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Welcome back! Once again, we have had a stunning start to the school year. It’s been fabulous to see how settled and excited the children have been since returning to school. Clearly an indication of a relaxing holiday. Despite the customary wet start on Friday, I couldn’t be happier with the positive energy throughout the school. With much to look forward to this year, let’s ensure we build upon this over the course of the year.

In 2016, we warmly welcome 50+ ‘ready to go’ Preps and a number of new families across the various grade levels. Well done parents on preparing the children so well for this sometimes big step into or back into school life. Over the coming weeks, I trust that our longer serving families will support and extend their welcome, advocating the importance of community involvement, a cornerstone of our success. This year, active participation will be our mantra. The greater parental involvement, the stronger the school.

I thank my staff, who worked throughout the break preparing and planning for the students and families. I’ve been so very impressed by their commitment. Coupled with the high expectations set by our staff over the past few days, this has certainly influenced the calm and positive manner of our students. A special thank you to Moira and Kerry in the front office for their efforts in readying the office admin for our staff and families - this is a particularly busy time setting up for the school year and in my time we have never been more prepared for a school year.

The classrooms look stunning with a lovely touch upstairs in Year 3, with the flashing lights outside their room. These little touches make the children’s experiences so memorable. We even have a ‘Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here’ jungle in Year 3. Miss Brennan and Mr Barnhoorn have commented on how quiet and settled the children are and this can only bode for a terrific year of learning in the middle school.

What a joy to witness the Preps receive their first day certificates. Smiles all round from the children and parents. How could they not be happy? Benson summed it up, unprompted he said, “Mr Collis, I just love school.” One parent asked if Miss Dullard and Mrs Skehan were always this enthusiastic. I encourage all families to check out the amazing door displays across our junior school. I wonder how settled our Preps will be after 4 full days of school this week when a number of parents said they were exhausted after a half day on Friday. So far, so good, but I advise families to be prepared for Friday fallout. We encourage all families to maintain strong and healthy routines, from Prep - Year 6.
Year 6s have a new home and we had many happy students reuniting as a collective for the first time since Prep. A proud parent sent a photo flashback of the children when they were in Transition Prep dressed as princesses. Tiaras aside, we look forward to watching our impressionable student leaders thrive in their final year of primary school. Mr Eddy has gone early and stated he has had the best start to a school year.

This week we can look forward to our specialist programs and the introduction of our new music program. Both teachers have done a wonderful job preparing and spending in readiness for the students. Exciting times for our specialist programs in 2016.

And finally, thank you to the parents, staff and children for making the newer children, families and indeed staff so welcome at St Joseph’s. This continues to be a hallmark of our school community and one that we can all be so very proud of.

Staff Charter

We the staff of St Joseph’s commit ourselves to this school community.

We commit to our own learning and the learning of others with an open heart and mind, prepared to be excited and amazed by new possibilities so that all may grow and be enriched.

We commit to our relationships in order to build a strong and caring staff, who listen attentively and speak kindly, who offer comfort and support in times of need, and who encourage and affirm others’ endeavours.

We commit to our school community and promise to be inclusive of all, to accept the differences and the challenges presented to us, and to understand the diverse and complex needs of our community.

We commit ourselves to our God who walks each step of the way with us, loving us and believing in us. We promise to uphold the gospel messages of compassion, justice and love, and to be a light to others and salt for the world.

We make this commitment and ask our Creator Father, Jesus His loving Son, and the life-changing Holy Spirit to be with us as we journey into 2016.

NEW STAFF 2016

We warmly welcome 4 new staff and the return of 2 teachers to our community this year. The exceptional Mrs Martin joins our junior team in Year 2. Having worked extensively throughout Australia, Mrs Martin has settled with her family back in Victoria. Lucky us! The most impressive Mrs Sargent joins our Year 4 team from Malvern via northern QLD. The rain has yet to deter Mrs Sargent riding to work each day. Originally from Bendigo and after a number years working in Blackburn, we managed to coax Mr Hartney to come across town to the best school in Melbourne. A win for St Joseph’s and our students. An ex-school parent, the delightful Mrs Petros will work supporting staff and students in the junior school. I’m thrilled that Mrs Petros has cited many positive changes since her children attended our school. Returning to teaching this year, Miss Murphy and Mrs Nugent, who have been such welcome additions to our team and we’re thrilled to have them back working with our students.
STAFF ROLES - 2016

MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION
Fr Varghese Kattikattu Parish Priest
Mr Simon Collis Principal
Mrs Michelle Moore Deputy Principal, T & L, Wellbeing & OH & S
Mrs Moira McKinnis School Administration Officer (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs)
Mrs Kerry Burns School Administration Officer (Tues, Thurs & Fri)

LEADERSHIP TEAM
Mr Simon Collis
Mrs Michelle Moore
Mrs Geraldine Pepper
Miss Katherine Guy
Mr Michael Barnhoorn
Mrs Sarah Nugent
Mr Nathan Eddy
Miss Peta Overbury
Miss Claire O'Dowd
Mrs Rebekah Skehan

CLASSROOM TEACHERS
Mr Nathan Eddy Year 6 Teacher & Senior School Coordinator
Miss Katherine Guy Year 5 Teacher & eLearning Leader
Mr Tom Hartney Year 5 Teacher
Miss Claire O'Dowd Year 4 Teacher & Religious Education Leader (curriculum)
Mrs Rebecca Sargent Year 4 Teacher
Miss Bridget Murphy Year 40 Thursday, 5G Friday
Miss Maddison Brennan Year 3 Teacher
Mr Michael Barnhoorn Year 3 Teacher & Middle School Coordinator
Mrs Christabel Martin Year 2 Teacher
Ms Alison Shea Year 2R Teacher Thursday
Miss Claire Ryle Year 2 Teacher & Sustainability Coordinator
Miss Anna Glumac Year 1 Teacher
Miss Monique Dullard Prep Teacher
Mrs Rebekah Skehan Prep Teacher & Junior Coordinator
Miss Peta Overbury Student Services, Religious Education Leader (Sacramental) & Year 6 (Thurs)

Literacy/ Mathematics/ADDITIONAL NEEDS
Mrs Geraldine Pepper Literacy Leader Mon, Tues, Wed
Mrs Sarah Nugent Mathematics Leader and Maths Intervention
Ms Wendy Dugosija Reading Recovery Teacher

SPECIALISTS
Mrs Louise Howell Physical Education (Tues/Wed)
Mrs Lidia Chris Visual Art (Tues/Wed)
Mrs Robyn Clewer Italian (Tues/Wed)
Ms Angela Casabene Music Junior P-2 (Wednesday) Prep (Thursday)
Mrs Lizbeth Quinn Music Senior 3-6 (Tuesday) Middle School (Thursday)

SUPPORT STAFF – SCHOOL OFFICERS
Ms Mary Burnie Teacher Support (Mon, Tues)
Mrs Anna Perruzza Teacher Support (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs)
Ms Monica Linke Library Technician & Teacher Support (Thursday)
Mrs Melissa Pascoe Teacher Support (Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri)
Mrs Sandra Mackie Teacher Support (Mon, Tues, Wed)
Mrs Vasy Petros Teacher Support (Mon – Friday)

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES
We warmly welcome the following families Anketell, Apolinar, Buesst, Cole, Conquest, Damiani, Dwyer, Finn, Garrard, Gilbert, Gladwell, Jones, Karunatunga, Lau, Leech, Lloyd, Morgan, Morris, Ottobre, Paruit, Powell, Rees, Schifferle, Scott, Theodorou, Tiu, Vollenhoven, Volz, Wilson.

QUIET CLUB
In 2016, we have introduced Quiet Club to our daily programming. This is a terrific optional activity for our children. We expect this will provide more diversity and further support the wellbeing of our children. This will be an opportunity for a gentle break from the playground from time to time. QC will operate daily during lunch breaks out of the library and multipurpose area.
**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE 7:30am**

Children are not to be dropped off at school prior to 8:30am unless they are attending one of our before school programs: *Tennis, Basketball or Before Care with Chris Hill.* Chris’ fun program is run 5 mornings a week and the children simply pay as they go. $10/child/session. Registration is not required. This is available between 7:30am - 8:30am. Please **do not** drop your child off and expect Chris to supervise unpaid for 10 - 15 minutes. This is strictly a paid program regardless of the drop off.

