



ST. MONICA'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Important Reminder

**Have you booked your
child's
P/T/S Interviews?**

Edition 03: 9th March, 2018

Dear Families,

On Friday the 16th March our school will be taking part in the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, for the first time. Bullying is defined as:

An ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

At St Monica's we are fortunate that we have very few incidents of bullying. It's important however, that our students and whole school community understand that Bullying and Violence is never acceptable and that if we all work together and take a stand, we can eliminate bullying in our society forever. On this day our students will make an anti bullying pledge as well as participate in classroom anti bullying activities.



2018 Annual General Meeting of the School Board and Parent's and Friends **Wednesday, March 21st, at 6.30pm**

We are a multi- cultural society here at Saint Monica's.

Curious to learn more??

*Let's embrace our families and cultural diversity by coming along to the
Annual General Meeting where you will be
Enlightened by 'A Taste of Saint Monica's'*

*Not only will you hear and learn about the culture of your friends, but be indulged with food tastings
from their beautiful cuisines.*

*Presentation of Annual Report
Election of Office Bearers for School Board and Parents and Friends
All Welcome*



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents / Guardians,

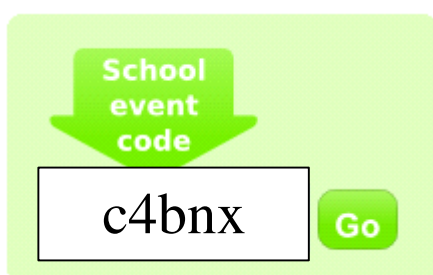
Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held on **Monday 26th March to, Wednesday 28th March.**

You can now book interviews at times that suit ***YOUR FAMILY BEST.***

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

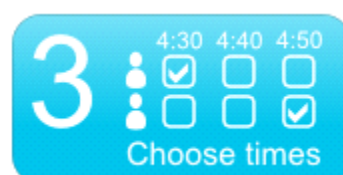
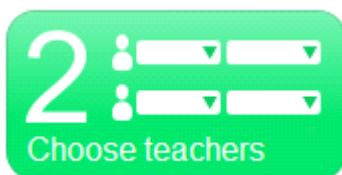
BOOKINGS OPEN Monday 5th of March

BOOKINGS CLOSE Wednesday 21st of March



Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Enter **THIS** school event code.
Then follow the 3 simple steps.



When you click ***finish***, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones they may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 54477832. Interviews are strictly 15mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 54477832.

We would love to hear what you think about online booking. If you get time, click on the "contact us" button on the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and leave some feedback - anonymously if you wish, but please include the school's name and suburb.

If you wish to also book a time with your child's Specialist Teacher please do so using the above instructions and code.

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

In order to prepare for the language & learning demands of the school environment, children need ample time and opportunity to engage meaningful interactions with their family.



Research suggests that the types of questions we ask and the quality of discussions we have with our children, from a very young age, are linked to school success. As children progress through the grades they must learn to use extended discourse in telling stories, giving explanations, reporting, expressing an opinion or writing an essay. Asking children "if, why and how" type questions allows them to deepen their thinking and prepare longer and more complex responses. It makes sense to build their confidence with extended discourse gradually, beginning with simple oral tasks.

In each weekly newsletter this year, our school's Speech Pathologist will provide some "family friendly", fun oral language tasks aimed to enhance learning and literacy skills.

We encourage you to set some time aside each week so that you can get the most out of your interactions with your child. In a busy household, sometimes the car is the best place for these focused activities. The key ingredients for a creative interaction are a time, a place, a willing talking partner or audience and an engaging topic or activity.

If your child is reading a particular book at home or in class, try to incorporate words or ideas from that text into your activity. For example; if you are building your child's use of describing words, select a character from your child's reader to describe. Encourage increasingly expensive words such as the *beautiful, gorgeous, stunning and breath-taking* princess.

Positive communication experiences at home help children feel accepted and valued. Growth in spoken language skills will build children's self-confidence and help them learn to negotiate social interactions at school. This often transfers to other aspects of their learning and life.

Ten activities will be provided each term focusing on key areas of oral language supporting literacy, learning and socialising. Feel free to adjust these activities according to your child's grade level.

The following link is to the most comprehensive website available that provides parents with activities that are free, easily accessible and enjoyable. Each activity has been carefully selected to reflect the highest quality, up-to-date research evidence on early literacy development. There is also advice for parents who are concerned about their child's reading and language development.

