

St Francis Xavier Primary School



Newsletter

Monday 3rd February 2020
Term 1 Week 2

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2020 Key Dates

Term 1

Jan 28 – March 27

Term 1 Week 2

Monday 3rd February

Specialist Program begins

Tuesday 4th February

Year 6 Leadership Day
P&F Meeting

Wednesday 5th February

Foundation Children at Home
Spelling Mastery Begins

Friday 7th February

Beginning of School Year
Mass

Term 1 Week 3

Monday 10th February

Hockey Clinics
Year Ahead Meetings

Tuesday 11th February

School Board Meeting

Wednesday 12th February

Chrome Book Bootcamp –
Year 5
Foundation Children at Home

Friday 14th February
Hockey Clinics

Term 1 Week 4

Monday, 17th February

Enrolment Applications
Open

Tuesday 18th February

School Open Day #1
Getting to Know Your Child
as Person and a Learner
Meeting #1

In the Land of the Wadawurrung People

Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome back one and all! I hope that you all enjoyed the holidays and are rested and renewed! What a wonderful sight it was on Friday to see our playground full of our children and families! It was equally exciting to go into every classroom and see the children bright, fresh and energised ready to start the school year.

I am also conscious that it has not been an easy start to the year for many in our community who have commenced with tragic events; I also know that as people of hope, we are often at our best during such difficult times. We continue to pray for all those affected by illness, deaths, fires, drought and storms.

At assembly on Friday morning we welcomed 10 new children, 68 Foundation children and their families to our school community and we look forward to them having an enjoyable and rewarding time at St. Francis Xavier. We welcome :

Foundation

68 New children

Year 4

Tadgh Leneghan
Harrison Lourey
Karla Austin

Year 2

Asha Brady Walker
Adria Vaneesha
Harper Lourey
Isla Rose Block

Year 3

Abbie Gervasoni
Jasper Patterson

Year 5

Libby Gervasoni

There are six new staff beginning at St Francis Xavier this year! We wish them the very best for their time at St Francis Xavier Primary School.

1. **Foundation SM** - Shannon Macklin
2. **Year 1GJ** – Gemma Johnson
3. **Year 4PB** - Petra Barclay
4. **Year 5LL** - Lucy Loader
5. **Year 6JF** - Jack Ferguson
6. **Performing Arts** - Jess Van Gaans

Leadership at St. Francis Xavier

In 2020 the Senior Leadership Team will remain the same with **Peter Mullane and Jayne Bosworth in the Deputy Principal Roles**. Pete will be Deputy Principal with responsibility Learning Diversity while Jayne will continue as Deputy Principal overseeing Learning Enhancement. Pete, Jayne and I believe this model of leadership will work effectively in catering for the needs of our whole school community, and I look forward to working again in a strong, collaborative team environment next year.

Please find attached a full staffing list for this year.

Our shared vision set out below outlines the major focus of our School and I share it with you again today as we start the new school year.

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Wednesday 19th February
Foundation Children at Home

Friday 21st March
School Assembly Program

Term 1 Week 5

Monday 24th Carnival
School Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 25th February
Shrove Tuesday
St. Francis Xavier Primary School - P & F Picnic
School Open Day #2

Wednesday 29th February
Ash Wednesday
Ash Wednesday Mass (Years 1-6)
Foundation Children at Home
Getting to Know Your Child as Person and a Learner Meeting #2

Friday 28th February
Casual Clothes Day
Parent Helper Meeting #1
EE - Schools Clean Up Day

Term 1 Week 6

Monday 2nd March
Personal Development
Parent Meeting (5/6)
Year 5 Cyber Safety and Chromebook Boot camp - Parent Meeting

Tuesday 3rd March
P&F Meeting

Wednesday 4th March
Foundation Children at Home

Friday 6th March
School Assembly Program

Term 1 Week 7

Monday 9th March
Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 10th March
Year 6 Camp
School Board Meeting
Parent Helper Meeting (2)

Thursday 12th March
School Open Day 3

Friday 13th March

We believe strongly that a great education is one of the foundations of life. Our Mission Statement and the values that flow from it reflect this belief and guide our every action. St. Francis Xavier is a place where minds are inspired, characters are formed and the traditions and values of the past are the foundation for the future. At St. Francis Xavier our goal is to educate children in the Mercy tradition so that they go on to become life-long learners and responsible citizens.