**AFTER SCHOOL ROUTINES**

Supervision and picking up by 3:45pm. If you are running late, please contact the office and we will arrange suitable supervision. Should contact not be made, children will be redirected to After Care. We have sought to remove all balls from the playground after hours as this was becoming a safety concern and children were not returning these to appropriate storage unit after use. *With the exception of basketball before school, we are reviewing before school ball games citing the same concerns.*

**CARE MONKEY and NEWSLETTERS IN 2016**

This year we will move towards the standard newsletter once a fortnight and an abbreviated version in the alternate week i.e. Principal’s news. All newsletters can be accessed on our school website along with important links to school activities. CareMonkey remains our main source of communication, so we encourage all families to ensure these details are maintained. All advertising will be placed in either the advertising bulletin or main newsletter at the discretion of the office staff.

**Don't forget to subscribe to the newsletter on the website.**

*Finally, we look forward to sharing a fabulous and positive year with you at St Joseph’s.*

*Buckle up and enjoy the great ride,*

*Simon Collis*

*Principal*

**Important afterthoughts…**

Amazingly another basketball and netball team will commence training in our grounds this year. It’s great to be part of such an active community.

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**School Fees**

The school Fees/Levies Statements are being emailed out today to all families.

For those new families who may not know the procedure regarding school fees, the whole year fees are billed in Term 1, with the exception of the school camps for the grades 3-6 as the exact costs of the camps isn't known at this stage. Families can pay their fees in one annual payment, per term or on a more regular basis. Our preferred fee payment method is **BPAY**, but payments are more than welcome to be made by Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS at the school office. Payment by EFT (direct transfer into our bank account) is not an available fee payment method. If you don't receive your fee statement, please email Moira on mmckinnis@sjelst.catholic.edu.au.

**2017 Enrolments**

Just a reminder that if you have a sibling of a current student at home that you wish to enrol for 2017, if you haven't already done so, please complete the enrolment forms and drop into the office as soon as possible. We have a large number of enrolment enquiries for next year and need to know how many places can be offered to new families.

*Moira McKinnis*

*Office Administration*

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Congratulations to Van and Nam Tran on the safe arrival of their baby boy Leo. A little brother for Evy (Prep D) and Lucas (4O).
SPORTS NEWS

Tri skills this term will be for Prep - Year 2 children. Friday February 12th, 19th, 26th & March 4th. Sports uniform to be worn on these days.

Louise Howell
PE Teacher

LITERACY NEWS

REQUEST FOR HELP WITH LITERACY & LIBRARY RESOURCE MATERIALS

Dear Parents

Geraldine Pepper (Literacy) and Monica Linke (Library) are asking for help with covering new literacy and library resources. Help is needed with book covering, as well as labelling some items in the Literacy Room. Book covering can be done at home. If you can help in any way throughout the year, could you please contact either Geraldine (gpepper@sjelst.catholic.edu.au) or Monica (mlinke@sjelst.catholic.edu.au), providing the following information:

Your name:
Your child’s name:__________________________
Your child’s class:____________________________
Your contact number:________________________
Task/s you are able to help with: ☐ book covering at home ☐ labelling in the literacy room
Availability:
☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday
☐ Anytime ☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Termly
☐ Other ______________________________________
Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2016 school year! It has been amazing to see how well our students have settled so early in the term! It is lovely to be back on the front gate in the morning, meeting and greeting you all, and what wonderful smiles and enthusiasm from the children! It is also wonderful to note that our new preps are already organising themselves by carrying their own bags and looking after their belongings…this bodes very well for the coming 7 years at St Joseph’s!

There may be some children who are feeling a little anxious regarding the start to school, and others who may decide that they have had enough by day 2! This is all perfectly normal behaviour and most children will settle back into school routines fairly quickly. At St Joseph’s we believe that students achieve their best when they feel happy and confident that they belong and we will do everything we can to assist you and your child experience a happy and smooth start to the new school year. Whether it is their first time at school, they are transferring from another school or they are returning to commence a new year with a new teacher, here are some things that you can do to assist their transition:

1. **RE-ESTABLISH ROUTINES** that may have been more relaxed over the holidays. Regular bedtimes, bath times and meal times are important for happy, relaxed children who are ready to learn.

2. **HELP YOUR CHILD GAIN INDEPENDENCE**. Encourage them to get their things ready the night before. Make sure that school bags, shoes, hats, readers and homework are easily accessible for the morning. Let children pack, unpack and carry their own bags.

