Dear Parents,

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION**

CATHOLICS formally will mark 1 September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Pope Francis has decided.

The annual Day of Prayer, will give individuals and communities an opportunity to implore God's help in protecting creation and an opportunity to ask God's forgiveness 'for sins committed against the world in which we live.'

Pope Francis says Christians want to make their special contribution to safeguarding creation, but to do that they must rediscover the spiritual foundations of their approach to earthly realities, beginning with an acknowledgment that 'the life of the spirit is not dissociated from the body or from nature,' but lived in communion with all worldly realities.

The ecological crisis, he said, is a summons 'to a profound spiritual conversion' and to a way of life that clearly shows they are believers.

Quoting his encyclical, he said, 'living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.'

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**Canteen** – The refurbishment of canteen is now completed and will be open next Monday 31st August.

**School Advisory Board** - Next meeting will be Wednesday 2nd September at 7.30pm.

**Curriculum Evening** - This year's Curriculum Night will be on Tuesday 15th September commencing at 6.30pm and concluding at 8.00pm. The focus will be Design, Creativity and Technology.

**Graduation Meeting** – Next Graduation Meeting is today at 2.30pm. All Year 6 parents are invited.

**School Start** 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.

**After School Pick up** – Children should be waiting with the teachers on duty in the upper car park and not at the school office or near the church.

**Father’s Day Stall** - Will be held on Wednesday 2nd September.

**Extra Curricula Activities Term 3 Weeks 8 & 9**

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**Professional Development Day** The next school closure day will be Monday 2nd November.

The Good Manners Award goes to Jarrod Laciardie (3G) and Uniform Award goes to Laura Morabito (2B). Well done to these children.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Hasse
Principal

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**SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE**
DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed. 2nd September  Fathers' Day Stall  Wed. 9th Sept.  Parish Pastoral Team Meeting 7.30pm
Wed. 2nd September School Advisory Board Meeting 7pm  Friday 11th Sept. Year 6 Summer Sports
Thurs. 3rd Sept.  Senior Hooptime (10am – 2.30pm)  Friday 11th Sept. International Day of Peace Liturgy 11.30am
Thurs. 3rd Sept.  School Assembly Father’s Day 2.30pm (1R)  Tuesday 15th Sept. Curriculum Night 6.30pm – 8pm
Friday 4th Sept.  Parish Anointing Mass 9.15am  Wed. 16th Sept. Footy Day for all classes
Sunday 6th Sept.  Father’s Day  Friday 18th Sept. End of Term 3 Liturgy 11.30am (3G)

SCHOOL FEES: Payment for all fees except Years 3 & 4 Camps and swimming are now OVERDUE. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

BOOK CLUB ISSUE #6: The deadline for orders and payment is Friday 28th August. No late orders will be accepted. Please ensure you include your child’s name and grade on the order. Thank you.

BANNER LOST: ATTENTION GRADUATION COMMITTEE FROM LAST YEAR (2014) – If anyone knows the whereabouts of the large Banner used at last year’s Graduation, could you please contact Amelia Guerra 0416 027 808 or Marita Nittoli 0418 144 113.

JOKE OF THE WEEK


Q: What did the shoe say to the foot?  A: You’re having me on.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing the following staff and students a very happy birthday.

Cheryl Battour  Francesco Citera (1B)  Flynn Dunne (2G)  Sophia Fabien (5/6P)
Mallya Vidinovski (Prep G)  Gianna Genato (6B)  Brady Fedley (Prep G)  Grace Dobson (6R)
Aditya Parmar (4Y)  Antony Thabesan (3R)  Michael Sarris (1R)  Charlie Dobson (3B)
Thomas Dobson (3R)  Daniel Muratore (6G)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR JAPANESE: This week’s award goes to Jake Olarenshaw (1G), Lolita Ordenes (3R) & Antony Thabesan (3R).

MUSIC NEWS

Well done to the following students for achieving their Yellow Belt in recorder – Lachlan Clausen (3G), Neesha Balapitiya (3G), Dakoda Sosa (3G), Alex Diakokolios (3R), Ashati Finn (3R), Mika Ono (3R), Antony Thabesan (3R), Juwan Joseph (4B), Roshan Joby (4R), Eloisa Foti (3R), Lolita Ordenes (3R), Cameron Fistes (3B) and Jemmah Bryant (3B).

