MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Teach Me to Listen
Teach me to listen, O God, to those nearest me, my family, my friends, my co-workers. Help me to be aware that no matter what words I hear, the message is, ‘Accept the person I am. Listen to me.’
Teach me to listen, my caring God, to those far from me – the whisper of the hopeless, the plea of the forgotten, the cry of the anguished.
Teach me to listen, O God my Mother, to myself. Help me to be less afraid to trust the voice inside – in the deepest part of me.
Teach me to listen, Holy Spirit, for your voice – in business and in boredom, in certainty and doubt, in noise and in silence.
Teach me, Lord, to listen. Amen.
Fr John Veltri, SJ

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## Term 1 Dates

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### Upcoming Events & Other News

#### School Garden

The school garden is in desperate need of a weed and tidy. If anyone has time to spray weeds or tidy garden beds, please notify the Office so a credit can be made to your Working Bee levy on your fee statement. Thanking you.

#### Family Update/Student Alert Form

Attached to this newsletter is a Family update form/student alert form. For existing families please use this form to update any information and or phone numbers that need changing. It is very important that we are kept update with changing details.

#### Student Lunches

Bought lunches are available from the Burke Street Milkbar. Please find attached an updated lunch order list. Orders need to be written on a brown paper bag and placed into the esky bags that are left at each end of the school (library and front door). Please avoid sending food to school with students that need to be heated up by office staff, as you would appreciate starting this can lead to a never ending line of lunches to be heated.

#### Reader Covers

Reader covers are available from the office at a cost of $15.00 each. Presently, Beleza do not stock these. If you are not able to come into school just send money along in an envelope to the office.

#### Deepest Sympathy & Condolences

the Cruwys family on the passing of Leanne’s Dad (Mr. Colin Dawson). Our prayers and best wishes are with; Shane, Leanne, Tanysha, Alyssa and Natalya.

#### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

**Friday 27th March**

(LAST DAY OF TERM 1)
Religious Education & Parish News
School Masses & Liturgies Term 1

Weekend Mass Times For The Parishes of Warragul & Drouin:
Warragul: Saturday 7pm & Sunday 9am
Drouin: Sunday 10.30am
Neerim Sth: Saturday 5.30pm

WEEK | FRIDAY MASS | CHURCH DISPLAY | MONDAY ASSEMBLY
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3 | Grade 3/4D & K (Multi-Purpose) | Grade 4/5T | Grade 3/4 Shannon
4 | Grade 5/6C & G (Multi-Purpose) | Grade 1/2K | Grade 5/6 V&B/Inchin
5 | Grade 1/2B & 1/2 Ford (Multi-Purpose) | Grade 1/2K | Grade 3/4 Dodman
6 | Grade 3-6 First Friday (Church) | Grade 3/4M | Grade 1/2 Jess
7 | Grade 1/2J ,1/2F & 1/2K (Multi-Purpose) | Grade 3/4M | Labour Day Holiday NO ASSEMBLY
8 | Grade 5/6 S & VB/I (Multi-Purpose) | Liturgy Team | Grade 1/2 Ford
9 | Grade 3/4M & 3/4Sh (Multi-Purpose) | Liturgy Team | Grade 5/6 S/S

Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent-Only Meeting
Our next parent meeting is to be held this Thursday 12th February, 7pm, in the Marian room. It would be appreciated if outstanding enrolment forms (for those who have already committed), photos and levy envelopes could be brought to this meeting. If parents are unable to attend this meeting, they need to attend on Wednesday 11th February, 7pm at St. Ita’s Church, Drouin. For more information ring Liz on 5623 1642, or see Mr Thompson at School.

Liturgy Team 2015
These children have volunteered to be part of the Liturgy Team this year, and Mrs Shelton & Mr. Thompson are looking forward to working with them on various elements of our faith in the school.

- Katelyn Balfour
- Tea Van de Burgt
- Benjamin Campbell
- Savannah Ives
- Sophie Ryan
- Nick Campbell
- Isaac Shelton
- Meg Debnam
- Lucas Bethune

Ash Wednesday Liturgy
There will be an Ash Wednesday Liturgy in the Hall on Wednesday the 18th of February. All parents and parishioners are welcome to attend. Time TBA.

Parish Picnic
Families are invited to our Parish Picnic on Sunday the 15th of February, at Glen Cromie Park, commencing at 12pm. Admission to the park is $2.00 per head and please BYO everything including chairs.
Parishes Mission Timetable

Our next Parish Mission conducted by Fr. Ray Sanchez C.P. will be held from Saturday 14th Feb to Friday 20th Feb 2015, beginning Mass 5.30pm Neerim South and 7.00pm Warragul. Morning sessions will be held at St. Ita’s 10 am to 12pm. Evening sessions will be held at St. Joseph’s 7-9pm.

The First session:
Sunday 15th Feb St. Joseph’s Church 7-9pm
‘On being a Christian’.

