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Holy Family School Newsletter

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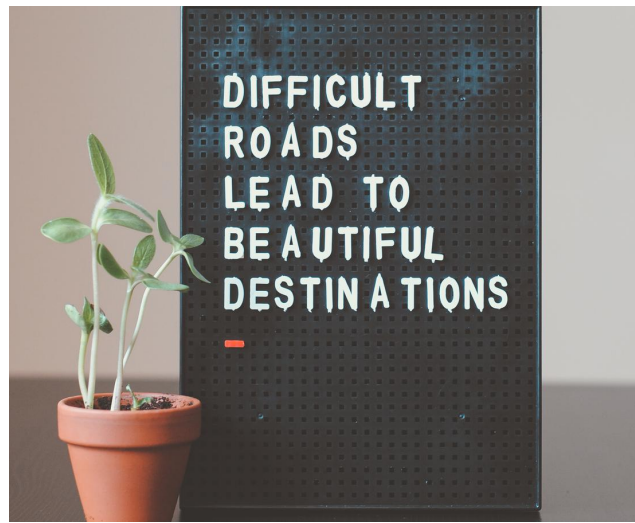
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2022 SCHOOL THEME - 'MAKE A DIFFERENCE'

Monday 31st October (School Closure Day)

Tuesday 1st November (Public Holiday)

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware my beautiful dad passed away last week. This has been a challenging time for my family so I would like to thank each of you for your thoughts and prayers.



My dad was a natural teacher and later a school Principal. His classrooms were always a happy place to be in but never quiet. Dad loved teaching and seeing students excel in their pursuits.

Family was everything to dad. He was happy if we were all together sharing a meal or a celebration. Whenever I visited he would always say, 'Are you leaving already?'

Dad was interested in us as people. I spoke to him almost everyday and he would always ask about school and my family.

We farewell our gorgeous Dad and Pa this Friday. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

“Family is not an important thing. It’s everything.”

Thank You

I would like to thank Jennifer Young for stepping into the role of Acting Principal while I was on leave. She has been an amazing support for everyone while Eithne and I have been on leave!

Term 4 Friday Mass

Parents/carers are welcome to join us for Mass at 9:15am on Fridays this term.

Date	Classes
28/10/2022	5/6 FG 3/4D
4/11/22	3/4M 5/6P
11/11/22	3/4C 3/4L
18/11/22	5/6 YW 5/6B
2/12/22	Whole school mass

Confirmation

Congratulations to our students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday. Thank you to our staff and community for supporting these students and their families.

Prep Transition

Our onsite Prep 2023 Transition sessions have started and the students have settled in well. Thank you to our staff for the preparation that has taken place to make these sessions successful and engaging.

World Teachers Day

Tomorrow we are acknowledging the amazing work our teachers do to support and guide their students and families. I was asked recently to describe our staff and the words I came up with were - dedicated, supportive, empathetic, caring and nurturing. A great teacher does a whole lot more than just educate the student in front of them.

Year 1/2 Camp Day

Our Year ½ students and staff will be traveling to Warburton next Friday 4th November to participate in their Outdoor Camp Day. I am sure the weather will be just perfect for them!

Community Christmas Carols

Everyone is invited to bring a picnic afternoon tea and rug on Thursday 8th December (3:30-5pm) to celebrate the end of our year with Community Christmas Carols in the quadrangle.

School Closure Days

Our students have the following school closure days -

- Monday 31st October (Report Preparation Day)
- Friday 25th November (2023 Planning)

Annual General Meetings

Our Annual general Meetings for Parents and Friends and our School Advisory Council will take place this term. On behalf of our school community I would like to thank both of these groups for their support of our school this year.

- School Advisory Council AGM - Wednesday 9th November (6pm)
- Parents and Friends AGM - Tuesday 15th November (7pm)

Some Key Dates (Term 4)

- Friday 28th October (World Teachers Day)
- Friday 4th November (Year 1/2 Camp Day)
- Tuesday 8th November - Prep Transition (Session 3)

- Wednesday 9th November School Advisory Council AGM (6pm)
- Friday 11th November (Remembrance Day)
- Tuesday 15th November - 2023 Prep Transition (Session 4)
- Tuesday 15th November - Parents and Friends AGM (7pm)
- Tuesday 15th November (Year 3/4 Excursion Melbourne Zoo)
- Tuesday 22nd November 2023 Prep Transition (Session 5)
- Friday 25th November (School Closure Day)
- Monday 28th November - Friday 9th December (Prep-Year 4 Swimming Program)
- Wednesday 30th November - Transition (new students)
- Friday 2nd December - Mass/Celebration of Learning
- Thursday 8th December - Community Christmas Carols (3:30-5pm)
- Monday 12th December (Move Up Session 1)
- Tuesday 13th December (Move Up Session 2)
- Wednesday 14th December (Year 6 Graduation)
- Thursday 15th December (End of Year Mass 9:15am)
- Thursday 15th December (Last day - finish at 3:15pm)

Enrolments for 2023 Now Open

Don't forget to pop into the office to get an enrolment form for Prep - Year 6 2023.

