



ST. MONICA'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Planning for 2019
We will be looking at classes and staffing for next year over the next few weeks. If you are leaving the school at the end of this year, could you please let the school know as soon as possible?

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Dear Families,

This week is National Child Protection Week (2nd-8th September). National Child Protection Week invites all Australians to play their part to promote the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. "Protecting children is everyone's business."

Launching on Father's Day every year, National Child Protection Week, now in its 28th year, supports and encourages the safety and wellbeing of Australian children and families. National Child Protection Week is an opportunity for government, business and community to come together to promote the safety and wellbeing of all children. The enduring message of National Child Protection Week is that 'Protecting children is everyone's business' and urges all Australians to 'Play their Part'. A key message of the week is 'Stronger Communities, Safer Children'. Research tells us that a strong community is important for children and helps them to thrive and be safe.

The theme of 'Stronger communities, safer children', emphasises the importance and value of connected communities in keeping children and young people safe and well. Communities in which children are seen and heard, where their participation is valued and where their families can get the support they need, are stronger communities which contribute to keeping children safe and well.

At Saint Monica's, we place a strong emphasis on child safety, and as mentioned previously, we are committed to fulfilling the requirements of the Victorian Parliamentary Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Child Safe Standards).

The Victorian Child Safe Standards apply to a broad range of organisations that provide services for children, including schools, churches, sporting clubs and youth services. Preventing and responding to child abuse, and keeping children safe, requires a community effort to bring about broad cultural change.

All staff at Saint Monica's have an ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of all students in our care. Our policies and practices will be continually monitored, reviewed and evaluated, to ensure the safety of all students. The implementation of The Child Safe Standards provides clear direction for the future.

Please stay tuned for our upcoming information about how NAPLAN went at Saint Monica's in 2018. And may I personally say I hope all the fathers in our community had a magnificent day on Sunday and that I hope they all enjoyed the coffee and egg & bacon muffin on Friday.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Monday 10th	Whole School Swimming
Tuesday 11th	Whole School Swimming Celebration of Reconciliation Mass 6.00pm St Monica's Church
Wednesday 12th	Whole School Swimming Celebration of Reconciliation Mass 6.00pm St Monica's Church
Thursday 13th	Whole School Swimming
Friday 14th	Whole School Swimming Journals to go home
Friday 21st	Last day of Term 2.30pm Finish

OCTOBER

Monday 8th	Term 4 Commences
Friday 19th	1/2 Unit Mass
Friday 26th	Alice in Wonderland Production 7.00pm
Saturday 27th	Alice in Wonderland Production 7.00pm

Sent home with Today's Newsletter!

1. NAPLAN
2. Sandpiper.
3. Kelly Sports Holiday program flyer.

Overdue Notes

1. Swimming Permission note
2. Swimming Skills Form

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS



Term 3 Language genres/ communicating for different social purposes

These activities will help the students to make the necessary adjustments to their language so they can communicate for a variety of purposes eg; to tell stories, recount events, persuade, give instructions and report information.

Learning about the language and types of words we use in each of these different contexts supports not only the child's oral language but written language development also.

Communicating to socialise

We all use a particular style when we email or use the internet to access social media but are our children explicitly aware of these styles. How can they adjust their language/style to get more out of their interactions with others?

Ask your child to tell you they might write an email to the following people about a recent holiday. Grandma, their best friend, the school principal, a prep student, the school magazine. What sort of words, phrases do they use for each of these different audience? Why?

Ask them to comment on this meme as if they were texting it to the same people above.

Narrative

Aim to read one book a day with your child (repeating books is OK!).

It is important that during reading, you begin to take turns in talking about what is happening in the pictures and ask your child questions that focus on the elements of the story. Use the following questions to help:

When your child brings home pictures from school that they have drawn, make up a story to go with it.

Try to include the seven parts of the story (Setting, Problem, Feelings, Plan, Action, Solution, End).

Recount

Recounts are a way of retelling an important event of describing an experience. Rather than retelling every minor detail, it's important children can select the important information or events, and expand on these in an interesting manner.

