Junior Swimming Program (Years 1 & 2) Monday 26-Thursday 29
Prep 2016 Information Night @ 7:30pm
Year 6 ‘Moving on Up’ Transition Program 9:30-10:30
Tri Skills Catch Up Socktober (Crazy Socks) / Day for Daniel (A touch of RED)
Gold Coin Donation to go to St Vincent de Paul
School Closure ~ After Care Program Operating 8:30am-6:00pm
PUBLIC HOLIDAY ~ MELBOURNE CUP DAY

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION (BY STAFF) AT SCHOOL
Dear Parents
If you require staff to administer medication to your child during school hours, it is a legal requirement that we have a written note accompanying the medication, clearly identifying the student and relevant dosage instructions.

MEDICATION MUST BE IN ITS ORIGINAL PACKAGING

Simon Collis

After School Hours Care ~ Monday 2 November School Closure
Hello all eager race-goers,
For the school closure this Monday, between the weekend and Melbourne Cup Day, St Joseph’s OSHC has had only two enquiries and would like to confirm whether we are required by more of you. YLV needs a minimum number of children before it can be scheduled. Please advise Georgia via text or call (0417 231 301) asap so we can confirm by Wednesday if OSHC will be offered. Thank you and enjoy the spectacle of the Melbourne Cup.

Georgia and team ~ 0417 231 301
YLV Aftercare
Dear Families,

Welcome to Week 4. Oh my, where has our year gone?

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We have more great news to celebrate this week, as we congratulate the engagement of Miss Brennan to her partner Daniel over the weekend. We wish them every success and happiness as they ready for this exciting stage of their life.

**NEW MANDATORY ENROLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

In recent weeks, we have been advised and sought to review our enrolment requirements. Whilst we accept that this may be an inconvenience for some families, we seek to maintain a consistent approach for our records. The school will operate with one standard enrolment application process, as advocated by the Catholic Education Office. These new papers have already been issued to all our new families, and are up to date on our website.

All Catholic schools are now advised to issue, and have all parents complete and sign, an 'Explanatory Statement' and return this with other required/supporting documents and certificates (only if outstanding) as soon as possible. The latest documentation also requests your permission to contact the kindergarten or preschool setting or school your child currently attends or intends to attend, to speak to staff regarding your child, in order to best support their transition to school.

1. Please sign the Explanatory Statement and the permission to contact various educational institutes and return to the office, by no later than next Wednesday (4th November).
2. Please ensure all other documents have been submitted to the office in accordance with our enrolment practices i.e. birth, immunisation and baptism certificates. This is **not required if we have copies already on file**. If unsure, please check with the school office.

**PREP INFORMATION EVENING**

It’s hard to believe we are here again - 12 months in the blink of an eye. We look forward to formally welcoming our new and not so new families into our community on Wednesday evening. This has always been a lovely opportunity to welcome and share with families some practical advice before their child commences school. It is also an opportunity to provide a snapshot of Prep and emphasize the importance and benefits the school places on student wellbeing. One of many strengths. Prep families will hear from the two teachers for next year, Miss Dullard and Mrs Skehan. What a most impressive team we have for our children’s first year of school.

**GARDEN & PLAYGROUND UPDATE**

Wow! How impressive does this new area look? Many thanks to Matt, David and Mark for recently laying the new turf. What a wonderful, passive playing space for our children. This will be accessible in the coming weeks. I encourage all families to take a look.

The front playground redevelopment will commence on 6th Nov. This area will be out of action for the day as they resurface, line mark and tidy up the lower area of our playground. This has been unkempt since the building works in 2014 and remains an overdue project. The basketball court will be rescaled for safety purposes and we can expect to see an immediate face lift to this heavily utilized playing area. In time we intend to create additional passive/non-ball areas and will call on the support of community to assist with these developments. We will look to add additional gardening, seating and shade areas for the children. The most significant cost of this project has been supported by the generous contributions of the P & F. Their tireless efforts enable such projects to be actioned. This will benefit all children for many years to come.

In 2016, we hope to direct some funds to the library. Other than the purchasing of books, this area requires new furnishing and a much needed contemporary appearance.

**SWIMMING NEWS**

I’m affirmed this week that the Royal Lifesaving Association is heavily canvassing the government to mandate swimming lessons for all primary schools. Statistically, 3 in 5 children, by the time they complete primary school, are unable to safely swim the length of a swimming pool. This is an alarming statistic and supports the ongoing commitment St Joseph’s places on a swimming program. This program continues to be highly supported and valued by all families.

Another fun week ahead, so please make sure you are aware of all the changes.

Stay awake swimmers and don’t forget your funny socks on Friday.

Simon Collis
Principal
I simply love the diversity of our curriculum!

