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Date 5 March 2020

Message from the Principal

4-3-20

Dear parents and friends

I'd like to begin by acknowledging Jacinta Bibby our Pastoral Associate and Father Peter Robinson. Due to the efforts of these two people we have not missed a school mass since the departure of Father Jose. Ash Wednesday last week was no exception. Our students learned further about the three key aspects that the period of Lent is about, namely 1. Prayer 2. Fasting (going without) 3. Almsgiving (giving to charity) The application of the ashes to symbolize penitence was also explained to our students.



Information sessions for each level are currently being held. The main purpose of these sessions is to assist in relationship building between home and school about the teaching and learning that the students are exposed to. Feedback has been sought to ensure that the sessions are worthwhile and definitely not a repeat of last year's. Please try and get along to one. There will be handouts provided afterwards however given the amount of communication going home to parents (Sharks Football club, ECSI surveys, Changes to privacy laws in this newsletter) the information from the levels may not come home till later next week.

We are working hard behind the scenes to improve the way we communicate with the community. Our staff have drafted a set of operating norms about Dojo, the newsletter and the website. I am most grateful to the parents on the Engagement Action Team who will assist in seeking feedback around this. Part of this process will include a clearly articulated grievance procedure as well.

A couple of reminders for events coming up in the next week or so. Our P&F are running a Twilight Cinema this Friday. We will proceed rain, hail or shine. If rain does hit the event will run in the community centre. Next Tuesday night we have a Reconciliation workshop and the week will round out with a Prep family dinner. All prep families are invited to attend.

Have a great week

Duncan



FOR ALL
EVENTS
AND DATES
PLEASE GO
TO THE
SCHOOL
CALENDAR
Under
current
parents tab

PARISH NEWS

Please note that there will be no Wednesday morning masses in the Chapel at this stage. There will however be Friday morning mass at 9.15 am NOT 9.00 am. As we still have no news regarding a Parish Priest, Fr Peter O'Rourke has kindly offered to spend time in the Parish Office on Fridays from 10am till 1pm and Saturdays from 10 am till 12 noon. Anyone is welcome to come and see Father Peter during these times if you feel you need to speak to a priest.

The Parish Finance Committee will be commencing the process of a renewal program for Thanksgiving contributions to the Parish. The generosity of your contributions is the main financial support that sustains the Parish operations. They are seeking to establish a small sub committee for this renewal program in 2020 and are looking for a strategic/tactical minded person to assist. If you are interested or would like to know more, contact Andrew Lannen on 0412 55 508 or email lannenaj@gmail.com

First Reconciliation workshops will be held on Tuesday 10th March at both 5-6 pm and 7-8 pm in the Community Centre. All first reconciliation children and parents are required to attend one of these workshops. There will also be a Prep Dinner in the Community Centre on Friday 13th March at 7.30 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for Prep parents to meet socially and in an informal atmosphere, especially if you are new to the school it is a great chance to meet and make friends with other parents.

You may have noticed in the Church that the red runner is no longer being used. This is due to a number of recent tripping incidents. It is appreciated that the runner adds colour and formality but we don't want to cause any unnecessary injury. If you have an alternative idea, please let us know.

Archbishop Peter Comensoli has sent a guidance letter to all parishes on the Coronavirus. The distribution of Holy Communion under both species is to cease. The chalice is not to be shared at any Mass and is for the celebrants use only.

Ministers of Communion must sanitise their hands before and after distributing Communion. Hand gel is available on the Sanctuary and bins will be placed for disposal of used tissues.

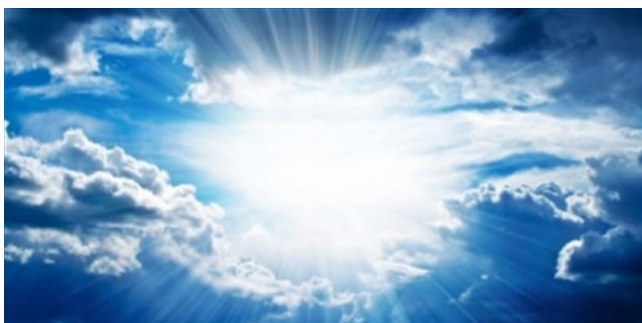
There is no need to take special measures on suspending the Sign of Peace however, those with coughs and sneezes, the vulnerable or those who feel uncomfortable about shaking hands may wish to exchange the Peace of Christ with a smile or bow and should be encouraged to do so. We can help prevent the spread of the virus with the practice of good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene.

