Dear Parents,

This Sunday we celebrate Father's Day and I hope all fathers have a most enjoyable and relaxing day. The following article appeared in the parish bulletin of a local church. The article is worth reading as it gives us the background of where father's day came from.

"Happy Father's Day" are the words being expressed with affection and gratitude today. Three months ago we expressed in a similar way "Happy Mother's Day". As we did on Mother's Day, we bring our prayers for our parents – living or dead.

How is it that we celebrate "Father's Day"? The ancient Romans used to celebrate each year a festival called 'parentalia', an annual family reunion to remember departed parents and kinsfolk. In modern times the originator and promoter of "Father's Day" was a Mrs. Sonora Dodd from Spokane, Washington. Her father had carried out an outstanding task of rearing his six children after their mother's death at an early age.

In 1910 Mrs. Dodd made a number of suggestions for the observance of this day including the wearing of a flower. In particular she recommended a red rose to indicate a living father, and a white rose for a deceased father. In 1924 President Calvin Coolidge made the first presidential proclamation in support of Father's Day. Later in 1972 President Richard Nixon declared for the USA that the third Sunday in June each year be a National Day of Observance in honour of Fathers. While the date of the first celebration of Father's Day in Australia is difficult to pinpoint it seems to have gained momentum from the American developments." FR. Michael Morgan

Father's Day

I am Adam.
As a father, I experienced the joys of fatherhood and the disappointments of my children,
Cain and Abel.
I am the father of all who know the joy and frustration of parenthood.
I am Noah.
As a father of three children, I know the satisfaction of being heard –
By Shem, Ham and Jepheth-
Even when others doubted my mind
I am the father of all who are trusted by their children.
I am Abraham.
As a late-stage father, I understand the preciousness of children
And the promise that all things are possible for God,
No matter how hopeless the situation.
I am the father of all who hope in a future for their children.
I am Joseph.
God's plan for me was special; to protect Jesus and Mary
Even to the point of leaving family and country.
I am the father of all who defend the safety of their children.
I am God.
I will never abandon you for you are all my children and I love you with an everlasting love. Amen

NAPLAN – Results went home last week. If you have not received them please let your child’s class teacher know.

Curriculum Evening – This year’s Curriculum Night will be on Tuesday 13th September commencing at 6.30pm and concluding at 8pm. The focus will be Literacy in Religious Education.

School Fees - All school fees are now overdue except swimming, which is due November and Year 4 Camp and Year 3 Camp due October. If you are on a monthly payment plan or you have a special arrangement disregard this reminder, otherwise to avoid further action we require all school fees to be paid before the end of Term 3. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact the office. We appreciate your co-operation.

School Start/ Finish - Parents are reminded that any child who arrives at school before 8.20am must attend the Out of School Hours Program. Teacher supervision does not commence until 8.20am and children are legally required to be supervised. Children who are not collected by 3.50pm will also be sent to Out of School Hours Program.

Late arrivals – Some parents are dropping their children off in the car park after school has started. Any child who arrives late must be signed in late by their parent. This is a legal obligation and ensures the safety of children.

Father’s Day Stall – Thank you to the parents who assisted on the Father’s Day Stall today. I am sure all fathers will receive very precious gifts from their children.
Extra Curricula Activities Term 3, Weeks 9 & 10

Monday 5th September  School Assembly Father's Day 2.30pm (3B)
Tuesday 6th September  Year 1 Prayer Night 6.30pm
Wednesday 7th September Student P.D. School Crossing Years 4 - 6
Wednesday 7th September Para Olympics Start
Thursday 8th September Book Week Parade
Thursday 8th September Student P.D. School Crossing Years Prep – 3
Friday 9th September District Summer Sports
Friday 9th September Junior Hooptime
Tuesday 13th September Curriculum Night 6.30pm – 8pm
Thursday 15th September Footy Day/Hot Dog Day

Graduation Meeting – Next Graduation Meeting will be on Friday 2nd September at 2.30pm. All Year 6 parents are invited.

Year 1 Prayer Night – Will be on Tuesday 6th September at 6.30pm. Please note the new date.

School Advisory Board Meeting – The next School Advisory Board Meeting will be on Wednesday 26th October at 7.30pm.

Footy Day/Hot Dog Day – The school is having a Footy Day on Thursday 15th September to coincide with the Hot Dog Day being run by the Parents’ Association. Children are encouraged to come dressed in their favourite footy team colours.