The following students have received their Orange Belt in recorder – Leah Woolmore (3G) and Olivia Hogan (3R). Well done!
Laura Nackashian, Music Teacher

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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<td>6 Blue – Ryan Davis</td>
<td>6 Green – Alisha Downie</td>
<td>6 Red – Jazz Finn</td>
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Hello everyone,

It is with pleasure that I let you all know that Canteen's grand opening is next Monday 31st August. As a gesture we will be giving all the kids a free zooper dooper on Monday. It has been a long wait but definitely worth it, our new canteen looks fantastic. You’re welcome to come in and have a look and see what your support of the canteen has managed to build, so for that, thank you very much.

Attached to Contact is the Canteen menu and price list and slushies will be sold this term. So again I thank you all for your patience and support during the renovations and I look forward to a busy term 3 and term 4.

Tamara Dell 'Aquila, Canteen Co-ordinator.
CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER: This fundraiser is now officially closed; please pay any outstanding money ASAP so we can finalise all our figures and reveal our final results.

FUNDE: For sale a great value booklet with offers for sporting events, entertainment, food/beverages and attraction. Save to $800. Only $10. See flyer for more information and also how to order. For more information call Sue on 0409 530 920.

FATHER’S DAY STALL: We will be holding our annual Father’s Stall on Wednesday 2nd of September 2015. We have a great range of gifts for Dad ranging from $2 to $5. This year we have a LUCKY DIP! For $2 per dip every child will receive a surprise for Dad! If you are able to help run our stall on the day, please fill out the return slip and return ASAP to the Parents Association. Morning Tea and a light lunch will be provided. If you have any queries please contact Tracy on 0400 125 728.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION MEETINGS – Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 27th August at 2.30pm in the staff room. We will gladly accept donations i.e. in the form of goods/monetary. If you have any queries please contact Amelina Guerra on 0416 027 808 or Marina Nittoli on 0418 144 113.

PHOTOS – You are now invited to submit photos for inclusion in the Graduation DVD. The Graduation DVD will be given to each child as a memento of the school years at St. Simon’s. This year we will prefer if photos are on USB’s and CD’s (Please save your photos as a “jpeg file”). Photos are to be school related and of groups of children rather than individual. Include your name, telephone number or your child’s grade on all photos, USB’s and CD’s. Please send photo’s to the school office marked “Attention: Grade 6 Graduation DVD” (Note: Please scan your photos if you require them for memory books as they will not be returned until late in Term 4).

CATHOLIC SECONDARY COLLEGES OPEN DAYS

AVILA COLLEGE COLOURING COMPETITION: As part of the Avila College Art and Design Exhibition we are running a colouring in competition for primary school children. The winner will receive 2 Gold Class Tickets and the deadline for entries is 10th September 2015. Please see attached entry form. All entries will be displayed at the Avila Art show. Good luck!

AVILA COLLEGE ‘OPEN SCHOOL’ MORNING – Celebrating its Golden Jubilee in 2015. Our final Open Morning for 2015 will be in Term 4 – on Tuesday, October 27. Online registration available by visiting www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au clicking on Quick Links and then Open Mornings. Phone 9831 9600. Parking is limited, so please allow time for parking in nearby streets.

MAZARENOD COLLEGE: Tuesday 13th October from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Tours commence 9.30am, 10.30am & 11.30am.

NAZARETH COLLEGE: See flyer attached regarding 30 year Anniversary celebrations.

STORYTIME IN ITALIAN: Provide introduction to Italian language through stories, rhymes, songs and activity. Provide opportunity to socialise with other children. Help to develop vocal and language skills. Runs during school term for Preschool age 0-5 yrs. Where: Knox Italian Community Club, 99 Karoo Rd Rowville, commencing 3rd September on Thursday weekly (tutti i Giovedi). Time: 10am to 11am. Cost: $5 per session. To reserve your place email italstorytime@hotmail.com or call 0407 366 442. Proudly supported by Knox Italian Community Club.

ALL STARS EXTRAVAGANZA: For players aged 5-9 years old. Come along to All Stars and see what fun you can have playing basketball! Thursday 27th August 2015 from 4.30pm to 5.30pm at St. Joseph’s College Stadium, Brennock Park Drive, Ferntree Gully. Any new players that register and pay on the night will receive $20 off their fees, free pair of All Stars socks, free 4 week pre-season training program. Fees for Summer Season Under 8s – $120, Under 10s – $170. All Under 8 players receive a FREE loan uniform. Please email secretary@knoxsallstars.org.au to register your attendance! Registration for Under 10s – Under 23s are held separately on Monday 31st August at Rowville Community Centre from 5pm – 9pm.