3. **BE PUNCTUAL**

4. **BE POSITIVE**. School and new teachers will be a different experience. It may take a few days or weeks to become familiar and comfortable with new routines.

5. **DON’T ASK TOO MANY QUESTIONS**. Show interest but don’t push your child to deliver too many details about their day. They will talk about things in their own time. They simply need to know that you are interested.

6. **MAKE SURE PLAYLUNCHES AND LUNCHES ARE HEALTHY AND INTERESTING**. Provide healthy sandwiches, fresh fruit and vegetables etc and lots of water to drink. Don’t overdo the sweet treats as they lead to ‘slumps’ in energy where your child may feel tired and find it more difficult to concentrate.

7. **GET TO KNOW YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER**. Say hello in the morning or the afternoon. This provides a great opportunity for you to hear how your child is settling in.

8. **KEEP ‘AFTER SCHOOL ROUTINES’ SIMPLE IN THE FIRST FEW WEEKS**. Children need to time to rest and unwind. Restrict the number of extra-curricular activities and play dates until you and your child have become used to the new routines.

9. **LABEL ALL BELONGINGS**. Yes even shoes and socks! Sorting 25 pairs of shoes and socks can be a daunting task even for the most experienced Prep teacher!!

10. **IF YOU ARE UNSURE OR WORRIED PLEASE ASK**! Your child’s teacher should be your first port of call, and Simon and I are happy to discuss any query or concern with you.

**Quiet Club at St Joseph’s**
This year we are trialling a new lunch play option for our students with the establishment of our ‘Quiet Club’. This runs each day, for the whole of lunch play, and all children are welcome to join us in the library. Teachers will be on duty, supervising students who will have the opportunity to enjoy some ‘down’ time with drawing, colouring, reading etc. We are hopeful that this daily option will be welcome quiet time for some of our students!

Have a wonderful week,

Michelle Moore
mmoore@sjelst.catholic.edu.au
Dear Families,

Welcome back to our 2016 school year. A particular welcome to all of our new families and staff and I hope you will enjoy your time at St. Joseph’s School.

Whole School Welcome Mass
This coming Friday we celebrate the beginning of a new school year and welcome new students, families and staff into our growing St. Joseph’s community. Our mass will begin at 5pm and we ask that all students wear school uniform, arrive by 4.45pm and meet their teachers in the atrium. Parents are then invited to go across to the church and take their seats. This year we will be using the upstairs seating area for to ensure that there is sufficient seating for all those attending. Please arrive early enough to find a seat and if you use the upstairs seating area please ensure that you supervise your children. Staff will also be able to assist you should you need it. Our mass will then be followed by the welcome BBQ on the school grounds (from 6:00pm - 8:00pm).

Family Masses
This year we will continue ask each year group to lead a Sunday morning mass which is open to all members of our school and parish community. These masses are an opportunity for our school community to come together with our parish community to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word and to share a ‘cuppa’ and morning tea afterwards. Each year group will be allocated a mass throughout the year where the parent representatives will be responsible for providing and serving morning tea afterwards. Please check the calendar for further information.

Sacramental Program
This year our Years 3, 4 and 6 students will be involved in the Sacramental Program for Reconciliation (Year 3), First Eucharist (Year 4) and Confirmation (Year 6). The program includes a Commitment Mass, Parent/Child Workshop, Retreat Day (students only) and a Mass at which students receive the sacrament. Students and families are expected to attend all relevant events associated with each sacrament otherwise they will be unable to receive the sacrament. These are important events in the life of our students and we look forward to sharing these occasions with your children. If students who are new to our school have not received any of the sacraments could parents please contact me as soon as possible. A separate note outlining additional information and relevant dates will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Social Justice Leadership Day
On Thursday this week, ten of our Year 6 leaders will be attending the Caritas Just Leadership Day at St Joseph’s Primary School in Malvern. The day focuses on student learning about leading social justice action in the community. I look forward to seeing our students action this learning in our local and global community, living the message of Jesus in their everyday life.

Kind regards,
Peta Overbury
Religious Education Leader – Sacraments
poverbury@sjelst.catholic.edu.au
Dates for the Diary

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<td>Senior School Mass Led by Year 5 @ 12 noon —All Welcome</td>
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A Prayer for the new school year

God our Father,

Lord Jesus,

We ask for Your help as we begin this new school year. Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us. Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open our heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic in our learning and courage to accept new opportunities. Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience Your presence in our new friends. Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year!

