Dear Parents
A reminder to parents that there is NO SCHOOL next Monday as it is a School Closure Day. There is also NO SCHOOL next Tuesday being Melbourne Cup Public Holiday. Our SCHOOL SPORTS are next Friday. Children will walk to the athletic track with their class teacher. I think we may still require some helpers on the day so if you are able to help please contact Margaret Masseni. If you are bringing your child’s lunch to the School Sports please make it a ‘healthy’ lunch. Thank you.

SARGOOD STREET:
Please be aware that on Friday 7 November, City West Water will be carrying out repair work which may obstruct the road and pavement near our Dumpmasters. Please ask your children to be careful in this area and obey any instruction signs.

YEAR FOUR CAMP:
Welcome back to our Year 4’s from their Camp at Wombat Corner. They were fortunate to have such wonderful weather. I visited them for a couple of hours late on Thursday. It is an experience to have dinner with 36 Year 4’s. They were excitedly telling me about the fun they had been having on the, ‘flying fox, the ride on puffing billy, archery etc. Thank you to Ms Nancy Scuderi, Ms Erin Logan, Ms Megan Loft and Mrs Gwenda Burnett for enthusiastically and willingly organising and participating in this camp. It is a big ask for staff to be away from their families for two nights and three days, so their co-operation and participation is greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS:
To Olivia Yacono and Megan Whatman who competed in the State Athletic Championships last Monday. Megan finished 4th in the hurdles. Olivia finished 1st in Long Jump and 7th in the 800m. She will now represent Victoria in the Australian Championships to be held in Tasmania later this month. Well done to both girls and Good Luck to Olivia.

UNIFORM SHOP:
Please note that for the remainder of the year, the Uniform Shop will be open after school on Wednesdays only, from 3.00 – 3.30pm.

CLASS GROUPINGS FOR 2014:
Presently teachers are very busy writing Reports but will soon begin the task of organising children into their class groupings for 2015. This is a lengthy process as many things are taken into consideration. The following guidelines are used to assist us in creating the most effective classroom structures possible so that all children are given the opportunity to succeed and to achieve their full potential educationally, socially, spiritually, emotionally and physically. Things we consider are: Friendship Groups, Academic Ability, Behaviour, Gender Balance, Immediate/Extended Family, Maturity Level, Number of children on LNSLN Funding, Personality, Prior History (eg. Previous Teachers, Oldest or Youngest in the group) and Social Skills.
If you have a request about your child’s placement or some information you think will assist us in making these decisions then please put it in writing or email me by Monday 17th November (dkelly@smaltona.catholic.edu.au).
Please do not make verbal requests to teachers. The only requests that will be considered at all are the ones I receive in writing or by email. I thank you for your support in this matter.

CONDOLENCES:
Our condolences go to the Da-Silva family (Toby PH) on the recent death of his grandmother. Please keep this family in your prayers.

SCHOOL PLANNING FOR 2015:
Thank you those families who have completed the School Planning for 2015 form. We still have quite a few families that have not returned the form. If you have not completed the form can you please return it to the School Office as soon as possible. Copies of this form are available under News, Notes & Forms on the School Website or in the School Office Foyer.

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES:
Thank you to those families that have recently settled their school accounts however there is still $47,364.00 outstanding. Please settle any outstanding accounts as soon as possible or contact myself so we can make alternative arrangements.

There will be no newsletter next week as it’s a three day week and the School Sports are on Friday.

David Kelly.
Principal.
PRINCIPALS AWARDS:
Congratulations to the following children who received Principals Awards on Monday:

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EDUCATION IN FAITH

ATTENTION: YEAR 2 AND YEAR 5

2015 SACRAMENTAL DATES
Confirmation: Sunday 22nd March – 3.00 pm
Reconciliation: Wednesday – 3rd June – 7.00 pm
First Eucharist: Saturday 22nd August – Time-TBA
First Eucharist: Sunday 23rd August – Time-TBA

Dates for all Family Workshops and Rite of election masses-TBA

Believe in Jesus Christ!
Jesus has God’s blessing upon him.
Follow Jesus Christ!
He calls us to risk and adventure.
Be challenged by Jesus Christ!
He inspires us to promote justice and sharing.
Be moved by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ!
The cross measures our willingness to accept faithful responsibility.
Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.

