



ST. FRANCIS OF THE FIELDS

Newsletter No. 35 – November 8, 2018

(Term 4 – Week 5)

The Jaara people are the traditional custodians of the land on which we live. They have lived here for thousands of years. We commit to working for Reconciliation and justice for all Aboriginal people and to learning more about the Jaara people.

“To Live, Learn and Grow in God’s Love”

Reminders

Friday November 9

- ☐ Swimming Fdn – Yr2
- ☐ Buddy Mass FdnW & 6M @ 11.40am
- ☐ Assembly @ 2.45pm – 1L

Sunday November 11

- ☐ Remembrance Day

Monday November 12

- ☐ Swimming Fdn – Yr2

Tuesday November 13

- ☐ Assisi Kindergarten AGM @ 7.30pm-9.00pm

Wednesday November 14

- ☐ Swimming Fdn – Yr2

Thursday November 15

- ☐ Gymnastics Yr5-6
- ☐ Foundation Transition Day 11.30am-1.30pm

Friday November 16

- ☐ Gymnastics Yr3-4
- ☐ Unit 1 Mass @ 11.40am
- ☐ Assembly @ 2.45pm – Fdn B

Wednesday November 21

- ☐ Yr 5 Camp - Anglesea

Thursday November 22

- ☐ Yr 5 Camp – Anglesea
- ☐ Gymnastics Yr6 only
- ☐ P&F Meeting @ 7.30pm

Friday November 23

- ☐ Yr 5 Camp – Anglesea
- ☐ Gymnastics Yr3-4
- ☐ Unit 2 Mass @ 11.40am
- ☐ Assembly @ 2.45pm – Fdn S

Monday November 26

- ☐ PUPIL FREE DAY – Report Writing Day

Tuesday November 27

- ☐ PUPIL FREE DAY – 2019 Planning Day
- ☐ Sacrament of Reconciliation – 6.30pm @ St Therese's



Tuckshop Roster 2018

Week 5 – Chicken Balls, Gingerbread Biscuit & Drink

Friday November 9

- 9-11am Andrea Moore | Jacinta Bennett
- 12-3pm Mandy Monkhouse, Caroline Strachan, Ange Oldham, Kim Kelly

Week 6 – Pizza, Popcorn & Drink

Monday November 12

- 12-3pm Deb Breene

Friday November 16

- 9-11am Jo Boyd | Tanya Malone
- 12-3pm Kate Fraser, Sarah Longford, Jodi Dewhurst, Nat Jones

Week 7 – Pie, Anzac Biscuit & Drink

Monday November 19

- 12-3pm Ria Dunn

Friday November 23

- 9-11am Sarah Cail | Leah Pollock | Renee Jet
- 12-3pm Deb Eddy, Alice Nielsen, Janine Langeluddecke, Stef Passalick

Weekend Maintenance

- 10-11 Nov** Hootor (4GM), Djuric (FB), Cavallaro (3B), Harrop (4GM)

- 17-18 Nov** Grinton (5T), Holland (6M), Anderson (3B), Evans (3B)

- 24-25 Nov** Nielsen (FS), Lawler (5T), Jacques (FW), Marshall (1L)

- 1-2 Dec** Hogan (5M), Johnson (3R), Baker (2S)

- 8-9 Dec** Petri (6D), Lunney (2S)

“For it is in giving that we receive.” St Francis of Assisi



To all in our Learning Community,

Remembrance prayer for children

*We remember those who stood for love and truth,
And thank you for the sacrifice they made for me and you.
Thank you that we can now enjoy peace and learn to love not fight,
Thank you that we can now sing and play, and not be scared or hide.*

*We pray for other countries where children live in fear,
And there is war and fighting and many are in tears.
Please help to make things better, and bring some peace to them.
Protect all those who try and help to make friends again.*

Amen.

Congratulations to Miss Dillon



As a school community, we wish Miss Dillon all the best for her wedding day tomorrow. We congratulate Miss Dillon and Troy Coates and hope their day is filled with lots of love. We look forward to seeing lots of lovely photos when Danielle returns to school.

School Fees

A reminder that in accordance with our school policy, school fee accounts should have been finalised by the end of Term 3, 2018 except for parents who are paying by direct debit instalments or have another arrangement with the school.

Parents who may be experiencing difficulty in meeting school fee payments are urged to make contact with either of us (Co Principals) on Ph 5439-3191 to discuss other options available. We appreciate your support in making sure that all fee accounts have been settled.

Bus Travellers

Please return your permission notes by Friday, 9th November.