<http://www.fivefromfive.org.au/parent-resources/>

If you have any questions you can contact Vikki Stone Ed. Speech Pathologist through the School's Special Education Coordinator, Max Lamb

Good luck and most importantly, enjoy this very special time with your child.



Phonological Awareness Activities for Chatter Matters:

4. **Objective** – The child understand words can have 1 or more parts (syllables). The child will be able to break down words into their parts.
Activity Instructions – Adult to say the word and ask the child to beat/clap/jump out the word e.g. "Charlie, clap out the word ____". Child to beat, clap, hop etc. the word into its parts e.g. al-li-ga-tor. Rather than using a dice use pictures and move according to the number of syllables. Snakes and ladders becomes so much more fun

Examples of words include: table, helicopter, caterpillar, drone, aircraft, hippopotamus, beautiful, crumpet, bowling, swimming, fan, skip, bedtime, crunchy etc.

5. **Have fun** with sound play using alliteration (where each word begins with the same sound). Children will play a "copy-cat" as the parent 'builds up' an alliterative character e.g. Miss Marble. Miss Marble's muffins. Miss Marble makes muffins. Miss Marble makes marvellous muffins. Miss Marble makes marvellous marmalade muffins – "mm ..." You could always begin with the familiar names for example; Silly Simon sang..., tiny Tina tells..., little Lucy loves ...
6. **The Food Game** - Watch what you eat! Take turns saying the name of a food you like that starts with the same sound as your own name. For example; Charlie – cheese. The activity could be extended to include an item that you don't like to eat as well. For example, "I'm Fiona and I like to eat fish but I don't like to eat frogs."





Caritas
AUSTRALIA

PROJECT COMPASSION

FOR A JUST FUTURE

Caritas Fundraiser Thursday
March 29th
Crazy Hair Day
Casual Clothes
Gold coin donation to make a
Coin Line
Sausage Sizzle

CARITAS FUNDRAISER

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

\$1.50 EACH

Thursday March 29th



Back by Popular Demand - Lansell Square Magic Show and Balloon Twisting Experience March 10th 2018.

There are two **FREE** events on this Saturday at Lansell Square. An all ages magic show at 12 noon and t 1.30pm a balloon twisting experience for ages 7+. For more information and to register for the Balloon Twisting Experience Workshop visit www.MisterMike.com.au Make sure you pre-register if you want to guarantee a place in the workshop as spaces are limited.

Scholastic Book Fair

Saint Monica's will be hosting the book Fair in early May. All details of the fair along with the theme will be announced shortly.

We are looking for Adult Volunteers to assist with preparation of this exciting Fair.

I can assist with

- ☐ Setting up
- ☐ Decorating the venue
- ☐ Promotions/Sales etc

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Eldest Child Class: _____

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER FORM

To be returned by Tuesday March 27th

NAME: **CLASS:**

- | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 x Sausage | \$2.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 x Sausages | \$4.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 x Sausages | \$5.00 |

Total Paid =



Assembly

Will be held every second Monday
in the Jaara Centre.

Next Assembly 19th March at 2.50pm.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2019

School Information Night

Wednesday 23rd May at 6:30 in the Jaara Centre.

School Open Week

May 21st - May 25th (9.00 - 3.30pm) Student led tours.

Principal Learning Tour

Monday 14th May - 9:30am - meet at the school office

Friday 18th May - 9:30am - meet at the school office

Tuesday 29th May - 9:30am - meet at the school office

Thursday 31st May - 9:30am - meet at the school office

Prep Information Session - time & date TBA

Prep Orientation Program Dates

Tuesday 20th November 9:15am - 10:30am

Tuesday 27th November 9:15am - 10:30am

Whole School Orientation Day - Tuesday 4th December 9.15am-11:00am

Enrolments commence Monday 14th May

Skoobag App

There is a school app available for your convenience.

We would like to invite you to download the new school app which is available from the app store. Click on the app store icon enter St Monica's Kangaroo Flat. Now you can receive up to date notices!

NEWSLETTER

Now the school has its own app the newsletter will not be sent home in Hardcopy. You may download the newsletter weekly via the school App or the school website. If you are unable to view the newsletter electronically and wish to receive a hardcopy weekly please return the reply slip below ASAP.

Please email us if you wish to be sent a link to newsletter weekly.

admin_office@smkangarooflat.catholic.edu.au

☒ Yes,

The _____ Family
would like to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter fortnightly.

Eldest child's

Name/class _____

Easter Raffle

Raffle books have now gone out for the Easter raffle. Tickets are \$1 each and we have heaps of prizes!!!!

