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Newsletter—Week 3 of Term 1 February 16 2017

Saint Mary MacKillop said,
"Never See A Need Without Doing Something About It !"
At St Joseph's We : Need to have a **Positive Attitude**,
Need to be **Aware** and Need to **Take Action**.
Our next fortnight's Triple A Social Skill is **Using Manners**
Our Focus within the three areas follows :
Attitude : Being Polite
Awareness : Knowing Good Manners
Action : Using Manners eg Please / Thank You

Dear Families and Friends

We are up and running in earnest as our classes now settle into their most important Living and Learning Routines. We continue to strive to Engage and Challenge Every Child. We believe that this can best be achieved in teams which is best implemented in an open space. Our teams naturally fall in class pairs eg Middle J&C. Each class pair has a Learning Support Officer to assist children in achieving their goals. Class numbers are incredible—Preps 17, Juniors 19, Middles 20 & Seniors 19 !!! We have a Speech Therapist for a day and a half per week as well as a well-being officer - we especially have a brilliant staff who will do the extra things to give your child/ren every opportunity to do their best.

Canteen 2017

As a school we strive to live out what we proclaim. One aspect is healthy living. The canteen managed by Karen McIntyre is now set up to provide a healthy and nutritious menu and fresh food where possible. It is our responsibility to educate our children through word and by action and this is one important way we can do this.

Works & Maintenance

- * Resurfacing of Rebound Ace Areas —Basketball Court and Tennis/ Netty Courts done at Easter Holiday Break.
- * Redevelopment of Staff and Admin Areas—
2017 Major Project

Dates To Remember

Tomorrow Beginning of Year Mass & Captain's Induction
Tues, Feb 28 Shrove Tuesday
Wed, March 1 Pupil Free Day—No Children

Afternoon Assembly : Monday at 2:45

Yr 6 Leaders & Class Prayer
Feb 20 : Kate, Kynan, Sean & Porsha MID C&J
Feb 27 : Jenna, Mackenzie, Nathan & Pat SEN N&W
ALL WELCOME !

Live Life To The Fullest In Christ

Paul Arnel

Beginning of Year Mass & Leaders' Induction—10am Tomorrow



PRIVACY POLICY

For access please visit our website.
www.sjnumurkah.catholic.edu.au.

SCHOOL FEES:

Thank you for informing us of your preferred fee paying option. The families having fees **directly debited DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING.**

Could those families who are NOT using the Direct Debit option, **PLEASE REMEMBER WHEN YOUR FEES ARE DUE:**

One Yearly Payment due by 28th February

Four Term Payments due in the first 4 weeks of each term

Ten Monthly Payments – these are due on the 18th of each month from February to November.

Twenty Fortnightly Payments – these commenced on Friday the 10th February and continue every second Friday until the 3rd November 2017.

If any family would like to commence having their fees directly debited fortnightly or monthly this can be done at any time!

Fortnightly Debits 24^h February & 10th March

Monthly Debits take place on the 18th of each month commencing in February, up to and including November.

If you have any queries or concerns about your payment commitments please do not hesitate to come in and speak to Paul. If anyone is a Health Care Card Holder & they haven't notified us or completed an application for CSEF can they please do so and return asap to the office in order to receive funding. Forms are attached to the Newsletter. If you are wanting to amend your payment options please do so ASAP.

The Term Planner can be viewed from the school website under news & events \newsletters.

If you have any queries, please ring Gayle or Tracey at the office on 5862 1804.

Classroom News

Preps

Welcome to a fun-filled year of living and learning in Preps. We have had a fabulous start and all children have settled in well. They are building relationships with each other and their teachers and becoming more confident in their new environment. The days are warm and by the afternoon we are all ready for a rest, teachers too! We will share with you the activities we have done so far.

Buddies

Preps have been re-introduced to their Grade 6 buddies. We shared a lunch together last week and on Monday they sat with us for the afternoon school assembly. The Grade 6s will assist us in the playground if we need help and work with us in the classroom once each week. We encourage them to build a positive, friendly relationship with their Prep buddy so that we as Preps feel safe and happy at school and they, as Senior students, continue to grow to be responsible, nurturing people.



Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

We look forward to meeting with you all on the next few Wednesdays to learn more about your child. We will give you some activities to do at home to further develop him/her. **We will also be asking for volunteers to assist in the classroom, particularly between 9am-11am as you are a vital part to ensuring our Literacy program runs effectively.** Toddlers welcome.

