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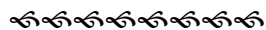
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Dear Parents,

The 2016 school year has started very smoothly. A special welcome to the families who joined our school community this year. I know your association with St. John Vianney's will be very rewarding.



Our Kindergarten students have settled in very quickly and already feel very much part of the school. Our Kindergarten teachers and our Parents and Friends Association put in a great deal of work prior to the arrival of the Kindergarten students to ensure their smooth transition to "big school". Mrs Field and Mrs Tierney welcome the Kindergarten students in an orientation morning and spend time with each student individually before the year begins. Our Parents and Friends prepare and deliver the Oscar and Samantha transition program during Term 4. Kindergarten parents have the opportunity to stay for a tea and tissue morning on their child's first day which is catered for by the Parents and Friends. The Kindergarten Literacy Retell Program will start tomorrow! Thank you to the parents who volunteer to run this program.



We welcome Mrs Trixie Croser and Miss Natalie Franklin who will be teaching year 2. We also welcome our new Groundsman, Mr Frank Schembri.



Year of Mercy

Pope Francis has declared a Holy Year of Mercy from 8 December 2015 – 20 November 2016. On 6 January 2016 Pope Francis wrote a letter to young boys and girls from the Vatican. "The Church is celebrating the Holy Year of Mercy, a time of grace, peace, conversion and joy. It is meant for everyone: people of every age, from far and near. There are no walls or distances which can prevent the Father's mercy from reaching and embracing us. The Holy Door is now open in Rome and in all the dioceses of the world. This grace-filled moment also concerns you, dear young people. I encourage you to take an active part in this celebration and to realise that each of you is a child of God. The Jubilee is a year-long celebration, in which every moment becomes a chance for us to grow in holiness."



IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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Thank you to all the parents who booked an MAI for their child online. There were a total of 289 (Yrs.1-6) MIA's booked through the website and as a result our support programs will begin early in the term.



Email Addresses

*Parents who have changed their email address or parents new to the school need to update their email addresses. This can be completed via the school website by clicking on **Subscribe** to our Newsletter on the homepage and filling in the details. Ticking the box **Receive Announcements** will ensure you receive any message sent via email.*



School Banking

*We require a new School Banking Co-ordinator for 2016. On your behalf I thank **Mrs Lisa Muinoi** for the time and dedication she has put into school banking for several years.*

School banking will be suspended until a new Banking Co-ordinator is found. If anyone is interested in being the School Banking Co-ordinator please contact the school office or Parent & Friends. Training will be provided.



Painting

*Thank you to **Mrs Azzopardi** and **Mrs Cutajar** for painting picnic tables towards the end of last year. Thank you for giving of your time to freshen up these lunch areas for the students.*



Morning Assembly Prayer

The words of the 8.55am morning assembly prayer are printed below for the new families.

*Dear Father
Thank you for bringing us safely to St. John Vianney's today.
Please bless our families, friends and teachers.
Help me to make today a nice day for myself and everyone I meet.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.*



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.





SCHOOL CAPTAINS
Kirsten Bermudez & Aidan Mercado

STUDENT COUNCIL
Jonathan Buttigieg
Sophia Escueta
Jasmine Iaca
Jared Lesaca
Nirvana Prasad
Aaron Sabio

SPORTS CAPTAINS
MacKillop (Blue) Charlize Tahimic and John Paul Donevski
Smith (Gold) Clara Nourdine and Cameron Cunningham
Watts (Green) Roslyn Langi and Cameron Robertson
O'Neill (Red) Hannah Bolton and Rafter Santos



Family Reflection:

A PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILY

O Loving God,
bless our family with your love.
Guard us from all danger and harm;
Deliver us from anger that leads to division;
Empower us to forgive as we have been forgiven;
And send us into the world to witness to your love and grace;
In the name of Jesus Christ
We pray. Amen.

God Bless
Glenn Patchell
Principal

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 3.00pm and children should be picked up promptly. Afternoon supervision in the amphitheatre finishes at 3.30pm.



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.