This week we met with students who have told us they are walking to the Strathfieldsaye Post Office after school to get the transit bus. As mentioned to the students and in previous newsletters, we provide supervision for the Transit bus travellers at school every night and strongly encourage families to have their children catch this bus from school, as it means they will be under supervision until they catch the bus.

Bus Travellers.....Cont



If your child is going to be walking to the post office and catching the bus from there, could you please complete the formal permission note that was sent home on Tuesday. If your child did not receive one of these notes, please contact the office and we will send one home. We are aware, that the children are having to 'tap off' and then 'tap on' if they get the bus from school. As a school, we are in the process of looking into this further. If you

would like to discuss this further, please contact us at school.

Repeat - Beginning of school year - 2019

Please see dates below for the commencement of the 2019 school year.

Tuesday, 29 January - **Staff only.**

Wednesday 30 and Thursday 31 January - **Numeracy interviews for students**

(bookings will be online in December)

Friday, 1 February - **All students commence school.**



Foundation (Prep) students will begin school on Friday 1st February, 2019. They will attend from 9.00am to 12.30pm for the first 3 days. (eg. Week 1, Friday & Week 2, Monday and Tuesday)

From Monday, 4th February until Friday, 8th March, Foundation students will attend full days each week, except for Wednesday as a rest day.

From Tuesday 12th March (after the Labour Day Public Holiday) Foundation students will attend normal hours each day all week.



Pupil Free Days

Our next Pupil Free Days are **Monday November 26** (Report Writing Day) and **Tuesday November 27** (Staff Planning Day) YMCA will provide After School Care during the day. Please contact YMCA (Ph: 5444 6666) to book your child in for care.

Assemblies

Gr 1L will be presenting Assembly tomorrow. The focus of this assembly will be Remembrance Day. We will meet as a school on the basketball court in front of our flag poles. We invite you to come along and join us at 2.45pm.

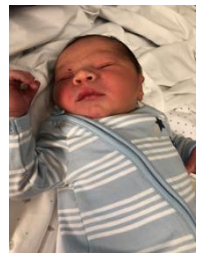
Regards,

Grace Scalora and Bernard Kerrins - Co-Principals



Congratulations – New Arrivals

Congratulations to Cherise Le Brocq-Joppich and husband Luke Joppich who welcomed a little boy, Mitchell James, to their family on Monday 5 Nov @ 5.38am, weighing 8 pounds 5oz.




Congratulations to Tamara, Peter, Mia (2D), Willow (Fdn M) and Matisse Wardell on the early arrival of their son and brother, Reef Douglas, born Thursday 1 Nov.

Condolences

Our prayers and thoughts are with Bek, Leigh, Archie (5T), Georgia (4FJ), Isabella (2D), Flynn (1H) and Raffa Stevens on the loss of their mother and grandmother.



School Happenings.....




Drought Relief Day

When: Monday the 19th of November

What: You can dress up as a farmer or a farm animal. Please bring a gold coin donation.

Why: To support our local farmers who are affected by the drought.
THEY NEED OUR HELP!

By 4FJ



***Please do not go out to buy anything new!
Just use what you have at home.*

Yr 5 Market Day

Dear students and parents,

The year 5 students have been working very hard over the past few weeks to try and put together stalls for a market day. This will be held on Friday 16 Nov. The year 3's, 4's and 6's have been asked to bring in \$5 to spend at the stall. If students bring in money it must be given to their classroom teacher and it will be replaced with tokens worth \$1 each. At the stalls students will be selling lots of cool and interesting goods and services.

- Giant box obstacle course
- Popcorn
- Jumping competition
- Lucky dips
- Ice cream

All the money we raise will be donated to charity.

Make sure to give your child money so they can come and check out the stalls.

Thank you,

Year 5 students



Movember

Our male staff are in a team raising funds for Movember.

While their Mo's don't look too flash, they are trying to raise awareness for Men's Health.

Check out their page at <https://moteam.co/st-francis-of-the-fields?mc=1>

In the News....

Several St Francis students were on hand to show local politician, Jacinta Allan MP, some special knot tying skills for a TV news segment. As members of the 1st Strathfieldsaye Cubs and Scouts, they were excited to learn of the potential government funding for their club rooms and facilities.

Pictured are Will, Emily and Oliver Neave, Sophie and Alistair Hughes.



PE NEWS...

Bendigo Bank Fun Run



On Sunday the 4th of November, the Bendigo bank fun run was held. We had a number of children from St Francis run in the event and all did a wonderful job! One effort we must mention is Maurice Nihill's, he came 2nd in the 5km run overall! An outstanding effort from the young man- Well done Maurice!!

