Dear Parents,

Our school theme for 2017 “Together we can do great things” is a call for all of us to work as a team. As a Melbourne Football Club supporter I can remember when Paul Roos was appointed coach of Melbourne, he stressed the need for players to play as a team and not as individuals. He stressed the fact that every team member was important and not to have one member contribute meant the team would not perform at its maximum. I believe Luke Beveridge installed this belief into the Western Bulldogs last year.

The following is a reflection highlighting exactly what Paul Roos was stressing and it also tells us that we all have something special to give to our school, community, workplace and family.

The Music of Prayer

Once there was a violinist who played in an enormous symphony orchestra. There was nothing he loved better than hearing the beautiful sounds of the orchestra’s music. But the man was discouraged and felt very insignificant in the midst of so many instruments.

“What difference does it make if I play or not?” he thought. “No one could possibly hear my single violin among all the other great musicians in the orchestra”.

Then one day, the violinist missed rehearsal. The conductor called him aside the next day and said, “We missed you yesterday. Something didn’t sound quite right when the orchestra began, and it was then that I noticed you were gone. You play so beautifully – and I want you to know that it’s truly a pleasure to have you in the orchestra.”

The violinist was astounded. “Do you mean that you can distinguish my instrument from all the others?”

“Of course, the conductor answered him. “How else would I be able to advise each musician to play louder or softer, slower or faster?”

And so it is when we pray. Though many of God’s faithful may lift their prayers to Him at one time, we can be confident that He hears our prayers individually, and answers each one’s need with love and guidance.

St. Simon the Apostle School Twilight Movie Night will be on Friday, 17th February on the school oval at 7.00pm. A family fee is $25, individual adults $10 and individual children $5.

Parents can bring their own picnic or purchase from one of the food stalls. Food stalls include pizza, coffee sausages and ice creams. The movie will be SING. This is a great way to meet other parents and watch a very entertaining movie.

School Car Park - Parents are asked to please follow the school car park rules when using the school car park. Please do not park in any area that is not a designated car park area and do not leave your car when waiting to collect children in the drive through area.

Both these regulations are there for the safety and courtesy of everyone. See flyer attached.

Year 6 trip to Canberra will be on Monday 6th March until Friday 10th March. The Camp fee of $550 must be paid before the students leave. More information will be sent home soon.

Term 1 2017 – The next professional development day for teachers is Tuesday 14th March. There will be no school for students.

Extra Curricular Activities Term 1 Weeks 4 & 5

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School Athletics – Years 1-6 on Friday 5th May. More details will be sent home closer to these events.

Prep Twilight Sports – The Prep Sports will be held on Thursday 30th March. The sports will commence at 5.30pm and concluding at approximately 7.30pm. Please note children need to wear their sports uniform. Team coloured T-shirts are not to be worn at the sports. The venue is the synthetic oval next to the basketball courts.

Parent/Teachers Interviews The last of the parent teacher interviews is on today, Thursday, 16th February (3:30 to 8.00pm). I would like to thank all those parents who have responded to attend the parent teacher meetings. With over 95% of parents attending parent teacher interviews this just reflects the high value parents place on their child’s education. It is very important that parents and teachers create a positive relationship early in the year in order for a successful 2017 school year.

Catholic Secondary Colleges - Parents of children in Year 6 must have their Catholic Secondary College application for Year 7, 2018 submitted directly to the college of their choice by tomorrow Friday 17th February 2017. A list of Open Days for Year 7, 2019 can be seen on the attached flyer. It is ESSENTIAL that you have your application submitted by the due date.

School Photographs – Parents are asked to keep appointments for students free on Wednesday 22nd March as all children will be involved in school photos.

Simon’s Seniors - St. Simon the Apostle seniors meet on a monthly basis on the 1st. Friday of each month following the Anointing Mass. It is a social occasion in which morning tea is available.

Prep Prayer Night - The Prep Prayer Night will be on Tuesday, 21st. February at 6.30pm. All Prep Families are invited.

Professional Development Change of Date - Due to the forth coming school review the professional development day planned for Monday, 28th August has been postponed to Monday, 4th September. I hope this has not caused any inconvenience to families.

Preps will be full time as from Monday, 27th February.