SPORTS DAYS 2016



Kindergarten	Monday and Friday
Year 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday and Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Wednesday
Year 5	Monday and Friday
Year 6	Wednesday and Friday

LIBRARY BORROWING DATES 2016



Kindergarten	Monday
Year 1	Tuesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Monday
Year 6	Wednesday

FEES ACCOUNT



Accounts are to be posted out by the Catholic Education Office on Tuesday 9th February.

Fees are payable by **Monday 7th March**.

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.



LIBRARY NEWS



Welcome to a new year of reading. Could you please ensure your child uses a library bag to help protect our precious library books. School library bags are available from the school office for \$2.00.

Happy Reading.
Mrs. Kersivien
Teacher/Librarian



TERM 1 CALENDAR

Thursday	February 4	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	February 5	Primary Swimming Carnival Riverstone ~ Yrs. 3-6
Wednesday	February 10	ASH WEDNESDAY ~ 9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	February 12	2.00pm Parents & Friends Meeting ~ Staffroom 2.15pm Merit Assembly
Monday	February 15	Parent Information Night -7.00pm K-2 in classrooms 7.45pm Yrs. 3-6 in classrooms
Thursday	February 18	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 Blacktown Zone Swimming Carnival Mt. Druitt
Friday	February 19	World Youth Day Fundraiser – crazy sock, hat, hair day 2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	February 25	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6 Diocesan Swimming Carnival Blacktown
Friday	February 26	2.15pm Merit Assembly
Monday	February 29	Young Leaders' Day (Student Council) Year 2 Elizabeth Farm Excursion
Thursday	March 3	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	March 4	2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	March 10	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	March 11	9.30am Welcome Assembly – Catholic Schools Week
Monday	March 14	9.00am – 10.00am Being Brave Performance ~ Yrs. 3-6 10.30am -11.30am Being Brave Performance ~ K-Yrs. 2
Thursday	March 17	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	March 18	Primary Cross Country ~ Yrs. 3-6 2.00pm Parents & Friends Meeting ~ Staffroom
Thursday	March 24	HOLY THURSDAY ~9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	March 25	GOOD FRIDAY
Saturday	March 26	HOLY SATURDAY
Sunday	March 27	EASTER SUNDAY
Monday	March 28	EASTER MONDAY
Thursday	March 31	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	April 1	2.15pm Merit Assembly
Thursday	April 7	9.15am Parish Mass ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	April 8	Student of the Term 10.00am LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
		SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENT ON TUESDAY APRIL 26

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.



CLOTHING POOL ~ Open every second Monday

The clothing pool will be open on Monday 15th February 2.30-3.00pm 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.



DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ANNUAL FEES FOR 2016

Annual Diocesan Tuition Fee can be paid upfront at the start of the year or as three equal payments in Terms 1, 2 and 3. The fee is only charged for the first three (3) children currently enrolled in the diocese (in other words there is no additional Diocesan Tuition Fee for the fourth child attending a systemic school in the diocese or other participating Catholic schools – see ‘Sibling Discounts’ below). To work out how much the fee is for each child, check the table below.

Diocesan Tuition Fees and Building Levy

Per Annum per Student No charge for 4 th + children	1 st Child 100%	2 nd Child 75%	3 rd Child 50 %
Primary: Kindergarten	\$ 1,098	\$ 825	\$ 549
Years 1-6	\$ 1,419	\$ 1,065	\$ 711
Secondary: Years 7-8	\$ 1,968	\$ 1,476	\$ 984
Years 9-10	\$ 2,184	\$ 1,638	\$ 1,092
Years 11-12	\$ 2,790	\$ 2,094	\$ 1,395
Building Levy One Levy per Family	\$ 735		
Temporary Residents	\$ 1,815	\$ 1,815	\$ 1,815

The 2016 term rate, for each of the first three terms, will be as follows:

Per Term per Student	1 st Child	2 nd Child	3 rd Child
Primary: Kindergarten	\$ 366	\$ 275	\$ 183
Years 1-6	\$ 473	\$ 355	\$ 237
Secondary: Years 7-8	\$ 656	\$ 492	\$ 328
Years 9-10	\$ 728	\$ 546	\$ 364
Years 11-12	\$ 930	\$ 698	\$ 465
Building Levy One Levy per Family	\$ 245		
Temporary Residents	\$ 605	\$ 605	\$ 605