Olive Chodowski - REL
“If we have love in our hearts, we shall have God with us.”
St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop-1890

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

NOVEMBER
Monday 3rd School Closure Day
Tuesday 4th Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
Wednesday 5th Parents and Friends Meeting – 7.30 pm
Friday 7th School Sports Day
Monday 10th School Captains & Guitarists Assembly – 2.30 pm
Tuesday 11th Remembrance Day
GAGS Session 1 – 2.45 – 3.15 pm
School Education Board Meeting - 7.30pm
Thursday 13th GAGS Session 2 – 2.45 – 3.15 pm
Saturday 15th P & F Bunnings BBQ - Altona

NORMIE THE GNOME
Normie the Gnome is awarded to the House Team who keeps their part of the yard the cleanest. This week’s winner is: GREEN TEAM

TUCKSHOP HELPERS - Week beginning 3rd November
Monday School Closure Day – No Canteen
Tuesday Melbourne Cup Day – No Canteen
Wednesday Maria Charalambous
Friday School Sports Day - No Canteen

TUCKSHOP HELPERS - Week beginning 10th November
Tuesday Anne Cooper
Wednesday Pauline Luppino
Thursday Marylinda Abate
Friday Julie Whatman

Manager: Eva Coppola Tel: 9315 0799

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WEDNESDAYS AFTERNOONS ONLY 3.00 – 3.30 PM
If you are unable to visit our shop, order forms can be collected from the School Foyer and complete with payment left at the School Office anytime. Orders will be filled on the next open day and can be left for collection at the School Office or sent to your child’s classroom.

Leah Byrne Co-ordinator

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
The Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday Afternoons 3.00 -3.30 pm. We are still looking for volunteers to help out with the Uniform shop if you are interested please contact Mrs Valda Pedley at the School Office.

Thank you to all of those parents who have donated second hand uniforms to the Uniform Shop to help fund our Sponsor Child Win Naing. Could you please ensure that before you donate the Uniforms that they have been washed and cleaned. Thank you.

Parents and Friends News

PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING
Parents and Friends Meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th November in the Staff Room at 7.30 pm

BUNNINGS BBQ
The Parents and Friends Bunnings BBQ will be held on Saturday 15th November at the Altona Store, please come along and show your support.

CALENDARS
Thank you to the families that have already sent back the forms and money. Please note no orders will be accepted after 14th November.
DOING IT RIGHT
Many children have been seen Doing It Right around the school recently. They have been offering to tie the ropes after before school skipping, offering to help when others didn’t, solving a problem well, caring for the sports equipment, giving up recess to help Mrs Masseni, being honest in games, helping cheerfully, taking care of the environment, finding something precious and loads of other great things!

1/2D: Nikita, Monae, Jacob, Anthony, Sebastian, Lily, Dwight.
3/4M: Oliver, Noah, Jasmin W.
3/4S: Georgia, Ronan, Emma
5/6V: Madison, Ryan, Khiem
5/6G: Grace, Isabella P

WE ONLY HAVE ONE HELPER SO FAR…..CAN YOU PLEASE HELP?
MARKET FRESH SCHOOLS – FRUIT AND VEGGIE PROGRAM
WHAT: Fruit and Veg provided to all students by the Melbourne Market Authority
WHEN: Wednesday 5th November – 10.30 – 1.30pm
WHERE: School Hall
CAN YOU HELP?: YES ----- We need at least 8 parents to help prepare and serve the fruit and veg with the Market Fresh staff from 10.30 – 1.00 pm (approx finish time)

THANKS TO THOSE WHO’VE REPLIED
BUT…..
WE STILL NEED MORE HELPERS – CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS PLEASE?
Contact: mmasseni001@smaltona.catholic.edu.au

ST MARY’S SCHOOL SPORTS
Friday 7th NOVEMBER 2014

Thanks to everyone who came to school in an active way on Tuesday – despite the great weather our numbers were down a little. But we still had quite a few people on our walking school buses. Congratulations to 3/4L who were the MOST ACTIVE GRADE

To help you come to school in an active way we are running our WALKING SCHOOL BUS on the following days

TUESDAY 18th NOVEMBER and
THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER

Margaret Masseni
Wellbeing and PE / Sport Leader

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE AT ST. MARYS
Camp Australia
WE MAKE KIDS SMILE!
Phone: 1300 105 343 / (03)
9398 4065
www.campaunz.com.au
1731 Malvern Road, Glen Iris, Victoria 3146
info@campaunz.com.au
Fax: (03) 8610 2044
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For Out of School Hours Care at St. Marys (CAMP AUSTRALIA) bookings or cancellations please contact them direct.

TUTORING ONLY $11.00 PER HOUR
Small groups of 10 students English and Maths
Location: Altona North
Classes after school and weekends
For more information contact John Nguyen 0422 120 070

VICSWIM SUMMER KIDZ
The Victorian Government has committed to fund the 2015 VICSWIM Summer Kidz program which enables the delivery of a cost effective aquatic education and water safety program to all Victorian children for only $25.00.

Program | Start Date | End Date
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1 | 5th January 2015 | 9th January 2015
2 | 12th January 2015 | 16th January 2015
3 | 19th January 2015 | 23rd January 2015

For more information see flyers outside staffroom foyer or for locations and times visit www.vicswim.com.au.