Read with your child a variety of texts used to recount, including newspaper reports, letters, diaries, journals, retells, autobiographies, biographies etc. Have your child read texts and search for specific words that indicate:

The orientation e.g. who, when, where, what, why, how

The time sequence e.g. yesterday, today, tomorrow, first, next, after that, lastly

Past events (time of content), e.g. A year ago, last night, horse and cart, telegram

The action, e.g. screamed, swam, chased

Your teacher will have access to these cue cards for you to print off and use to guide your child's language at home.



Father's Day Thankyou

"The P&F Committee would like to extend a HUGE thank you to our many volunteers that made the Fathers Day Stall and Breakfast such a great success. These events could not be run without you"

"We enjoyed seeing the smiles on the children's faces as they selected the perfect gift for their Dad or special person"

" Such a great display of beautiful manners at both the Stall and Breakfast events"

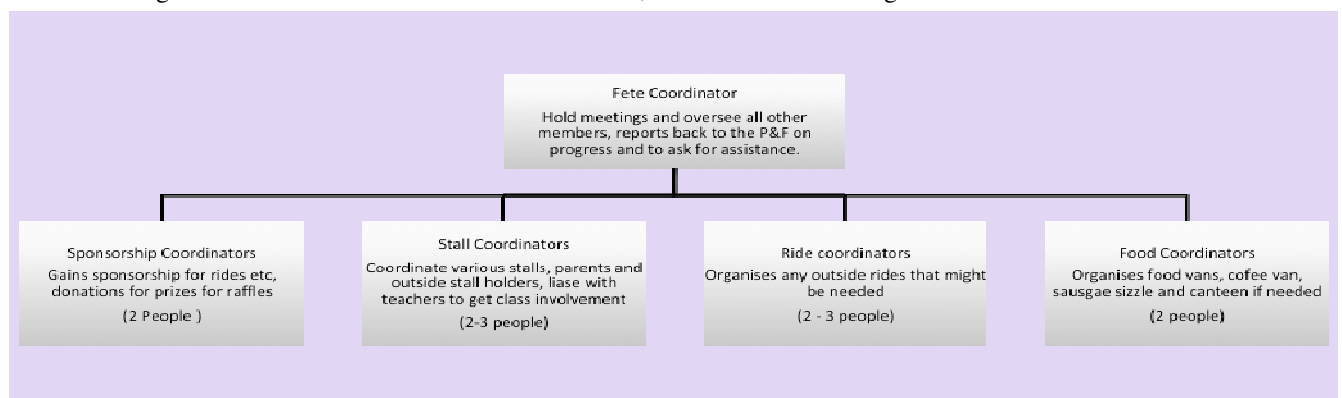
Next P&F Meeting: Tuesday 11th September



SAINT MONICAS SCHOOL FAIR 2019
Committee Members Needed

St Monica's School Fair 2019
Positions Vacant.

We are forming a subcommittee for the school fair for 2019, and have the following vacancies to fill:



The Fair will be in October/November 2019 so we have plenty of time to organise and fantastic event however we need volunteers to help out. The P & F committee will be there to assist where needed on the way. Full disclosure of notes from the previous fete will be handed out.

If you feel you have the skills to fill one of these positions please email stmonicaspf@outlook.com with your details and the position you would like.

THIS WEEKS

Lenard's
Chicken

AWARD

Molly Lawlor

Molly is consistently friendly, always acknowledging people with a good morning or afternoon. Molly always greets people using their name and with a big smile.

Well done Molly!

Tuesday 11th September

Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation
6.00pm @ St Monica's Church

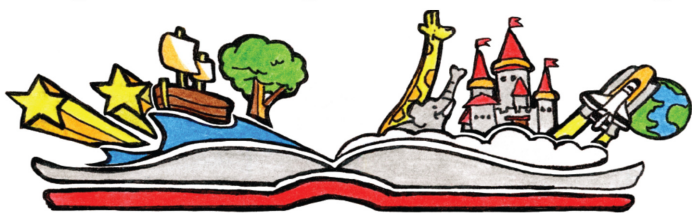


Wednesday

12th September

Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation
6.00pm @ St Monica's Church

Mini Monica's



Story time

Thursday 20th September
9:15am - 10:00am



St. Monica's Primary School Library
91 High Street, Kangaroo Flat (03) 5447 7832

Basketball Tournament



On the 31st of August, 14 Grade 6s went to the School Basketball Tournament to represent our school.

