



St Francis Xavier Primary School

Newsletter

Monday 10th May 2021
Term 2 Week 4

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2021

In the Land of the Wadawurrung People

Key Dates

Dear Parents and Families,

Term 2

April 19 – June 25

Term 2 Week 4

Tuesday 11th May

NAPLAN Testing - Year 3 & 5

I hope all our families had a chance to celebrate Mother's Day yesterday. I hope all mothers had a day of happiness, a day where they felt cherished and where they could take time to dream dreams for their children. Mother's Day is a day of joy and celebration for those who can spend time with their mothers. For others, it is a day of remembrance of mothers who are no longer with them. The special thing about the day is that we all stop and in our own ways, we take time to honour Motherhood.

Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.

Wednesday 12th May

NAPLAN Testing - Year 3 & 5

School Closure Day

Thursday 13th May

NAPLAN Testing - Year 3 & 5

Please note: that next Monday 17th May is a St. Francis Xavier School Closure Day. Children will not be required to attend school on this day. Our school newsletter will be distributed next Tuesday.

Friday 14th May

NAPLAN Testing - Year 3 & 5
School Assembly - Year 1RC

NAPLAN – National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for our St. Francis Xavier Year 3 and 5 children will be held this Tuesday 11th May through to Friday 14th May 2021. The NAPLAN tests are conducted by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) on behalf of the Ministerial Council for Education, Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs (MCEECDYA).

Term 2 Week 5

Monday 17th May

Student Free Day

Friday 21st May

School Assembly - Year FEH

Year 3 and 5 class teachers, Mrs Bosworth, Ms. Cicchini and I will be supervising the children. We are eager for the children to see this as an opportunity to "shine" and to demonstrate their learning and growth. The results of the tests provide diagnostic information for parents and teachers about your child's performance in Literacy and Numeracy. This information can be used to support teaching and learning programs and improve student achievement.

Term 2 Week 6

Monday 24th May

Catholic Education Week
begins

Parents can help their child have a positive NAPLAN experience by ensuring they have a good night's sleep the night before the tests and a healthy breakfast each morning.

Friday 28th May

School Assembly - Year FTW
Casual Dress Day

Enrolments for 2022

Enrolments applications for children who start Foundation in 2022 close today.

Term 2 Week 7

Thursday 3rd June

Year 3 Camp – Sunnystones

Friday 4th June

School Assembly - Year 6JF
Year 3 Camp – Sunnystones



To register your interest in a Foundation position at St. Francis Xavier please fill in an 'City of Ballarat Catholic School Expression of Interest Form' with the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Education Office by clicking on the following link <https://ceob.edu.au/2022-foundation-enrolments/>

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Term 2 Week 8

Friday 11th June
School Assembly Year - 5MH

Term 2 Week 9

Monday 14th June
Queen's Birthday – Public
Holiday

Tuesday 15th June
Year 2 Camp - Log Cabin
Camp Creswick

Wednesday 16th June
Year 2 Camp - Log Cabin
Camp Creswick

Friday 18th June
School Assembly - Year 4BL

Sunday 24th June
School Working Bee

Term 2 Week 10

Friday 25th June
Last Day of Term 2
School Assembly Year - 3CP
Casual Dress Day

Term 3
July 12– Sept 17

Term 3 Week 1

Monday 12th July
First Day of Term 3

Tuesday 13th July
School Board Meeting

Friday 16th July
Term 3 Liturgy

Term 3 Week 2

Friday 23rd July
School Assembly – Year 2AH

Term 3 Week 3

Wednesday 28th July
Finance Committee Meeting

Friday 30th July
Casual Dress Day
School Assembly – Year
1MM

Catholic Education Week Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week will be celebrated in the Diocese of Ballarat from 24th - 28th May. The theme is **Faith in the Future**, and recognises and celebrates 200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia.

Two of our staff, Marg Lyttle and Olga Fox celebrate 30 Years of Service to Catholic Education. They will be acknowledged and celebrated at the Catholic Education Dinner and Service Awards and at school!

Hot Chocolates

- Hot Chocolates will commenced in Week 2, on a Monday.
- Children can purchase their hot chocolate for \$2.00 during the first break in the gym.