Parents’ Association AGM - Will be held on Wednesday, 22nd February. The meeting will commence at 7.30pm. All parents are invited and this gives all parents the opportunity to meet other parents and to become more involved in the school.

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:

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Working-bee - The first working-bee for the year will be on Saturday 4th March commencing at 9.00am and concluding with a b-b-q at 11.45am. See flyer attached.

The Good Manners Award goes to Isabella Prado (3R) and Uniform Award goes to Jamie Kok (3Y). Well done to these children.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Hesse
Principal

MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY PREPS FULL TIME
TUESDAY 14TH MARCH - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

MATHLETICS PASSWORDS AND USERNAMES HAVE BEEN UPDATED FOR 2017 ALL CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE THEM BY END OF WEEK.

Any queries or concerns please contact Carmelina Corio
ccorio@ssrowville.catholic.edu.au

www.mathletics.com
DATES TO REMEMBER

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JOKE OF THE WEEK

Q: What vegetable can you play snooker with? A: A cue-cumber.
Q: What's red, white and brown and travels faster than the speed of sound? A: An astronaut's ham and tomato sandwich.

SCHOOL WEBSITE NEWS

www.ssrowville.catholic.edu.au

DID YOU KNOW?

- To access teachers' email addresses http://www.ssrowville.catholic.edu.au/our-team/leadership under OUR TEAM.

OFFICE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES: The first instalment of $550 is due by **Friday 24th February 2017**. Accounts have been sent home.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF): The application form can be downloaded from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef Parents are encouraged to lodge the application form by **28th February 2017**, so that payments can be made from March 2017. The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing the following 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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ST SIMON’S KITCHEN GARDEN

MARKET STALL next WEDNESDAY 22nd of FEBRUARY 3:00-3:30pm - outside the library area.

Our kitchen garden is thriving....and we are very excited to have organic tomatoes, leeks, parsley, chives, mint and thyme for sale. Bring some loose change.

Monies raised will help to plant more delicious crops and beautify our school even more!

Come and support our 2017 Environmental team... Catherine Williams, Sophie Burman, Anthony Rowe and Lachlan Mc Donald.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR ART: This week’s award goes to Olivia Hogan (5B), Emma Palmer (5G) & Lachlan Clausen (5R) for great start to embossing your names.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR LIBRARY: This week’s award goes to Harry Mardirossian (6R)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR MUSIC: This week’s award goes to Amaya Peiris (1G) for recognizing that her name has our new rhythm pattern, ti-ty ta in it.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR JAPANESE: This week’s award goes to Ben Hogan (2Y), Christian Stabile (2Y) & Michael Zhang (2Y)

CANTEEN NEWS: Unfortunately Fruit2O is unavailable until further notice. MovieTime popcorn has been replaced by CobeGF Popcorn – Sea salt 20g.

CANTEEN ROSTER: Monday 20/02 Lucy I, Narelle S, Sharon M
Friday 24/02 Annette Mc, Kelly O, Michelle V, Rebecca B, Carolyn A, Melanie W

UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM: Order form available on school website at http://www.ssrw oille catholic.edu.au/uniform

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER: Tuesday 07/02 Angela, Narelle, Kathy C, Lisa 2.30pm – 3pm

ST SIMON’S MUSIC TUITION: Currently taking enrolments for 2017, private music lessons offered during school hours on a weekly rotating timetable. Instruments include acoustic guitar, electric guitar, drums, piano, keyboard and singing. Learning Music helps your child academically and socially so why not give it a go! Limited spaces, applications are available from the school office, any questions relating to the program please call Paul Howard on 0405 689 757 or email phoward@ssrrowllcatholic.edu.au

OSH - PUPIL FREE DAY - 14th March 2017: Please note that a School Closure Day has been scheduled for 14th March 2017. If you need to book your children in for the day and you would like to secure the Early Bird rate, please finalise your booking by March 3rd, 2017.