SUPER FIT KIDS: Group Training Sessions for your child/ren. This program has been designed by a mother of three primary school aged children, is a qualified Personal Trainer, holds a Working With Children Check and First Aid Certificate. Venue – Rowville Community Centre, Wednesday 4.30pm – 5.30pm, for children aged 8 years up. Cost is $15 per session/child for 60 minutes. Commencement date to be advised. Program includes – the importance of Core Strength, Dynamic Warm up, Cool down and Static Stretch. “Keeping our children fit all year round with Super Fit Kids” BOOK NOW! Contact Luisa for further details on 0400 712 242.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION
FATHER’S DAY STALL

Name: ____________________________ Phone Number: ____________________________

Email: ____________________________

ELDEST CHILD’S NAME: ____________________________ GRADE: ____________________________

I am able to help at the Father’s Day stall on Wednesday 2nd September.
Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

As you are aware, Year 5 and Year 6 students have been participating in the Jump Rope For Heart program which raises money used by the Heart Foundation for research and helping people who have problems with their heart.

Our Jump Off Day is on this Friday, August 28, when we get to put all of our skipping practice into action with a whole lot of fun and some serious exercise.

For our Jump Off Day, Year 5 and 6 students will be participating in some serious heart pumping exercise.

As a sign of support and celebration of the efforts of our Year 5 and Year 6 students, for a gold coin donation for the Heart Foundation, children in all year levels can wear red clothes. Please note that this is not a free dress day and does not include clothes with a bit of red on them. Red items of clothing need to be predominantly red.

Thanks for your support.

Congratulations to this week's top 5 fundraisers:

Cassidy Germano $830.87
Zachary Frisch $437
Jakson Smart $425.50
Rubey Philp $250.42
Jasmine White $237.50
Wednesday 2nd September

Father's Day Stall

Gifts for $2, $3 $4 and $5
Lots of presents to choose from including:

- Mugs
- Photo frames
- Multifunction Tool
- Socks
- Cooler Bag
- Can/Bottle Cooler
- Clock Man
- Playing Cards
- Executive Pen

Remember to bring your money and a plastic bag to take your presents home in.

This year we have a LUCKY DIP!
For $2 per dip, every child will receive a surprise for Dad!
St Simon’s Parent’s Association is happy to provide a new and exciting way to save money - Funde

Family fun for half the price!

funde.

Buy a $20 Funde booklet today & help raise much needed funds.

SAVE UP TO $800+

This great value booklet includes 2 for 1 offers for Sporting events, Entertainment, Food & Beverages and Attractions from many popular and family friendly places.

The booklet is small enough to fit in your handbag so you have it with you all the time.

If you have any questions regarding this you can contact Sue on 0409 530 920.

To order a booklet just send this reply slip marked “Attention St Simon’s PA – Funde”

I would like to receive _____ x Funde booklets for $20 each.

My cash/cheque is enclosed

Name ______________________________

Contact number ____________________________

Name & grade of eldest child ______________________}

Sport

Entertainment

Food and Beverages
Body Confident
Children & Teens
Information for Parents

Every year, since its inclusion in 2006, body image has been one of the top three areas of personal concern for young people
(Mission Australia, Youth Survey)

An interactive presentation that aims to equip parents with knowledge, information and tips, to better support their child’s and/or teen’s body confidence during puberty and adolescence at home.

This FREE community event is open to all parents, guardians and adults working with boys and girls of school age.

Topics covered will include:
- Key influences on body confidence
- Importance of role modelling positive body image and healthy behaviours
- Understanding ‘Fat Talk’ and handling ‘stuff’ they say
- Awareness around behaviours that increase or decrease body satisfaction
- Brief overview of eating and body related issues and warning signs
- Referral and support information

Date: Tuesday 1 September 2015
Time: 6:45 for 7:00pm start (approx. 1 hour presentation)
Venue: Mater Christi College, 28 Bayview Road, Belgrave
Tickets: FREE
Bookings close: Friday 28 August 2015!

To book online: http://www.trybooking.com/IQEP
For more information: mcc@materchristi.edu.au
**St. Simon’s Canteen**  
**Menu & Price List 2015**

**“GRAND OPENING – MONDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2015”**

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**LUNCH BAG**

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**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR BAG IS CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR CHILD’S NAME AND CLASS. MONEY SHOULD BE WRAPPED IN CLING WRAP OR FOIL TO PREVENT LOSS. WHEN ORDERING HOT FOOD A LUNCH BAG IS REQUIRED whether it be a brown paper bag or the new coloured ones.**