REMINDER: School Uniform:

The reason for our school uniform is to ensure that our children are identified as students who belong to the community of St. Francis Xavier. When some students continually ignore aspects of the uniform policy, this causes resentment and disharmony for other students and families. I ask parents to be encouraging and supportive in your role so that the school uniform is respected and adhered to and that there is a strong level of equality and fairness in the management of the uniform protocol.

- Full winter uniform may be worn from Day 1 of Term 2.
- For the first 2 weeks of Term 2 we will be in a transition phase for Uniform. Children are permitted to be in either Summer or Winter Uniform.
- From **Monday 3rd May** (Week 3) all children are expected to be in Winter Uniform.

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Early Days is a series of FREE workshops for parents, grandparents, and families of young children (0-7 years) who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder or who are going through the assessment and diagnostic process.

This initiative is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services through the Helping Children with Autism package.

The first workshop will be held on **Wednesday 26th May at Eastwood Leisure Complex, Ballarat.**

Due to the current climate, alternative arrangements will made according to restrictions at the time.

For more information about these workshop and other workshops can be found on our website <https://www.amaze.org.au/news-and-events/events/>

Below is the direct link to Eventbrite for registration:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/early-days-my-child-and-autism-workshop-wednesday-26th-may-2021-tickets-150681956789>

Parent's Car Park – Traffic Movement

The management of traffic flow at the beginning and end of the day is always a concern. We are fortunate that there is very little non-school traffic in the mix at these times. If the road signage and markings are adhered to with a good level of patience a safe environment can be maintained.

We remind drivers to pull off to the left around the trees where the buses travel and U-turn to return down Fortune Street rather than cross directly across the traffic.

School Performances in 2021

At this stage we are planning for School Performances to be videoed and shared with families via SeeSaw and our Social Media Channels. We are hoping that the children will be able to at least perform to a school audience. COVID 19 density restrictions continue to affect our ability to have parents onsite in large numbers. Should these requirements for schools change we will amend our arrangements appropriately.

Term 3 Week 4

Monday 2nd August
Foundation 100 Days of School

Tuesday 3rd August
P & F Committee Meeting

Term 3 Week 5

Tuesday 10th August
School Board Meeting

Friday 13th August
Student Free Day

Term 3 Week 6

Friday 20th August
School Assembly – Year FSM

Term 3 Week 7

Friday 27th August
Causal Dress Day
School Assembly – Year FND

Term 3 Week 8

Friday 3rd September
Father's Day Liturgy

Term 3 Week 9

Tuesday 7th September
P & F Committee Meeting
Student Led Conferences

Wednesday 8th September
Student Led Conferences

Friday 10th September
School Assembly – Year 5MA

Sunday 12th September
School Working Bee

Term 3 Week 10

Monday 13th September
School Review 2021

Tuesday 14th September
School Board Meeting

Wednesday 15th September
Student Led Conferences

Friday 17th September
School Assembly – Year 4CJ
Last Day of Term 3

Term 4
Oct 4 – Dec 16

Week	Term 3	Term 4
1		
2		Year 1
3	Year 4	Year 5
4		
5		
6		
7		
8	Year 2	
9	Year 3	
10	Year 6	Nativity

Please note: The Foundation Nativity continues every year. This will take place at 12:00pm on Friday 10th December 2021.

Free NEW live webinar: eSafety's guide to parental controls

The eSafety Commission run a number of training sessions for parents. They have a new webinar, eSafety's guide to parental controls, which look at how parents and carers can set up devices and apps to help keep young people safer online.

This webinar is targeted to parents and carers of 5 to 13-year-olds. The webinar will look at how parents and carers can set up devices and apps to help kids and young people stay safe online.

It will cover:

- the benefits and limitations of parental controls
- how to set up iOS and Android devices for safety
- how to set up popular games and apps like YouTube and Roblox for safety
- using family tech agreements and other parenting strategies to manage online risks
- how eSafety can help when things go wrong.

This webinar will include practical tips, demonstrations and advice.

To register, visit: esafety.gov.au/parents.

DID YOU KNOW? - Facebook

St. Francis Xavier Primary School, Ballarat East has a Facebook Page!

Invite your friends and "LIKE" us on Facebook to keep up to date with social events and things happening around the school and reminisce as we go through the archives!

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



School Closure Days

Please note that in Term 2 we have set aside two days as a School Closure Days for Staff Professional Development.