Enjoy your extra long weekend,

Julie David (Principal)



From the REL Miss Considine

Zacchaeus, come down

On the weekend I went into the city for the first time in ages and it was buzzing. It felt beautiful to be back in the city surrounded by people, all with their own agenda drawn to the beauty of the buildings, the noise and the attractions. While walking along southbank gazing at the Yarra, I suddenly felt shame and discomfort. Out of the corner of my eye, the beauty had been swapped with despair. I looked down to see a homeless man begging for money. I walked past him and didn't make eye contact. My friend and I were mid conversation. Instantly I felt worse as we past him, as if he meant nothing, or was unworthy of my time, especially as I was late to see a show.

I am constantly torn in these situations, as I am sure you all are too. I reflect a lot, especially during Confirmation preparation time where we reflect on the gifts we have been given and how we can use them to serve others. Sometimes I know how we use gifts to serve can take time to work out, we just need to continue to look at Jesus as our model.

This weekend's gospel is the Story of Zacchaeus. Jesus finds himself passing through the town of Jericho, filled with hustle and bustle (much like that of the city I witnessed on the weekend) where people want to meet him. Of all the people who could have offered Jesus a meal, he chose Zacchaeus, a man with a terrible reputation for being unkind and unjust. This encounter with Jesus changed Zacchaeus, but I guess we don't really know if it changed the jealous crowd who felt he was not worthy to be in Jesus' presence as a 'sinner'.

This week I am taking another look at the old saying 'don't judge a book by its cover'. Trying more to see and witness all people as equal, made and loved in the image and likeness that God intended, regardless of circumstance. My prayer is to be brave and courageous, just like Jesus would be with all he encounters.

May our gifts all shine out in the encounters we share this week.



Sports New From Mrs Michelsson

Regional Athletics

Well done to our 4 students who competed at the SSV Regional Track and Field Carnival on Thursday Oct 20.

Dylan H - 100m, 800m and 4x100m relay

Jack B - 1500m, Long Jump and 4x100m relay

Jake Seo - 4x100m relay

Sebastian F - 4x100m relay

The 4x100m won a silver medal and progressed to the SSV State Track and Field Championships. This will be held on Wednesday Nov 2 at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park. We wish you all the very best. We are very proud of your efforts.





Smart Spelling

SMART SPELLING AT HOLY FAMILY

Through our school newsletter we would like to share some information about the structured approach of SMART Spelling, that we incorporate at Holy Family. From Prep-6 we explicitly and systematically teach spelling.

In Prep the students are taught a SMART Spelling word of the week. We implement a sequenced list of 35 words over the year. The list teaches sounds and letters in the context of whole words. This is done to exploit the meaning of the word and to focus on oral language to stimulate prior knowledge in the children.

In Grades 1-6, there are 32 key spelling patterns that are covered at each year level, this allows for revision weeks throughout the year. Teachers introduce 3 sets of words each week, using the process outlined below:



You might like to take the opportunity to talk to your child at home about the 5 SMART steps.

**stay tuned until the next school newsletter for further information.*



Soft Plastic Recycling



Thank you for volunteering to drop off the soft plastics.
Please pick up from school on a Monday or Tuesday.

Week beginning

Monday 3rd October
Monday 10th October
Monday 17th October
Monday 24th October
Monday 31st October
Monday 7th November
Monday 14th November
Monday 21st November
Monday 28th November
Monday 5th December
Monday 12th December

Family

Talj
Lembovski
Beasley
Scammell
Wilson (Anthony)
Dumrongpol
Kerkham
Ryan
Desperles
Trettel
Moore

Drop off points

Any Coles or
Woolworths store



Parish News

HOLY FAMILY PARISH DINNER DANCE



Friday, 25th November 2022

7:00pm

Holy Family Parish Hall

Price: \$60.00 p/head

BYO: Beer, Wine & Spirits

RSVP & Payment required by: 16th November 2022

Bookings: Call Office 98079494 or

in person after weekend Masses in foyer.





HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

PARENTS & FRIENDS

COMMITTEE

Parents and Friends News



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WINE DRIVE



ORDER BY
18TH NOV

All wine sold in 6 packs – bottles are 750mL.
Buy as a straight 6 pack or order a mystery pack for \$60.
Pick up at Holy Family Friday 2nd December between 2:30-5:45pm

\$60/6 PACK

Dominic Wines
Black Label Range
RRP \$15/bottle



Vineyard Vines
RRP \$17/bottle



OR ORDER A **MYSTERY PACK** FOR \$60 AND A SELECTION OF WINES WILL BE PROVIDED.