Footy Finals – With the football finals upon us we have asked the following football followers who they believe will win the 2016 Grand Final.

| Rita Petracca – Greater Western Sydney | Loretta Hughes – Western Bulldogs |
| Anna Morgan – Geelong | Anabel Acosta-Harvey – Western Bulldogs |
| Phil Hesse – Hawthorn | Fr. Jim Clarke – Hawthorn |
| Pope Francis – Western Bulldogs | John Kennedy – Hawthorn |

Term 3 Concludes at 1.15pm on Friday 16th September. The school office will close at 2pm.

The Good Manners Award goes to Harvey Russo (1R) and Uniform Award goes to Sienna Pulitano (2B). Well done to these children.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Hesse
Principal

CURRICULUM NIGHT
TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER – 6.30PM TO 8.00PM
ALL FAMILIES WELCOME

DATES TO REMEMBER

| Friday 2nd Sept. | Year 5 Excursion to Ian Potter Gallery | Thursday 8th Sept. | Book Week Parade 11.30am BBall Court |
| Friday 2nd September | Graduation Meeting 2.30pm – Staff room | Friday 9th September | District Summer Sports |
| Sunday 4th Sept. | Father’s Day | Friday 9th September | Junior Hooptime |
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| Tuesday 6th Sept. | Year 1 Prayer Night 6.30pm | Wed. 14th September | Parish Team Meeting |
| Wed. 7th September | Para Olympics begin | Thursday 15th Sept. | Footy Day/Hot Dog Day |
| Wed. 7th September | School Crossing P.D. (Years Prep - 3) | Friday 16th Sept. | End Term 3 Liturgy 11.30am (5R) |

OFFICE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES: Unless you have an arrangement in place, parents are reminded that all fees except Years 3 & 4 camps and swimming are now overdue. Prompt payment is appreciated.

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATION: To mark Book Week we are having a Parade with all the children dressing up as any character from any book, Fiction or Non Fiction. Children are requested to have an A4 piece of paper with the name of their character and book labelled on it. We will assemble on the Basketball Court at 11.30am or in the Hall if wet. Parents welcome to attend the Parade. Children may wear their costume to school.

Nanda Roclofs, Librarian.
CDF BANKING: THERE WILL BE NO BANKING ON THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER BUT THE SERVICE WILL CONTINUE IN
THE FOLLOWING WEEKS.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Just after opening time, a koala walks into a pub, climbs up on a bar stool and orders a beer. The barman pours the beer and the koala reaches into his pouch and pays with a $50.
Taking the note, the barman opens the till, but this early in the day there's no change, only $5.
"He's only a koala, he won't notice," thinks the barman as he hands over the $5 as change.
The barman says: "We don't get many koalas in here."
The koala answers: "At 45 bucks a beer, I'm not surprised."

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing the following staff and students a very happy birthday.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

The following students have been selected from each class for their outstanding achievements within the school. We congratulate the following:

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MUSIC NEWS: Well done to the following students who have received their Yellow Belt in Recorder – Hrag Shannakian (3Y), Nathan Fernandes (3Y), Lucas Simons (3B) and Harley Aow (3B). Chantelle Pirruzzello (3G), Lily Bowyer-Smyth (3Y), Jodie Lam (3B) and Jamie Walters (3B) are all now on their Orange Belt.
Isabella Mangione (4R) has received her Blue Belt and Arjun Gangatharan (4G) has now moved onto his Brown Belt.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR ART: This week’s award goes to Jacob Perera (5R), Sophie Burman (5B) & Hannah De Kretser (5Y) for working hard in Art.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR MUSIC: This week’s award goes to Alesha Maxwell (4G) for working hard this term on recorder skills. Keep up the great work!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR JAPANESE: This week’s award goes to Chrystom Thalappilli (3Y) and Grace Kaali (3Y)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR LIBRARY: This week’s award goes to Dylan Casey (5B) & Mai-Ly Pham (4B)

CANTEEN ROSTER:
- Friday 02/09: Annette Mc, Carolyn A, Kelly O, Michelle V, Jeannie B, Rebecca B
- Monday 05/09: Sylvia F, Sandra M, Queenie F, Amanda M


UNIFORM SHOP:
- Tuesday 06/09: Narelle, Natasha, Kathy C. 2.30pm – 3pm

CYBERSAFETY PROGRAM: What parents, carers and teachers need to know about Cybersafety. FREE EVENT. ThinkUknow Australia’s cybersafety program educates parents, carers and teachers about the way young people use technology. Thursday 22nd September 6.30pm at the Rowville Library, Stud Park Shopping Centre Rowville. Bookings – 9800 6443.

