Dear Parents,

In our world today we need to take note of people who lead by example and are good role models for our children. The following extract, written by Mr. Bill Doherty who is Acting Principal at St. Kevin’s College, Toorak, gives us an example of one such person.

"Just what is it that makes a champion? I offer Exhibit A as evidence: Chris Judd. We know the story ... a modern-day legend of the game, humble and spiritual leader of a proud if not humbled club, himself humbled by the universal acknowledgement of his final departure from his sporting pantheon as his glittering career came to a heart-wrenching halt in a simple moment in Saturday’s clash against Adelaide.

Reflecting on his account in The Age this week is to enter the mind and soul of a champion. Just soak in some of his remarks: "It wasn’t the ideal finish, but it is not going to diminish what I did in my career, nor damage the friendships I formed ... As I said in the media conference, playing on this year had proved to be the wrong decision for the right reasons. By that, I meant that I hadn’t persevered for money, or for personal glory, but to help the club build a culture. I have some good memories from the second half of last season, and had hoped to solidify them. They were good reasons to play on ... So my last exit from a football ground was on a stretcher. The Carlton fans were great, as they always have been. But I was touched by the warmth of the Adelaide fans. It was a pretty traumatic moment in my life, so for them to recognise at some level what I was going through as a person rather than a footballer really meant something to me ... The last thing they [the Carlton players] needed from me on the way out was a sermon, but I did encourage them to set high standards, of themselves and one another. I urged each of them to hold himself to those standards, as well as the group. I emphasised the importance of individual responsibility and how crucial it is to team success."

I would argue, with a rationale that far transcends anyone’s parochialism to a favourite team or player, that Chris Judd is a champion because of his humility, his selflessness, his desire fuelled by the greater good and the common interest, his consistent example and his exemplary consistency. Yes, he was clearly a most talented footballer, but our land has been filled with talented footballers. It is the inner dimension, the conquest of self and the dedication for others that marks the true champion from the good, the talented, the wannabes and the couldebeens. Congratulations, well done and thank you Chris Judd!"

Confirmation- Last Saturday and Sunday St. Simon’s Parish celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation. There are many people who need to be thanked for their contribution. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank Jacqui Giuliano, Maree Fatouros, the Year 6 teachers and the support staff who attended the Confirmation. A special thank you to Bishop Mark Edwards and Fr. Jim Clarke on leading us through the celebration.

School Reports - Will be sent home tomorrow, Friday 19th June.

Parent/ Teacher Interviews - Will be held on Monday 22nd June and Thursday 25th June. The parent/ teacher meetings commence at 3.30pm and conclude at 5.00pm on both days. Please note these interview times bookings close at 1.30pm on each of the interview days.

Prep Enrolment 2016 - REMINDER THAT THE DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT IS TOMORROW FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2015. Existing families must return the enrolment application. Enrolment is not automatic.

Extra Curricula Activities Term 2 Week 11

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Ambulance – All families are encouraged to be members of the Ambulance Service. If a child requires to be transported by an ambulance to hospital the cost is the responsibility of the parents.

End of Term - Term 2 will conclude at 1.15pm on Friday 26th June and Term 3 will commence on Tuesday 14th July.

Tax Deductible Contributions – Attached to Contact is information regarding St. Simon’s School Building Fund. Money raised assists the school maintain its existing buildings and helps with improvements around the school. Donations made before 30th June are tax deductible.
The Good Manners Award goes to Nitin Gurukhal (Prep Y) and Uniform Award goes to Phoenix Mangalino (1 Green). Well done to these children.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Phil Hesse
Principal

CLOSING DATE FOR ENROLMENTS IS TOMORROW - FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2015

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OFFICE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES: Unless you are on a monthly plan or have a special arrangement, the 2nd instalment of $490 is now overdue. Prompt payment is appreciated.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF): CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student will be $125 for primary school students. Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or check the CSEF Closing date - You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26th June 2015. For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Paddy was a youthful and hard working Irishman at a Coastal village in Ireland. Daily he would pole a heavy old punt out to sea then work a heavy iron grapple to bring up the sand oysters which he sold to the local ice works. He was a man of regular habits he always arrived home each day at a certain time.