- **Monday 19th April** School will be closed as a Staff Professional Development Day
- **Monday 17th May** School will be closed as a Staff Professional Development Day

Occupational Therapist - Brittany Curtain

Term 4 Week 1

Monday 4th October
First Day of Term 4

Tuesday 5th October
P & F Committee Meeting

Friday 8th October
Term 4 Prayer – Celebration of Mercy



Please see below the **Fourth Edition of The OT Times**

Brittany Curtain
Occupational Therapist

Term 4 Week 2

Tuesday 12th October
School Board Meeting

Term 4 Week 3

Term 4 Week 4

Wednesday 27th October
Year 4 Camp

Friday 29th October
Casual Dress Day

Term 4 Week 5

Monday 1st November
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 2nd November
P & F Committee Meeting



Term 4 Week 6

Monday 8th November

Year 5 Camp - Kangaroobie

Tuesday 9th November
School Board Meeting

Friday 12th November
Public Holiday – Ballarat Show Day

Term 4 Week 7

Term 4 Week 8

Friday 26th November
Casual Dress Day

Term 4 Week 9

Tuesday 30th November
SFX Orientation
Year 6 Transition

Friday 3rd December
St. Francis Xavier Feast Day

Term 4 Week 10

Continued Arrangements for End of the School Day Pick-Up

Please note that modified arrangements for End of the School Day Pick – Up will continue in Term 2. With the construction of the new School Building beginning over the school holidays approximately 20 staff car parks have been lost and will require some staff to park on Fortune Street until our temporary car park is constructed.

Please see the table below for changed pick up arrangements that continue.

	3:00pm – 3:10pm	3:10:pm – 3:20pm	3:20pm onwards
	Children with Surnames beginning...		
Week 4 to Week 6 Monday 10 th May to Friday 28 th May	A - G	H - P	Q - Z
Week 7 to Week 9 Monday 31 st May to Friday 18 th June	Q - Z	A - G	H - P

Thank you to everyone for your continued co-operation and understanding!

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Thursday 9th December
Year 6 Thanksgiving and
Graduation

Friday 10th December
Foundation Nativity

Term 4 Week 11

Tuesday 14th December
School Board Meeting

Thursday 16th December
Last Day of Term 4

All other Calendar Dates for
2021 have been updated
and can be accessed live on
the Skoolbag App or by
visiting the School Website.

School Assembly Dates 2021

Due to the Specialist Timetable running from Monday to Thursday our School Assemblies will continue on Fridays in 2021 from 12:40pm to 1:10pm. Due to COVID19 restrictions, parents of just that class presenting the assembly are invited to join us.

Please see list below. This has also been updated on the school calendar for your perusal.

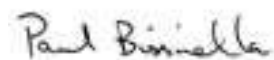
Week	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
1				
2		Year 2 BW 30.04.21	Year 2 AH 23.07.21	Year 3 SB 15.10.21
3		Mother's Day Liturgy	Year 1 MM 30.07.21	
4		Year 1 RC 14.05.21		Year 2 GH 29.10.21
5		Foundation EH 21.05.21	Student Free Day	
6	Year 6 CC 05.03.21	Foundation TW 28.05.21	Foundation SM 20.08.21	Ballarat Show Day
7	Year 5 MM 12.03.21	Year 6 JF 04.06.21	Foundation ND 27.08.21	Year 1 GJ 19.11.21
8	Year 4 PB 19.03.21	Year 5 LL 11.06.21	Father's Day Liturgy	
9	Year 3 BGS 26.03.21	Year 4 BL 18.06.21	Year 5 MA 10.09.21	St Francis Xavier Feast Day
10		Year 3 CP 25.06.21	Year 4 CJ 17.09.21	Foundation (Nativity)
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School Calendar

Please visit the **school website** to see a new and constantly up to date school calendar
<http://www.sfxballarat.catholic.edu.au/news-and-events/70/p/school-calendar/>

Have a great week!

Yours sincerely,



Paul Bissinella
Principal

Catherine McAuley

The blessing of unity still dwells amongst us and oh what a blessing, it should make all else pass into nothing....This is the spirit of the Order, indeed the true spirit of Mercy flowing on us...

