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Dear Parents

A reminder that on Tuesday 14th August commencing at 6.00 pm. in the school hall we will have our Shared Family Meal and Workshop for families of children preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist.

Please keep the following children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive this Sacrament: Xavier Barry, Adrian Bond, Zoe Bond, Maddison Burns, Isabelle Cassar, Sarah Cassar, Keiana Cheung, Daniel Ciavarella, Ava Cooper, Amelie Cowap, Jack Curran, Senan Dias, Gisella DeLuca, Trinity Edwards, Susannah Engler, Thomas Hicks, Isaiah Holland, Zali Howell, Mia Jesaulenko, Fernando Jimena, Aidan Krishna, Charlotte Le-Faucheur, Gabriella Luppino, Jade McGill, Alison Misquitta, Isabella Mitchell, Ruby Ramsay, Zara Reis, Mia Teinovic, Toby Thompson & Joshua Van Zyl. The Celebration of First Eucharist will take place on Sunday, 19th August at 3.00 pm.

SCHOOL FEES:

There is an important letter from Archpriest Michael Kalka which has been sent home today to every school family. Please look for this letter in your child's bag.

FIVER FOR A FARMER:

Our Social Justice group are planning to support a young schoolboy from Sydney who has come up with a way to help our drought affected farmers.

On **WEDNESDAY AUGUST 15th**, we would like all children to come dressed as a farmer and donate towards this very worthwhile cause.

It could be \$5 per family, \$5 per child or a gold coin donation - whatever you can afford would be great.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

"FAMOUS" DISCO - Saturday 27th October at Kooringal Golf Club. Please read flyer later in this newsletter for more details and how to book tickets.

Parents and Friends LAST CHANCE:

Don't forget to return your Raffle tickets by August 17. As per previous years, 75% of all funds raised by St Mary's during the raffle goes directly back to the school community, that's \$1.50 for every \$2.00 ticket sold. The monies raised from the Raffle are distributed to a range of projects worthy of additional support to benefit the school's community. Examples of the items that the P&F have provided to the school community in the past include soccer goals for the oval, sports equipment, music equipment, and monetary contributions toward digital technology devices for all students. For 2018, fundraising will go towards upgrading our take home reader library, computer technology equipment and adventure playground improvements.

THANK YOU:

A very special Thank you to the brave parents (& Mark Chodowski) who weathered the horrendously windy conditions to assist us today with our Inter-school Athletic Trials which were held at the Altona Athletics Track. Nicole & Craig W, Leonardo & Carlas R, David H, Duaine D, Nick B, Susie H, Mel B, Susie T, Helen M, Simon L & Melissa M. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

David Kelly Principal

EDUCATION IN FAITH 2018 Sacrament Dates

FIRST EUCHARIST DATES:

* Shared Meal & Practice Session – Tuesday 14th August – School Hall - 6pm

* SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST - SUNDAY 19th AUGUST - 3PM

Next Wednesday 15th August we will celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Years Three, Four, Five & Six Students will attend the parish mass at 9.15am. All families and friends are welcome. Please pray for:

- * Our St Mary's students who are preparing to receive their First Eucharist on Sunday 19th August at 3pm
- * All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support



ST. MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

All powerful God, we thank you for making St. Mary MacKillop a woman strong in faith and convictions; a person for all Australians. Inspired by her example, may we strive to make our country a place free of poverty and injustice, a place full of wisdom and learning, and a land where you are praised in peace and love. Amen



PRINCIPALS AWARDS WEEK BEGINNING 6th August 2018

PREP D	Upin T for his great effort in adding more detail to his writing
PREP S	Mark T for writing a great sentence about things that he likes
YEAR 1/2G	Isabella S for her listening for sounds and having a go at spelling when writing
YEAR 1/2K	Eilidh P for being a respectful member of 1/2 K
YEAR 1/2D	Oscar T for writing an excellent procedure about how to make fairy bread
YEAR 1/2S	Anika M for always being a willing classroom helper
YEAR 3/4M	Tom E for his excellent efforts in identifying equivalent fractions
YEAR 3/4HK	Mia T for her hard work and perseverance with everything she attempts
YEAR 3/4V	Senan D for working hard during spelling investigations
YEAR 5/6C	Katie M for her informative explanation about Earthquakes
YEAR 5/6L	Jacob Y for his fantastic mathematical reasoning
YEAR 5/6H	Jesse L for his in-depth work in Literacy

CLASS NEWS: The Week That Was!!

