Dear Parents,

**Mothers’ Day Assembly**
Kindergarten presented a beautiful Mothers’ Day assembly last Friday. The assembly was a fitting tribute to all mothers and the sentiments and prayers presented by the Kindergarten students came straight from the heart. Mothers should feel special all the time but I hope this assembly made mums feel extra special and loved. Kindergarten were able to present the assembly in such a confident manner because they were so beautifully prepared by Mrs Tierney and Mrs Field. The Kindergarten students only had 12 weeks of formal schooling before this assembly. The way the students read, spoke, drew, wrote and participated in the assembly is a testament to their outstanding teachers. I know you join with me in thanking Mrs Tierney and Mrs Field. Thank you to mums, grandmothers and family members that were able to come along and enjoy the assembly.

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**2016 Kindergarten Enrolments**
Mrs. Cox and I have started the process of interviewing families who wish to enrol their child into Kindergarten 2016. I enjoy these interviews as I have the opportunity to meet new families who wish to be a part of our very special school/parish community. New parents tell us that the school has been recommended to them and they hear how good the school is through the community grapevine. All our places for Kindergarten 2016 will be filled.

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**National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)**
During this week the students in Year 3 & 5 have been completing their NAPLAN assessments. The students completed four assessments over three days; Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Results will be sent to the school and then passed onto parents in late August.

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**Winter Uniform**
The students look stunning in their winter uniform. Thank you parents for ensuring the students wear the correct uniform as it instils a sense of pride in one’s self and school. Any items of winter uniform suitable for donation to the Clothing Pool would be greatly appreciated. If, at any time, your child is wearing clothing that is not school uniform a note explaining why is required. A reminder that the tie is part of the winter uniform. Boys’ socks and girls’ tights should be navy blue.
Family Reflection:

You have a gift for bringing joy to others, day by day
you have an understanding heart, a gentle thoughtful way
you have that special something often called a ‘mothers’ touch’
That makes you so exceptional and loved so very much.

God Bless
Glenn Patchell
Principal

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**Religious Education News**

**May – Month of Mary**
May is a special month in the Catholic Church as it is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. During May we remember and honour our holy mother Mary and we encourage families to pray the Rosary more often during this time. At St. John Vianney’s the Year 2-6 children have the opportunity to pray the Rosary every Monday at lunchtime and we thank our volunteers Mrs Lyndi Woollett and Mrs Jane Buttigieg who generously lead the children in prayer each week.

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**World Youth Day 2016 Fundraising**

Raffle tickets to support WYD 2016 are for sale in the office. $2 per ticket. Prize details on Notice Board.

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**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY**

**MONDAY 25 MAY**

Religious Education Formation Day

No school for students on this day
Australian Government Assistance for National Capital Excursion

Students from our school (Year 6) will soon be undertaking an educational tour of the National Capital. While on this tour they will participate in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of the Civics and Citizenship Education. To assist you in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebates (PACER) Programme towards the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

We hope that the excursion is a rewarding experience for all students.

TERM 2 CALENDAR

| Thursday   | 14 May | NAPLAN – Yrs. 3 & 5  
|           |       | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Friday    | 15 May | 2.15pm Merit Assembly  
|           |       | Chess |
| Tuesday   | 19 May | Digital Technologies Competition ~Yrs. 3-6 |
| Thursday  | 21 May | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6  
|           |       | 2.15pm Pentecost Assembly led by Year 4 |
| Friday    | 22 May | Bathurst Excursion ~ Yr. 5  
|           |       | Infants Tabloids Sports ~ K-2  
|           |       | Chess |
| Monday    | 25 May | STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY ~ no school for students |
| Thursday  | 28 May | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Friday    | 29 May | Touch Footy Skills ~ Year 5  
|           |       | Chess  
|           |       | Sausage Sizzle ~ P&F  
| Wednesday | 3 June | Science Competition ~ Yrs. 3-6  
|           |       | Touch Footy Skills ~ Year 6 |
| Thursday  | 4 June | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Friday    | 5 June | 2.15pm Merit Assembly  
|           |       | Chess |
| Monday    | 8 June | QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Wednesday | 10 June | Sydney Aquarium Excursion ~ Yr. 1 |
| Thursday  | 11 June | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Friday    | 12 June | 2.00pm P&F Meeting ~ Staff Room  
|           |       | 2.15pm Merit Assembly  
|           |       | Semester 1 Reports K-6 go home  
|           |       | Chess |
| Monday    | 15 June | Writing Competition ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Tuesday   | 16 June | Spelling Competition ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Thursday  | 18 June | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6  
|           |       | Canberra Excursion ~ Yr. 6 |
| Friday    | 19 June | Canberra Excursion ~ Yr. 6  
|           |       | Chess |
| Monday    | 22 June | Parent/Teacher Conference Evening Session |
| Thursday  | 25 June | 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 |
| Friday    | 26 June | 10.00am Student of the Term Assembly  
|           |       | P&F Noodle Day  
|           |       | LAST DAY OF SCHOOL |

SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENTS ON MONDAY 13TH JULY
MERIT CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following Students:

KF  Lucas Cunningham
    Thomas Nourdine
    Ayurvi Chaudhary
    Zyra Brodfod
    Boris Prokhorov
    Claire Mallett

KT  Anika Krishnaswamy
    Nathan Shafig
    Meghan Bartlett
    Nina Isakov
    Carlos Lopez
    Geneika Fadlen

IBJ  Adelle Hogan
    Jacob Magsalin
    Annabelle Sococ
    Samuel Hogan
    Alanna Jomon
    Allistaire Reyes

ID  Keira Hamilton
    Gabriel Paul
    Marcus Jones
    Holly Gavegan
    Rachel De Luca
    Cooper Malouf

2A  Tristan Javaluyas
    Liam Robertson
    Marc Cuevas
    Sienna Tecala
    Breanan Scott
    Cadence Autagavaia

2B  Isabel Mitchell
    Adyn Manansala
    Stanley Patolo
    Enrique Rindfleish
    Jerrel Marticio
    Avria Bergado

3B  Amelia Esposito
    Naomi Girgis
    Zac Payne
    Joshua DeAbreu
    Naomi Girgis
    Zac Payne

30  Grace Boktor
    Julien Bernard
    Andrew Lovering
    Shayna Fernando
    Lincoln Nunez
    Lauren DeLuca

4C  Adrian Padernilla
    Vya Perez
    Reese Nunez
    Sophia Pastoral
    Chastynne Callos
    Jayden Ramia

4M  Paulo Ibanez
    Faustina Park
    Leila Mamaril
    Willson Go
    Dominique De Guzman
    Ben Filippi

5HJ  Mia Lovering
    Aaron Sabio
    Jared Lesaca
    Via Hokafonu
    Christopher Furtado
    Aidan Mercado

5R  Nirvana Prasad
    John Paul Donevski
    Hayley Javaluyas
    Jared Savari
    Jayden Norris

6M  Nathaniel Sicat
    Kate Slager
    Evelina Dobysh
    Annaliene Zammit
    Nestor Batoon
    Kyle Castro

6R  Yna Diaz
    Sabrina Nakhl
    John Mekhail
    Gavriel Gutierrez
    Caitlin Gunnion
    Elsie Balilo
CONGRATULATIONS to all 24 athletes who competed in the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country on Tuesday, 5th May, at Sydney Motorsport Park, Eastern Creek.

It was a very hot day and a challenging course. Many students who ran last year improved their place position. Also, our new athletes did exceptionally well.

Our top 5 placings are as follows:

- Amayah Burns - 15th
- Ben Filippi - 23rd
- Jared Lesaca - 23rd
- Brannen Filippi - 27th
- Charlize El Boustani - 36th

A special thanks to Mr Campbell, Mrs Moylan and the parents who attended the event.

Marg Hancock
Sports Coordinator

LATE ARRIVAL NOTES
Any student arriving after 8.55am needs to have a late arrival note FILLED IN BY A PARENT AT THE OFFICE. The late note stays in the office until it is entered into the new student data system and then passed onto the classroom teacher. Students who arrive late, whose parents do not fill out the late form, will be entered into the data system as not having a legitimate reason for being late.