Miss Dillon- PE Coordinator

St. Francis ASC News ...

Please remember to cancel your booking - Could all parents please remember to advise the YMCA if their child will not be attending After School Care? We have to arrange staff for the night according to numbers and this may mean we would have a space for another child to attend. Regards Hazel

Collection of Children - Children can only be collected by an **authorised person** – this means someone who is named on the child's official enrolment form. Therefore, if your child is to be collected by someone different you will need to add them officially to the YMCA Bendigo Regional records prior to them collecting your child. No unauthorised person will be allowed to collect your child.

Pickup - Could all parents please make sure your child is collected from After School Care by 6.00pm at the latest, as charges will apply if your child is collected or late collection.



Kris Kringle - it's that time of year again and Christmas is fast approaching, if you would like your child to participate in the Kris Kringle, please see the Afterschool Care staff.

St. Francis After School Care – YMCA Bendigo

Please note - all bookings and cancellations **must be made** through the Bendigo Regional YMCA before 12noon on 5444 6666. Numbers are limited. Bookings essential.

After School Care at St. Francis of the Fields P.S. phone - 0459 988 313 (3.20pm – 6.00pm)

YMCA contact:

To book:

Children Services Department, Bendigo Regional YMCA

www.bendigo.ymca.org.au Telephone: 5444 6666

To register & enrol:

bendigo.regional@ymca.org.au for application/enrolment forms



Hazel Cartledge, Supervisor, St. Francis After School Care

Uniform Shop News

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New sizing/fit of Polo t-shirts

We need to advise parents of a change in sizing/fit of our school polo t-shirts from our supplier. The new polo's are a smaller fit and slightly different sleeve style. Please keep this in mind when ordering new polo's for your child. We will be able to exchange sizes if tags are still intact.

The Uniform Girls – Michelle Janssen, Jenni Smith & Tonya Buchanan

Commonwealth School Banking.... every Tuesday

Ange Oldham, Commonwealth School Banking Coordinator (0438 545 321)



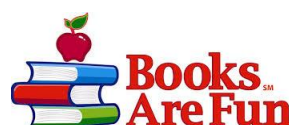
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Scholastic Books

Jen Smith, Scholastic Books Coordinator (0438 500 285)



Lost Property ... Please check the Lost Property Box...

Katrina Harrop, Lost Property Coordinator

St. Francis Playgroup

The St Francis Playgroup meets Monday mornings (during the school term) at 9am to 10.30am. For 2018, Playgroup will be at St Joseph's Church Axe Creek (portable building) as our school Community Centre is a classroom until our 2018 classrooms are completed.

The Coordinators are Kate Fraser 0438 288 473 and Alice Nielsen 0407 318 277.
Playgroup is also on Facebook St Francis of the Fields Playgroup



St Francis Sporting Teams ...

Volunteers/Coaches - If you are a volunteer or coach in our school, you will need to provide a copy of your **Working With Children Check** and **Driver's Licence**. You will also need to complete some documentation before volunteering at St Francis of the Fields Primary School



St Francis Basketball - Karlie Cooper (St. Francis Basketball Coordinator) 0409 128 354

St Francis Falcons Junior Football Club

Dave Griffin – President dave.griffin@reece.com.au | 0439 369 927 | stfrancisjfc@hotmail.com



St Francis Netball 2018 Tracey Turner –President 0400 137 501 Kate Zealley - Secretary 0400 586 799

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
Eaglehawk Children's Festival

- Inflatables
- Mobile Play Zone
- Face Painting
- Animals 2 U
- Helium Balloons
- Native Animal Display
- Story Time
- Sand Sculptures
- Free Swimming
- Concert Band

BBQ
Sausages and Veggie Burgers \$1 each
Water available
Bring your chair or picnic rug

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Welcome
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16th November, 2018
3.30pm – 6.30pm
Canterbury Park
(Parking in Napier or Denham Street)

For more information contact Eaglehawk Community House on 5446 8322 - Bring your bathers & towel for free swimming @ Peter Krenz Leisure Centre.

St Francis Fete

2019 Fete Organisation Meeting

Monday 19th November 7.30pm Queens Arms Hotel

Everyone and their ideas welcome!!! Come along and have a social drink and share thoughts and ideas towards planning our schools second biggest fundraiser.

Enquiries to Kelly 0409 590 274 | Kmcdermott@mgr.com.au

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Community News ...