Letter to Elizabeth Moore Easter Monday, 1841



Confirmation News

Please read carefully, as there have been some changes made.

- [Link to Registration Form for Confirmation](#)
- [Link to Confirmation Letter from Fr Jorge](#)

Baptised Catholic children (Year 3 and up) living in the parish of St Alipius are invited to enrol for the sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation Celebrations:

CHOOSE ONE

- Wednesday 19th May at 6:30pm
- Wednesday 26th May at 6:30pm
- Wednesday 2nd June at 6:30pm
- Wednesday 9th June at 6:30pm

You may wish to attend a celebration hosted by one of the other schools. Dates are listed below. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, each child may have 3 guests and one of these must be his/her sponsor. If there are any changes to the COVID-19 restrictions, this number will be changed accordingly. Bookings for Confirmation ceremonies will be online and will open after the last information/enrolment session. Bookings are taken via <https://sapliturgy.net.au/> There are 'cut offs' for numbers and you are encouraged to book in as soon as possible if you need a particular date.

Hosted by Emmaus:

- Tuesday 18th May 6:30pm
- Tuesday 20th May 6:30pm
- Tuesday 1st June 6:30pm

Hosted by St Alipius:

- Thursday 13th May 6:30pm
- Thursday 20th May 6:30pm

Please direct all Confirmation questions to Bronwyn in the Parish Office on 53326611 or via email on ballarateast@ballarat.catholic.org.au . The office is staffed Tuesday, Thursday, Friday between 10:00 and 3:00.

St Alipius Parish, Ballarat East & Buninyong
Sacramental Programs 2021

As parents/ guardians we invite you to enrol your BAPTISED CATHOLIC child into the family based, Parish coordinated and Parish schools supported Sacramental Program for 2021.

CONFIRMATION **EUCHARIST**

Due to the unusual circumstances of 2020 and the inability to prepare for and celebrate Sacraments with the children in our Parish, a new program has been created for 2021.

Term Two Confirmation	Term Three Eucharist	Term Four Eucharist									
<p style="text-align: center;">Children who are baptised Catholic in Year 3 and 4 or older</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent Information Sessions St Alipius Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY 27th April 6.30pm WEDNESDAY 28th April 10.30am or 6.30pm THURSDAY 29th April 6.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CELEBRATION DATES</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">Emmaus Primary Coordinated</td> <td style="width: 33%;">St Francis Xavier Coordinated</td> <td style="width: 33%;">St Alipius Coordinated</td> </tr> <tr> <td>May 18th and 25th @ 6.30pm</td> <td>May 19th and 26th @ 6.30pm</td> <td>May 13th and 20th @ 6.30pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June 1st @ 6.30pm</td> <td>June 2nd and 9th @ 6.30pm</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Emmaus Primary Coordinated	St Francis Xavier Coordinated	St Alipius Coordinated	May 18 th and 25 th @ 6.30pm	May 19 th and 26 th @ 6.30pm	May 13 th and 20 th @ 6.30pm	June 1 st @ 6.30pm	June 2 nd and 9 th @ 6.30pm		<p style="text-align: center;">Those who have been CONFIRMED and have celebrated RECONCILIATION in Year 5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent Information Sessions St Alipius Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY 27th July, or WEDNESDAY 28th July</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CELEBRATION DATES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">28/29 August 4/5 and 11/12 September</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Eucharist will be celebrated during the 6.00pm, 9.00am and 10.30am mass.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Children who have been CONFIRMED and have celebrated RECONCILIATION earlier this year in Year 4.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent Information Sessions St Alipius Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY 12th October, or WEDNESDAY 13th October</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CELEBRATION DATES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Weekends of 6/7, 13/14 and 20/21 November 2021</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Eucharist will be celebrated during the 6.00pm, 9.00am and 10.30am mass.</p>
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June 1 st @ 6.30pm	June 2 nd and 9 th @ 6.30pm										

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. If you wish to convert to Catholicism from another Christian faith, also call the parish office.

Bernadette Luckman
Religious Education Leader

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL - Sunday 9th May 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

Gospel

Jn 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you.

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business;

I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.’