We Played 6 games and the boys won all of them and the girls lost 1 against St.Joseph's. The boys played an extra 2 games in finals, the hardest teams we played were Camp Hill, Marist and St.Killians. We won the Semi Final by 18 - 20 points and lost by 1 in the Grand Final to St.Kilian's.

The hardest teams we played were St.Joseph's and Strathfieldsaye. We won 5 but lost 1 by 2 points. We made it to Semi-finals, but lost by 2 points to Strathfieldsaye.

Overall it was a fun day and a great learning experience, We worked very well as a team and supported each other.

Thank You to Mrs.Nally and Travis for coaching and Bonnie and Andrea for helping out with the scoring. Ava and Bryce 5/6N



CEBU THANKS YOU

THANK YOU TO EDNA, MARIE, KYLIE & MICHAEL
FOR COOKING THE BBQ.

ANOTHER BIG THANKS TO ALL FAMILIES WHO
HAVE SUPPORTED THE CHILDREN OF CEBU WITH
YOUR KIND DONATIONS.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING
BUSINESSES FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE
CEBU BBQ.

KR CASTLEMAINE
BRIDGEWATER BAKENHOUSE

Ticket Sales

Tickets go on sale first week of Term 4

Family Tickets \$25.00

(2 Adults x 2 Children)

Adults \$10.00 each

Students \$5.00 Each

Matinee \$5.00 Each

ALICE
in
WONDERLAND

CANTEEN

DATE	TIME	NAME
Thursday 13th September	9am— 11am	Kellie Duggan Katie Canterford
Friday 14th September	10.30am - Midday	Karl Sewell
Thursday 20th September	9am— 11am	Natasha Penna Mary O'Brien
Friday 21st September	10.30am - Midday	Sue Pearse

ENROLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2019

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

Assembly Will be held every

second Monday in the Jaara Centre.

Next assembly 3rd September at 2.50 pm.

Please refrain from
parking in the disability
access car park spaces around
the school unless you have a
disability parking permit



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*Congratulations to Sierra
Greenwood 1/25 and
Family on the safe arrival
of "Arriah Elizabeth"*



Be Safe Award



Awarded to

Isabelle Lillie 1/2 M
Zoya Mehdi 1/2 S



Signed: R Johnson

Date: 03/09/2018

Be Safe Be Friendly Be a Learner

PBIS

COOL CATS OF THE WEEK

Class of the Week

Prep Flood

5/6 Curnow

Attendance:

Liam Rielley 5/6 C

Bridget Gardiner PP

Punctuality:

Sienna Weber 1/2 T

Paw Dae Yan 3/4 D

Are the cool cats of the week

WELL DONE!

School Is Cool!



Be a Learner Award



Awarded to

Kashmala Riaz PF

Say Ku PP

Zarli Chen 1/2 M

Demi Stapleton 1/2 H

Raff Gallagher 1/2 H

Asthon Ooi 1/2 T

Heidi Newman 1/2 T

Abbey Goudge 3/4 D

Reece Ohman 3/4 DR

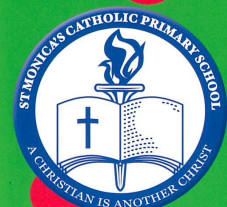
Reide Walker 3/4 O

Leila Conney 3/4 R

Zander Simmonds 5/6 F

Luke Fennell 5/6 F

Abbi Wells 5/6 F



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Be Friendly Award



Awarded to

Mason Beattie PP

Darcy Zapelli 1/2 M

Brae Matthews 1/2 H

Jesse Pidoto 1/2 S

Oliver Steen 3/4 DR

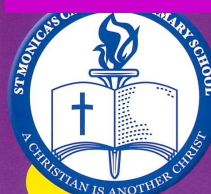
Issobell Ellis 3/4 DR

Phillipa Pearse 3/4 O

Savannah Waters 3/4 R

Jasmine Bak 5/6 M

Addison Shand 5/6 M



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