Beginning of the Year Mass for SFX Community

The Beginning of the Year St. Francis Xavier School Mass will be celebrated in the St. Alipius Church this **Friday 7th February** at 9:30am We look forward to seeing you all there.

2020 St. Francis Xavier Primary School Captains

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected as **2020 St. Francis Xavier Primary School Captains:**



Cooper Beseler



Tess Geljon



Sienna Driscoll



Archie Staley

School Timetable

This year all the children will receive weekly lessons in Japanese, Performing Arts, Visual Arts and Environmental Education. Accompanying today's newsletter is a timetable that outlines our Specialist Teacher Program. It is a 2 weekly timetable that co-ordinates (for most rooms) all Specialist Classes on one day. I ask you to read over it carefully and if you have any concerns to contact your child's class teacher.

Teachers will also explain the Timetable in detail at the Year Ahead Meetings on Monday 10th February.

Year Ahead - Parent Information Evening

On **Monday 10th February** St. Francis Xavier will hold a Parent Information Evening for all parents. This year Specialist Teachers will again be running sessions in the Gymnasium. These meetings will take place in your child's classroom and are intended to give parents specific information about class programs and approaches to teaching and learning. I strongly encourage all parents to attend as we believe that a positive, nurturing, and encouraging home-school relationship is essential in helping children achieve success. The education of each of our students is a partnership between staff, parents and children. The sessions will run for between 20 - 30 minutes in each classroom (please note new times below).

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| • 6:00pm – 6:30pm | Foundation to Year 2 |
| • 6:30pm - 7:00pm | Specialists (Gymnasium) |
| • 7:00pm – 7:30pm | Year 3 & Year 4 |
| • 7:30pm – 8:00pm | Specialists (Gymnasium) |
| • 8:00pm – 8:30pm | Year 5 & Year 6 |

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**P & F Mix and Mingle Night
(TBC)**

Term 1 Week 8

Tuesday 17th March
School Photos

Friday 20th March
School Assembly Program

Term 1 Week 9

Tuesday 24th March
Sovereign Hill - Costumed
School Program Year 5LL

Thursday 26th March
Sovereign Hill - Costumed
School Program Year 5JC

Friday 27th March
Casual Dress Day
Holy Week and Easter
Prayer
Last Day of Term 1

Term 2
April 14 – June 26

Term 2 Week 1

Monday 13th April
Easter Monday Holiday

Tuesday 14th April
First Day of Term 2
School Board Meeting

Friday 17th April
Foundation Enrolments
2021 close

Term 2 Week 2

Tuesday 21st April
Student Led Conferences -
Day 1

Wednesday 22nd April
Student Led Conferences -
Day 2

Thursday 23rd April
Confirmation Preparation
Meeting 1

Friday 24th April
Casual Dress Day
School Assembly Program

Saturday 25th April
ANZAC Day

Monday 27th April

Student Led Conferences about each child will take place in Week 2 & 3 of Term 2.

Getting to know your child as a Person and Learner Meeting

Staff will be doing all they can to get to know your child at the beginning of this term so they can enhance wellbeing and support and challenge each child to be the best that they can be, to be successful!



An important aspect of getting to know children is the “Getting to know your child as a Person and Learner Meeting” on **Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 26th February.**

These meetings provide 5 minutes dedicated 1:1 time for parents and teachers to meet and for you to share your

child’s strengths, passions, your concerns, and aspirations and anything you think will help your child to be successful.

We will send home some question prompts the week before to ensure we maximise the time together. Please make a note in your diary for this now and look out for the School Interviews sign up on Monday 10th February for your time slot.

