



St. Mary's School, Altona Newsletter 2011

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Dear Parents

No. 19 24th June 2016

Thank you to all the parents and students that braved the weather last Monday afternoon and evening and on Tuesday afternoon to attend our Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews. We would welcome any feedback from parents regarding these interviews. This can be emailed to: principal@smaltona.catholic.edu.au

LONG SERVICE LEAVE:

Nancy Scuderi (Year 3/4 S) will be on Long Service Leave until the 16th August. Nancy will be replaced by Jane Kirkwood and Ruth Stanley during this time. Angela Hamilton (Performing Arts & Year 3/4VH) will also be on Long Service Leave until 25th July. Renata Pisani will take Performing Arts and Lisa Vella will take 3/4VH on Fridays during this time.

HOMEWORK:

Please click on the link below for the next article on Homework:

<https://eduflow.wordpress.com/2013/10/03/homework-harmful-or-helpful/>



School Raffle & Scouts Monster Raffle

This year The Scouts Monster Raffle and our School Raffle will be combined and it's going to be bigger and better than ever.

Things you need to know...

there will be just one major raffle.

75% of the proceeds go back to the school. (That's \$1.50 for every \$2 ticket sold)

There are more than 100 prizes including a **CAR AS FIRST PRIZE.**

Other prizes include Mountain Bikes from Bicycle Superstore, storm shelter tents, lightweight waterproof jackets, Adventure sleeping bags and daypacks from Snowgum and IGA gift cards.

Tickets will be sent home in Term 3 with the eldest child in each family.

Please support the school and look out for more information next term.

SCHOOL CLOSURE DATE:

Term Three: Tuesday 16th August

Please add this date to your diary



Coffee and Chat Morning

Friday 22nd July – 9am in the staff room.

All welcome to come along and meet other parents, family members and staff. We'd love to see you!



Thanks to those who joined in with our Walk / Ride to School Day on 21st June.

Year 3/4S were the **Most Active Grade** and **Green team** the **Most Active House Team.**

Next Walk / Ride to school Day is on **THURSDAY 28th JULY.**



Thanks to Kate and Jazmine who organised the Heroes and Superheroes day on behalf of the JSC to raise money for our World Vision Sponsor Child, Win Naing.

Thanks for your donations...we raised **\$235.00**

HOLIDAYS:

On behalf of David, staff and myself I wish all families and students a healthy, enjoyable and peaceful holiday. We return to begin Term Three on Monday 11th July.

Margaret Masseni

Deputy Principal

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:

ALL TEAMS

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IMPORTANT DATES.

11/7	School Captain Assembly	2.30pm
13/7	Division Netball Finals	9.30-2.30pm
18/7	Year 5/6C Class Assembly	2.30pm
20/7	First Eucharist-Family Workshop	7-8pm
25/7	Prep S Assembly	2.30pm
29/7	Grandparents Day-Whole School Mass	9.15 – 10.15
1/8	Year 1/2D Assembly	2.30pm
3/8	Preps Animal Land Farm Excursion	
5/8	Genes for Jeans Day	
8/8	Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop	9.15-10.15
8/8	Year 1/2S Assembly	
12/8	Athletic Trials	9-1.30pm
15/8	Year 3/4 Prayer Assembly	2.30pm
16/8	School Closure Day	
17/8	First Eucharist – Shared Meal	6-7pm
20/8	Sacrament of First Eucharist	6-7pm
21/8	Sacrament of First Eucharist	10.30-11.30am
22/8	Year 1/2HK Prayer Assembly	2.30pm
24/8	Year 4 Camp	9.00am
29/8	Year 1/2G Class Assembly	2.30pm
4/9	Father's Day Parish Mass	10.30-11.30am
5/9	Prep S & Prep HM Prayer Ass	2.30pm
6/9	ADSSA Athletics	
7/9	Family Maths Night	6.30-7.30pm
9/9	Footy Fun Day	
12/9	Year 5/6M Class Assembly	2.30pm
16/9	Term 3 Finishes	

JEANS 4 GENES – Friday 5th August.

Students are encouraged to replace part of their school uniform and wear DENIM eg. jeans, shirt, hat etc to help raise money to **FIGHT CHILDHOOD DISEASES**. Staff will be joining in too. A gold coin donation is asked from everyone who joins in.

Extraordinary Year of Mercy - 7pm Friday 1st July 2016. Theme: The person of St Vincent de Paul. Presented by local members of the SVDP Society. All welcome to attend.

Planning on sending your daughter to PCW Melbourne?

Applications close 16th September 2016
Letters of Offer: 14th October
Acceptance of Offer: 28th October

MSJ Open Mornings – 9.30am – 10.30am,
11th August, 8th September, 10th November 2016



Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday Caroline Cassar
Thursday
Friday Mary Darmanin

Manager: Eva Coppola Tel: 9315 0799

EDUCATION IN FAITH

FIRST EUCHARIST NEWS

Dates for Term Three:

Family Workshop:

Wednesday 20th July 7pm in school hall

Shared Family Meal & Workshop:

Wednesday, 17th August, 6:00pm in school hall

Celebration of First Eucharist:

Saturday, 20th August at 6:00pm.