Amen
Dear Families,

**CAREMONKEY AND STUDENT MEDICATION**
Thank you to all that have created or updated CareMonkey over the holidays. Please ensure that students with asthma or allergies have endorsed and updated care plans signed off by the relevant medication practitioner and that these are supplied to the school. Also, I will be checking all medications in the coming week and, where necessary, asking for this to be updated if these are no longer in date. Please look out for this communication if you believe it may be relevant for your child.

When supplying medication to be administered at school please ensure that you provide it in its packaging, particularly where prescribed medications are concerned. This is to ensure that medications are suitable for students and that all relevant directions can be followed by school staff. We have a duty of care to only administer prescribed medications to the intended recipient.

**ALLERGIES AND ANAPHYLAXIS**
Please ensure that all food products brought into school are nut free. We have several students across the school who have life threatening allergies, particularly to nuts and nut products. Your cooperation with this is appreciated.

Kind regards,

Peta Overbury  
*Student Services Co-Coordinator*

Email: poverbury@sjelst.catholic.edu.au
**INTRODUCTION**
The P&F committee welcomes all families to school in 2016. Firstly, we would like to thank Kadi Morrison and her team for all their hard work last year and for helping us with the transition of leadership.

This year we have decided to split the President’s role amongst 3 of us. We look forward to working with Di Hermus & Patrice Virlombier in their roles as Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

For those of you who don’t know us, the P&F committee will be lead by **Kate Flavell, Kate Grindal & Kate Stanistreet.** Please see below for our contact details:

Kate Flavell (Daisy - Year 2 & Max - Prep)  
Email: katie_arkell@hotmail.com  
Phone: 0428 598 883

Kate Grindal (Harry - Year 4, Fred - Year 2 & Ivy - Prep)  
Email: kgrindal@gmail.com  
Phone: 0434 832 662

Kate Stanistreet (Lenny – Year 2 & Frankie - Prep)  
Email: kate.stanistreet@gmail.com  
Phone: 0414 830 433

If you were interested in being part of the Parents and Friends committee, we would love to hear from you. Please feel free to introduce yourself to one of the Kates and get involved.

**CLASS REPS**
Thanks to all the parents who have kindly offered to be class reps for 2016. The final list will be available by the end of the week.

**WELCOME BBQ – FRIDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 6:00pm-8:00pm**
Following mass on Friday 5th February we invite both OLD & NEW families to join us for the welcome BBQ. We encourage all families to come along – it’s a great way to get to know others and be part of the fantastic St Joey’s community. BYO snacks & drinks. The following items will be available for sale on the day.

- **Sausages in Bread** - $2  
- **Kids Juice Box** - $1  
- **Zooper Doopers** - 50 cents

**WELCOME DRINKS**
In addition to the welcome family BBQ this Friday, there will be welcome drinks for parents in February & March. Parents will be invited to join other parents from their children’s year level. Dates to be arranged - stay tuned for more details.

**P&F MEETING – WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY**
The first P&F meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th February at 7:30pm. All welcome.
TUCK SHOP – STARTING WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY
St Joseph’s has engaged Fun Fresh Foods to provide the tuckshop service for 2016. Tuckshop will continue to be offered each Wednesday starting from Wednesday, 10 February.

Fun Fresh Food will continue our tradition of offering fresh food for your children to enjoy at both recess and lunch. Food will be made fresh on Wednesday with a variety of fun and healthy choices. Home baked goods are also available to purchase over the counter.

To get started:
- Visit www.funfreshfoods.com.au
- Click on the St Joseph’s link
- Click ‘Online Ordering’
- Complete the registration form
- Receive a confirmation email with activation link
- Activate your account and log into the website
- Add your children and credit to your account
- Order at your own convenience up to two weeks in advance
- Orders need to be placed online before 10pm Tuesday

If you require any assistance with getting started please do not hesitate to call 1300 116 637. If you would like to place an entire terms order, then a Pre-Order Form needs to be completed and returned to the Tuckshop basket in the school office. Payment for this service is by cash or credit card. All forms can be found online at www.funfreshfoods.com.au

Please join us in welcoming Siobhan, Liz and their team to our school.