The March edition of The Spirit Magazine has been distributed to the eldest child of each class. Please take the time to read it. It is full of wonderful and interesting news to both the Parish and School.

Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our Parish.

Have a lovely week.

*Ruth Frangeskakis
Parish Secretary
Holy Spirit Parish
120 Oban Road, Ringwood North 3134.*



Prayer of the Week

Lent

During the season of Lent the church asks us to pray, fast and to give alms, as we prepare for Easter. There are many traditions during Lent. We notice the colour purple in our church and we do not sing or say the word “Alleluia”. We are asked to pray more, to fast and at Holy Spirit we donate funds to Project Compassion.

Each year, Project Compassion runs during the six weeks of the Church season of Lent. Starting on Ash Wednesday, we invite people across Australia to help us raise awareness AND stand in solidarity with the millions of people in the communities across the world with whom we work. We ask you to join us in building a more just and fair world: a world in balance, at peace, and free of poverty.

Each classroom has a large box for you to donate some funds to and each family has a box at home to collect some donations. You may bring in your money and place it in the big box.

A prayer from Caritas 2020

PRAYER

God of all peoples and nations,
As you accompany us on our Lenten
journey,

May our fasting strengthen our
commitment to live in solidarity,
Our almsgiving be an act of justice,
And our prayers anchor us in
love and compassion.

Awaken our hearts and minds that
we may be one human family.

As we all go further together.

We ask this in Jesus' name,

Amen

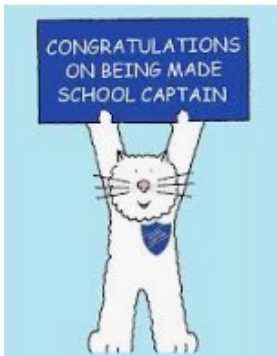
**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
GO FURTHER TOGETHER

To see where our fundraising will go,
go to—<https://raisely-images.imgix.net/project-compassion-2020>

SCHOOL NEWS



STARS OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to our former student Bridget Dale (class of 2014) on being becoming the Aquinas School Captain for 2020

Catholic Identity Survey

Last week all families were emailed the ECSI (Enhancing Catholic School Identity) survey.

This survey will assist us in better understanding how our Catholic identity is expressed in work and practice at Holy Spirit Community School and we invite you all to participate.

Important Dates

Fri 6 March 2020

Twilight Cinema

Mon 16 March 2020

Parent helper workshop

Wed 11 March 2020

5/6 Level Info Night

Tues 17 March 2020

School Photos

Thurs 12 March 2020

Parent helper workshops

Fri 20 March 2020

Parish Dinner Dance

Calendar of Events

Friday, March 6

9:00am Interschool Sport vs Dorset PS

9:00am 3/4 MK Class Mass Melissa

2:50pm Assembly

5:00pm P&F fundraiser: Twilight Cinema

Tuesday, March 10

5:00pm Reconciliation Workshop 5-6pm & 7-8pm

7:30pm P&F Meeting

Wednesday, March 11

7:00pm Grade 5/6 Information Evening

Thursday, March 12

8:15am Prayer in the chapel for Roman De Angelis. All welcome.

9:10am Parent Helper Session 1 lead by Kayla and Lauren

Friday, March 13

9:00am Interschool Sport BYE

9:00am 3/4 Danni Class Mass

2:50pm Assembly - held outside depending on weather

7:30pm Prep Parish Dinner

Monday, March 16

9:00am Prep Grandparents Day

2:15pm Parent Helper Session 2 lead by Kayla and Lauren

Tuesday, March 17

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

7:00pm School Board

Wednesday, March 18

7:00pm Reconciliation Sacrament 7pm

Thursday, March 19

8:15am Prayer in the chapel for Roman De Angelis. All welcome.



SUN HATS ARE COMPULSORY DURING ALL OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES. HATS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR \$12.





4 March 2020

Dear Parents,

Changes to the Privacy Legislation –Child Information Sharing Scheme

In light of the findings arising from the Royal Commission into Family Violence, on 1 September 2020 changes to the current privacy legislation will take effect with the introduction of the Child Information Sharing Scheme (“CISS”).

At the moment, Child Safe Standards and privacy, reportable conduct and mandatory reporting legislation whilst all having similar objectives, act independently from one another. The introduction of CISS will allow for a more centralised approach to information sharing and reporting with respect to the wellbeing and safety of children.

The purpose of these changes is to promote the wellbeing and safety of children by sharing information in order to better inform an action such as providing a service, undertaking an investigation or managing a risk.

What’s new from September 2020?