NAZARETH COLLEGE OPEN SCHOOL TOURS: See Nazareth College in action! Single gender classes, Accelerated Learning Program & Innovative iPad Program. Open School tours are as follows: Tuesday 13 September. All tours commence at 9am. Please register your attendance with the College Register on 9795-8100.
CATHOLIC SECONDARY COLLEGES OPEN DAYS

KEY ENROLMENT DATES FOR 2017 – The following dates will be used by Catholic secondary schools for Year 6 students in 2017 who will be enrolling in Year 7 for 2018. These are:
- **Friday 17th February 2017** Date by which all applications to colleges close.
- **Thursday 27th April 2017** Date on which offers of places to prospective Year 7 students are to be posted.
- **Thursday 11th May 2017** Final date for acceptance by parents of offers made.

KEY ENROLMENT DATES FOR 2017 – The following dates will be used by Catholic secondary schools for Year 5 students in 2017 who will be enrolling in Year 7 for 2019. These are:
- **Friday 25th August 2017** Date by which all applications to colleges close.
- **Friday 13th October 2017** Date on which offers of places to prospective Year 7 students are to be posted.
- **Friday 27th October 2017** Final date for acceptance by parents of offers made.

AVILA COLLEGE ‘OPEN SCHOOL’ MORNING – Our final Open Morning for 2016 will be in Term 4 – on Thursday 29th October. Online registration is now available by visiting www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au clicking on Enrolment and then Open Mornings. Phone 9831 9600. Parking is limited, so please allow time for parking in nearby streets.

MAZENOD COLLEGE: Tuesday 11th October from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Tours commence 9.30am, 10.30am & 11.30am.

NAZARETH COLLEGE: School Tours - Tuesday 13th September from 9.00am. Please register your attendance with the College Receptionist on 9795 8100.

ST. JOSEPHS COLLEGE OPEN DAY: Sunday 23rd October at 9.30am.

MAZENOD UNITED FC: Advanced technical clinics – 8 week program for 8-16 year old girls and boys conducted by FFA-accredited coaches in small groups of 5-6 players per coach. Each player attends 2 sessions per week (Monday & Wednesday). Focus areas include Ball Skills, passing in sequence, vision & Ball distribution, 1 v 1. Registrations close 15th September 2016. Registration and payment online at https://www.trybooking.com/MPEV https://www.trybooking.com/221177 Commencing 17th October 2016 8-11yrs: Mon & Wed 5.30pm to 7.00pm, 12-16 yrs: Mon & Wed 7.00pm – 8.30pm. Enquiries David Bortoli 0412 657 046 dbortoli@huntingtower.vic.edu.au Total cost $295 includes training top.

MATER CHRISTI COLLEGE BELGRAVE REUNION: Former students and staff of Mater Christi are warmly invited to join our 10, 20, 30 and 40 year reunions. Reunion Sunday 16th October 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Former students whose cohorts graduated in 1976, 1986, 1996 and 2006 are welcome to take a tour, reminisce, marvel at the changes, enjoy refreshments and catch up with old friends during Reunion Sunday. Refreshments will be available from 2.30pm. Some brief formalities, tours of the College will commence around 3.15pm. We ask for a donation of $20 to support the ongoing work of the Good Sams in East Timor. Please RSVP via TryBooking to assist with catering and extend this invitation to your friends.

SACRED HEART GIRLS COLLEGE OAKLEIGH: Students and Staff of the classes of 1966, 1976, 1986, 2006 are warmly invited to our College Reunion Day, 113 Warrigal Rd Hughesdale on Sunday 11th September from 2pm to 4.30pm, including afternoon tea and a tour of the College. Please come and share your memories and all the latest news. Spread the word amongst your friends and acquaintances so that as many as possible of your classmates know about this special afternoon. RSVP Friday 2nd September 2016, Lynne Evans at SHGC 9568 5488 or levens@shgc.vic.edu.au

FUTSAL OZ- MT EVELYN: We have recently started a “women’s day league” which runs every Thursday morning, term based, baby/toddler friendly with an emphasis on social, casual fun. The aim here is to get mums involved in a team sport and to promote the positive lifestyle actions to their daughters/ children in a safe, encouraging environment. For more information contact Ilona on 1300 788 799 or send a message Ilona@futsaloz.com.au to register.

MELODY MUSIC SCHOOL: Private or group lessons on Piano, Keyboard, Guitar, Singing. Theory are available in Rowville. For children from 5 years to adults for all levels. Preparation for A.M.E.B. and VCE exams, vocal performances or just for your pleasure! BOOK A FREE TRIAL CLASS – phone 0407 816 197 or email natasiaspeirs12@gmail.com

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

YMCA KNOX LEISUREWORKS: Splashdown will be running between 12.30pm and 2.30pm on these dates: Monday 19th September – Friday 23rd September and Monday 26th September – Friday 30th September. The program includes unlimited access to the Giant Aquatic Inflatable, 80m Waterslide and pool for the day!