Take Home Toy

Some of you have been lucky enough to meet Pappa Pete and Baby Pete this week, our classroom teddies. Each night they will go home to spend time with your family. You are asked to write about the experience and read it back to your child several times. Also, make sure you read about the adventures other children have had as it is a lovely way to spend time together. Children retell their time with the teddy the following day. They are so proud to stand up in front of their peers.

Maths

We have been counting every day. Whether counting to 33 to make sure we are all in line, counting our home groups to check our Emergency lines, singing counting rhymes and acting out songs, everyone has a go and has fun. We are using lots of different objects to count like fruit, dinosaurs and teddies. We are also exploring shapes both inside and outside. Our next focus is on patterns- those we make ourselves and those we see around us.

Literacy

We will be sending home "Take Home Readers". We encourage lots of discussion about the book before reading it to your child. This helps with prediction and vocabulary building. Look through the whole book and TALK through it first. We will chat more about this on Wednesday so come with any queries.



The letters/sounds we are focusing on this Term are Ss, Tt, Aa, Mm, Pp, Cc, Oo, Gg & Ll

R.E.

We are learning about our uniqueness and the love Jesus has for each one of us. We are doing this through stories, role plays and singing songs.

Inquiry Topic

We are learning about "Healthy Living" starting with the foods we eat. We are learning that there are different food groups and some are healthier than others. We are looking at the foods we bring to school and the healthy choices we can make.

Things/Dates to Remember

Sport/Art/Library each **Tuesday**

Music and P.M.P exercises each **Thursday**

Filled water bottles **each day**

Weekly reflection **each Friday at 3p.m. All welcome!**

We look forward to working with you to build a happy learning environment.

Joanie, Tan and Bern



Juniors

Welcome back everyone and we hope you all had a wonderful break. It has been great to see the children settle into their new rooms so quickly. We also welcome new families to our area and we hope you enjoy your new school.

This year our Junior Team consists of:

Junior K - Celie Kelly

Junior H – Jen Hamilton

Junior PG – Andrea Powles-Gullick

Junior S - Sue Blizzard & Deb Cairns

Karlene Bethell & Amanda Lukies – Learning Support Officers



Daily Routines

Fruit & Water:

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day. Students are to also bring in a piece of fresh fruit that is prepared the way your child likes (cut/peeled etc.) to be eaten each day during our morning session.

Art/Library/Sport/Music:

Our specialist classes will be on Wednesday and will be on a rotational basis. Due to this it is more practical for all the children to wear their sports uniform on this day. Can we also please have all art smocks and library bags at school as soon as possible.

For the first half of this Term the classes will be:

JUNIOR EAST (Sue/Deb & Ms Kelly) - Lote & P.E

JUNIOR WEST (Mrs Hamilton & Mrs P.G) - Art & Library

Sport:

All our children will have an extra sport session on Friday, so please wear sports uniform on this day as well.

Morning Reading:

We are currently in the middle of Literacy testing and as soon as this is complete we will send home reading folders and our morning reading will begin formally from 8:30am. Your child will be given a set day to read on to their teacher. All the other children are expected to read to an adult before they go out to play so, if you are available to help with our before school reading program we would love it.

At the present time we are encouraging all the children to read before school from the variety of readers in the classroom so if you are dropping your child off you may like to stay and hear them and others read.

Homework:

Once your child has received their reader folders, we ask that they read each night at home and return them to school each day. As some children are reading longer books they may only read a chapter or a few pages each night..





In and around our classroom

Social Skills:

Our social skill for the first few weeks is using people's names & displaying good manners.

Religion:

In Religion our focus is 'Loving God and Others. This unit will help children relate their experience of loving actions of family members and others to the example of Jesus. What a wonderful Assembly Junior West presented on Monday!

Literacy:

We are enjoying hearing about your child's holiday experiences through their recount writing. In the coming weeks we will be exploring Procedural Writing and also focus on our handwriting.

Numeracy:

In maths sessions we have been warming up with counting by 2's, 5's, 10's. At home you could talk to your child about counting patterns 2, 5, 10's. Also where numbers fit in the 1-100 chart. As an extension other students are focusing on 1-1000.

We have also been focusing on Length where the children have had opportunities to explore measuring different objects with a range of materials and recording their findings. The children have been most engaged in these activities. This week we have begun a unit on Place Value.

Thank-you to all our students and families who were able to come in for the Maths Interview. We are also in the process of completing our Literacy assessment. The data collected will help direct our further teaching.