Music Program 2016
I thank the many families that have already acknowledged and provided such positive feedback in relation to the introduction of a formal music program in 2016. I’m pleased to say that we have settled on our staff with Miss Angie to work with the children from Prep to Year 2 and Mrs Lizbeth Quinn from Year 3 to 6. Although I appreciate that families understand the value of a music program, I found a list of benefits highlighted by ‘The National Association for Music Education.’ Not surprisingly, benefits are also identified across numerous research articles.

1. Musical training helps develop language and reasoning: Students who have early musical training will develop the areas of the brain related to language and reasoning. The left side of the brain is better developed with music, and songs can help imprint information on young minds.

2. A mastery of memorization: The skill of memorization can serve students well in education and beyond.

3. Increased coordination: Students who practice with musical instruments can improve their hand-eye coordination. Just like playing sports, children can develop motor skills when playing music.

4. A sense of achievement: Learning to play pieces of music on an instrument can be a challenging, but achievable goal.

5. Kids stay engaged in school: An enjoyable subject like music can keep kids interested and engaged in school. Student musicians are likely to stay in school to achieve in other subjects. There is a particularly strong correlation to mathematics.

6. Success in society: Music is the fabric of our society, and music can shape abilities and character. Musical education can greatly contribute to children’s intellectual development as well.

7. Emotional development: Students of music can be more emotionally developed, with empathy towards other cultures. They also tend to have higher self-esteem and are better at coping with anxiety.

8. Students learn pattern recognition: Children can develop their math and pattern-recognition skills with the help of musical education. Playing music offers repetition in a fun format.

9. Better academic scores: Students who have experience with music performance or appreciation score higher on their examinations.

10. Fine-tuned auditory skills: Musicians can better detect meaningful, information-bearing elements in sounds, like the emotional meaning in a baby’s cry. Students who practice music can have better auditory attention, and pick out predictable patterns from surrounding noise.

11. Music builds imagination and intellectual curiosity: Introducing music in the early childhood years can help foster a positive attitude toward learning and curiosity. Artistic education develops the whole brain and develops a child’s imagination.

12. Music can be relaxing: Students can fight stress by learning to play music. Soothing music is especially helpful in helping kids relax.

13. Musical instruments can teach discipline: Kids who learn to play an instrument can learn a valuable lesson in discipline. They will have to set time aside to practice and rise to the challenge of learning with discipline to master playing their instrument.

14. Preparation for the creative economy: Investing in creative education can prepare students for the 21st century workforce. The new economy has created more artistic careers, and these jobs may grow faster than others in the future.

15. Development in creative thinking: Kids who study the arts can learn to think creatively. This kind of education can help them solve problems by thinking outside the box and realizing that there may be more than one right answer.

16. Music can develop spatial intelligence: Students who study music can improve the development of spatial intelligence, which allows them to perceive the world accurately and form mental pictures. Spatial intelligence is helpful for advanced mathematics and more.

17. Kids can learn teamwork: Many musical education programs require teamwork as part of a band or orchestra. In these groups, students will learn how to work together and build camaraderie.

18. Responsible risk-taking: Performing a musical piece can bring fear and anxiety. Doing so teaches kids how to take risks and deal with fear, which will help them become successful and reach their potential.

19. Better self-confidence: With encouragement from teachers and parents, students playing a musical instrument can build pride and confidence. Musical education is also likely to develop better communication for students.

Simon Collis
Principal
“Socktober” and Day for Daniel organised by our SRC

Socktober will take place on Friday 30th October. We would like everyone to wear their craziest socks with their school uniform. The crazier the better!

Please bring in a donation of a gold coin for St Vincent de Paul, so we can “SOCK IT TO POVERTY!”

We would also like students to wear A TOUCH OF RED with their uniform, as we participate in ‘Day for Daniel’. It is the 11th annual ‘Day for Daniel’. The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention. It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to Recognise, React and Report if they feel something is not right.

Wear Red and Educate is the theme of for Day for Daniel.
The objectives of Day for Daniel are:

- To raise awareness about child safety and protection and to promote a safer community for children.
- To educate children regarding their personal safety and empower them to Recognise, React and Report.
- To provide FREE safety and educational material.
- To honour the memory of Daniel Morcombe.
- To have over 1 million people Australia Wide to participate in Day for Daniel.

Day for Daniel is also an opportunity for Australians to make a statement that crimes against children are not acceptable in modern Australia.

At morning recess we will be selling fresh popcorn for $1 and a cup of fruit salad for $1.

SPORTS NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to Jasmin Edmond who, after placing second in the Regional Athletics Carnival, competed in the triple jump at the State Athletics Carnival yesterday. Well done Erin.

P & F NEWS

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A reminder to all St Joseph’s families to please support our local Bakers Delight bakery at every opportunity. They are located in Glenhuntly Road and if you mention St Joseph’s before your purchase is rung up, they will donate 5% from each sale and provide the P&F with a cheque at the end of the year. This certainly adds to the P&F’s fund raising efforts. Our wonderful, local Bakers Delight has provided us with bread on many occasions such as Trivia Night, Winter Sleep Out just to name a couple.