Please fill in the attached Booking Form and return to the service as soon as possible, or by fax to 97630136, or by email to admin@zubees.com.au<mailto:admin@zubees.com.au>. To complete the form online please click on the link below or copy and paste into your web browser. Remember, places are limited and will certainly fill very quickly. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1_KwPTqGx6S7LJFq2h0bRaaYmlqj-Nlzn92RZ6VAPk38/edit?usp=sharing

If you are unable to open the attached PDF flyer, it can be accessed online, and downloaded, by clicking on the link under or copy and paste into your web browser. https://drive.google.com/open?id=0BzK2svi9NXDQQUJ6VFV2WXJZUjQ
ROWVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE KINDER PROGRAM 2017: is currently accepting enrolments for its 3 Year old and 4 Year old Deferred Pre Kinder Program for 2017. Sessions operate from Monday to Friday. For more information please contact the Rowville Community Centre on 9763 7400.

ST SIMON’S AUSKICK CENTRE: Registrations are now open for Auskick in 2017! The St Simon’s Auskick centre, based at Stud Park Reserve, will run weekly. Auskick clinics each Saturday morning from 9:30am to 11:00am commencing on 8 April. We have groups catering from Prep to Year 6, including a dedicated group for girls, all supported by a great group of volunteer coaches. Our focus is on fun and participation, if your child is new to footy or an Auskick ‘veteran’ we would be pleased to welcome him or her to St Simon’s Auskick centre.

To register please visit www.atlfauskick.com.au and type ‘ST SIMONS’ in the centre locator. If you have any questions please call Jarrod on 0429 377 263 or email stsimonsrowvilleauskick@gmail.com.

ROWVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB: Boys and Girls FREE football try AFL sessions. Calling all boys and girls aged 7-16. Footy season is back! The Rowville Hawks Football Club has teams for ALL girls and boys aged 7-16 and invites all kids who would like to try AFL to come down and participate in our FREE 4 week Try AFL sessions. For more details or to book a spot for your child please contact Trevor Flakemore on 0418 335 246 or trevor.flakemore@rowvillefc.org.au. Girls only pay $100 for the entire season and get a free sherrin football and showbag. www.rowvillefc.org.au

YARRA RANGES GIRL GUIDES: If you are between 5 and 65 then we have something for you… Are you a Go Getter? Are you a problem Solver? Are you a Risk Taker? Do you want opportunities? And do you want adventure? Then join us now. Contact Margaret Brooks 0407042748 or mbrooks@quidesvic.org.au

ST. JOHN’S NETBALL CLUB: Registration Day Saturday 4th February 2017 from 11am to 1pm. New player discount! 25% off club fees for all new players (applies to both Winter & Spring seasons for any new player to the club in 2017) www.stjohnsnetballclub.wordpress.com

ROWVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE MINI HOOPS PROGRAM: Has commenced for term 1 at the Eastern Campus. The focus of the program is skill based and for kids to learn in an fun environment. For more information contact Alex Palazzolo on 9755 4563.

CUZZIE PERFORMANCE NETBALL: With the Super Netball season set to kick off in February, Cizzie Performance is offering young netballers the chance to hone their footwork and train alongside elite mid-courter Khao Watts. Watts and the Cizzie Crew will take participants through a 45 minute netball specific strength and conditioning circuit before finishing the session with a Q & A.

When: Saturday 11 February Time: 11am-12pm Where: Cizzie Performance, 11/5 Kelletts Rd Rowville. Age: 12-17 years. Cost: $25 To book your spot contact admin@cuzzieperformance.com.au or call 9764 2995

Waverley Victory Football Club: Information Day Sunday 12th February at Brandon Park Reserve from 10am to 2pm, 659 Ferntree Gully Rd, Glen Waverley (Behind the fire station) EFTPOS available. Plus Free Sausage Sizzle. Saturday morning – small sided (5-8yrs) Coerver Sunday (Girls and Boys teams) U7-U11 MiniRocs, U12-U16. For further information check out www.waverleyvictory.com.au or contact Darren Corbett 0403 258 441 or Simon Cuce 0409 667 790.


Super Speak: Is Melbourne’s award winning public speaking & drama programme for 6 – 15 year olds, runs fun weekly classes for students to help them to develop confidence and skill in presentations, performance and everyday communication. Rowville classes are held on Monday afternoons. For more information, timetable and enrolments visit www.superspeak.com.au or call 9572 5249.

PARENT’S ASSOCIATION 2017 CALENDAR SCHOOL ORDER

I would like to order the 2017 school calendar. Price $10 each. Quantity required ________

My payment of $_______ is enclosed. Payment by cash or cheque made out to St Simon’s Parent’s Association.