Parent Helpers:

This year we would love to have parent helpers during our Literacy block as it allows the classroom teacher to focus on their small guided reading group. All children benefit from parents involvement in their classroom as it enables more support with each child. We will send out a form in the coming weeks with our Literacy timetable for you to fill in if you are able to help. We look forward to your involvement if possible.

We look forward to working with you to ensure your child is happy and moving forward with their learning. Feel free to contact us at anytime.

Sue, Deb, Celie, Jenny, Andrea, Karlene and Amanda.

Middles

It's great to be back at school and settling in to life at school.

Homework/Spelling/Diaries

This week we have started our homework program. The students have pasted into their homework book a sheet. Please read this with your child, as we have done at school to ensure everyone has the same understanding.

In our classrooms

Literacy: Students each have sat a writing dictation test, a word reading test and a comprehension test, which will assist in directing our literacy teaching and learning. Students are focusing on Recount Writing where we are practicing how to layout and write a recount piece. Our next topic will be narrative writing, which is a fantastic opportunity for students to show and explore their creativity and imaginations.

Numeracy: We have been focusing on Number Sense where students have been practicing skip counting from different starting points, halving, doubling and rounding numbers. They have been using number charts, playing cards and number lines to assist with this. Maths testing has been completed, these results are a valuable resource to assist with further maths teaching and learning. Place Value is our current focus for the next 3 weeks. This ensures students have a solid understanding of the basic of number sense.



Religion: For Religion over the next three weeks we will be focusing on our 'Prayer' topic. We will be looking at the different ways that we can pray at home and at school. Then later in the term we will be discussing coming into Lent and how we can be more like Jesus wanted us to be.

Sport:

We are very proud of all of our students who participated in practice days and our swimming carnival down at the pool on Friday. It was lovely to see students encouraging each other and having a go to do their best. Like Mr A says some kids are fish and others are bricks but we all participated and gave it our all!



Inquiry: This term we are exploring a healthy lifestyle topic, called 'Fuel your body and Mind'. In this unit of work we will be discussing how important it is to look after ourselves by exercising, eating healthy and by putting a smile on our minds by using mindfulness. This also ties in nicely with our new healthy canteen program that is an exciting addition to our school.

Our doors are always open if you have any queries or concerns.

Kim, Trish, Brennan, Kate, Di & Amy

Seniors

Thank you to all the Year Five and Six students on the calm manner in which they have begun the School year. We regard all of the students as leaders of the school and therefore will approach discipline through this lens. In the Senior School we do have higher expectations in regard to their behaviour and attitude towards others and their schoolwork

What a great day we had at the Yr 6 Leadership Day in Shepparton last Wednesday. Speakers on the day included Uncle Leon a local Aboriginal elder, Bianca Chatfield (Former Australian Netballer), School Captains from St Augustus, Brady Threlfall (Marathon runner and Deputy of Sacred Heart Tatura), Paul Desmond (Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst and Fr Rob Galea. Each of the speakers imparted a message on 'Leadership' through their own experiences and emphasised what amazing potential all of our students have and that this should be shared with others. Our hope as Mr Desmond said is that the students won't let the day wash over them but that they connect with a message imparted from one of the speakers.

Bianca Chatfield was brilliant and shared her story of playing netball for Australia and the rollercoaster ride that life can be. She emphasized to the students that there are some things that they cannot control, yet they can control how they respond! It was wonderful to hear her message of leadership with examples from her own experience. She explained to the Year Six students that *'they are the standard'* and that they give permission to others by the behavior that they set. This really resonated with the teachers and we will certainly discuss this further in class. Mr Paul Desmond wanted each student to know that they are unique and special with special talents to offer the world.



Swim Sports

Well done on a great turn out on what was a particularly hot day. The students gave their best and it was a pleasure to witness the support they had for others. A highlight is not always the fastest swimmer but the swimmer that has finished his/her race and stands at the end of the pool cheering on others in the same race or the child that is determined to swim 50m in each event regardless of what a huge physical effort it was or the place they got. Thank you Mr A for the bus back to school, it was very much appreciated.

Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences

It was fantastic to see so many parents and get some insights into their child and perspective on how the year has started. We all look forward to a respectful relationship with our parents this year. Please remember there is no problem too small and that our door is always open. Please know that we understand the significance of teaching your child and how special they are. We regard teaching your child as an honour and also as a partnership with families.