UNIFORM SHOP
We have engaged the services of Nicholls Furnishings in Martin Street Brighton, to manage our new off-site Uniform Shop. They have many years of experience in this area. Currently they supply uniforms for St James, St Joan of Arc, Star of the Sea and Brighton Secondary College. They are conveniently located close to our school, open 6 days a week and offer a lay-by service. They are currently ordering supplies for the winter uniform for the start of Term 2.

We still have a lot of stock on site for both summer & winter uniforms, as well as the sports uniform and orders can still be placed over the FlexiSchools website if you are in need of any items.

We will be holding a SALE of our current stock. All items will be sold at cost price (excluding hats).

Sale Dates:  Friday 12 February (after Assembly)
            Wednesday 17 February (from 8:15am)
BBQ
SAUSAGES $2
This Friday
6.00pm
**YEAR 3 NETBALL**

Calling all Year 3 students interested in learning to play netball!

My name is Jane Dixon, mum of Sophie (year 3 B). I am a qualified PE teacher and have been coaching netball for the past 7 years. Year 3 is a great time to get the ball rolling with learning the fantastic game of netball. I am planning to run training/skill development sessions on Monday afternoons from 3.30-4.30pm on the rear playground. The aim is to get those who are interested, learning the rules and skills of the game so that in the second half of this year we can enter into a competition. At this stage there is no commitment to play competition – just to come along and have a go! Hopefully the kids will love it and netball will be a sport that they can be involved in for many years to come.

WHEN: First session next Monday 8th Feb from 3.30-4.30
WHERE: St. Joseph’s rear playground
WHAT: Just bring a water bottle, a smile on your dial and a pair of runners!

(N.B. I will ensure that netball commitments do not clash with basketball)
Looking forward to watching our future netball stars in action,
Jane

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**STAR OF THE SEA COLLEGE**

There has been a change to enrolment information for Star of the Sea College. They have moved to electronic Prospectus and forms and they are available from the school website: www.star@starmelb.catholic.edu.au under the heading *Enrolment*.

Commencing this year prospective parents will be directed to the school website in order to complete their application for 2017 and where they can also request hard copies of the Prospectus and Application Form for Year 7 in 2017.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Josephine Aquilina (PA to the Principal / Registrar) on 9596 6099 or via email aquilina@starmelb.catholic.edu.au.

**College Tours will be held on Saturday 13 February, 2016 at Star of the Sea College commencing at 9.30am** with a brief presentation from the Principal and current students. Following the formalities, tours will be conducted in small groups. Bookings are not required.

Please note the two days new students for Year 7 2017 will need to attend this year:

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DE LA SALLE COLLEGE

The application period for Year 7, 2017 for most Catholic secondary schools, will be coming to a close very soon. Please note the important dates surrounding applications for this intake. Please refer to the dates listed below.

Friday 26 February 2016  Applications for Year 7, 2017 close
Friday 22 April 2016  Offers of places to prospective Year 7, 2017 students are posted

Included below are the 2016 De La Salle College tour details for this year.

Friday 12 February       2:00pm
Wednesday 24 February    9:15am
Friday 18 March          2:00pm
Wednesday 4 May          9:15am
Friday 3 June            2:00pm
Wednesday 27 July        9:15am
Friday 19 August         2:00pm
Wednesday 7 September    9:15am
Friday 21 October        2:00pm
Wednesday 16 November    9:15am

College tours are a great way for families to see the school in action. During the group tours attendees hear from the Principal and have the opportunity to explore the school, ask questions about the curriculum and the enrolment process, and speak to current students. Tours are led by Year 9 and 10 student ambassadors and run for approximately 90 minutes. Bookings on tours are essential and can be made online via the College Tours page on the De La Salle website.

Should you have any questions regarding this information, or any aspect of the enrolment process at De La Salle College, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel Cicala, College Registrar on (03) 9508 2186 or email rcicala@delasalle.vic.edu.au
Learn music
here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at St. Joseph’s Primary School, Elsternwick.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from $16.20 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1, 2016.

Interested parents should call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333

Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au
Art in 2016
with Signora Clewer
Mondays & Thursdays
3.30 to 4.30
Art classes for Term 1
Will commence Week 2
Monday the 1st of February

Classes will be limited to
a maximum of 13 children.

For further details and enrolment enquiries
please contact
rclewer@sjelst.catholic.edu.au
## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### TERM ONE – 2016

#### Assembly: Year 6E
Principal’s Award: Terrific start to the year

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