Name: ---------------------------------- Contact number: ----------------------------------

Eldest child’s name & grade: ----------------------------------
Our annual Twilight Movie Night is scheduled for Friday 17th February 2017. This is our main social event for the year and is a great night for all the family to enjoy! Please refer to attached flyer for details and booking information! We look forward to seeing you there!

Our annual AGM is scheduled for Wednesday 22nd February 2017 commencing at 7.00pm. We encourage all parents to be involved.

TRYBOOKING LINK
https://trybooking.com/257969

Remember: All PA flyers are available at the School office

Special Note: All PA return slips (this includes Pizza day & any food service day orders, chocolate payments and any future events) will no longer be accepted at the Office.

All PA ran events return slips will be required to go through the classroom tub system.

For further information regarding any PA event, please contact the PA representative for that event. Office staff will not hold any specific details.
St Simon’s Twilight Movie Night
Friday 17th February 2017
St Simon’s Oval @ 7:00pm

GREAT FAMILY NIGHT OUT

- Raffle Prizes
- BYO or Food Stalls
- Tickets can be available upon entry
YOU ARE INVITED TO

St. Simon's Parents Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday 22nd February, 2017
Time: 7.30 p.m.
Venue: Library Building

Everyone is welcome.

Wine, beer & nibbles provided

The role of St Simon's Parents' Association is to provide a means for parents of current students to:

- Develop friendships within the School community.
- Support the School by improving the quality of resources available through effective fundraising activities.
- Enjoy a greater involvement with the School.

The Committee is actively involved in managing and coordinating a number of functions and events, such as:

- Mothers Day and Fathers Day Stalls
- Ladies Night
- Walkathon
- School Disco
- Chocolate Drive
- Other Fundraising Events

The AGM is open to the greater school community. It’s a wonderful opportunity to be updated on the previous year’s results, and enjoy a chat over wine & nibbles with other parents and our Principal, Phil Hesse.

Please tear off and return this portion by Friday 17th February 2017

Attention: Secretary, St. Simon's Parents Association

Name(s): ___________________________ Childs Grade ______________________

☐ I/we will be attending the Annual General Meeting
Please tear off and return this portion by **Friday 17th February 2017**

**Attention: Secretary, St. Simon's Parents Association**

Name: ______________________________ SIGNATURE _____________________

Contact No. __________________ Email: ______________________________

I wish to nominate for the position of:

☐ President  ☐ Vice President
☐ Secretary  ☐ Assistant Secretary
☐ Treasurer  ☐ Assistant Treasurer
☐ SAB Representative  ☐ General Committee member

Note: If you are unable to attend the meeting please contact the Secretary, Hayley on 0439 391 343

________________________________________________________________________

Interested in helping out but not joining, please complete below slip and return this portion by **Friday 17th February 2017**

**Attention: Secretary, St. Simon’s Parents Association**

Name: ______________________________ Childs Grade__________________

Email____________________________ Contact No.______________________

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ST. SIMON’S PRIMARY SCHOOL

WORKING BEE

Saturday March 4th 2017, 9am to 12pm
2 Taylor’s Lane Rowville

A Working Bee has been organised for our school community on
Saturday, 4th March 9am.
Please mark this date in your diary.
Bring along rakes, wheelbarrows, and yard brushes,
garden gloves, etc.
Come along and join the fun and experience Mr. Hesse’s
world famous sausage sizzle skills.

PLEASER RETURN THIS REPLY SLIP IF YOU CAN HELP US ON THE DAY

THE .................................. FAMILY is attending
our working bee - 4/03/2017

SPONSORED BY FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Dear Parents,

**CAR PARK:**

It is timely to remind ourselves of the procedures in place in the car park.
The diagram below outlines the guidelines which need to be followed to ensure this area is utilized safely.

![Diagram of the car park]

Parents are able to make use of the parking spaces closest to the school oval/ fence both before and after school. These spaces are for parents who are dropping off or picking up their children, not longer term parking. The parking spaces closest to Taylor’s Lane have been reserved for *staff parking only*. You will note that the lower car park is designated for staff use only and is not to be accessed by parents, except those requiring use of the disabled car parking facility. By reserving this number of spaces we are able to ensure that all staff have a place to park when they arrive for work.