The Francis Xavier Way – Our Whole School Behaviour Management Program

At St. Francis Xavier teachers have successfully implemented and run a whole school Behaviour Management program. The program is based on Lee Canter’s Assertive Discipline research and has clear a set of rules and consequences that we promote in both the classroom and playground. The ultimate aim of the program is to teach the children to manage their behaviour well - thus allowing them to focus on their learning and to build positive relationships.

At St. Francis Xavier:

- 1. We follow adult instructions immediately**
- 2. We keep hands, feet and objects to ourselves**
- 3. We do not call out**
- 4. Swearing, teasing or calling others names is not welcome.**

CareMonkey for school parents....

As you know we take the health and safety of your children very seriously. As such will continue with our use of **CareMonkey** as a health and safety program. It has been very well received by families since we began using it in 2015!



CareMonkey is an innovative parent controlled electronic medical form for schools, clubs and other groups with a duty of care. It’s an electronic version of the paper based forms you’re always having to fill in for excursions, camps, enrolments, etc.

As a parent you will have received an email or SMS from the **CareMonkey** system inviting you to enter the details for your child in an electronic medical form. **Please complete and update your CareMonkey details as soon as possible.**

Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Student Free Day - Staff
Professional Development
Day

Tuesday 28th April
Foundation Reading
Workshop

Wednesday 29th April
Student Led Conferences -
Day 3

Thursday 30th April
Confirmation Preparation 2

Friday 1st May
School Assembly Program

Term 2 Week 4

Tuesday 5th May
P & F Meeting

Thursday 7th May
Confirmation Preparation 3

Friday 8th May
Mather's Day Liturgy

Sunday 10th May
Mother's Day

Term 2 Week 5

Tuesday 12th May
NAPLAN – Year 3 & 5
School Board Meeting

Friday 15th May
School Assembly Program

Term 2 Week 6

Monday 18th May
Student Free Day - Staff
Professional Development
Day

Term 2 Week 7

Monday 25th May
Catholic Education Week

Friday 29th May
Casual Dress Day

Term 2 Week 8

Tuesday 2nd June
P & F Meeting

Thursday 4th June
Year 3 Camp

Friday 5th June
EE World Environment Day

School Fees

School Fee Payment Agreement Forms were sent home to all families last year. If you have not yet returned your form please complete it and return to the school office by Friday 7th February. This form is to be completed by all families on an annual basis.

For families that returned their forms last year, the direct debits have all been set up and will commence from the 20th February 2020. Attached to the newsletter is the direct debit schedule dates for 2020.

Family Fee Assistance Scheme

In all Ballarat Diocesan Catholic Primary Schools, tuition fee discounts are available to families eligible for a means tested Centrelink or Veteran Affairs concession card. The scheme offers tuition fee discounts to both Catholic and non-Catholic families, to new and current students. If you are eligible for the above concession card and require further information regarding this scheme, please contact the school office for more information.

Camps Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student.

Eligibility:

Families holding an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card, Pensioner Concession Card, Veterans Affairs Gold Card on the first day of Term 1 or first day of Term 2 or be a temporary foster parent will be eligible to apply.

Icy Poles

Icy poles are again available for children on Fridays. We require parents to pay up - front for icy poles. They are now \$4 for the term and payable via Flexischools. Please pay by 9:30am Friday the 7th February, if you would like your child to have them on Fridays.

Bus Transport for 2020

If there are any changes with regard to your child's transport from school for 2018 could you kindly fill in a Transportation From School form or contact the office with the relevant changes.

If you are a new family starting in 2020 and intend for your child to travel from school, please find attached the Transportation Form for you to complete and return back to the office.