The South Bendigo Junior Netball Club will be holding its Grading Sessions for 2019 on the following dates:

Grading Session	Date	Time	Register From
13-18 yo	Sun 18 Nov	10am-12pm	9.30am
13-18 yo	Mon 26 Nov	6.30pm-8.00pm	6.00pm
13-18 yo	Wed 28 Nov	5.00pm-6.30pm	4.30pm
Grades, 4, 5 and 6	Mon 26 Nov	5.30pm-6.30pm	5.00pm


All Grading Sessions will be held at Harry Trott Oval, Neale Street, Bendigo.
Please register on-line via the following link. Registrations close on
Wednesday 14th November

<https://goo.gl/forms/Tpkz2G5iOGwH6vBE2>

Michelle Forrester | SBFNC Junior Netball Operations Manager | 0422 608 447

In Concert! John Coleman

L'Arche through song and story



Come and share a special evening with John Coleman. A night not to miss!

John is an Australian singer/songwriter in the acoustic folk tradition who has produced nine albums of original songs – the most recent being – “Shade Tree Place”. Often the spirituality of L'Arche is woven through John's songs. Each song has a story behind it and songs often have mutual ownership. John's L'Arche journey commenced with an invitation to share a meal at a L'Arche community home; he had never seen such natural and life giving tenderness and respect flowing around a dining table.

This will be time together for fun, followed by supper while discovering the story of L'Arche embedded in song and music.

Further information:
bendigo@larche.org.au
Phone: 03 5444 3956 / 0438 439 384

Friday 23rd Nov. 2018

7pm—9pm

at

Old Church on the Hill
(36 Russell St., Quarry Hill)

Entry: \$12
\$8 Concession/Student
Children free
(supper included)

Tickets available from L'Arche,
8 Grandview Crescent, Kennington

Bendigo YAPENYA

November 17 at 8:00pm
Rosalind Park, Bendigo

YAPENYA is song. YAPENYA is dance. YAPENYA is language. YAPENYA is ceremony. YAPENYA is Dja Dja Wurrung.

YAPENYA is a new Dja Dja Wurrung ceremony celebrating song, dance, language and culture.

YAPENYA meaning place of song and dance, will share Dja Dja Wurrung stories from the stars, that are reflected onto country. Using song, dance, language and storytelling YAPENYA is a celebration of Dja Dja Wurrung ancestors, history, culture and presence.

The Dja Dja Wurrung community extends a warm invitation to all residents of Bendigo and surrounding areas to come witness this new ceremony.

Free entry.



Healthy Headspace

SKILLS WORKSHOPS

15 October	Sleeping Well
22 October	Physical Wellbeing for Health
29 October	Communicating with Confidence
05 November	Mindfulness and Relaxation
12 November	Understanding and Accepting Myself
19 November	Understanding my Anger
26 November	Managing my Feelings
03 December	Healthy Thinking

A series of skills-based workshops designed to provide you with tools for maintaining a healthy headspace.

What: FREE workshops, come to all or come to the workshops which interest you!

Who: Young people aged 12-25. Parents or Carers also welcome.

When: Sessions will run at 5:30pm-6:30pm on Monday nights from October 15 for 8 weeks!

Where: headspace Bendigo, 78-80 Pall Mall, Bendigo

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE, RSVP ESSENTIAL BY PHONING
RECEPTION ON 54345345

Presents an
IRISH TRIVIA NIGHT
Friday 16 November
Sacred Heart Cathedral Hall
65 Short St Bendigo.

Come along and test your knowledge of Ireland and all things Irish. Tables of 8 at \$10 a head.

Tickets available from the CEO Library Resource Centre 181 McCrae St Bendigo (Phone 5442 6108)

All Funds raised will go towards the construction of the monument to commemorate the Irish of Bendigo's past.

For any additional information please contact Ray on 5447 8862 or email Simon.radiofolk@hotmail.com

IF YOU ONLY DO ONE THING THIS FIRE SEASON
Speak to CFA in MANDURANG

What: Fire Ready Safety Information Session

Meeting 1 Tuesday 13th November 2018 – 6:30pm
At the Corner of Clearing Court & Nankervis Rd
(In the event of rain, meeting will relocate to the Fire Station, Nankervis Rd, MANDURANG)

Meeting 2 Thursday 15th November 2018 – 6:30pm
At the Mandurang South Reserve - Hannans Rd

For more information: Contact CFA Office (1800 735 202)

Find out: Must-have fire information for this season

Don't understand English?
Require an AUSLAN interpreter?
Need assistance to access the venue?
Let us know and we'll do our best to help.

If you belong to a community group or club, talk to us about arranging a customised session.

Please note that CFA postpones all community meetings when the Fire Danger Rating is Code Red, Extreme or Severe.

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cfa.vic.gov.au/meetings