\$60/6 PACK

Dominic Wines
Evolution Range
RRP \$10/bottle



\$80/6 PACK

Henry & Lucas
RRP \$18/bottle



HOLY FAMILY P&F PRACTICES RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL. ORDERS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN BY, COLLECTED BY OR DELIVERED TO PARENTS OF THE COMMUNITY OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE. HOLY FAMILY HAS OBTAINED A LIQUOR LICENCE FOR THIS FUNDRAISING EVENT (LIQUOR LICENCE 90166991)

\$90/6 PACK

Finniss River
RRP \$20-\$25 / bottle



\$100/6 PACK

Botobolar
RRP \$22/ bottle



- ★ Organic
- ★ Vegan
- ★ Preservative Free
- ★ Eco Bottle

PREMIUM OPTIONS
RRP \$35/BOTTLE

\$120 /6 PK

Georges



Clare Valley Shiraz



Barossa Bourne Shiraz

Barossa Bourne Cabernet Sauvignon

Eden Bourne Chardonnay

ORDER AND PAY THROUGH

<https://compasstix.com/e/ionn9gxj9x>



Student Awards

Prep WK	Alessia - For always trying her best when learning and participating in all classroom tasks! What a Prep Superstar!
1/2GP	Maya - For always sharing her interesting ideas and being such a hard worker.
1/2J	Dhevon - For doing his best during learning time and helping his classmates succeed! Well done!
3/4D	<p><u>Week 2</u></p> <p>Dhinara - For giving an amazing and confident oral talk about her school holiday highlights. Well Done Dhinara!</p> <p><u>Week 3</u></p> <p>Mila - For her excellent descriptive writing that uses a variety of literacy devices and engages the reader. Well Done Mila!</p>
3/4M	<p>Harper - For exceptional work this term in Writing and for stunning handwriting! Well done Harper!!</p> <p>Ceaza Siale - For excellent work in Reading and Writing! Well done Ceaza, we are so proud of you!</p>
3/4L	<p>Matthew - For taking part in whole class discussions and contributing ideas and thoughts on topics. Keep up the great work Matthew!</p> <p>Whole 3/4L - For being such amazing representatives of Holy Family at the Melbourne Museum. You were so respectful and listened beautifully. Well done!</p>
3/4C	<p>Week Two- Lucas - For always being ready to learn, working consistently to complete all work to a high standard and being an amazing helper!</p> <p>Week Three - Adele - For being a kind, caring and considerate member of 34C. We are so lucky to have you in our class!</p>
5/6YW	Will - For his fantastic efforts at divisional basketball. Well done Will!
5/6P	Chloe - For showing persistence in maths in the area of decimals and fractions.

5/6B	Gemma - For her focussed attention during class and asking clarifying questions.
5/6S	Macy - For a mature hard working attitude towards school life. Keep up the fabulous work, Macy.



Community News

Have fun with friends
doing athletic events at
Central Reserve, Glen Waverley

All abilities welcomed U6 - U17



Season 2022/23

Information Morning
Sat 17th Sept, 9.30 am

All the action starts
Sat 1st Oct, 8.45 am

Register online:
waverleylac.com.au

Early Bird Fee \$180
(until Sept 30th)
Full Season \$195
Free Trials &
Family Discount
available





TERM 4 NOTICES



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MONDAY TOURS

Our weekly Monday tours of the College continue in Term 4. Guided by our approachable Principal, welcoming Registrar and informative Tour Guides, Monday Tours provide families an opportunity to learn about our facilities, curriculum, programs, and the brand new College Masterplan that's designing our future.



INFORMATION EVENING FOR FUTURE FAMILIES

We invite all prospective families, regardless of where you are on your enrolment journey, to our in-person November Information Evening for Future Families event. This night provides key educational material that unpacks the identity of the College. Register your attendance for **Thursday, 10 November** at:

salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour

OUR NEW STRATEGIC PLAN

Our Strategic Plan outlines the direction of Salesian College to 2026. Working in collaboration with the community, including students, parents, staff, past pupils, Board Directors and the Salesians of Don Bosco, we have formulated our strategic intentions for our College community.

Watch the video and read about our future at:

salesian.vic.edu.au



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO APPLY

We're mindful of how the last two years have impacted families in our community. If you're still considering your Year 7 options, approach our Registrar Michelle Collins, mcollins@salesian.vic.edu.au to chat about your son's place at Salesian.

MEET OUR NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – STUDENTS

Richard Bourbon joined us as the new Assistant Principal – Students in the beginning of Term 3, 2022. In the weeks that have followed, Richard has established himself as a core part of our school's Salesian fabric. His teaching and parenting styles are built from a foundation of respect and wellbeing, skills which have developed from working and living internationally. Richard shares the experiences he brings to Salesian College Chadstone in his interview on our College Blog.

Read the article at:

salesian.vic.edu.au/2022/09/qa-with-richard-bourbon/

Please chat to our friendly Registrar Michelle Collins via 9807 2644 if you have any queries.

Book your in-person Monday Tour at salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour

SEND US OUT!

A GRADE 6 EVENT

Thursday 1st December
6pm-8pm

ST JOHN'S COGLAN CENTRE
494 WHITEHORSE ROAD,
MITCHAM

You're invited to a night of
live music, games, inspiring
speakers and an opportunity
to connect with Grade 6's
from surrounding schools.

PIZZA FROM 6PM

Hosted by St John's Mitcham.
Parish Office: (03) 94016366



Please Register by
November 25th
\$10 ENTRY

<https://www.trybooking.com/CDMFC>