Bus Procedures for Parents

- You need to notify the office if there is a change to your default (i.e. what you filled out on the form)
- Changes to the daily schedule would be appreciated as early in the day as possible – before 12.00pm midday.
- Changes to the daily schedule will be able to be conveyed to the office via telephone, by a bus pass which will be available from the office or by downloading and printing from our website.
- Changes to the daily schedule can also be communicated via the Skoolbag App, or via the generic "office" email office@sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au



Term 2 Week 9

Monday 8th June
Queen's Birthday Public
Holiday

Tuesday 9th June
School Board Meeting

Friday 12th June
School Assembly Program

Term 2 Week 10

Monday 15th June
Year 1 & 2 Performance
Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 16th June
Bravehearts incursion -
Foundation, 1s and 2s

Thursday 18th June
Year 1 & 2 Performance –
Matinee and Evening

Term 2 Week 11

Friday 26th June
Casual Dress Day
Last Day of Term 2

Term 3 **July 13 – Sept 18**

Term 1 Week 1

Term 1 Week 2

Term 1 Week 3

Term 1 Week 4

Term 1 Week 5

Term 1 Week 6

Term 1 Week 7

Term 1 Week 8

Term 1 Week 9

Monday 7th September
Year 5 & 6 Performance -
Dress Rehearsal

Thursday 10th September
Year 5 & 6 Performance -
Matinee & Evening

Term 1 Week 10

Parent's Car Park – Traffic Movement 2020

Thank you to everyone who followed the arrangements/instructions for parking last week!

Traffic Movement Instructions:

- When turning at the top of Fortune Street to come back down to park - please go to the 2nd group of trees beyond the double lines and opposite the golf club marked with a LARGE X. Please go up to the cross in a single line and cross to come back down Fortune Street.
- There will be two large Witches Hats showing you where to cross back down Fortune Street.
- You may also go further up past the X Tree beyond the golf club to turn to come back down Fortune Street



Double Lines on Fortune Street

Double Lines are painted on Fortune Street adjacent to the St. Francis Xavier school grounds.

Double Lines rules state that is illegal to:

1. Overtake
2. U-turn
3. Right turn across the double lines from the left lane into a car park

The Double Lines have not been introduced to inconvenience people. Double Lines have been introduced to ensure that the SFX Community is kept safe and that sensible driver behaviour is encouraged.



Road Rules

- **As a pedestrian only ever cross Fortune Street at the School Crossing.**
- Parents please observe ALL 'No Standing,' 'No U-Turns,' 'One Way' and 'Bus Zone' signs.
- The Fortune Street Bus Zone is for BUSES ONLY. If you continue to park in the Bus Zone you do so at your own risk and may incur a fine.

If the road signage and markings are adhered to with a good level of patience a safe environment can be maintained.

For the safety of all - use the designated areas for parking and follow the rules. Police and Council patrols happen randomly and parents can and will be caught and fined.

Keep up the great work everyone!

Healthy Fruit Stop

At St Francis Xavier, we have included a morning 'Healthy Fruit Stop' to our timetable.

This means ALL children will stop and eat a snack of fruit or vegetables in the classroom at 10.00am.

Term 4
Oct 6 – Dec 16

[Term 1 Week 1](#)

[Term 1 Week 2](#)

[Term 1 Week 3](#)

[Term 1 Week 4](#)

[Term 1 Week 5](#)

[Term 1 Week 6](#)

[Term 1 Week 7](#)

Monday 16th November
Year 3 & 4 Performance -
Dress Rehearsal

Thursday 19th November
Year 3 & 4 Performance -
Matinee & Evening

[Term 1 Week 8](#)

[Term 1 Week 9](#)

[Term 1 Week 10](#)

[Term 1 Week 11](#)

All other Calendar Dates
for 2020 have been
updated and can be
accessed live on the
Skoolbag App or by visiting
the School Website.

We encourage the children to bring their healthy fruit in a small container, chopped ready to be eaten.

Some snack suggestions:

- Snow peas
- Chopped apples
- Carrot sticks
- Cherry tomatoes
- Sultanas
- Peeled bananas
- Celery sticks

Please avoid from sending nuts due to allergies. As we are having this snack in the classroom, please refrain from sending juicy fruits that might make a mess.

St. Francis Xavier Primary School – Skoolbag App



Our St Francis Xavier Primary School App is very popular! Over 600 Downloads so far but we need ALL parents to Download it ASAP!!

What is Skoolbag?

Skoolbag provides schools with an easy way to tell parents/carers everything they need to know, and it provides parents with the most convenient way to receive school notifications.

