bands**

Now on sale, spread the word!!! Our target is 300 as this will see additional rides.

# Home made produce.

We're looking for home made Jams, preserves, sauces, etc. An ingredient list will need to be included. The committee can make labels if needed

# Athletics Day Poems

I was excited about the Athletics, I had all my colours ready, I wanted my House to win, We would run so strong and steady.

The rain had ruined my one day a year, The thunder echoed in my head. Now our chances were ruined, I just wanted to stay in bed.

I couldn't run in the relay, I couldn't hop, step and jump, I couldn't throw the vortex, And now my shoulders were starting to slump.

So doing school work I was forced to, But a glimmer of hope still remains, For next Thursday could be Athletics Day, Just as long as it's not crushed by rains!

by Seamus Martin, Year 5/6 Hicks, 2017

I was so disappointed, I was going to be crowned queen, In the Athletics today, Then so cloudy did it seem.

My thoughtful dad went to assist set up, And then we received the disappointing call, It's not pleasing news, I'm sorry, We're not doing Athletics at all!

My sister was frustrated, I don't doubt her, too, My dad was also enraged, Because he had work to do.

I miserably stepped into the car, And drove to St. Luke's Catholic School, I opened the door to find a puddle, I was mad because this was so cruel.

So here I am sitting in class, No running today I shall, Instead I'm writing this poem, And learning how to spell!!

by Emily Zampaglione Year 5/6 Hicks, 2017 Athletics Day was cancelled! The rain affected the way, My team could not gain success, It was not a sun lit day.

I had a blue shirt to wear, My heart was beaming with pride, But when I saw the rain, My happiness was seized by the tide.

The hurdles were my favourite, But my head felt really low, The drive to school felt deep, When I arrived, I saw the rain blow.

I should have been running around now, But instead inside I am stuck, Doing rhyming poems in my work book, What a day to receive such dreadful luck!

By Tiana Daunt Year 5/6 Hicks, 2017 Our Athletics Day appeared to be cancelled, Because of the pouring rain, Hicks team had no chance of winning the trophy, My saddened heart was such a hurtful pain.

I had on my blue t-shirt and cap, My war paint seemed to be gleaming on my face.

My now soaking wet streamers would sit all alone,

I would never ever win my race.

The song we had practiced would not be sung, Unfortunately no cheering, no shouting at all, No jumping the high hurdles or racing, No throwing and catching the ball.

No trophies would be awarded or talked about, No encouraging words would be shouted. I looked out the wet window and moaned, "I think I'll just stay home," I pouted!

by Ollie Kilmartin Year 5/6 Hicks, 2017

I rose from my bed this morning, Ready to jog, run and sprint. I looked out of the window, The cloudy weather gave me a hint.

I was organised and ready to go, When the message came with a "ping," I read it quickly and it said, Athletics this year was no longer a thing.

I was so disappointed, I wanted to jump,throw and run, Now the sun doesn't shine, And this day won't be done.

I'm disappointedly stuck at my desk, Practising skills of thinking and writing, When I could have had a fun day, And been sprinting, winning and fighting!

by Rose Novotny Year 5/6 Hicks, 2017

# <u>Rescheduled!</u>

## Thursday 26th October!!





Year Prep, 1 and 2 had a visit from Amy & Ash from GV Dental Group today. The children participated in a range of hands on activities relating to dental health.

Here are Neto and Liam (Prep K) dressed as the dentist and patient.



# **Italian Day!!!!!**

# St Luke's Italian Day





On Friday 27th of October we will be having an Italian day. You can dress up in Italian colours; green, white, red or anything Italian related. On the day there will be a morning parade, Italian comedy show, Italian activities along with a soccer game teachers vs seniors!



