



SMJ NEWSLETTER

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Caring, Learning, Growing: Every Child, Every Day

Dear Parents and Friends of the SMJ Community,

Thank you for your ongoing support whilst the Office is short staffed. It is very much appreciated by all of us!

Like schools the Catholic Education Office is also reviewed on a regular basis. This year you have the opportunity to participate in a work shop in Horsham as part of the Strategic Planning process. For your diary (if you are interested in participating) the date for Horsham is early next term: Wednesday 24th July. Two timeslots are being offered~ 4.30pm-6.00pm & 7.00pm-8.30pm.

It is important that the Strategic Plan for Catholic Education in the Diocese is representative of all communities, so I encourage you to attend and be part of the process.

Monday was a very productive day for staff. Thank you to Mrs Glatz for leading us in our Reading professional learning and to Mrs Chesterfield and Mr Rowe for the afternoon session on Wellbeing. All staff appreciated the time spent on reviewing and reflecting on these two areas.

On Tuesday we enjoyed National Simultaneous Storytime in the Parish Hall. As has become a tradition at SMJ, our staff enthusiastically acted out the story of 'Alpacas with Maracas'. Congratulations must go to Mrs Haase and Mr M who superbly played the leading roles of Al and Macca and to Ms McCall and Ibu Brennan who organised the show for us all to enjoy.

Wednesday night we welcomed prospective preps and parents into our school for their first 'Taste of Prep' evening. The children were treated to a musical masterclass with Mrs Wilson, explored the investigation areas and were captivated by Miss Marr's story telling skills before heading home. Our enrolments are currently still open, families wishing to enrol into prep for 2020 need to contact the office to book their enrolment interview if they haven't already done so.

Congratulations to all of the students who represented our school at yesterday's HCPSSA athletic sports at Dudley Cornell Park. Look out for a report on next week's newsletter.

Tonight's Music Bingo promises to be a great night. Thanks to the organisers, volunteers and families who have supported this event. Last minute tickets are available if you call the office today.

Catholic Education Week starts next Monday. Our school will celebrate Mass at 11.30am where we will be joined by St. Brigid's College, St. Patrick's Nhill and Our Lady Help of Christian's Murtoa. St. Brigid's students will be cooking some sausages in bread for those children who would like one for lunch otherwise please send your children with lunch as normal.

Yours in Christ

Andrea

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



To...
Will E &
Will Mc

Dates to remember over the next week...

Friday 24th	School photo day Music Bingo
Mon 27th	School Mass
Tues 28th—Fri 31st	Year 6 camp Melbourne
Fri 31st	Assembly 12 Mrs Abbott

Sherman Learning Community (Foundation)

We have been practising the count-on strategy in our blockbuster game. We grab the highest number and count on the other number to get the total. We have been using the THIRASS chart to learn different sounds and the letters that make them. We are loving using the boom whackers to play tunes.

BRIGID LEARNING COMMUNITY (1/2)

We are all very excited to have had a break over the weekend with our families. We've had many tales to share of new pets, mini camping breaks, sleep overs, cuddling new cousins, building cubbies and sleeping in.

On Wednesday we are participating in Simultaneous Storytime listening to and watching 'Alpacas with Maracas', performed by the teachers.

This Friday is school photos and winter school uniform is to be worn.

Have a great week listening to your child read and enjoy asking comprehension questions.

LYNCH LEARNING COMMUNITY (3/4)

This week some of us were lucky enough to go to the inter school sports. Tomorrow we have school photos. We had visitor, his name is Atto, he wants to know about living and non living things so we had to plant some plants to learn about how they grow.

We were lucky enough to have Miss Walker bringing in her rabbit Honey.

Mrs Hausler also brought her guinea pig in and its name is Roxy.

We have been on Adobe spark it is very fun and in writing we have been put into groups. In our groups we have been focusing on persuasive writing and texts.

by Hannah, Scarlett, and Zahra

MADDEN LEARNING COMMUNITY (5/6)

On Monday we had a great break from school. On Tuesday the year 6's did their last session of KIP (Knowledge Is Power) drug education program. The year 5's did the resilience project in this time. Also on Tuesday Iris, Jaida, James B, Jarhyn, Henry, Greta, Acacia, Max and Tadhg went to Kaniva for cross country. We wish the best of luck to Iris, James, Greta, Max and Tadhg who qualified for the Western Victoria Cross country in Warrnambool! On Wednesday the year 6's headed down to Horsham College for the Maths Olympics. We had three different rounds: the first round we were given a sheet of questions to solve in a group of 4. The second round was similar to round 1 but we had less time to complete it. The final round was a maths relay. You were given a question and had to run around the tables and see if your group answered it correctly. You had three attempts at each question. If you got it wrong all 3 times, it counts as 1 question being incorrect. If you got 3 incorrect your team is out. The year 5's stayed at school and did specialists with Ibu Brennan. Today lots of students went to Dudley Cornell Park for the Interschool sports. We hope we can get some through to the next stage!