No more lost paper in student school bags! School newsletters, school notices and alerts are communicated directly to the parent smartphone through the Skoolbag school Mobile App. Skoolbag is a school Mobile App that communicates directly with iPhone, and Android devices.

Instructions

Go to the Apple App Store and type in St Francis Xavier Primary School Ballarat and Install the App. It can be installed on an iPad but you need to select the iPhone version.

The App is also available to Android users through Google Play.

For google play its under St Francis Xavier Primary School Ballarat East

Communication

St Francis Xavier tries very hard to communicate with the school community, mainly through Newsletters, NewsBlasts, Facebook or the Skoolbag app, available to download through apple or android store. The newsletter is emailed every Monday and can be viewed online, information is available on the school website. Many classroom teachers are also using an app called SeaSaw to communicate directly with their class community.

We also welcome the opportunity to meet face to face but please be aware that these cannot happen during class time. If you wish to meet with a teacher it is best to either phone or email them to organise a time that is mutually agreeable to both. Teachers email addresses are created by using the initial letter of their first name with their surname followed by @sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au, eg. John Smith - jsmith@sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au.

It is an expectation that all correspondence or meetings are held in a respectful and non-aggressive or abusive manner, in times of frustration, this can be a challenge for some people but all members of our school community (staff, students, parents and visitors) are entitled to be treated with dignity, it is at the heart of our Catholic ethos.

In 2015 the St. Francis Xavier School Board approved new policies for Concerns and Complaints and Expectations of Parents and Guardians at our school. Please find these attached for your perusal. They are also available on our website at <http://www.sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au/our-school/72/p/policies/> I ask that you familiarise yourself with these and follow the pathway for addressing a concern and/or complaint.

School Hats

St. Francis Xavier is a Sun Smart school. This means all members of our school must wear a school hat while outside during the school day. Please ensure your child has a school hat.

Newsletter

The St. Francis Xavier Newsletter will continue to be published this year on a Monday.

If you require anything to be placed in the Newsletter please send an email to principal@sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au by 2:00pm on Thursdays.

....and finally!

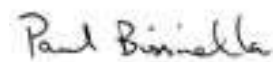
We at St. Francis Xavier count it as a privilege to share the learning journey of our students, teaching, supporting, challenging and encouraging. We do not expect our children to fit a mould, in fact the opposite. Our focus is on the individual. We take great pride in the achievements of each child.

I look forward to continuing the journey with you and to share the dreams and aspirations you have for your children and our school.

Have a great week and I look forward to seeing you at our **Beginning of the Year Mass this Friday at 9:30am** at the St. Alipius Church.

It is great to be back and I look forward to the privilege of working with each of our families this year.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Bissinella
Principal

Catherine McAuley

We have one solid comfort amidst this little tripping about: our hearts can always be in the same place, centered in God, for whom alone we go forward or stay back.

Letter to de Sales White December 20, 1840

Religious Education News



Mass for Opening of the School Year

Families are welcome to come and celebrate Mass with us on Friday 7th February. Mass is held at St. Alipius Church in Victoria St and begins at 9:30am. All student from Foundation to Year 6 will attend Mass. All children are required to wear their full school Summer Uniform.

Sacraments in 2020

From 2021, sacraments will be offered to baptised children of St Alipius Parish in the following grades:

- Year 3 Confirmation
- Year 4 Reconciliation and Eucharist

You may notice that the year levels have once again changed. This decision has not been made lightly. It has been taken due to a change in the leadership of the parish and the liturgical connection between Baptism and Eucharist. This will also bring St Alipius Parish more in line with sacramental practices in other parishes in the diocese.

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Because of these changes, in 2020, the following sacraments will be celebrated in the parish of St Alipius:

- Year 3 Confirmation
- Year 4 Confirmation and Eucharist.

Parents will be asked to nominate the celebrations that would suit them best. These preferences will be distributed after enrolment into the sacraments and will be allocated in the order these are received. It is usual for students from a school to attend the weekends their school is hosting, but we understand this is not always possible and this can be discussed in 2020. There will be a small cost to cover the payment for the preparation booklets and iron on transfers for the sash. Parents will need to present their child's baptism certificate when they enrol their child. Prior to each sacrament, parents are expected to attend workshops with their child to help them prepare the children at home. The three schools support the parish in this endeavour. 100% attendance is expected at the workshops and parents may attend at any of the venues.