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan School or at St Dominic’s College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. This levy has replaced the various building levies that parents previously paid to school building funds (managed by either parishes or schools). ***The levy for 2016 is \$735 per family, payable in three equal instalments of \$245 in terms one, two, and three.***

Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee

The Diocesan Temporary Residents Education Fee for 2016 is **\$1,815 per student, payable in three equal instalments of \$577 in terms one, two and three.** The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 401, 411, 415, 416, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 426, 427, 428, 442, 457, 459, 476, 485, 497, 580, 600, 601, 651, 675, 676, 679, 685, 944, 956, 976 and 977 including where any of these are the preceding visas for families on bridging visas 010 and 090. Families charged this fee in 2013 will continue to be charged on a per family basis to the eldest student whilst the family has continuous current students.

Other School Based Fees

RESOURCE FEES

Fees paid in Term 4 2015 (Per Child per Year) \$110

TECHNOLOGY FEES

Years 1-6, Fees paid in Term 4 2015 (Per child per year) \$60

Kindergarten, Invoiced in Term 1 2016

(Note: To include these fees in Term 1 Billing starting 2017)



OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE PARRAMATTA

Open Day

Discover what a Mercy Education can do for your daughter
at the OLMC Parramatta Open Day on

Sunday February 28, 2016 10am – 2pm

Principal's Welcome at 10.00am and 12.00pm

A Mercy Education is treasured for life

www.olmc.nsw.edu.au



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OUR INSTRUCTORS ARE TRAINED
SPECIFICALLY FOR THE TEACHING OF CHILDREN
AND TEENS

WITH MEDALS AND AWARDS:

ADVANCEMENT FROM
BEGINNER TO BLACK BELT

CLASSES DIVIDED BY AGE AND EXPERIENCE

**LOCATION: GLENDENNING PUBLIC SCHOOL,
ARMITAGE DRIVE, GLENDENNING
CLASSES ARE EVERY SATURDAY FOR 9 WEEKS (EVERY SCHOOL TERM)
NEW AND RETURNING REGISTRATION: SATURDAY, 30 JANUARY, 2016
NEW STUDENTS CAN ALSO JOIN ON: SATURDAYS, 6 FEB., 13 FEB.**

New Students Ages 3 to 5
Parents must be present during class
Class time: 8:30 to 9:00 A.M.

New Students Ages 5 to 7
and Returning Students thru 2nd Orange
Class time 9:00 to 9:45 A.M.

New Students 9 to 12
and Returning Students 3rd Orange
thru 2nd Purple
Class time 9:45 to 10:25 A.M.

New Students 13 to 16
Class time 9:45 to 10:25 A.M.

Returning Students
3rd Purple thru 4th Brown
Class time: 10:30 to 11:10 A.M.

Parents/Adults Karate/self defence
Class time 10:00 to 11:00 A.M.

Black Belts Only
Class Time 12:00 to 12:45 P.M.

Note to all students: no black-soled shoes
are permitted in the hall

Registration will be accepted up to the third week. No pre-registration is necessary,
just turn up 10 to 15 minutes before class time above if possible....See you there! For
further information contact Matt Klein on 9904-5667.



**KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE
BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE SERVICE**

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



**Join the Mighty
Hawks in 2016!**



**All ages welcome, Under 5's to All Age,
Boys and Girls!**

**For grading dates or to
register online, go to
www.doonsidehawks.com.au**

**For further details call our registrar on 0412
774 050 (After 4pm) or
registrar@doonsidehawks.com.au**

Bulk Billing For GP Services

OPENING HOURS

MON-FRI 8AM-6PM

SAT&SUN 9AM-2PM

(PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ADVISED)

NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY

DOCTOR HOME VISITS AND
AFTER HOURS SERVICES AVAILABLE

PARKING ON SITE AVAILABLE

PATHOLOGY ON PREMISES



DOCTORS AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST

DR. ARUNTHA JESUTHASAN (FEMALE GP)

DR. CHARLES HAYES (MALE GP)

DR. VAN NGUYEN (MALE GP)

DILHAN JAYAMANNE (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

- Children's/Women's/Men's Health
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- Weight Loss Programme
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Dentist Dr. Garima Malhotra

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