The Gospel of the Lord

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

Gospel Reflection

As a young person, there is nothing better than being in love! Sure, loving your family and being loved by them is pretty important, but to ‘fall in love’ with someone and have that love returned is something quite extraordinary. Love sets us on fire! To be loved by someone else makes all the tough times endurable; it makes us believe in ourselves because someone else sees something worthwhile within us. It's exciting and it's incredibly life-giving!

This is something of the message that Jesus is trying to convey to his disciples in this week's gospel. He is trying to share with them some understanding of the incredible joy he experiences through his relationship with the Father. And just as he is loved by the Father, so Jesus loves his disciples and so are they invited to share in the love of the Father. Jesus' whole mission and ministry was to share with people the love of God that he knew so intimately. His actions towards the ‘lesser ones’ of the world was to demonstrate to them that they are not only worthy of love but were already loved. Jesus tells his disciples that all they have to do to constantly remain in his love is to keep his commandments and then he clarifies for them that his only commandment to them is to love one another as Jesus loved. To live in the love of Jesus and know the love of

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the Father, all we have to do is love one another. It seems simple. The challenge is that we are to love all people – even those who make our lives difficult and unpleasant. As we are told in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew, ‘If you love only those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them!’ (Lk 6:32; Mt 5:46)

Scriptural context – The Last Supper Discourse

In the three synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke), the events of the Last Supper are dealt with in a very similar way. They all include Jesus taking bread and wine and speaking what are referred to as the words of institution – the words that are spoken over the bread and wine in every Eucharistic celebration today. In the Gospel of John, however, the Last Supper is dealt with very differently. It includes an extended ‘discourse’ that is incredibly rich in imagery and theological implications. Perhaps because this gospel was written well after the others it was deemed unnecessary to retell the story but it was timely to do some reflecting on the meaning of the events?

Living the Gospel – Love One Another

Have you ever thought what it really means when Jesus commands us to love one another? At first, it seems like a simple commandment: I can love my family; my friends; I can even feel love for some people I’ve never met. But there was a condition that Jesus placed on the command: love one another as I have loved you. How did Jesus love? Without restriction and without seeking something in return. He loved those that no one loved and he even loved those who hated him and sought his downfall. Can I love those who hate me? Those that others ridicule and despise? Can I love without counting the cost?

Have you thought? - Love

There is a wonderful line from the musical, Les Miserables, when the hero, Valjean, is told, ‘To love another person is to see the face of God.’ As Christian people, we believe that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. To look upon another person with love and compassion is to see the face of God revealed. When we are called to love, we are called to recognise that every single person is worthy of love and every single person is made in the image of God – even ourselves!

A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:

- Q. What does it mean when Jesus tells his disciples to ‘remain in my love’?
- Q. What role does Jesus play in linking God’s love to the world?
- Q. Why is it significant that Jesus gave this message to his disciples at the Last Supper?
- Q. Is it possible to love others without having love for yourself?
- Q. Who do you find it difficult to feel compassionate love towards?

Greg Sunter has worked in Catholic Education (Brisbane) for many years, most recently as a member of the Religious Education team and Mission and Formation team. He has extensive experience of praying with young people and forming others to lead prayer with young people. He is the author of books on adolescent faith, is a regular speaker at youth and evangelisation conferences, and is a retreat and reflection facilitator and presenter. His areas of interest include religious education, theology, scripture, spirituality, Catholic ethos, prayer, and ministry with young people.

Curriculum News



NAPLAN ONLINE- Tuesday 11th May – Friday 14th May, 2021

In May every year, students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 take part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). NAPLAN was first introduced in 2008 and has become a routine part of the school calendar in Australia.

NAPLAN is how the government; education authorities and schools determine whether young Australians are reaching important educational goals.

In 2019, our school made the successful transition to NAPLAN Online. Moving to NAPLAN online brought many new opportunities for our children and teachers that were limited or not possible with paper-based tests. This year again, we will administer the NAPLAN tests through the Online National Assessment Platform. Children will complete the tests via a secure locked down browser on a suitable device. **The year three Writing test is the only test that will continue as a pen and paper assessment this year.**

Some of the main benefits of students taking part in NAPLAN Online include:

- **Better assessment – and more precise results.** NAPLAN Online uses a tailored test or adaptive design, where the test automatically adapts to individual student performance and asks questions that match the student

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achievement level, allowing the student to demonstrate their knowledge. This provides teachers and schools with more targeted and detailed information on students' performance on the tests. Tailored testing also provides an opportunity to broaden the scope of the assessments.