The Second session:
Monday 16th Feb:
‘Jesus and Justice’

The Third session:
Tuesday 17th Feb
‘Male and Female Sexuality’

The Fourth session:
Thursday 19th Feb
‘Third Age and final Journey’

The Fifth session:
Friday 20th Feb
‘The problem of Evil and God’s mercy’

What's Happening In And Around Classrooms

1/2K And 4/5T Reading Buddies
This term, Miss Kennedy’s grade 1/2 children are going to buddy up with Mr. Thompson’s 4/5 children to do some reading together on a Friday afternoon. This will be another fun way to improve reading fluency and comprehension skills at St. Joseph’s, and develop relationships between the two classes.

Sometimes the older children will read to the younger children, but other times the 1/2s will read and receive support from the 4/5s. We invite any parents who would like to come in and observe this before assembly to drop by and join in the fun!

Kristian Thompson & Jess Kennedy
Book Club
If you wish to make a purchase please forward order forms and payment option back to the school by this coming Thursday 12th February. Thank you for your support and interest.

Library Days
Library sessions are held each week. Sessions run for 40 minutes. The children are encouraged to borrow each week. Books may be kept for two weeks however the children are able to exchange their books each week.

Tuesday library classes are grades 1/2K, PrepW, Prep R and 1/2 Ford
Thursday library - 1/2 Fechner, 5/6 Stanley/Shelton, 1/2 B, 5/6 VB/1/2 J, 3/4 Sh
Please encourage the children to bring their books back in a library bag. This also includes grades 3-6.
Many plastic bags needed to be distributed last week.

School Support
We are currently setting up the meals roster for school support. School support is a service we have in place to help out school families who are in need of a meal during difficult times, such as illness in the family or the arrival of a new baby. Each week we regularly hand out 3-4 meals so require between 40-50 people to be part of this invaluable service. Thank you to all who have so far volunteered to be on the roster and to those who have already provided a meal.
We still require at least another 30 people to be part of this service. If you are able to be on the roster and provide a meal once a term, please let me know via email or leave your name and email address (if you have one) at the office. All meals are kept in the school freezer until needed. If you were on the roster last year and wish to be on again, please let me know.
Many thanks, Naomi Simpson simpsonsings@bigpond.com

Cake Raffle Roster - Fridays At Assembly 50 cents
Once again we are wanting volunteers to form part of our Cake raffle roster for Friday afternoon assemblies. We all know how the children love this treat on a Friday afternoon. Please remember not nuts when baking and to provide a list of ingredients with the cake. The cake is required at School by 2.45pm on a Friday afternoon so raffle tickets can be sold prior to assembly. If you are interested in this please contact me.
Thanking you, Meg Height 0438 514027 or admin@thesummit.net.au.

Movie Money
Movie Money available from the office at $13.00 each

St Joes Uniform Shop
Closing Down Sale
Limited Stock
Friday pre and post assembly in the School Hall

St Joseph’s Playgroup
Every Monday morning 9.30am or straight after morning assembly in the library.
All welcome. For further information contact Silvia 0418 764 954 or silviantony@vic.australis.com.au

Icypoles Term 1 Wednesdays
Icypoles available on Wednesdays during Term 1. Vouchers available for 50 cents from your classroom teacher on Wednesday mornings.
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<td><strong>Grade 3/4</strong> In Grade 3/4 we are reading and writing recounts. We are looking at how authors use different ways of holding our interest. We are working with frequency words in spelling. In Maths we are working on place value, regrouping numbers and rearranging them. We are also looking at time on both analogue and digital clocks. In Inquiry, we are discussing Cybersafety. We are focussing on Prayer in Religion as we begin preparing for Reconciliation.</td>
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<td><strong>Grade 4/5 Thompson</strong> <strong>Literacy</strong> - Setting up independent reading activities. Beginning reading groups. <strong>Maths</strong> - Prime, composite and triangular numbers. Estimation skills, rounding up and down and getting reasonable answers. <strong>Grade 5/6 Clancy</strong> <strong>Literacy</strong> - Setting up independent reading activities. Beginning reading groups. <strong>Maths</strong> - Prime, composite and triangular numbers. Estimation skills, rounding up and down and getting reasonable answers. <strong>Grade 5/6 Silver</strong> In 5/6 Silver we are focussing on keeping track of our thinking while we read by using sticky notes and fix up strategies. <strong>Grade 5/6 Stanley/Shelton</strong> <strong>Maths</strong> - Multiplication. <strong>Literary</strong> - Expression and group discussion of issues. <strong>Religion</strong> - John the Baptist. <strong>Grade VB/Inchincoli</strong> In literacy we are learning about how ‘book clubs’ operate and using visualisation to strengthen our reading. For maths we are investigating factors and multiples. We are also reviewing the golden rules for correct Internet use and cyber safety. <strong>Library</strong> Preps: re telling a story by sequencing using art. <strong>Grade 1/2:</strong> becoming familiar with the classic stories of Paddington. <strong>Grade 3/4:</strong> looking at how emotion is portrayed in text and illustrations. <strong>Grade 5/6:</strong> creating a story using multi media, modelled on a set text. All grades: establishing good borrowing routines.</td>
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Swimming Trials