Sadly, Paddy did not realise the heavy grappling was taking a toll on a faulty heart. One day he failed to come home, so his wife contacted the police to investigate him being missing. They rowed out and found paddy dead in the punt; beside him a huge grapple full of oysters he’d tried to hoist abroad.

Headlines next day in the ‘Irish Time Newspaper’ said.....

OYSTERS KILPATRICK!!!!!!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: This week’s quote from 4 Red is ‘A family is where life begins and love never dies’.
By Roshan Joby.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing the following staff and students a very happy birthday.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR JAPANESE: This week’s award goes to Samuel West (5Y), Christie Jean (6R) & Felicity Lanzone (6R).

ART NEWS: Kitchen clean up. If anyone would like to donate any kitchen utensils to the art room for the kitchen garden area. It would be greatly appreciated. Please send to art room or leave at office labelled ‘art’. Many thanks Mel Wharton.
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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CANTEEN ROSTER: CANTEEN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO RENOVATIONS

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER: Tuesday 23/06 Cathy S, Ida, Angela 2.30pm to 3pm LAST ONE FOR TERM 2

PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS: ONLY 1 BOOK LEFT – FIRST IN FIRST SERVED. They only cost $65 each and $13 from each sale goes directly to the school. You can order digital copies online until end next week when after Friday 26th June the offer will be closed.

Payment can be made by cash or cheque to St Simon’s Parents’ Association. Payment can also be made by Credit Card directly to Entertainment Books via the secure online payments at the following URL https://www.entboek.com.au/187n821. If you are using the online payment method and choose to order a Book Membership we will receive notification of your payment and book/s can be sent to you through the tub system unless you opt to pay an additional delivery charge. For any enquiries regarding this please phone Lisa on 0418 108 988.

CADBURY CHOCOLATES FUNDRAISER: Chocolates will be distributed on Friday 17th July. More information to come.

SECURE PARKING: Thank you to the families who have been booking with Secure Parking as St. Simon’s has been sent a donation recently.

This school holidays book your parking online with Secure Parking and save! Simply head to www.secureparking.com.au and use Secure-A-Spot to book your parking in advance! You can enjoy $2 evening & weekend parking using the promo code:SCHOOLHOLS2 and 50% off casual weekday parking using the promo code:SCHOOLHOL50

PARISH NEWS

BLACK AND WHITE DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER: Will be held at St. Simon’s Parish Hall Saturday 18th July at 7.00pm. See attached flyer for more information.

ARCHBISHOP’S REQUEST -The Archbishop of Melbourne has requested that we draw your attention to the Pastoral Letter approved by the Australian Catholic Bishops on the issue of Same-Sex Marriage, confirmed during their plenary meeting last month. The letter and associated materials can best be accessed on the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne website: http://www.carm.org.au/Archbishop/Pastoral-Letters-and-Messages/Same-Sex-Marriage


SUPER SPEAK: Is Melbourne’s award winning Public Speaking & Drama programme for children aged 6 – 15 yrs. Practical skills that last a lifetime. Develop confidence, leadership, vocal variety, diction, self-esteem and more. Build creativity & quick thinking, communicate with confidence & purpose, have loads of fun and make friends. Leading curriculum, small class sizes, Great teachers and loads of fun! Weekly classes are offered in Rowville, Glen Waverley, Berwick and more Melbourne locations. Enrolments for 2015 are now open. Please visit www.superspeak.com.au or send an email to info@superspeak.com.au call 9572 5249 for more information.