From September 2020 organisations such as schools, kindergartens and Out of School Hours Care will become authorised Information Sharing Entities (“ISE”). This will enable them to share information with existing ISE’s such as Child Protection, Maternal and Child Health Services and DHS etc, without being in breach of any privacy legislation.

More information with respect to the upcoming changes can be found at <https://www.vic.gov.au/child-information-sharing-scheme>

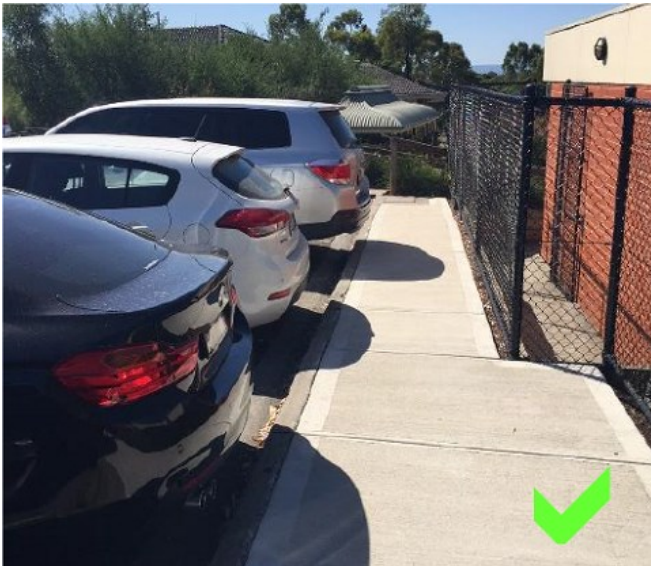
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Car parking

In order to ensure that the car park remains as safe as possible during school drop off and pick up, we ask that you follow our car parking procedure as set out in the Parent Handbook (available on the website).

In particular, when parking on the basketball court, please ensure that both sides of the court are being utilised. We also ask that when parking along the side adjacent to the Level 1/2 building, when reversing in you leave enough space to ensure that the pathway is clear (see pictures below).



The Holy Spirit Code of Conduct and CECV commitment statement to Child Safety is now prominently displayed at the Visitor Sign In IPad. There is a clause in the sign in process that advises you are acknowledging and accepting these documents upon signing in to the

Prep Enrolments 2021

Prep 2021 enrolments for existing families.

Please collect an enrolment form from the office or the school website. Interviews are being conducted now.



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Catholic schools have a strong moral, legal and mission-driven responsibility to create nurturing school environments where children and young people are respected, their voices are heard and where they are safe and feel safe.

CECV Child Safety Commitment Statement 2016

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2020 Twilight Cinema Event

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6th March 2020 | 6:00pm BBQ | 7:30 Movie

Holy Spirit Oval @ 120 Oban Rd, Nth Ringwood

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Our free skill development clinic for Prep to Grade 3 will run over the following two Fridays at Dorset Primary School Gym 20th and 27th March 2020
 Girls: 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
 Boys: 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

We will teach dribbling, passing, shooting, running & teamwork with the goal that interested boys & girls can join our club and play basketball in a team.

As a club, we are proud of our volunteer coaches and their expertise in player development.

FREE Magic starter pack (including drink bottle, basketball and Magic socks) for new under U7 miniball players that register for the Winter 2020 season.
FREE pair of Magic socks for all other new players.

If you're unable to attend the clinic but would like to play, or find our more, please contact Peter Cunningham, Coordinator, Magic Basketball on 0400 577 476.

Maroondah Magic Basketball Club Skill Development Clinics Attendee Form

your child's name, gender and date of birth to the club on 0400 577 476 if you would like to RSVP for clinics or require further information.

www.maroondahmagic.com.au

OUR LADY OF SION COLLEGE

 VERITAS IN CARITATE

OPEN DAY

Embrace Life at Sion

Tuesday March 17, 2020
2.30 – 6.30 pm

Our Lady of Sion College warmly invites you to come and see how your daughter will embrace life at Sion.

www.sion.catholic.edu.au

Visit our website to book

parenting*ideas Parenting Blog

When you love but don't like your child

by Michael Grose

It goes without saying that we always love our children. That doesn't mean however, that we always like them or how they are behaving.

Not liking your child is a taboo parenting subject, but it shouldn't be. It's a source of unnecessary guilt that comes with the parenting territory. Rather than beating yourself up, it's useful to figure out what you don't like and work from there. Here are some of the common reasons, and some ways to help overcome it.

Read the full article at www.parentingideas.com.au

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