Baptism

If your child has been baptised since he/she started at St Francis Xavier Primary School, make sure you have informed us and you have sent a copy of the Baptism certificate to the school office. Your child will not be listed as Catholic in our school records and you may miss out on sacrament information.

If you are seeking Baptism for your child, please call the St Alipius parish office on 53326611.

Sacraments

If your child receives the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation at another parish, please let me know on bluckman@sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au so that I can keep our records as up to date as possible.

If your child has been baptised since he/she started at St Francis Xavier Primary School, make sure you have informed us and you have sent a copy of the Baptism certificate to the school office. Your child will not be listed as Catholic in our school records.

Prayer for the Beginning of a New School Year

Loving God,
Your Spirit surrounds us and keeps us strong.
Bless these students as a new year commences.
Help them grow closer to you as you guide them in the choices they make.
Bring them wisdom and understanding.
Amen



Yours sincerely,

Bernadette Luckman
Religious Education Leader

Curriculum News



Classroom Helper Information Sessions

This term I will be facilitating two Classroom Helper Information Sessions:

Session 1: Friday 28th February at 9:30 am in the Staffroom

Session 2: Tuesday 10th March at 9:30 am in the Staffroom

The Classroom Helper Information Sessions are for members of our community who would like to be involved as 'Classrooms Helpers'. These sessions will cover aspects of English and Mathematics and provide helpers with important information required prior to supporting in classrooms.

Please note:

- If you are interested in becoming a Classroom Helper, you only need to attend one of the Classroom Helper Information Sessions.

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- A valid 'Working with Children's Check' is required prior to commencing classroom support. Office staff require a copy of ALL cards prior to commencement.
- If you have attended a St. Francis Xavier Primary School Classroom Helper session in previous years, you do not need to attend another session.

You will however need to read, sign and return the following documents prior to commencement:

- St Francis Xavier Primary School Volunteer Duty Statement
- St Francis Xavier Primary School Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct

Both documents can be collected from the Office.

Seesaw Update

This year, all classes will continue to use the online digital portfolio tool, Seesaw. Seesaw provides children with the opportunity to document and reflect upon their learning while strengthening their skills in the area of technology. Each child has their own Seesaw portfolio and throughout the year authentic assessment tasks will be uploaded to Seesaw. Specialist teachers will also be using Seesaw, and therefore you will notice that your child will be a member of multiple classes. If you have a current Seesaw account, you will not need to sign up to Seesaw again as 2019 classes have been archived.

If you require a Seesaw log in for your child, please see your child's classroom teacher.

Spelling Mastery

Spelling Mastery will commence next week. Spelling Mastery is a research-based program designed to explicitly teach children the strategies they need to become successful, life-long spellers.

Children in Years 3-6 will participate in Spelling Mastery five times a week, Monday through to Friday, from 9:00am to 9:20am. Placement tests have been completed along with observations from sessions last year, assisting the process of allocating children into groups according to their needs.

Spelling Mastery supports the children in developing an understanding of the relationship between sounds, word parts and spelling patterns. Children are taught in small steps, using sufficient practice, so that they comprehend how spelling works and transfer accurate spelling to their writing.

Jayne Bosworth

Deputy Principal- Learning Enhancement

Wellbeing News



Welcome to 2020.

First term is always a great term to build relationships, make new friends and experience new classrooms and situations. At St. Francis Xavier, we work hard on building relationships with each other, parents/cares and our families. We do this in many ways including: Year Ahead meetings, Getting to know your child/ren sessions, phone calls and making contact at drop off and pick up times.

The article written by Michael Grose gives 5 tips that may help with the Parent/Carer- Teacher relationships.

Here's to a great beginning to our school year.

Happy Days,

Jane Clark

Wellbeing Leader



Hi everyone and I hope you have had a great weekend?