There has been a number of cases of Head Lice reported. Please check your child's hair. Thank you





LITTLE DESERT CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday the SMJ cross country team ventured down to Kaniva for the Little Desert Cross Country. The following students placed in the top 6 of their age group which means they now qualify for the Greater Western Region Cross Country which will be held in Warrnambool on June the 3rd. Congratulations to the following students and all the students who represented our school so well at the Little Desert meet.

Iris Sudholz– 2nd in the 9/10 girls 2km

James Burton– 2nd in the 11 boys 3km

Max Sudholz– 1st in the 12/13 boys 3km

Tadhg McGrath– 2nd in the 12/13 boys 3km



**Ss Michael & John's
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24TH
MAY**



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Have your say on Horsham buses



We're proposing changes to Horsham buses to give you more services, better coverage and easier access to key destinations.

You're invited to an information session to chat with the transport planning team and share your feedback.

Thursday 30 May

Kalkee Road Children's and Community Hub, 24 Kalkee Road
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Horsham Plaza Shopping Centre, 36 Darlot Street
Drop in any time between 11am and 2pm.

Horsham RSL, McMillan Room, 36 McLachlan Street
Drop in any time between 4pm and 6pm.

Friday 31 May

Horsham Town Hall Foyer, 71 Pynsent Street
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getinvolved.transport.vic.gov.au/horsham or call 1800 800 007.



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FRI 31 MAY 2019
THU 13 JUNE 2019

DAY & NIGHT
FORUMS

St Brigid's has engaged the services of Tony Dalton, "Parent Engagement in Learning" Consultant to facilitate a number of Parent Forums regarding the work of our College in the education of our students.

These forums will be an opportunity for parents to speak up about what we, as a school, are achieving but also areas which require improvement.

The dates for these forums are Friday 31st May and Thursday 13th June with the forums occurring both during the day and at night.

More information regarding these forums will be published nearer to the date.



Tony's Biography:

I have spent over 40 years working in Catholic Primary schools in Victoria, Australia where I have worked as Teacher, Principal, Wellbeing leader, Teaching and Learning leader, Literacy leader, School review leader and Family School Partnership Convener for Catholic Education Office Melbourne.

I have had a lifelong commitment to Parent Engagement in children's learning and now continue to work as an independent consultant in Parent Engagement and Family/School Partnership. I currently work with 24 primary schools across Victoria in building capacities to effectively engage families in children's learning. I am 'a hands on' practitioner and help schools introduce practical and effective Parent Engagement strategies.

FRI 31 MAY 2019

9.00am

1.45pm

7.00pm

THURS 13 JUNE 2019

9.00am

4.00pm

7.00pm

Please contact the office on 5382 3545 to book your preferred time

GAMES!

FACE PAINTING!

FAMILY FUN - PACKED WITH ART AND ACTIVITIES

CONTEMPORARY DANCE WORKSHOP!

ART IS... FESTIVAL

ART PLAY

SUNDAY 2 JUNE
1PM-4PM

SUNDAY

BOLLYWOOD DANCE WORKSHOP!

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DATES TO REMEMBER AT SMI

2019

MAY		
FRI 24 th		School Photo Day - NO ASSEMBLY
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
	6.30pm	Parent social night ~ MUSIC BINGO Coughlin Park
MON 27 th		SCHOOL MASS
TUES 28 th - FRI 31 st		Year 6 Camp to Melbourne
FRI 31 st		Assembly 1/2 Mrs Abbott
JUNE		
THURS 6 th		Junior Hooptime (years 3 & 4)
FRI 7 th		Assembly 5/6 Mrs Hamilton
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
MON 10 th		PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL
WED 12 th		Alpha Show
THURS 13 th		Senior Hooptime (years 5 & 6)
FRI 28 th	2.30pm	Last of Term 2: 2.30 dismissal
JULY		
WED 25 th	4.30-6.00 or 7.00- 8.30	CEOB Strategic Planning Workshop in the Parish Centre
AUG		
12 th - 16 th		Meals on Wheels
OCT		
14 th - 18 th		Meals on Wheels

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