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### **MASS TIMES**

Please note that Masses have been suspended until further notice.

Sunday Mass with the Bishop can be live streamed at https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au

## **CALENDAR**

## **NOVEMBER**

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Grade 4 Immersion with Troy Firebrace

Thur 26<sup>th</sup> Canteen

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day – Staff Planning Day

## **DECEMBER**

Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Foundation 2021 Transition
Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Orientation Day F-5
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 Pool Party
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 4

Due to the current circumstances the dates shown in the calendar for this term are subject to change.



# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This time of year is always an exciting and at times anxious time as we finish off the year and begin to look forward to the next. In particular, this year with all it's twists and turns, it was great to welcome our foundation children for 2021 on Wednesday. This was their first transition visit, with another scheduled for Tuesday. It is always an important step in moving into the big world of school, for children and parents alike.

Thank you to those families who have written with specific requests regarding class placement. We put a lot of time and effort into supporting all children in new classes and whilst we cannot guarantee all requests, we appreciate the sharing of information. Grades have now been finalised and teachers are currently awaiting allocation.

Sunday was the final Sunday of the Church year, the feast of Christ the King, we learnt most definitely how our lives will be measured. They will be measured by the love we show. Whenever we offer a drink of water to the thirsty, food to the hungry, clothing to the naked, or whenever we visit the sick or imprisoned, or take in the stranger, we show our love to God. Through our actions toward the poor, vulnerable, estranged and discouraged we show our love of God. If we ignore these people, we also ignore God.

It is easy to see the meaning of this gospel through our actions towards our children. Never in true thirst or hunger would we deny them. If they were sick or cold we would take care of them ourselves or see to it that someone helped us. It's taking this gospel to the next level that will help our children see the meaning of love through our example. Not only will they witness love through our loving actions toward others, but there will be many opportunities along the way to have our children share in these actions of love.



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## STUDENT NEWS

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Jayda Damiani, Zane Cini, Jasper Crennan, Joshua Mason, Lucy Patching, Jackson Hayes, Ivy Sargeant, Fraser Wild. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week
FBG	Nate Bain, Indiana Jeanes
FJO	Ruby Robertson, Lual Monygon
1BW	Lacey McNamara, Logan Brown
1DC	Matilda Kearns
2MC	Jayde Young, James Moorhead
2LC	Jasper Stroud
3JT	Knox Kane
3ZD	Madeline Gregory
4AG	Bradie Sheldon
4BS	Jack Newton, Charlie Dickins, Lincon Kent
5JE	Max Pinton-Mason,
	Special Art Award to Isobel Crennan
5MG	Emily Dillion,
	Special Art Award to Miller Connors
6ST	Ruby Bice
6ТС	Maddy Best, Mia Martin

## **FREE TO GOOD HOME**

We currently have some old classroom tables that are available to school families for free. If you would like some tables please call the office to arrange a time for collection.

## **FARM FUNDRAISER**

Farm Fundraiser: We (Jack Newton, Bradie Sheldon and Charlie Dickins) from Grade 4 have decided to have a fundraiser to support our farmers. The fundraiser's aim is to raise money to be donated to the farmers around Victoria during this time of drought. Farmers only get \$16 per hour for their hard work, even on sunny days! That is not enough to pay all their bills (feed their cows for example). Farmers also only get 10c per litre for their cow's milk.



We will be placing donation tins in the office, staffrooms and the Grade 4 classroom. Please donate! We will update everyone with how much we raise in a few weeks.

## **PUPIL FREE DAY 27th NOVEMBER**

Please Note: Due to low numbers the YMCA is unable to run full day care on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

# **SCHOOL NEWS**

## **CATHOLIC IDENTITY**

#### **ACCESS TO MASS AND TO CHURCHES**

We are all encouraged to continue active participation in the life of the Church through activities such as time in personal and family prayer, reflecting on the Scriptures, making a spiritual communion, or participating in a Mass online.

There are many options for Mass online, including:

- <a href="http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand">http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand</a>
- https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass
- www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass

The Bishop is also live-streaming Mass on Sunday mornings via the diocesan website: <a href="www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au">www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au</a>
On free to air TV, Mass for You at Home is broadcast at 6.00am every Sunday, Channel 10

#### ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRIVE - DONATIONS DUE BY FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER

Christmas can be a very difficult time of year for many and the basic human rights of food and shelter can often be taken for granted. St. Vincent De Paul is a charitable organisation that provides support to needy families and senior citizens in many ways. During November we will be collecting non perishable food donations in support of St. Vinnies Christmas Appeal. A collection basket has been placed in your child's classroom in support of this worthy cause. Together, we can make a difference.

Each grade has been assigned a specific category so we can capture a more diverse selection of items:

Foundation: Toiletries - soap, toilet rolls, toothpaste/brush, powder, hand sanitiser

Grade 1: Grains and Pasta - rice, pasta, soups, noodles

Grade 2: Tinned Foods - beetroot, soup, tuna, baked beans, corn, peas, pasta sauces

**Grade 3: Holiday Treats** - chocolate, lollies, sweet biscuits, Christmas cake

Grade 4: Savoury Items - dry biscuits, shapes, rice cakes, nuts, chips, popcorn

Grade 5: Condiments - jams, sauces, vegemite, peanut butter, maple syrup

Grade 6: Breakfast Cereals - oats, corn flakes, long-life milk & custard, pancake mixes

#### **LIBRARY**

Thank you to everyone that has returned their library books. Please know that all books are due back now. Thank you for your efforts in finding all these books after many months of remote learning.

Sue Johns

## **VISUAL ARTS**

We have been invited again to participate in Jacinta Allen's student Christmas card competition. We were very lucky that one of our students won this competition last year. Good luck to all the Gr 6 students who have chosen to participate this year. Eva Rosaia







## CANTEEN

As Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November is a Pupil Free Day, Canteen will be held on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>**. Please ensure all orders are placed on Flexischools before **9am Wednesday.** If you ever want to order ahead, please swipe left over the current order date to bring up the next available Canteen day.

Reminder: There will be no over the counter sales at the window during Term 4, please stay tuned for any updates. Thank You.

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