Traffic flow through the upper car park follows the arrows in the diagram whereby the left lane exits onto Taylors Lane towards Wellington Rd, and the right lane exits onto Taylors Lane towards Kelletts Rd. The left lane may be utilized by parents waiting to pick up their children yet these vehicles are **NOT** to be left unattended. Drivers must remain with their vehicle to ensure traffic flow. After school supervision of the children will occur on the footpath and verges of the upper car park assisting those children who get picked up by car. We continue to encourage families to maintain good walking habits, or utilize other drop-off/pick-up points in adjoining areas as our car park capacity will not cater for all families using it at once!

**PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC**

Children are asked to exit the school by one of the following ways:

1. Walking across the oval and out the double gates. (The preferred way)
2. Walking up the school/parish driveway turn right onto the footpath that abuts the carpark.
3. Walking up the school/parish driveway, through the staff-only carpark and turn left onto the footpath to head down to Wellington Rd.

No children are to walk across the exit driveway onto Taylors Lane. Parents who park in the parking bays on Taylors Lane will need to exit their vehicle and meet their child at the pedestrian gate near the vehicle entry gate on Taylors Lane.
2018 Applications close
Friday February 17

Call 9831 9600, visit www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au
or email registrar@avilacollege.vic.edu.au

A leading Catholic secondary college for girls
35 Charles Street, Mt Waverley | 9831 9600 | avilacollege.vic.edu.au
School Closure Day - Tuesday 14th March 2017

SLUMBER PARTY

Stay in your PJ’s and bring along your slippers! The day will be jam packed full of fun. Design your own pillow case, play hide and seek, build a cubby house and relax with a Big Screen Movie and snacks. For lunch we will be having party food, so bring along a plate to share (No eggs and no nuts, please!)

BYO money – $8.00

Program Hours: 8.00 am – 6.00pm
Venue: OSHC Rooms, St Simons PS
Bookings Commence: Early Bird Bookings start Monday 6th Feb 2017
Early bird cost: $47.50 per child. Payment required by Friday 3rd March 2017 to secure a booking and early bird rate.
Full Fee cost: $52.50 per child

- CCB/CCR discounted fee starts from $8.15 per child per day
- CCR (a 50% rebate on your out of pocket expenses) is available to all families that have registered for Childcare Benefit.

Required: A packed lunchbox to last the day and a drink bottle is essential. BYO named electronics (optional).

Bookings: Enrolment form below. Please note - no verbal bookings accepted.

Cancellations made after Friday 3rd March 2017 incur a $20.00 cancellation fee per child.

No Cancellations accepted on the day.

Inquiries: 9763 0136 (Administration) or 9764 4101 (OSHC Service)

-------------------PERMISSION/BOOKING FORM-------------------

Further details as per Primary Enrolment form. Please ensure that all details are current, especially health details, contact details and custody details.

A full enrolment/re-enrolment form is required if this is the first time your child will be using the Service this year.

I would like to book my child/ren ____________ into the School Closure Day Program on Tuesday 14th March 2017.

Parent/Guardian Name: ___________________________ Contact Number: ___________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

----------------- PAYMENT ADVICE: PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY BOOKING TO CONFIRM YOUR PLACE -----------------

Cheque / Money Order □ Credit Card □ Type: Visa □ M/Card □
Card Number: __________ / __________ / __________ / __________ Expiry Date: ______ / ______
Cardholder Name: ___________________________ Amount: $________

Signature: ___________________________

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PARISHES - THE HEARTBEAT OF THE CHURCH

LENTEN BOOKS FOR SALE AT PARISH $10 EACH

LENTEN PROGRAM COMMENCES
THE WEEK AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY (March 1st)
Groups meet on Monday @ 7.30pm, Tues 8.00pm
Wed 8.00pm, Thurs 10.00am & 7.30pm, Friday (TBA)
Sign up sheets in the church foyer next week

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

WHEN: Friday March 3rd @ 7.30PM
VENUE: Rowville Uniting Church Bridgewater Way
& Fulham Rd, Rowville
COUNTRY: PHILIPPINES (Am I being unfair to you?) All Welcome.
If you have Artefacts of the Philippines to use as decoration for the Event Please
call Jeannette Wallis on 0466 261 632

St Simon’s Parish Parents and Toddlers Group
St Simon’s is keen to grow our parents/toddlers playgroup. The group meets in a child
friendly space on parish/school grounds on Mondays at 8.45am for 1-2 hours during
the school term. No fees (occasional gold coin donation). BYO morning snack. Tea and
coffee provided. All parents/grandparents/guardians and children aged 0-5 welcome.
Enquiries to the parish office on 9764 4058.