ROWVILLE SPORTS ACADEMY MULTI SPORTS PROGRAM: is offering boys and girls aged 4-15 the opportunity to participate in a Multi Sports Camp. The day will commence at 9am and finish at 3pm and the sports will include AFL, basketball, soccer and netball with RSA head Coaches on hand to teach skills in a fun environment. The cost for the day is $65 and includes lunch. Date – Thursday 22nd September from 9am to 3pm at Rowville Sports Precinct, Humphreys Way Rowville. For more information contact Alex Palazzolo 9755 4563 palazzolo.alex.p@edumail.vic.gov.au

KNOX GYMNASTICS CLUB: School holiday fun! Gymnastic skills, Games and Circuits, no experience necessary! Days & Times – Wednesday 21st & 28th September from 10 – 12pm, cost $16 per session (GST inc.) or $30 for both sessions. Age – attending primary school. Closing date Monday prior to each session or when maximum numbers are reached. Enrolment forms available from the Gymnastics office or online at www.knoxgymnastics.org.au Attire – shorts or tracksuit pants & t-shirt (no denim, zips, belts, buckles) long hair to be tied up. Bring a drink bottle!
EXCITING NEWS

We have been lucky enough to engage the services of Georgina Manning the director of Wellbeing for Kids, to facilitate some sessions with our parents on topics that we know are of interest to them. Georgina will speak on resilience, developing confidence, anxiety and healthy friendships.

Put these dates on your calendar

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Each night will begin at 7pm and finish at 8:30.

You are welcome to attend one, two or all three.

More information to follow in the coming weeks

Looking forward to seeing you there

Lis Thompson

Student Wellbeing Leader.
**SAVE THE DATE:**
**SATURDAY 5**\(^{th}\) **NOVEMBER 2016**

*For the social event of the year!*

*More details to follow next week – you will not be disappointed!*

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**Hot Dog Day:** is being held on **Thursday 15**\(^{th}\) **September.** All orders must be in by end of school on Thursday 8th of September 2016. **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!** If you are able to help out on the day, please fill out the helpers slip and return to the Parents’ Association. If you have any queries please contact Kathy on 0407 836 819.

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**Father’s Day Stall:** Thank you to all the wonderful parents and grandparents who helped on the stall today. Without our volunteers the Parents’ Association would not be able to run these social service days for our children. We would like to wish all our Dads and Grandpas a Happy Father’s Day and we hope that you love the presents that your children have selected for you as much as they enjoyed choosing them for you.

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**Walkathon:** We are currently finalising the amount raised by the walkathon. If anyone has any further sponsorship they would like to contribute please send it to the Parents’ Association so we can finalise this fundraiser. Once again thank you all for your support it was a fabulous day and we look forward to announcing the amount raised soon.

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Remember: All PA flyers are available at the School office

**Special Note:** All PA return slips (this includes Pizza day orders, and any future events) will no longer be accepted at the Office. All PA run events return slips will be required to go through the classroom tub system.
The Parents Association proudly presents the following food services day:

HOT DOG DAY

THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2016

A hot dog, sauce and a drink

ALL FOR JUST $4.00!

If one hot dog is not enough (and one never is!), you can order another for just $1.

ORDERS MUST BE IN BY THURSDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER.

Unfortunately late orders cannot be accepted.

Any queries? Please call KATHY on 0407 836 819

Child’s Name: ________________________ Grade: __________

CHOICE OF DRINK
Lemonade: __________ Orange Fruit: __________ Apple Fruit: __________

EXTRA HOT-DOG __________

FILL THIS SECTION IN ONLY IF YOU CAN HELP ON THE DAY
(Assume you are required without receiving any further notices)

PARENT HELPER(S) WILL BE REQUIRED FROM 12.15 PM TO 1.30

NAME OF PARENT: _______________ TEL NO: __________

ELDEST CHILD’S GRADE: __________
St. Simons:  
Sports Equipment Collection

WANTED: Your Unwanted Sports Equipment

St Simon’s is taking a sports equipment collection to support OzChild and we need your help. OzChild is a charity that supports children that don’t have the things we take for granted and supports disadvantaged children. The sports equipment can be any kind you’re willing to donate as there is no specific type of equipment we are collecting. St. Simon’s will start collection on **Monday the 3rd of October** and the collection will end on **Monday the 17th of October**. Please look for any unwanted equipment in your house over the school holidays and remember that all donations count!
Information for Parents | Future Care Mobile Dentist Services

What is the service offered?
Future Care Mobile Dental Services is a unique initiative that provides high quality, on-site, general dental care services to children aged 2-17.