Opening Year Mass and Year 6 Leadership

As you would already know we have changed up Year 6 Leadership this year and are running with a three-tiered leadership approach. We congratulate our nominated (and very worthy) School Captains;

Jenna Mason, Kate Buha, Grace Eddy & Lachlan Black

Our Area Leaders who will be a great support to our School Captains as well as be in charge of a specific area;

Sports Leaders; Jordan Hopkins and Abby Commadeur

Triple A Leaders; Kynan Bethell and Eamon Storer

I.T Leaders; Sean Watters and Nathan Page

Fire Carriers; Sophie Miller and Porsha Stuart

Sustainability Leaders; Regan Mangles and Chloe Simpson

The rest of our Year Six students are School Leaders and are vital in maintaining the open and positive culture we treasure at St Joseph's. They are role models for all and set the standard for all to look up to. We certainly hope that each of our Year Six students know that they all have something worthy to contribute to others and to the St Joseph's School Community.

We look forward to seeing all our leaders receive their t-shirts at Mass tomorrow.

The 2017 Line Up

This year we welcome back Rachael Weber to team teach two days with Thereses Chalker and Loreena Keane who will be in each Thursday in Senior N. Therese will continue her Deputy and Welfare role and Kelly will be working on Curriculum. We are also very fortunate to have Wendy Marshall join the Senior area as a Learning Support Officer in Senior W and N. Ray will continue his role with Math's extension and Naomi as Learning Support Officer in Senior M and C. We all look forward to working with your child to support their individual needs. *Go Team!!*

Thank you in readiness for a great school year

Kelly, Therese, Ebony, Brooke, Rachael and Loreena, Naomi, Wendy & Ray



Library

Welcome back.

Scholastic Bookclub is available again for the children this year.

Twice per term your child will bring home a bookclub catalogue. All children will receive one catalogue that contains all bookclubs. If you wish to order from bookclub please fill out the order form in the middle of the catalogue. Return this form to school as soon as possible along with your payment (cash, credit card or cheque- made payable to Scholastic Australia)

Please remember to have your child's name and grade on the top of the order form and the envelope.

Your child's teacher will be able to tell you the date these forms need to be back at school and the due date will also be included on the school newsletter. Due date for issue 1 is this Friday 17th February.

LOOP ORDERS

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Clubs Online & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Clubs by credit card visit www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Scholastic delivers the ordered books to the school and I will then give them to your child's class teacher to give out.

I encourage everyone to support bookclub. Your child benefits through reading and our school library also receives free books and book coupons through your support.

Should you have any queries about bookclub please feel free to come and see me in the library.

A reminder for all children to please bring a library bag for their weekly borrowing.

Mrs Laidlaw

Sport



Extreme heat challenges swimmers

After an interrupted preparation due to pool maintenance during our swim trials, students were faced with the forecast of extreme heat for our Swim Carnival on Friday. Rather than postpone the event, provisions were made to shorten the day and finish before the weather became too uncomfortable.

In all, there were 63 heats completed across freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly events, as well as countless novelty games in the shallow pool for the less confident swimmers.

The day was concluded with an open freestyle relay that saw the fastest four swimmers for each house pitted against each other. In what was a tremendous battle for first and second, Taigh Powles was able to hold onto a slight lead over a fast finishing Charlotte Letcher to give Rohan house an exciting win.

Once again, there were some wonderful individual performances on the day and a school team has been selected based on times and finishing positions. As well as great times, it was so satisfying to see students challenging themselves and taking on events and distances that placed themselves outside their comfort zones. It is such an important attribute to have.

To the parents, family and supporters who attended; thank you for being present and making the students' day even more special. And finally to the staff at St. Joseph's and volunteers from St. Mary's, thank you for your tireless efforts across a range of duties.

We now look forward to the 2018 swimming carnival.....

Final Standings 1st Cremin 319 2nd O'Connor 305 3rd McCarthy 259 4th Rohan 245

Divisional Swimming Team – 2017

The following students have been selected to represent the school in the Goulburn Murray Divisional Trials at Aquamoves, Shepparton on Wednesday 22nd February.

9 Years Boys Jimmy Holding, Kaleb Gilmour, Jarred Bethell

10 Years Boys Ashton Commadeur, Nick Tickell, Jirra Letcher

11 Years Boys Taigh Powles, Jake Bell

12+ Boys Kynan Bethell, Nathan Page, Sean Watters, Kobie Rahilly

9 Years Girls Ashlee Dyson

10 Years Girls Aleece Bethell, Andie Beatson, Keeley Black, Sian Lomax

11 Year Girls Regan Mangles, Charlize Borg, Layla Toma

12+ Girls Jenna Mason, Morgan Judd, Jordan Hopkins, Grace Eddy, Molly Arho, Charlotte Letcher

School Board

The School Board is an Advisory Body to assist Fr Michael and myself in the areas of Catholic Identity, Leadership, Learning & Teaching, Stewardship of Resources and Pastoral Wellbeing.