Desperately Seeking

Any parishioner who would like to take part in a child centred ministry please
come along to an information session for Children’s Liturgy of the Word. All
training and assistance is provided. We run CLOW at 6pm Saturday night, 9.30am
and 11am Sunday Masses every week of the school term. Usually you would be
rostered only twice a term. Monday 27th February, 7.30pm in the Chapel.

Any questions contact Jacqui at the parish 9764 4058 or email jgiuliano@stsimonsparish.com.au
St Simon’s Youth Group -Next Activity
Where:- St Simon’s Church
Time:- 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Date:- 26th February 2017
Cost:- $10.00
Theme:- ‘Farewell to Summer’
Who:- Year 7-10 students
Reminder: Parents are required to sign your child in and out.

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 meditation regularly.

Day/Time: Wednesdays 10am – 11am
Place: Meeting Place (behind Parish Office).

Fatima Centennial
The statue of Fatima from Lisbon, Portugal will grace St. Luke’s Wantirna from 24th – 26th February 2017.
See flyer in the church foyer for further information.

“Simon’s Seniors” Morning Tea
We meet on a monthly basis on the 1st Friday of each month at 10.00am after the Anointing Mass in the Side Chapel.
We next meet on Friday 3rd March. Music by Glaxon Saunders. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Southern Stars Social Club
Party Night for single Catholics 28-60 age group Saturday 25th February at 8.00pm in St Benedict Parish Hall. Cost $13.00 includes lucky door prizes and supper. Enquiries to Peter on 9885 2167.

New Parishioners, we would like to welcome you personally
If you have recently moved into the area, or have decided to make St Simon’s your parish home, please register your details in the New Parishioners’ Book behind the Help Desk in the church foyer.
One of the members of our Welcoming Team will be in touch, so that stories can be shared.
OPEN DAYS CATHOLIC SECONDARY COLLEGES

Enrolments for **Year 7, 2018** for all Catholic Secondary Colleges close on **Friday 17th February 2017**. Enrolment for **Year 7, 2019** for all Catholic Secondary Colleges close on **Friday 25th August 2017**. Below are some of the Open Days. Parents must make Applications directly to Colleges.

**NAZARETH COLLEGE:** Open College dates for 2017 are as follows:
Friday 24th February
Monday 6th March
Wednesday 22nd March
Please note all Open College Tours begin at 9.00am to 10.30am (except for Sunday)

CATHOLIC GIRLS SECONDARY COLLEGES

**AVILA COLLEGE OPEN MORNINGS:** Attending an Open Morning is one of the best ways to learn more about the College. Information about fees, uniform requirement transport options and the transition program are helpful when starting at a new school to help students settle in quickly.

Open Mornings in 2017 will be held on:
Wednesday 3 May
Tuesday 8 August
Thursday 19 October.

School Tours on the dates listed above will be conducted from 9 - 9.30am. The Principal’s address is from 9.30 - 10.00am and this is followed by Morning Tea. Please allow plenty of time for parking.

On line registration is now available by visiting [www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au](http://www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au), clicking on Quick Links and then Open Day. For further information please contact the College Registrar on 9831 9600.

**MATER CHRISTI COLLEGE:** All families are warmly invited to attend Mater Christi College on the dates below. You will have the opportunity to talk with College staff members, tour the College facilities and make enquiries about enrolment and College curriculum. Discover the modern facilities, vibrant student learning displays, performances, hospitality and fun activities.
**Twilight Tours – Thursday 16th February** from 7pm.
**“School in Action” 9am to 11am Wednesday 8th March.**
**Weekend Tours – Sunday 26th February & Sunday 19th March** from 10am.
Please contact the College on 9754 6611 for further information or to arrange another time or visit [www.materchristi.edu.au](http://www.materchristi.edu.au). Address: 28 Bayview Rd, Belgrave.

CATHOLIC BOYS SECONDARY COLLEGES