Thought For The Week :

“Be awesome TODAY!”

Term 1, 2020 Sporting Schools Program :

Due to the overwhelming response for Hockey on the Monday night I have had to split it over Term 1 and 2. I apologise for that but it is the only way we can accommodate all children.

The Programs and lists for Term 1, 2020 are :

Term 1 Hockey :

- Monday 3.30 - 4.30pm : The dates are February 3, 10, 17, March 2, 16, 23.
There is NO SESSION on February 24 (School Athletics) and March 13 (Long Weekend).

Beatrice Heywood, Lucinda Leonard, Angus Burbidge, Mia Hamill, Hudson McGrath, Claudia Cochrane, Lachlan De Lorenzo, William McGregor, Ivy Miles, Alfie Sosinski, Laura Bodnar, Beau Hansen, Orion Morton, Rahui Munoko, Xavier Uljanic, Adella Marson, Felicity McGrath, Abe Sosinski, Xavier Staley, Logan Warren, Wentworth Campbell, Georgia Dundas, Olivia Green, Arabella Heywood, Harriet Johnson, Jensen McCartin, Kardia Sarra, Isabelle Thompson, Jye Hamill, Sage Sosinski, Michael Leonard, Elliott Marson.

Term 2 Hockey :

(We should be fine here but we will need FINAL confirmation from Sporting Schools during Term 1 to ensure we get the funding for this program. If there are any issues Mr Carroll will be in touch with you during Term 1) :

Henry Warr, Olivia Klein, Josh Elliott, Oliver Elliott, Evie Howard, Mackenzie White, Sam Hill, Hannah Smith, Chelsea Klein, Owen McKelvie, Edward Lloyd, Bailey McCartin, Cruize Van Langevelde, Haddie Morley, Isla Tongs, Maggie Brown, Lucy Cochrane, Mabel Rush, Ethan Wright, Maddy Wright, Charlotte Siemensma, Nate Toohey, Angus Siemensma, James Hocking, Alex Hocking, Tadhg Arnts, Maebh Arnts.

Term 1 Badminton

- Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm : The dates are February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19.

Michael Leonard, Tadhg Arnts, Jobe Lock, Nick Green, Maebh Arnts, Wentworth Campbell, Sophie Dalton, Chelsea Klein, Elliott Marson, Eli Prebble, Jarvie Stephens, Scarlett Woolfe, Angus Farrell, Jye Hamill, Isabelle Thompson, Lucinda Leonard, Nate Toohey, Mia Van Hammond, Alex Fitzpatrick, Maggie Locke, India Skewes, Mackenzie Burbidge, Olivia Green, Harriet Johnson, Alex Hocking, Ed Lloyd, Mia Hamill, James Hocking, Olivia Klein, Marlina Freak, Adelle Marson, Pippa Dalton, Laura Bodnar, Emma Locke, Harriet Locke, Marli Ward, Nick Ward, Hannah Smith, Evie Woolfe,

Information for these programs have been placed on Care Monkey.

School Sport Victoria Nominations Information :

Below are the details for any students and parents who believe their child is at that level to nominate and go through this arduous and challenging process –

School Sport Victoria will once again be offering the opportunity for students with emerging talent from St Francis Xavier School to register to trial for School Sport Victoria Team Vic State Teams in 2020.

Registrations to trial open on Sunday 1 December, 2019 and remain open until Sunday 1 March, 2020 for Boys Australian Football, Netball, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, and Boys Football (Soccer).

Trails are not Come 'n' Try opportunities. They are a process for selecting a Team Vic State Team to represent the state at School Sport Australia Championships.

The following supporting documents will assist your school community in understanding the process for registration:

1. Team Vic Big 5 [process letter for parents and teachers](#)
2. Team Vic Big 5 [nomination letter to parents](#) (for a maximum of 3 students per team)
3. Team Vic Big 5 [not successful nomination letter to parents](#)

A minor change to the process for 2020 is:

- a. 12 Years and Under Girls Australian Football will be offered. All nominees will go direct to State Trials.
- b. 12 Years and Under Girls Football (Soccer) will not be required to go through stages of selection. All nominees will go direct to State Trials.