Our Board will :

- *display an on-going commitment to the our School Vision & Mission
- *be involved in the development of School Programs & Operations, Policies & Curriculum
- *assist in the areas of Leadership, Administration and Management
- *recognize & encourage on-going Professional Development
- *be informed of the Financial Arrangements of the school & assist in the Planning & Provision of Resources & Facilities

Our Chairperson is Kate Bell. We meet once a month.





WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Sen W Reeve Verhoeven

For having a good start to the year and doing well in maths.

Sen N Ricky Green

For completing all his written & mathematical work.

Sen C Jenna Mason

For her beautiful smile & gentle ways.

Sen M Raiyan Galvin

For settling in well to the seniors.

Mid K Keeley Black

For making a fabulous start to the year by being a happy and caring student.

Mid C Tayla Ramadge

For swimming confidently in all her events on Friday.

Mid J Nic Tickell

For a confident and positive beginning to 2017.

Mid M Eva Laidlaw

For your consistent hard work and outstanding attitude to your studies.

Jun S Tyson Simpson

Great work for starting a bright new year. Fantastic to see you so focused on the classroom tasks.

Jun K Eli Johns

For beginning work quickly and producing great sentences and illustrations.

Jun PG Jamieson Shelton

For always contributing during class discussions.

Jun H Timothy Oswald

For reading in our assembly prayer. Well done for being confident in 'Having a go!'

Prep N Eve Boase

For having a wonderful start to her school life.

Prep A Caleb Lewis

For actively taking part in all activities.

Principal's Award

Week 1: Chloe Simpson

Living out the values of

Saint Mary MacKillop

through what

they say and what they do.

CANTEEN

February

15th Julie Buha, Michelle Emanuelli

16th Jodie Carkeek, Mel O'Dwyer

17th Brooke Myers, [Volunteer](#)

20th Natasha Stell & Tracy Lomax

21st Cheryl Beatson & Dianne Scanlan

22nd Kylie Mangles, Cathy Nuttal

23rd Rachelle Robertson, Rachel Robertson

24th Jemma Hansen, [Volunteer](#)

27th Jane Garner, Kimberley Chisolm

28th Natasha Stell & Leah Laidlaw

The Canteen roster has been drafted for 2017. There are still quite a few vacancies if anyone is able to help on these days (especially the 5th Thursday of the month) please contact the Health Eating Officer Karen McIntyre at the school.



Parents & Friends

The Fun Run is on Sunday 19th March 2017. Tshirts are now available at the office. Please complete your registration form & bring along with cash or a cheque to the office.

RE –Sacramental Program

If you would like your son or daughter to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist this year, then please fill out the attached form and return to the school before 24/2/2017.

Community Notices

Katunga Football Netball Club invites all new and past players to participate in our 2017 season. Training is currently running on the below nights.

Football

Seniors – Mondays and Wednesdays at 6.00pm warm up, 6.15pm start

Third XVIII – Mondays and Thursdays at 5.30pm

Fourth XVIII – Thursdays at 5.00pm

Netball

Seniors – Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.00pm

17/Unders – Thursdays at 5.30pm (2 nights a week commencing at a later date)

15/Unders – Thursdays at 5.30pm

13/Unders – Commencing Thursday 23 February at 5.00pm

11/Unders – Meet & Greet Thursday 23 February at 5.00pm, training to commence Thursday 9 March.

Meet the Coach and Registration Night

All players and parents are invited to our Meet the Coach BBQ and Information night following training on Thursday 9 March.

Registration Night will commence from 5pm.

Please come along and help our journey to success.

For further information please contact Rachael Howden on 0400 877 409, katungafnc@outlook.com or visit our website www.katungafnc.sportingpulse.net



Are you 5-11 years old and want to be involved in a fun and family friendly winter sport?

Numurkah and District Soccer Club will be holding their come and try soccer session on Wednesday 1st March at 4.30pm and registration session on Wednesday 8th March at 4.30pm at Numurkah Showgrounds.

Numurkah and District Soccer Club train locally on Wednesday afternoons at the Numurkah Showgrounds and play against other district teams on Saturdays at the Shepparton Sports Precinct. Teams include under 6s, under 7s, under 8s, under 10s and under 12s.

New and past players welcome.