ENROLMENTS 2016
Enrolment Forms for Kindergarten 2016 are now available from the office.

SCHOOL FEES ~ TERM 2
Accounts have been posted out by the Catholic Education Office. Fees are payable by Monday 25 May. Please contact Mrs. Fletcher, before the due date, if you are unable to finalise your account.

Payment of fees can be paid by Eftpos, Bpay, Postbill, Cash and Cheque.

NEWSLETTER DATES FOR TERM 2

- Wednesday 27th May
- Wednesday 10th June
- Wednesday 24th June
CHILD PROTECTION – DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA
PARENT VOLUNTEERS

It is a Diocesan requirement that parents who volunteer at school must complete the CEO Online Child Protection Module. This training is available online at http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au and MUST be completed every two years. Click on child Protection Training Click on For Volunteers Read instruction and click on start the module.
If you are not sure whether you need to update your Child Protection, please contact the school office.

SUPervision ~ Morning supervision from 8.30 am. I ask you to ensure that your child is not at school before 8.30 am as there is NO supervision before this time. School finishes at 3.00 pm and children should be picked up promptly. Afternoon supervision in the amphitheatre finishes at 3.30pm.

LIBRARY NEWS
Premier’s Reading Challenge
There are some very eager readers at St. John Vianney’s, with students already completing the 2015 Reading Challenge.

Congratulations to: Lara Hendrickson, Shawn Hendrickson, Tiana Cutajar and Josef Piquero
Well done everyone!

Mrs. Cheryl Kersivien
Teacher/Librarian

MOBILE TELEPHONES ~ We request that no mobile phones be brought to school. If your child needs it for safety reasons e.g. walks home alone, please send a note to the classroom teacher. In such circumstances the phone will be handed to the teacher in the morning and returned at 3.00pm.

COMMUNICATION ~ Staff value communication with parents and welcome the opportunity to meet. If you wish to meet with a staff member please make an appointment through the office for a mutually convenient time.
PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

P & F Diary Dates

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Mothers’ Day Stall – Friday 8th of May
We hope all mothers had a lovely celebration on Mother’s Day and they enjoyed their gifts that their children bought from the P&F Stall.

A big thank you to all the wonderful mums who gave up their time to wrap the gifts and help man the Mothers’ Day Stall: Melissa Azzopardi, Yvette Ciapara, Charlene Cutajar, Fiona Dela Cruz, Carmen Frendo, Rachael Galea, Megan Haber, Tina Hendrickson, Gabby Interiano, Cheryl Lualhati, Sheena Norris, Fran Nourdine, Rhodora Ocampo, Tatjana Prokhorov, Narelle Sinclair and Maryanne Vella.

We raised $955.25 from our stall which will go towards our next project of funding the sails in the infant’s area. The block out blinds for the MPR have been ordered and will be installed in the next few weeks.

Sausage Sizzle & Popper - Friday 29th of May 11:30-1:30pm
Due to the Year 5 going on their Bathurst Excursion on May 22nd, it has been decided to change the date of the Sausage Sizzle and Popper day to the following Friday, May 29th. We apologise if this change of date causes any inconvenience.

Cost will be:  
Sausage Sizzle and Popper: $3.50
Sausage Sizzle only: $2.50

As usual we always use volunteers preparing, serving and particularly cooking the sausages! No experience is required, so please come along and all are welcome. Please let us know in person, via Facebook or via email if you’re able to help in any capacity.

School Photo Survey
The P&F have been tasked to undertake a Facebook survey on when parents would like to have their children’s school photos to be taken next year. The last couple of years the school photos have been during summer. This decision was made as there were significantly less students being away due to illness in summer. During winter, school also found it a challenge to have all students come in their complete school winter uniform, often turning up without a neck tie for the photo which does not look presentable in their class photos.