Friday 27Th October



27th October

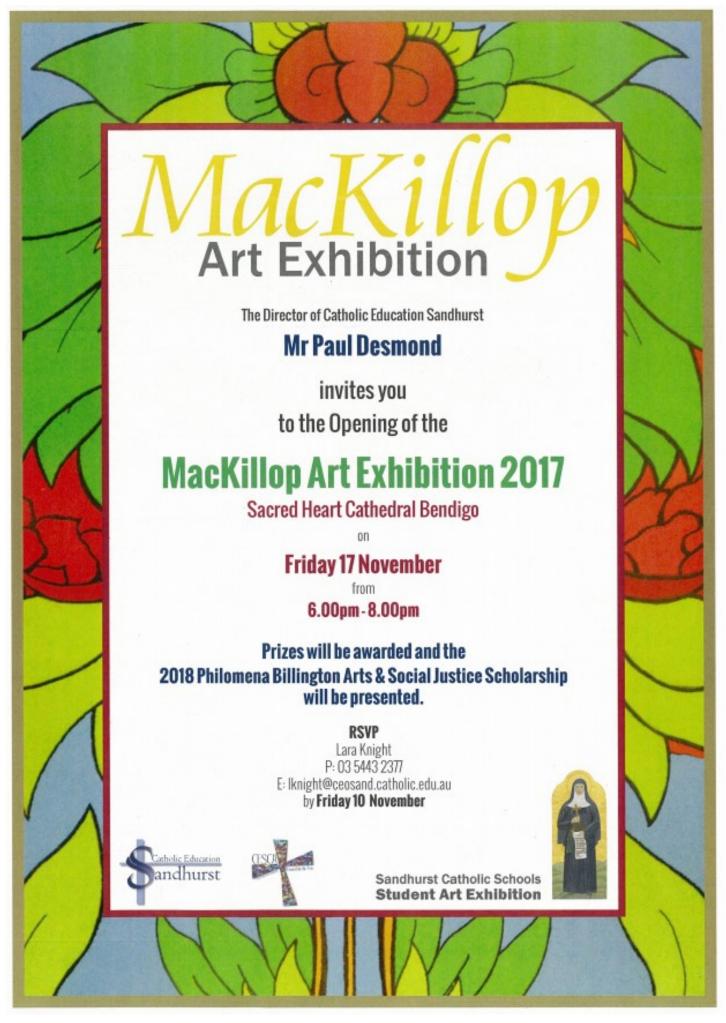
Come dressed in green, white, red or ANYTHING Italian, for our parade!

LA COMICA VARIETY PRODUCTIONS ITALIAN SHOW!

Soccer Game: Seniors Vs Teachers

Lots of Italian activities throughout the day!







We invite you to join us for a weekend of celebrations

Friday October 27 School Festivities and Fun

Liturgy, Dress up and games of the olden days

Saturday October 28 Past Students Gathering

Wine and Cheese, Get Together, Alumni and Time Capsule Launch

2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday October 28 Celebration Dinner

Park Lake Hotel

Dinner and entertainment by Catch 22 \$65 per person with drinks at bar prices

6:30 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Sunday October 29 Community Gathering

Morning tea at St Mel's Parish Hall with school tours

To find out more visit our website: http://www.smshepparton.com/2017-celebrating-60-years.html

or email us at: stmels60@smshepparton.catholic.edu.au

# BODY SOFETY



#### For Parents of Pre & Primary School Age Children In The Local Community

Learn how to tailor conversations with your children about:

- Healthy & Respectful Relationships Body & Protective Safety
- What is normal early childhood sexual behaviour How babies are made and born

- Puberty Preparation Internet Safety and our Sexualised Society

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017

7:00pm – 8:30pm

Learn how to choose suitable information about sexual health

- What is appropriate for my family? How much do I need to tell them? At what age should I discuss these topics?

#### Testimonials from Parents

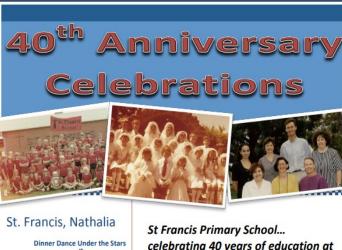
- "Brilliant, every parent should have access to this talk...
- "This talk was very helpful to me as a parent of both a kinder and a primary school child, thank you..."
- "Such a clear presenter easy to listen to, I liked the humour as it took the pressure off heavy topics..."
- . "I feel a lot more confident talking to my kids now..."

ssa's presentation is probably on of the best parenting sessions I've ever attended. Honest, engaging, knowledged fantastic, Thank you.

Bourchier St Primary School, Bourchier St, Shepparton Free (Supported by Primary Care Connect, Shepparton) Parents and Carers from Local Primary Schools are all welcome

03 5821 3488 or bourchier.street.ps.shepparton@edumail.vic.gov.au





Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of November 7:00-12:00pm



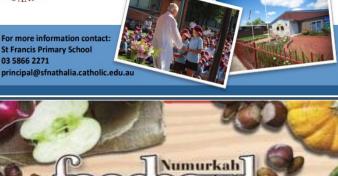
Fair and Family Day ay 12<sup>th</sup> of Novemb 11:30am-3:30pm

ACE AND JOS

celebrating 40 years of education at St. Francis, Nathalia.

Come and share stories of the past and meet the school community of the present.

Everyone welcome.



# **Bush Dance**

Sunday 22 October 130pm-4pm Senfor Citizens Hub IS Macaskii St

An all ages free Bush Dance, including classics such as the 'heel and toe polka' and the 'stockyard'.

Afternoon tea supplied and a live band performing.

Dress up and have some fun!