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Sunday, 21st August at 10.30am.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY REMINDER

Friday, 29th July

9.15am Mass - celebrated by

Fr. Daniel Szewc

10am Open Classrooms

11am morning tea



Moment with Jesus

Think of how much Jesus loves you.
No matter what you do, he loves you.
He always forgives you
when you are sorry for doing wrong.
Thank Jesus for his great love
and for his forgiveness.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

* A safe and peaceful holiday for all families.
Olive Chodowski – REL

"How truly wonderful are God's ways
and how little we understand them."

Mary MacKillop, 1874

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P&F - SAVE THESE DATES

The P&F have organised two fundraising events over the next two terms for parents & friends. All funds raised from these events will be put directly back into our school, so we hope you can come along & support them, whilst having a great night out. So, mark these dates on your calendars.

BAD MOM'S MOVIE NIGHT

DATE: Friday 12th August

TIME: 6.30pm for a 7pm start

VENUE: The Sun Theatre Yarraville

PRICE: \$28, includes a glass of bubbles, beer or wine
Buy your tickets before the 20th of July & go into the draw to win:

- ★ \$100 Yarra Trail voucher & gorgeous scarf
- ★ 45 minute facial donated by Breeze Beauty
- ★ A Tia Maria Gift Pack donated by Aces Drive Through Liquor.

Buy your tix online through TryBooking at
www.trybooking.com/LPYN

Thank you to Marilyn Fischer & Yarra Trail; Breeze Beauty & Aces Drive Through Liquor for their generous donations.

RETRO DISCO

Get out your platform shoes, fluff up your afros or dig out those MC Hammer pants & your Madonna costume because we're going back, way back... It's a 70s, 80s & 90s Retro Disco baby! This one's just for the adults. There will be a DJ, lighting effects & a photo booth to capture the hilarity.

DATE: Saturday 15th October

VENUE: Kooringal Golf Club

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WILLIAMSTOWN VS GEELONG

Sunday 26th June

Burbank Oval - 2.00pm

Kids Activity Zone proudly sponsored by

WATERLINE PLACE
WILLIAMSTOWN 3918





Adults - \$10
Kids under 12 - FREE

73 MORRIS ST, WILLIAMSTOWN



Hobsons Bay Libraries - June-July school holiday program overlaps NAIDOC week and thus our theme this year is storytelling with some specifically NAIDOC themed events!

A highlight will be the Robogals session for the 9-15 year old age group. Coding, science and technology is a growing field for library programming and in learning communities in general. Robogals are a volunteer

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organisation that encourages female participation in STEM fields; part of their vision to guide young girls to shine in this area has resulted in them running a wickedly good robotics session at Altona North Library on Saturday 2nd of July!



SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE LOVED ONES OF PEOPLE AFFECTED BY SUBSTANCE ABUSE - A five week group presented by Joseph's Corner

Who should attend: Anyone who has a family member affected by drug or alcohol addiction.

Session dates/times: 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. on the following Tuesdays: 19th and 26th July, 2nd, 9th and 16th August

Venue: Williamstown Community and Education Centre
14 Thompson Street, Williamstown VIC 3016

Enquiries: Please call Joseph's Corner on 9315-2680 for further enquiries and bookings, or email contact@josephscorner.org.au

Course Facilitator: Heather Bunting
BA (Psych), Grad.Dip. Psych, Grad.Dip. Counselling, Masters of Social Science (Counselling)

There is no payment required although any donations would be appreciated.

Joseph's Corner

A counselling service for families living with alcohol or drug addiction

Laverton, Hoppers Crossing, Yarraville

www.josephscorner.org.au

Monday 27 June	Tuesday 28 June	Wednesday 29 June	Thursday 30 June	Friday 1 July	Saturday 2 July
	Rainbow Serpent mural craft Craft activity Create a rainbow serpent mural to hang on the wall of the library! 11am to 12pm Altona Library	Toy stories Workshop It's your chance to tell toy stories! Use iPads, toys and loads of creativity to design and publish your very own book. 10.30am to 12.00pm Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre	Movie: Bedtime Stories Every story Skeeter Bronson tells his niece and nephew comes to life... find out what adventure will happen next! 3pm to 5pm Altona North Community Library	Newport Folk Festival Story time Renowned story teller Jackie Kern loves to share her craft. Join her for the annual Newport Folk Festival story time 9.30am to 10.15am Newport Library at The Substation	Robogals Workshop The Robogals are coming to the library! 'Gals' are invited to learn how to program Lego NXT robots! Strictly ages: 9-15 Session one 10.30am to 11.30am Session two 11.30am to 12.30pm Altona North Community Library
Monday 4 July	Tuesday 5 July	Wednesday 6 July	Thursday 7 July	Friday 8 July	Saturday 9 July
Ron Murray: didgeridoo and storytelling Performance Wamba Wamba man, Ron Murray will weave together music and story in a showcase of Aboriginal cultural traditions sure to enthrall his young audience. 1.30pm to 2.30pm The Substation Newport		Storytelling with Aunty Fay Story time Join Boon Wurrung Elder, Aunty Fay Stewart-Mur for a cultural storytelling experience which includes traditional language and rhymes. 11am to 12pm Williamstown Library			