Last week we held the swimming trials for all new students and any grade 3 student who was interested in qualifying for our district swim team. All the children competed with great sportsmanship and based on their times 5 children were selected to join the team. All other team members were selected from the results of our swimming carnival held last year. All children selected will be bringing home a note tonight stating the event they have been chosen in and a permission slip which needs to be returned this week. If your child is unable to compete on this date please let Mrs Silver know as soon as possible so we can find a replacement. Finally, a big thank you to Paula Gowans, Jo Cook and Kate Wenig for helping out on the day and all the mums who came to support their children.

2015 District Team

Boys
Matthew Pecoraro
Liam Fennell
Isaac Shelton
Will Hendrikse
Callan Heggart
Adam Mills
Todd Gowans
Caleb McKenna
Lucas Kelliher
James Harford
Nicholas James
Alex Mirkovic
Benjamin Campbell
Toby van Rossum
Max Richards
Jasper Rietmueller

Girls
Bridget van Oss
Chelsea Spencer
Jaime Earles
Keely Nyko
Elia Pitkin
Livinia Armstrong
Elia Pitkin
Keely Pyle
Kira Spencer
Eleanor Mills
Zara Tauru
Bridget Halligan
Pippa Cook
Zali Miron
Lainie Gowans
Molly Schuurmans

Teacher School Email Addresses

To assist with communication between teachers and parents, please find teacher email addresses listed below. Please remember that teachers will respond to emails when they are able, during office hours, and this will not necessarily be as soon as you have emailed them. If you need to contact the school immediately, ringing reception is still the best option on 5623 2943. The principal email address is listed on the front page of the newsletter.

Prep Rhodes - erhodes@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Prep Wans - lwans@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 1/2 Barry - xbarry@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
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Grade 1/2 Fechner - kfechner@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 1/2 Jess Kennedy - jkennedy@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 1/2 Jeffers - cjeffers@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 3/4 Dodman - ldodman@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 3/4 Kennedy - jkennedy001@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 3/4 Shannon - mshannon@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 3/4 Moritz - smoritz@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 4/5 Thompson - kthompson@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
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Grade 5/6 VB/Inchincoli - evanboven@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au, minchincoli@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 5/6 Silver - msilver@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Grade 5/6 Stanley/Shelton - tstanley@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au, gshelton@stjwarragul.catholic.edu.au
Noticeboard Items

Drum Lessons
at St Joseph’s Primary School
during school hours
30 minute lesson
Contact Pete Brown 0437 595 490
monkeydrum@live.com.au

Free To A Good Home
Old Piano free to a good home, will need tuning. Call Jess Parsons 0411 957 280

Longwarry Junior Football Club
Invites you to attend one of our junior registration nights on either;
Wednesday 11th Feb
or
Wednesday 18th Feb
(AFL will be attending 18th Feb with heaps of fun activities for the kids)
6-7pm at the Longwarry Recreation Reserve
Followed by a free sausage sizzle
Any junior boy or girl wanting to play footy this year in the Under 10’s, Under 12’s, or Under 14’s is encouraged to attend.
All players will receive a free pair of football shorts at the commencement of training.
For more info please contact Steven Tuite 0401 189 350 or Annie van der Heyden 0412 560 586

Hallora Junior Football Club
Junior Registration Training Session
Monday 16th February, 2015
Hallora Recreation Reserve
from 5.00pm to 6.00pm
Under 10, Under 12 & Under 14’s teams.
We invite junior players, both current and new, to come along and join in the fun.
For enquiries please contact:
Matt Henshall (President) 0417 373 463
Belinda King (Secretary) 0427 822 871

Voyage Fitness
(243 Albert Road, Warragul)
Grand Extension Opening
Saturday 14th February
9.15am - Body Attack
10.00am - Cross Fit Challenges
10-11.00am - Sam Mitchell (meet & greet)
11.00am - body attack express
11.30am - Sausage sizzle & jumping castle
Creche available must book 5623 1455

Warranor J.F.C.
Warranor Junior Football Club
REGISTRATION INFORMATION DAY
Friday 20th February 2015
Burke Street Park, Warragul
5.00 pm - 6.00 pm
BBQ & drinks provided
Registrations are now open for
U10, U12 and U14’s
All 2015 rego’s must be completed online at
www.warranorjfc.sportingpulse.net
For more details see website or contact
Nat Tworkowski (President) 0400 576 683
Sharon Caia (Secretary) 0418 107 841