Under the Child Dental Benefits Scheme (CDBS), funded by the Australian Federal Government, our services are at no cost to the School or the parents. We can provide these services to eligible students which are covered under the Medicare scheme. However even if your child is not covered under this scheme, the team will provide a free oral check-up and full treatment plan.

Who are the dentists?
Future Care Mobile Dental Services comprises of a team of accredited and experienced dentists with a keen desire to provide the essential dental care to your child. Each have the appropriate working with children checks and will come to your child’s school to deliver this service during school hours.

What sort of services are provided?
After receiving written consent from you as their parent, your child will provide the following services:

- Dental health education
- Comprehensive oral examinations and treatment plan
- X-rays of the teeth and gums
- Cleaning of teeth and fluoride application
- If applicable, fillings (after obtaining further consent from parents)

What does it cost?
Nothing to you as a parent. The service is bulk-billed under the Child Dental Benefits Scheme which is funded by the Australian Federal Government.

How can my child participate in the program?
Your child can participate in the program after filling in our medical consent and patient information forms. These are available for electronic completion or physical completion and they need to be received before your child can be seen by our dentist.

Where can I go for more information?
To learn about the CDBS, head to the Medicare website at www.humanservices.gov.au/health-professionals/services/child-dental-benefits-schedule/. For more information about Future Care Mobile Dentist Services, head to our website at fcmdental.com.au
Join us for High Tea

For one afternoon only, St Simon’s hall will be transformed into the home of the best value High Tea in town.

Join us at one of two sessions for tea, coffee, sandwiches, scones, dainty savouries, treats and sweet music.

Treat yourself, your wife, husband or family.

Generous discounts for families and groups of 8 or more.

Places are limited so you will need to book. Look out for the flyer to come with prices and booking form or enquire at the Parish Office.

Date:- Sunday 11th September 2016

Venue:- St Simon’s Hall, Rowville
2 Sessions 12 30pm & 3.30pm

Cost:- $20 for one
       $35 for two
       $50 family
(2 adults + 2 children)

Group of 8 or 10 - $15 per head

Enquiries:- Imelda Evans, 0438 534 290.

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Copies of Fr. David’s CD “Everlasting” are now available from the Help desk.

Cost $15.00 a CD.

MEDITATION “Come aside and rest awhile”

You are invited to join us for gentle, guided meditation and reflection as we take time out to experience God’s presence. Wonderful health benefits for those who practice mediation regularly.

Day/Time: Wednesdays 10am – 11am

Place: Meeting Place (behind Parish Office).
WOOL URGENTLY NEEDED

Prayer Shawl Ministry is in urgent need of wool donations. Please kindly drop off at Help Desk or into the Parish Office. We meet at 2pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month. All welcome.

Support for Asylum Seekers

Your continued practical support through the provision of toiletries and cleaning products can make life on the margins of the Australian community a little easier. Goods can be left in the shopping trolley near the Help Desk. Thank you to the generous parishioners who continually leave goods, they are gratefully accepted and appreciated.

Fulfilling International Mission for skilled Volunteers

Communities in East Timor, PNG Kenya, Kiribati, Samoa and elsewhere are asking for volunteers to assist mentor local workers and so assist poverty reduction. They believe this approach promotes self-reliant, sustainable development and have asked Palms Australia to recruit, prepare and support those who volunteer. Want to know more? Call 02 9518 9551.

St Simon’s Youth Group Next Activity

Where: - St Simon’s Church
Time: - 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Date: - 2nd October 2016
Cost: - $5.00  Theme: - “Something Sporty”
Who: - Year 7 -10 students
Reminder: Parents are required to sign your child in and out.

Thinking about becoming a catholic?

This month five new enquirers began their RCIA journey to become Catholics. Please pray for these courageous people. Anyone can join them to enquire about adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Come and see. Please ring the parish office 9764 4058 or Reg 9790 5616 or email rlemons1@bigpond.com.
Fundraising event 2016

Rainbows for the Children of Australia guiding families through life’s storms

Saturday
24 September 2016
7:00pm–Midnight

Bistro 1947
Indian Cuisine
B.Y.O drinks

Dress: smart casual

Music by DJ Damian

St Simon’s Parish Hall
2 Taylors Lane, Rowville
Mel.Ref: 82 A 2

TICKETS
Mariane Fernando 0423 364 618
Gemma Schooneveldt 0438 533 332
Richard Russell 0410 786 429

$35 Adult
$15 Children (under 12)