- **Faster turnaround of results.** Delivery of assessments online significantly reduces the time it takes to provide feedback to schools, students and parents, so teachers can respond more quickly to learning needs.

As technology develops, ACARA aims to further refine the delivery of the tests to best use the available technology to provide increasingly sophisticated assessments and valuable feedback to teachers, parents and education authorities.

Have a wonderful week!

Jayne Bosworth

Deputy Principal - Learning Enhancement

Wellbeing News



BraveHearts Incursion for children in Years F, 1 and 2.

Bravehearts visited us last Tuesday to work with the Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 students about Personal Safety. Ditto the Lion Cub had 3 very important messages to share with the children.

1. We all have the right to feel safe with people!
2. It's OK to say No if you feel unsafe or unsure!
3. Nothing is so yucky you can't tell someone about it!



Parenting for emotionally healthy kids

What behaviours can parents/carers practise that will help their kids function well, relate well to others and reach emotional maturity in adulthood? Find out more in the attached article written by Michael Grose.



Term 2 First break activities

Children are invited to be a part of first break activities.

- **Wednesday : Trading/ Collecting/ Interest Groups - (including Chess Club)**
- **Thursday : Teddy Bear picnic and Reading time**
- **Friday : Meditation**

Happy Days,

Jane Clark

Wellbeing Leader



Ballarat Catholic Primary Schools in both Netball and Soccer

Last Friday, SFX was superbly represented at both the Ballarat Catholic Primary Schools soccer and netball tournaments. All students at both sports showed excellent skill, commitment and sportsmanship throughout the day.

The boys soccer team won through to the Grand Final, where they saved their best performance to qualify for the next stage of competition.

The girls netball team also played fantastic and qualified for Divisionals next month. Well done to all of the players and a massive thank you to Ms C, Ms M and Mrs V for your coaching efforts. A big thank you also to Carmen Farrell who assisted with the soccer and to Rachel Cross who helped out with the netball.

After School Netball

Tuesday and Wednesday after school netball began last week. Good luck to all of the players involved, and we look forward to hearing how the teams improve throughout the season!

Divisional Cross Country

This Friday we have 14 students representing SFX at the Divisional Cross Country at Ballarat High School. Good luck to Jake Cheeseman, Ash Norris, Felicity McGrath, Ruby Fraser, Ben Buckland, Jackson Kane, Keely Geljon, Ashlee Beseler, Eva Cummins, Levi Hynes, Ky Geljon, Josh Elliot, Eliza Trigg and Charlotte Cross who will be running at this event.

Calendar Events 2021

Term 2

- Friday 14 May - Divisional Cross Country
- Friday 21st May - Catholic Primary School Football @ St Pat's College
- Wednesday 9 June - Eureka Division Netball tournament
- Wednesday 9 June - Eureka Division Soccer tournament

Have a phenomenal week everyone!

Shaun Carroll
Sports Co-ordinator

Uniform Shop Update

NEWS from the Uniform Shop:

- EFTPOS AVAILABLE in the Uniform Shop
- POP up shop will be happening again in the undercover area on Friday 26th March 2:45 to 3:30 all uniforms for sale \$5 and \$10

Opening Hours Term 1 2021:

- 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 \$55
- Swim hats available \$10

Price List & Order Form

The price list and order form is downloadable from the schoolbag app.
Orders **with full payment** 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.

Uniform Shop Volunteers – we need your help All we need is half an hour of your time once or twice a term!!

Please Sign Up to Help in the Uniform Shop by clicking on the following link:

<https://signup.com/go/JvsbATD>



or text Yvonne Arnts on 0426 240 496 if you are able to help, with your preferred day. Thanks.

The shop is open and EFTPOS available in store and for all your online orders. All orders to be picked up at front office

Community News

Parish of St Alipius and Ss Peter & Paul - RCIA Process

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

An evening for those interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith will be held on Wednesday 19th May from 6.30 - 7.30pm in the St Alipius Hall, Victoria St (next to the church).

For more information please contact St Alipius Parish on 5332 6611.



MULTI-SPORTS (90 MINUTES)

*Wednesday's After-School 3:25pm - 4:55pm
(21st of April) to (23rd of June)*

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