For further information visit www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic

The above process is conducted by School Sport Victoria with all the relevant details above or on their website. If you have any questions please feel free to talk to me.

Have a great week everyone.

Shaun Carrol
Physical Education Co-ordinator

Uniform Shop Update

Opening Hours Term 1 2020:

- Monday 8.40 am – 9.10 am
- Wednesday 8.40 am – 9.10 am
- Friday 3.00pm – 3.30pm

Available NOW!

- Boys school socks \$10 a pair
- School coats available \$45
- Swim hats available \$10

Price List & Order Form

The price list and order form is downloadable from the schoolbag app.
Orders **with full payment** (cash or cheque only) may be left at the front office.

DONATIONS PLEASE

Please check your cupboards for any uniform items you no longer need. Donations of second hand uniforms can be left at the shop with Sam or Yvonne. All donations are appreciated. Thanks.

VOLUNTEERS

We are always looking for volunteers to help out in the shop during the term. We only roster you on for 1 or 2 half hour shifts per term maximum. Parents with small children are welcome to bring them along when they are rostered on. Please text **Yvonne Arnts on 0426 240 496** if you are able to help, with your preferred day. Thanks.

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

<u>Week 2</u>		
Monday 3rd February	Wednesday 5th February	Friday 7th February
Yvonne Arnts & Sam Murphy	Sam Murphy & Christine Taylor	Christine Taylor & Yvonne Arnts
<u>Week 3</u>		
Monday 10th February	Wednesday 12th February	Friday 14th February
Yvonne Arnts & Christine Taylor	Sam Murphy & Yvonne Arnts	Christine Taylor & Sam Murphy
<u>Week 4</u>		
Monday 17th February	Wednesday 19th February	Friday 21st February
Yvonne Arnts & Zeta Locke	Sam Murphy & Christine Taylor	Christine Taylor & Yvonne Arnts
<u>Week 5</u>		
Monday 24th February	Wednesday 26th February	Friday 28th February
School Athletics Carnival	Sam Murphy & Yvonne Arnts	Christine Taylor & Natasha Nicholson
<u>Week 6</u>		
Monday 2nd March	Wednesday 4th March	Friday 6th March
Yvonne Arnts & Jordie Roney	Sam Murphy & Christine Taylor	Christine Taylor & Sam Murphy
<u>Week 7</u>		
Monday 9th March	Wednesday 11th March	Friday 13th March
Labour Day Public Holiday	Sam Murphy & Yvonne Arnts	Christine Taylor & Yvonne Arnts
<u>Week 8</u>		
Monday 16th March	Wednesday 18th March	Friday 20th March
Yvonne Arnts & Ebony Bromley	Sam Murphy & Christine Taylor	Christine Taylor & Natasha Nicholson
<u>Week 9</u>		
Monday 23rd March	Wednesday 25th March	Friday 27th March
Yvonne Arnts & Nicole Murphy	Sam Murphy & Christine Taylor	Closed – Last Day Of School Term

Community Announcements

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Will Steenhuis, Matthew Corrigan, Jake Cheeseman and Xavier Staley who all competed in two Futsal tournaments over the school holidays for the Under 8's West Vic Warriors.

First tournament was just after New Years in Mt Evelyn, the boys went undefeated for all their group games and unfortunately lost the final 8-7.

They then headed to Qld to compete in the Gold Coast International where again they went undefeated and lost their semifinal to take home Bronze medal. Great bunch of boys and families!



Kelly Sports is back in Term 1!

St Francis Xavier PS Multi-Sport Program

(Soccer, B-Ball, Tennis & T-Ball)
Wednesdays (Starting 5th Feb)
3:25pm-4:55pm
Preps to Grade 4s
8 week program (\$158.40)

www.kellysports.com.au to enrol
Call Dom 0417967621 for queries

Go to our **St. Francis Xavier Facebook** page for more photos:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Francis-Xavier-Primary-School/273229632859103?ref=hl>