Please have your say in the relevant post in our SJV P&F Page. Vote by liking the WINTER or SUMMER comment. This survey will run until Sunday May 17.
**Family Portrait Fundraising Facebook Survey**

We are seeking expressions of interest from families who would be interested in a Family Portrait Fundraising. The minimum cost would be $20 and would include:

- 10” X 13” Colour Family Portrait OR A3 Black and White Pencil Sketch Portrait
- Wallet Size Colour Portrait
- Key Ring

The Photographer has outlined the following conditions:

- There must be a minimum of 2 generations in each portrait.
- No person may appear in more than one fundraising portrait
- Three different poses will be taken of each family

Please like the post in SJV P&F Page if your family is interested in this fundraising.

**Noodle Day - Friday 26th of June 26 11:30-1:30pm**

The P&F will be hosting a Noodle Day on the last day of the term, Friday June 26. We require volunteers so please put this date in your diary and come along on the day to help prepare and sell the noodles.

**Entertainment Book Fundraising**

The new Entertainment Books are here!

Members will again be able to choose between the traditional Book or the Digital Membership.

- Sydney Greater West $65 each
- Sydney & Sydney North $70 each

To order your Book or your Digital Membership please go to: [http://www.entbook.com.au/21597D2](http://www.entbook.com.au/21597D2)

Thank you for your support!!! 20% from each membership sold contributes to our fundraising!

**Wet Weather Ponchos – on sale for $15**

We have a limited number of ponchos that we are selling for $15. They will be on sale at the next clothing pool. The ponchos are Australian made and of a high quality outerwear, ideal for wet weather.

**Next P & F Meeting – Friday 12th of June at 2pm, Staffroom.**

Come and hear some insights about what is happening at school. The conversation is always lively and the parking is great at 2pm. Grandparents and extended family are always welcome.

**School Banking**

School Banking is on every Thursday. The School Banking coordinator is Mrs. Lisa Muinoi. If you have any queries/concerns about School Banking please send a note in your child’s bank wallet for Mrs. Muinoi to read, alternatively you can contact us via email or Facebook and we will forward your queries to Mrs. Muinoi.

**The Good Guys – Prospect**

The Good Guys Prospect provide SJV with vouchers redeemable in their shop from parents and friends who mentioned the school when they purchased items. Please be sure to mention SJV at the cash register.
**Staying In Touch**

You can stay in touch with news and events, contribute your ideas and helpful contacts through our “SJV Parents & Friends” page on Facebook.

Janelle DeLuca  
*P & F Secretary*  
sjv.pandf@gmail.com

**Clothing Pool ~ Open every second Monday**

The clothing pool will be open on **Monday 18th May 2.30 – 300pm** operating from the old canteen. We are in desperate need of any uniform items, summer or winter, in good condition, please leave items at the school office. Thank you.

**OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour**

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on May 18, 2015.

Tour the College and discover why a Mercy Education is treasured for life and enjoy a ‘comfortable cup of tea’ with the College Leadership Team.

*The College is now enrolling for 2016 and 2017.*

Visit [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) or phone 8838 1222 to reserve your place or obtain further information.
ST JOHN VIANNEY’S PUPIL FREE DAY
Monday 25th May Join us for a Bouncing Good Time when we visit FLIP-OUT

After your active morning, Relax with a good book when we visit Blacktown Library.

Cost for the Day $40.00 for care, Plus $20.00 for excursion cost.
CCB and CCR are available (Conditions do apply)
Children need to bring Recess, Lunch and refillable drink bottle,

Children to be at SMOOSH 9.00am

Departure 9.30am

Staff and children will travel by SMOOSH Bus to Westpoint Blacktown.

2.00pm Meet bus for return to SMOOSH.

Return Approx. 2.30pm

Please be advised that sports / Trampoline Activities can involve a risk. SMOOSH Staff will ensure the risk is minimized through undertaking a Risk Assessment and ensuring staff supervision and children understand the rules.

Enquires to Lynda at

southmarayongoosh@gmail.com

Phone 0451 114 611
Kindercare Learning Centre located in Doonside is a privately owned centre offering a variety of services including Long Day, Before & After School Care and Vacation Care for ages 0-12 years. Full Government subsidy and eligibility offered. Our centre is open 7am to 6pm all year round.

Our Before School Care operates from 7.00am – 8.45am.

Our After School Care operates from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.
For further enquiries, please contact Jackie De Abreu on (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au