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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 16th Pupil Free Day – Learning Conversations
Tue 17th Grade 5 Immersion with Troy Firebrace
Wed 18th Grade 3 Immersion with Troy Firebrace
Mon 23rd Grade 4 Immersion with Troy Firebrace
Fri 27th Pupil Free Day – Staff Planning Day

DECEMBER

Wed 16th Last Day Term 4

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



Please DO NOT send your child to school if they are unwell in any way.

Thank you.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week we have our Learning Conversations. These are wonderful opportunities to catch up with teachers and discuss the progress made throughout a challenging year. I encourage families to take the time to book an appointment and share a positive end to 2020.

This week we welcome our Foundation 2021 children for their first transition visit under strict COVIDSafe protocols. It is an exciting time for all involved as we prepare for the new year and a new group of children and their families. The transition visits will be in small groups and randomly selected to ensure we fulfil all requirements according to our guidelines.

Our grade 6 students are also busily preparing for a COVIDSafe graduation and end of year celebration. Again we are limited by guidelines and protocols however it will not diminish our celebration of our grade 6 group who have completed seven years of primary schooling.

In Sunday's Gospel, a man went away on a journey. He must have been very wealthy because he entrusted large portions of his money to three of his servants. The first two servants invested the money during the master's absence and it yielded great returns. The third servant however, was fearful of investing (or some scholars say he was lazy). In either case, the servant buried the money he was given and returned the full amount to the master when he came home. The master was pleased with the investments of the first two servants, but was very upset with the third one. To those who have much, much more will be given. To those who have little, even that little will be taken away.

As we reflect on this parable, God has given each one of us talents. Sometimes out of laziness or lack of ambition, or sometimes because we are afraid of failure or ridicule, we do not share our talents. The gospel today challenges us to take a risk and invest our gifts for the greater good of God's people. We do this ourselves as adults, but we must also try to help our children recognize their talents and use them in a productive way.

Paul Wilkinson Principal

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Lilah Caine, Sibylla Caine, Charlie Dickins, Rylan Keetelaar, Cooper Rowles, Logan Brown, Thomas Marchment, Archer Harris. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week
FBG	Harry Gill, Lucas Sargeant
FJO	Isla Patching, Charlotte Murton
1BW	Miley Ellerton, Lilah Caine
1DC	Noah Wyatt
2MC	Kelsee Bogumil, Riley Stevens
2LC	Blake Holm
3JT	Paige Kristiansen
3ZD	Grace Wyatt
4AG	Liliana Dingey
4BS	Jayda Damiani
5JE	Zethan Jensen, Alex Capuano
5MG	Bridie Thompson
6ST	Deng Monygon
6TC	Ruby Morrish, Charlie Mortimer

SCHOOL NEWS

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their library books during week 6. As mentioned last week, library borrowing for students has now been stopped to enable us to relocate the library into a temporary location.



Students will now be informed if they have any outstanding books that are to be returned. I know that looking for books can at times be frustrating, but all of your efforts are very much appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

Sue Johns, Library

CANTEEN

Please ensure all orders are placed on Flexischools before 9am Thursday.

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

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:

- http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand
- https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass
- www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass

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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - GRADE 2 RECONCILIATION

Our online parent information session is scheduled for Thursday the 19th of November @ 5.45pm. This is a compulsory meeting for parents of our 1st Rite of Reconciliation sacramental children. Please check your email to ensure you have the google meet link. Please contact Jo Thurley ASAP if you have any queries or concerns regarding the evening.



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: SUNDAY 15TH OF NOVEMBER

Pope Francis introduced World Day of the Poor in 2016 to reaffirm that the poor will always be with us, to help us welcome the presence of Christ into our daily lives. As our state of Victoria begins to reopen, the ongoing economical impact of the pandemic and the loss of jobs will continue to be problematic, meaning more and more people are going to need help feeding their families, particularly as we move closer to Christmas. Individual acts of charity are necessary to support the poor but conversion and lifestyle changes are also paramount in honoring the presence of Jesus. Where do our products come from? How can we support local businesses?

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

NAIDOC WEEK

Last week was NAIDOC Week, an important week for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People. Last week we visited the classrooms handing out posters and read some Aboriginal dreamtime stories to Foundation - Grade 4 classes. We also played some Indigenous based games during our PE session with all of the classes at Holy Rosary. Our art sessions with Aboriginal artist, Troy Firebrace have had to be postponed. FIRE Carrier students worked with Troy Firebrace organising design for a new school message stick.

Bella, Lucy and Zoe J (FIRE Carrier Students)



Last week FIRE Carrier students worked with Aboriginal Artist Troy Firebrace to create a new message stick for the school. This is very exciting and we look forward to seeing their designs.







COMMUNITY NEWS