Please remember to support our local Bakers Delight
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN UNIFORM SHOP DURING PREP ORIENTATION
We need a number of volunteers to help in the Uniform Shop during Prep Orientation. Please contact Maxine Davidson (maxine.davidson@optusnet.com.au) if you are able to assist, even for an hour or two.

TUCKSHOP
Tomorrow, Wednesday 28 October, our volunteers will be Dennis Miller, Mark Brady Anna Way and Kim Webster. Thank you all.

Next Wednesday, 4 November, our volunteers will be Glicka Hatzis, Effie Laveglia, Surinder De Young, Jennifer Saunders, Chantelle Scarr and Evonne Williams (morning). Thank you all in anticipation.

Remember we will be open every Wednesday for Tuckshop. Please place orders by 9am Wednesday morning by using the link shown below, or via FlexiSchools, (www.sjelst.catholic.edu.au/page/199/Tuckshop).

Click here to order online.

With thanks from The Tuckshop Team
*Amber, Kellie, Penny, Rach and Sherelle*

KEEP CUPS FOR SALE
Don’t forget to purchase a ‘Keep Cup’ via FlexiSchools, The Little Coffee Van or the Environment Club, for a limited time only.

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**KEEP CUP PROMOTION**
The P&F has teamed up with the Environment Club to help reduce waste – starting with the growing number of disposable cups being used by our coffee-obsessed parents!

For a limited time we will be selling branded Keep Cups. These cups will enable us to reduce our carbon emissions and landfill waste but also help fund other green initiatives around the school.

**DISPOSABLE CUPS AND KEEP CUP**
**COMPARE THE FACTS**

A number of local cafes (Ernst Y Loco, Rockley’s, Bagelicious, Glover Station, The Little Coffee Van so far) are supporting this initiative by offering students and parents with a St Joseph’s branded Keep Cup a 25c discount on their coffee.

You can purchase your cup from The Little Coffee Van on Friday’s before assembly or via Flexischools.

**Options**
Keep Cup Original (choice of colours for cup, lid and plug) $17.50 which includes one free coffee
Keep Cup Brew $22.50 which includes one free coffee
St Joseph's 2015
Dads & Kids Camping Weekend Away

When: Sat 14th to Sun 15th November 2015

Where: Point Leo Foreshore Caravan Park approx. 1 hour from Melbourne

Address: Point Leo Road, POINT LEO 3916 head in Flinders direction

BALNARRING 3926
http://pointleo.com

What to bring: your tents, sleeping bags and lilos, deck chairs, swimming gear, wetsuits, and cricket bats and balls, brekkie items a bowl, a cup and a plate plus utensils, snack foods, torches, campfire stories and don’t forget your tooth brush.

Little brothers and sisters welcome

What time: 10 am Saturday

Activities: in no particular order
Beach cricket, soccer (dads versus kids), surfing, beach-walk and much, much more

Strictly no iPad or technology of any sort, No alcohol

BBQ Saturday night will be supplied

$15 per person includes accommodation

RSVP By start of November to confirm numbers
Brendan 0437 225 703 / edmonds.home@bigpond.com

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A new team has arrived and we are ready to service you, your family, your friends and your colleagues property needs. To tie in with this arrival we would like to extend a great offer to you and your community. Buxton will reward every new client or client referral with a $100 pre-paid visa card upon securing the successful Sales Listing, Rental Agreement and/or Property Management Agreement. And your Club or School will also receive up to $500. Please contact Pia Noble to find out more or to register for your reward. Valid until 31 Dec 2015.

Pla Noble: 0415 056 929
Email: pnoble@buxton.com.au

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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 4.

Interested parents should call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333

Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au
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**Friday Assembly:** General  
Principal’s Award: A positive approach to school

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**Friday Assembly:** Prep to lead in Prayer  
Principal’s Award:

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**Friday Assembly:** General  
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**Friday Assembly:** Year 3 to lead in Prayer  
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**Friday Assembly:** Year General  
Principal’s Award:
## TERM FOUR – 2015

### WEEK 9
**DEC**
- **02 Wed**: CAMP – Year 4  
  CAMP – Roar & Snore Year 3Br
- **03 Thur**: CAMP – Year 4  
  CAMP – Roar & Snore Year 3Ba
- **04 Fri**: CAMP – Year 4  
  Assembly ~ Year

### WEEK 10
**DEC**
- **07 Mon**: SCHOOL CLOSURE (CLEAN & MOVE UP)
- **08 Tue**: Transition for all classes for 2016
- **11 Fri**: Assembly ~ Year  
  End of Year Mass @ 5:00pm & BBQ following

### WEEK 11
**DEC**
- **14 Mon**
- **15 Tue**: Graduation Mass @ 6:00pm & Graduation ~ Year 6 students and families
- **16 Wed**
- **17 Thur**: END OF TERM 4 – 1:00PM DISMISSAL