Raffle books, sold or not, need to be returned by **Friday 16th March** so the raffle can be drawn at the last assembly on **Monday 19th March**.



The P&F will once again be purchasing the prizes however if you feel you'd like to donate an Easter egg please feel free to drop them in to the office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2018

February

Monday 12th

Labour Day Public Holiday

Friday 16th

**National Day of Action Against
Bullying and Violence.**

Wednesday 21st

**Annual General
Meeting
6.30pm**

Monday 26th

**Parent/Teacher/Student/
Interviews**

Tuesday 27th

**Parent/Teacher/Student/
Interviews**

Wednesday 28th

**Parent/Teacher/Student/
Interviews**

Thursday 29th

**Last Day of Term 1
Students finish @ 2.30pm**

Friday 30th

Good Friday

Sunday 1st

Easter Sunday

April

Monday 16th

Term 2 commences

Wednesday 25th

ANZAC DAY

Monday 30th

Book Fair

May

Friday 4th

Grade 6 Transition Day

Monday 7th

Whole School Closure Day

Monday 14th

**Open Week
Principal Tour 9.30am**

Tuesday 15th

Open Week

Wednesday 16th

Open Week

Thursday 17th

Open Week

Friday 18th

**Open Week
Principal Tour 9.30am**

COMMUNITY NEWS



OPEN EVENING

Everybody's talking about Bendigo's newest school of choice!
Come and see why...

THURSDAY 15TH MARCH 4-7PM
COOLOCK CAMPUS, JUNORTOUN

Enrolment enquiries: Audra Petri, College Registrar
☎ 5449 3466 ✉ info@cmc.vic.edu.au 🌐 www.cmc.vic.edu.au

Catherine McAuley College, Bendigo
A Ministry of Mercy Education Ltd – ABN 69 154 531 870

ENROL FOR 2019



DR JUSTIN COULSON LIVE ON STAGE

Dr Justin Coulson, parenting expert and father of six, is one of Australia's most respected relationships speakers, authors and researchers.

Connection is at the core of what Justin does and he is passionate about helping others to transform their relationships, and their lives for the better.

These inspiring seminars are a must for professionals, carers and parents.

Professional Seminar
POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR PROFESSIONALS AND PARENTS

DATE: Thursday 22 March
TIME: 4pm to 6pm
VENUE: Capital Theatre, View Street, Bendigo
COST: \$30

Concession tickets and group bookings available

Parents and Carers Seminar
21 DAYS TO A HAPPIER FAMILY

DATE: Thursday 22 March
TIME: 7pm to 9pm
VENUE: Capital Theatre, View Street, Bendigo
COST: \$15

Concession tickets and group bookings available

BOOK NOW: Visit www.gotix.com.au, the Capital Theatre box office or phone 5434 6100
For more information, call CSS on 5438 1300



*KELLY SPORTS BEFORE SCHOOL CARE MULTI-SPORTS SESSIONS**

"Do you work early in the morning & need someone to look after your child/ren?"

"Ever wondered how you could help your child concentrate more at school?"

If you answered YES to either of these questions, then why not try an exciting & energetic Kelly Sports Before School Care Multi-sports Session to KICK start their day.

-7:30am-8:30am

-Monday -Friday

-\$12 per session

-Casual (24hrs notice) & permanent bookings available

-New sport everyday

-Heaps of FUN & a great way to make new friends & build self confidence.

A BIG Thank You to the P&F Committee
For purchasing the following:

St Monica's School

Children's Take Home Readers
New Sand Pit Equipment




SUPER HEROES NEEDED!!



It's a community problem needing a community effort to manage it!!

Our Lice Team is made up of volunteer parents who meet at the start of each term to screen the school for the presence of lice...

AND WE ARE LOOKING TO EXPAND OUR SUPERHERO NUMBERS!

If you have some spare time on your hands, if you are keen to "wage the war" against lice in our school, if you'd like to be part of a fabulous team...WE are certainly looking for YOU!! No experience necessary (nor is lycra suits or capel!) ~ training is part of the deal!!

Looking forward to hearing from you.

THE HEAD LICE TEAM!

- ☐ YES! I'd like to become a volunteer for the Lice Team!
- ☐ I'm interested but would like to chat to someone and find out a bit more!

Name: _____ Contact number: _____

Email Address: _____

Eldest Child: _____ Grade: _____

HEAD LICE FACTS: (The things you're not being told!)

Head lice treatment do not kill eggs!