PREP

In Prep this week we learnt about how butter is made. We also had a try at making some. In Maths, we learnt about how to interpret data based on student's responses. In Reading, we investigated the 'ch' sound. YEAR ONE / TWO

In one/two's we have been working hard on learning how to write a procedural text. We even got to make fairy bread to help us with the task. During Maths we learnt about 3D shapes. We went on a shape hunt around the school to find 3D shapes in real life. We have all been working hard to identify nouns, verbs and adjectives and have a surprise.

YEAR THREE / FOUR

The Year 4's had a fantastic time at Emmanuel College last week, experiencing a taste of secondary school life, while the Year 3's have been busily preparing for their First Eucharist. In Maths we investigated equivalent fractions and in Writing we eagerly drafted and revised our formal persuasive letters.

YEAR FIVE / SIX

The Year 5/6's looked forward to St. Mary's STEM Night on Tuesday night. We have been looking at electrical circuits and what makes them work in Integrated Studies and in Maths, have been making connections between fractions and decimals.

TUCKSHOP HELPERS – Week Beginning 13th August 2018

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Rosemary Ciavarella Manager: Eva Coppola Tel: 9315 0799



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EMMANUEL NEWS:

It was great to see the strong interest in the College at our Information Morning last Saturday. A reminder that applications for Year 7 in 2020 close next **Friday, 17 August**, and that applications must also be submitted for any siblings of current students seeking enrolment. **Nicolette Williams Administration Secretary Notre Dame Campus**

NEWS FROM MSJ:

The next **Open Morning** will be held **Thursday 16 August, 9.15am – 10.30am**. Refer to the attached postcard for further details and **Open Morning dates** for the remainder of 2018.

There are limited vacancies for 2018 and 2019.

Year 7, 2020 Enrolment Applications close on 17 August 2018. Therefore parents of Grade 5 students need to apply now.

Enrolment application forms can be obtained from our website <u>www.msj.vic.edu.au</u>, by contacting the school on 8398 2000 or emailing the College Registrar, Sherri Collins at <u>registrar@msj.vic.edu.au</u>



St.Mary's Foto Fundraiser 2018

September Saturday 8th and Saturday 15th

A fun-filled family portrait session with local photographer and St Marys Mum, Samantha Georgiadis.

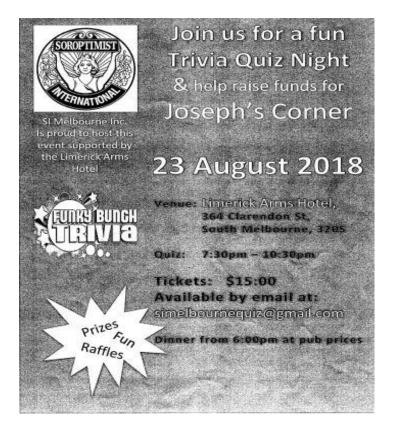
Check out Sam's Instagram account @GeorgiaGrafika for an example of her no fuss, candid style. Your photoshoot session includes 2 high resolution digital images of your choice and a full proof sheet complete with all images, should you wish to order more.

Cost is \$35 per family - Sessions are limited so book quickly. Digital images make great Christmas cards, gifts for grandparents or family.

Use them as screen savers, post on social media, or email to faraway friends and family.

Best of all, you can have them printed & framed any size for your own home.







PLEASE JOIN US: SUNDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER

10.15am MASS 11.00am - 2.00pm OPEN SCHOOL & ACTIVITIES

For more information, please contact principal@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au or call 9329 9206.