KNOX GYMNASTICS CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMME: Knox Gymnastics Centre, 4 Mossfield Ave, Ferntree Gully. Telephone – 9758 1089. Wednesday 1st & 8th July from 10am to 12 noon. Cost - $16 per week or $30 for both (GST inc.) Age – 5 years to 12 years (and at Primary School). Closing date – Friday 26th June or when maximum numbers are reached. * Enrolment Forms available from Centre office. Attire – shorts or tracksuit pants & tshirt; bare footed.
Below is a list of step by step instructions for parents to follow when booking their children’s Parent Teacher interviews. The process itself is quite intuitive and many people will find that the instructions are unnecessary. Bookings open on Monday 15th June at 8.00am for parents to begin booking interviews. Please remember that early bookings have the best chance of getting times that suit you and your family circumstances. Later bookings will have less options to choose from.

Step 1: Access St. Simon the Apostle website www.ssrowville.catholic.edu.au

Step 2: Click on ‘School Online Booking (SOBS)’ link from homepage.

Step 3: You will be asked to enter your email address. This email will be your login identifier each time you revisit this site. Click ‘next’ once complete.

Step 4: Enter your first name and your surname in the first entry box. Then enter a contact phone number in the second box. This phone number will only be used if there is a problem with the booking process. Click ‘next’ once complete.

Step 5: You are now at the Student Registration section. If you have more than one child at the school you can process their interviews at the same time. Begin by entering your child’s full name in the first box, then select their year level from the options available. Click ‘next’ once complete.

Step 6: You are now at the interview bookings screen. You should see your child’s name(s), their year level(s) and the time/date details of the interviews. If you haven’t booked before, firstly you will need to change your child’s year level. You need to click on the button to the right ‘Book Interviews’.

Step 7: You will be presented with the choice of teachers that teach at this level. Check the box next to your child’s/rens class teacher(s). Click ‘next’ once complete.

Step 8: At this point you will be presented with the range of interview ‘slots’ available (in green) for (each of) the selected teacher(s). Scroll down to the time that best suits you and click anywhere in the slot. Once a slot is selected it will change colour to pink and your child’s name will appear in the slot. It can be ‘deselect’ by clicking on it again, when it should change back to the green colour. Once you have the desired slot(s), click the grey ‘save’ button near the top right corner.

Step 9: At this point your interview time(s) will be confirmed. You can choose to print a copy of the information on the screen or you can get it emailed to you (or both). You can come back at a later time, log in again and adjust your time if circumstances have changed.

If you have any difficulties with the process please feel free to contact the school to assist you.

Shane Regan
Tax Deductible Contributions

The St. Simon's School Building Fund was established during 2005 and is accepting donations.

The School Building Fund's purpose is to raise monies to assist the school maintain its existing buildings and help finance future construction.

Funds raised have been used on a series of improvements around the school which, without the School Building Fund, would otherwise remain unattended or delayed.

Donations made before 30th June are tax deductible in the financial year the donation is made.

If you wish to make a donation, please complete the tear-off slip below and return it to the school with your payment.

Receipts will be issued for all donations of $2 and over.

All donations are voluntary.

Your support is gratefully accepted.

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**TEAR-OFF SLIP**

Yes, we want to make a donation to the St Simon's School Building Fund

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Child's Grade: __________________________

I want to give an amount of:

$20  $50  $100  $200  Other $__________________

Gifts of $2 and over are tax deductible. A receipt will be issued to you.

Payment options:

☐ CASH – return this tear-off slip with your gift amount to the School Office

☐ CHEQUE – return this tear-off slip with your cheque made payable to the "St. Simon's School Building Fund" to the School Office

Thank you! Your gift is tax deductible.
ST SIMON'S PARISH

Invites you to attend a

BLACK AND WHITE

DINNER DANCE

FUNDRAISING EVENT

St Simons Parish Hall

18th July 2015

7.00 pm

$65 per person

Ticket price includes a fabulous 3 course meal with a bottle of white and red wine per table, entertainment, music and a blind auction.

Plenty of prizes!

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Book Now

Limited Seats Available
Bookings by 29/06/2015

Purchase tickets at the Help Desk after mass
Or contact St Simon’s Parish office on 9764 4058

Dress: Semi Formal