WHICH MEANS:

Remaining eggs will still hatch after treatment occurs.

Lice from hatched eggs can mature enough in 7 days to lay eggs. To avoid this happening treat again in 6 days (not 7 as treatments indicate!)

Eggs can take up to 10 days to hatch! **WHICH MEANS:** Eggs are still hatching after second treatment. You need to treat the child's hair till they are clear, not by the label!

Conditioner/comb method is very effective (especially when used with a "KP24" comb) Even if you are not using this method to treat it is handy to use it on all members of the family to establish who needs to be treated before tackling the Head lice "cycle"

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILDS HAIR AS THE SCHOOL HAS HAD A REPORTED CASE OF HEAD LICE.



BEWARE

Parking Inspectors are out in full force patrolling the area and giving out fines to people who are not obeying the parking signs.

Eg Bus Stops, disabled park and time limits.



CANTEEN

DATE	TIME	NAME
Thursday 15th March	9am—11am	Cindy McCabe Melinda Kennedy
Friday 16th March	10.30am - Midday	Glynis Burby
Thursday 22nd March	9am—11am	Kelly McCuskey Karl Sewell
Friday 23rd March	10.30am - Midday	Sue Pearse

Canteen News!

**Please be aware the canteen
no longer stocks**

JELLY BOMBS

SPORTS

St Monica's Football Club

Player registration Under 9
to under 12

Ages from

01/01/2006 - 30/04/2011

Please email

stmonicasjfc@gmail.com for registration
forms and queries.

Registration forms also now available from
the office.



Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

Be Safe Award



Awarded to

Jagger McLean P F
Bevan Smart 1/2 H
Josie Thorng 1/2 S
Lincoln Symons 3/4 R



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 05/03/2018...

Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

PBIS

COOL CATS OF THE WEEK

Class of the Week

5/6 Curnow

1/2 Smith

Attendance:

Ashton Chivers 1/2 T

Jordyn Crosbie 5/6 N

Punctuality:

Harry Mannix 5/6 C

Hannah Wilson 3/4 O

Are the cool cats of the week
WELL DONE!

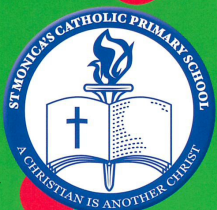


Be a Learner Award



Awarded to

Amelia Walsh PF
Max Bennallack 1/2 H
Oskar Poskus 1/2 S
Indianna Sobey 1/2 T
Miller Bishop 3/4 D
Savannah Waters 3/4 R



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 05/03/2018...

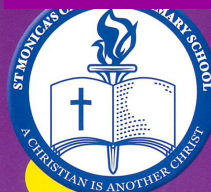
Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

Be Friendly Award



Awarded to

Darcy Yin P F
Ethan Crocker 1/2 H
Hartaj Thind 1/2 T
Charlotte Wolfe 3/4 D
Yasmine Scott 3/4 D
Will Pidoto 3/4 O
Blake Hampton 3/4 O



Signed: *R. Johnson*

Date: 05/03/2018...

Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

PARISH NEWS

South East Cluster Mass Times

Monday	Poor Clare Convent	8.00am
Tuesday	St John of God	11.30am
Wednesday	Sacred Heart Cathedral Bethlehem	8.00am 11.30am
Thursday	St Joseph's Quarry Hill St John of God Hospital	8.00am 11.30am
Friday	Sacred Heart Cathedral St Monica's	8.00am 9.30am
Saturday	St Joseph's Quarry Hill St Monica's	6.00pm 6.00pm
Sunday	Sacred Heart Cathedral St Monica's Sacred Heart Cathedral Sacred Heart Cathedral	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm

Mass Times

March

Friday 23rd	3/4 Unit Mass 9.30am St Monica's Church
26th-30th	HOLY WEEK
Friday 30th	Good Friday
Sunday 1st	Easter Sunday

April

Tuesday 24th	ANZAC Paraliturg 5/6 Unit
Wednesday 25th	ANZAC DAY

May

Friday 4th	1/2 Unit Mass 9.30am St Monica's Church
Sunday 20th	Sacrament Of Eucharist and Confirmation Sacred Heart Cathedral 11.00am
Friday 25th	Whole School Mass 9.30am Jaara Centre

PARISH ADMINISTRATION HAS MOVED FROM OUR OFFICE AT GOLDEN SQUARE TO THE SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH OFFICE. Our email address is now bendigo@cdos.org.au New Contact phone No: 5443 4400. Parish Secretary, Jeanette Hauser has retired. Chris Quinn, secretary at the Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish Office will be looking after St Mary's Parish administration. Please feel free to contact Chris with any parish matters. Notices for the Bulletin need to be in by early Thursday. Any Pastoral needs will be followed up. Maintenance concerns can be directed to Bernie White.