Cost: \$105.00 for under 12s team and \$100 for all other teams for 15-week season together with \$40.00 (approx.) for your own personalized shirt.

Rachel Newham ph 0401509888

Karyn Oswald ph 0458732112

Numurkah and District Soccer Club

Email: numurkahjuniorsoccer@gmail.com



Admit ONE Child (under 16)
Saturday
February 25, 2017

THIS VOUCHER ENTITLES ONE
CHILD A FREE ENTRY INTO THE 2017
MODIFIED TRACTOR PULL
TWILIGHT EVENT— Finley Showgrounds
Gates Open at 3pm, Main Event 5pm



CANTEEN ROSTER – 14/2/2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1st of the Month	Kate McGregor 0409 967 017	Jaclyn Hibberson 0409525117 Rocky Pellegrino 0409836051	Lucette Cook 0418 148 367 Volunteer	Jo Newham 0438 624 674 Emma Gundrill 0400139054	Kate Bell 0427 686 266 Jen Bosse 0419 835 244
2nd of the Month	Tania Altoft 0400944804	Emilia Morris 0419 372 540 Volunteer	Temara Smith 0437 449993 Volunteer	Jane Borg 0432 603 768 Kirsty Kallasmae 0437062762	Jacquie Hughes 0411 045 291 Volunteer
3rd of the Month	Natasha Stell Tracy Lomax 0419 550 347	Cheryl Beatson 0432 306 372 Dianne Seanlan 0419489384	Julie Buha 0428 898 182 Michelle Emanuelli 0429554146	Jodie Carkeek 0427 841 142 Mel O'Dwyer 0404 119 298	Brooke Myers 0408633154 Volunteer
4th of the Month	Jane Garner 0407850036 Kimberley Chisolm 0497505747	Natasha Stell Leah Laidlaw	Kylie Mangles 0458 741 158 Cathy Nuttall 0434 142 780	Rachel Robertson 0417 389 400 Rachelle Moon 0427 336 598	Jemma Hansen 0403 337615 Volunteer
5th of the Month (when it occurs)	Emily Cason 0458 632 822	Rebecca Phillips 0417 658 336 Volunteer	Karyn Oswald 0458732112 Volunteer	Kate McGregor Volunteer	Lil Ruscoe 0409 363 413 Andrea Dobson 0437 623 100

- Canteen Volunteers start at 11.30 am. Please write your Canteen Day on your Calendar so you don't forget.
- If you are unable to do Canteen COULD WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE SWAP WITH SOMEBODY, - If you can't arrange a swap, ring Karen McIntyre at the school on 03 58621804 with as much notice as possible.
- Please KEEP this Roster in case you need to arrange a swap.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name _____

School REF ID _____

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

☐ Foster parent* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2017) or term two (18 April 2017).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2017 closes on 30 June, 2017.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

Casserole Bank - 2017



Dear Parents,

Over the past twelve years there has been a wonderful group of parents who have generously made casseroles for our "Casserole Bank."

In our lives we all have times where we are overstretched due to family illness, special celebrations such as the birth of a new family member or other concerns. As a community it has been wonderful to be able support our families by providing a meal for them - something less they need to worry about at these times.

If you are interested in cooking a casserole for our 'Casserole Bank' could you please let me know by returning the slip below.

In the past we have used foil / sealed containers to store / freeze the casseroles. Our school will supply the foil containers.

We only store a few at the time but it would be wonderful if you could be involved and I will let you know when I need a casserole for a family who needs our support.

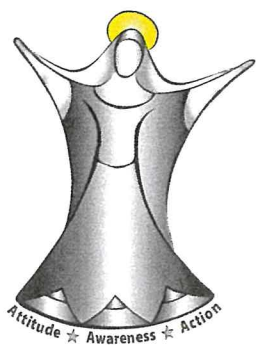
Thanking You,

Therese Chalker

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I..... am able to make a casserole for the Casserole Bank when required.

Print Name please - Thanks Therese



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Sacramental Program 2017

Feb 16, 2017

Dear Families

We are beginning preparations for the 2017 Sacramental Program. If you would like your son or daughter to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist this year, then please fill out the form below and return to the school.

Details of sessions and dates of the Sacraments will be forwarded once the size of the group is confirmed. Year 3 or older children are eligible.

Please note that a Copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate will be required prior to the commencement of our program.

Regards

Paul Arnel

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Sacramental Program 2017

I would like my child/ren to make their Sacraments this year.

Child/ren's Name/s :

Parent : _____

Parent's Signature : _____

Phone Number : _____