March

Happy
Birthday

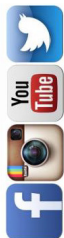
Connor	Arav	Molly	Callum	Byron	Kerry
Ishana	Kye	Elwin	Marley	Jaimee	Jordyn
Gracie	Milla	Sears	Georgia	Sahraya	Amalia
Alice	Lasini	Tye	Sophia	Lambert	Harry
Oliver	Lily	Billy	Billy	Harvey	Jay
Luca	Namar	Blake	Claudia	Cloria	



	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
8.30 – 9.00am	NO ITINERARY TODAY DUE TO EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	INTRO / FUN GAMES 	INTRO / FUN GAMES 	INTRO / FUN GAMES 	INTRO / FUN GAMES 
9.00 – 10.00am		BBALL 	TENNIS 	HOCKEY 	TENNIS 
10.30 – 11.30am		SOCCER 	VOLLEYBALL 	SOCCER 	CRICKET 
11.30 – 12.00pm		HOCKEY 	DANCE 	BBALL 	RIPPA RUGBY 
1.30 – 2.30pm	SCAVENGER HUNT 	NETBALL 	ULTIMATE FRISBEE 	T BALL 	
2.30 – 3.30pm	MINI OLYMPICS 	CRAZY GAMES 	KELLY SPORTS HAS GOT TALENT 	GYMNASTICS 	
4.00 – 5.00pm		PARACHUTE GAMES 	CIRCUS 	PARACHUTE GAMES 	KIDS CHOICE 
	HOME TIME				

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	SNACK BREAK				
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11.30 – 12.00pm	GYMNASTICS 	DANCE 	SOCCER 	BBALL 	RIPPA RUGBY 
	LUNCH				
1.30 – 2.30pm	T BALL 	AMAZING RACE 	KELLY SPORTS HAS GOT TALENT WE'VE GOT TALENT 	CRAZY GAMES 	FOOTY 
2.30 – 3.30pm	KIDS CHOICE 	ULTIMATE FRISBEE 	MINI OLYMPICS 	T BALL 	KIDS CHOICE 
	SNACK BREAK				
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	HOME TIME				

**FOLLOW US
ONLINE**



WHEN: Tuesday
WHERE: St. Monica's PS
COMMENCING: 6/2/18
CONCLUDING: 27/3/18
DURATION: 8 weeks
TIME: 3:40pm – 4:40pm
YEAR LEVELS: P – 4
COST: \$96

WHEN: Thursday
WHERE: St. Monica's PS
COMMENCING: 8/2/18
CONCLUDING: 29/3/18
DURATION: 8 weeks
TIME: 1:45pm - 2:25pm
YEAR LEVELS: P - 6
COST: \$80

GET IN QUICK FOR TERM 1 AS PLACES ARE FILLING FAST!!

*****EARLY BIRD SPECIAL OFFER** If you enrol your child in any program before Sunday 4th February you'll receive 1 session FREE!!**

NEW & IMPROVED ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM!!

SIMPLY GO TO WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU ENTER YOUR POSTCODE AND ENROL FROM THERE OR
FILL OUT THE BELOW ENROLMENT FORM & SEND WITH A CHEQUE OR CREDIT CARD DETAILS TO:
12 METROPOLITAN DRIVE, EAGLEHAWK VIC 3556
PAYMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE!

ENROLMENT FORM

Mega Multi Sports

Circus & Gymnastics

School: _____ Year Level: _____ DOB: _____

Name: _____

Room No: _____

Address: _____
Post Code: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile/Work: _____

Email: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

At the completion of after school clinics, does your child?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Go to after care	<input type="checkbox"/>	Get collected	<input type="checkbox"/>	Photo consent
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Parents' consent: I hereby authorise Kelly Sports to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Kelly Sports Bendigo from any liability for injury incurred by my child at Kelly Sports programs.

Parent/Caregiver name: _____ Signature: _____

Amount Paid: \$

Credit card payment:

☐ Visa ☐ Master card

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THINGS TO KNOW

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Kelly Sports is a Registered Child Care provider

Don't leave forms at the School Office

Spaces are limited so please make sure you enrol online or return form to Kelly Sports