



St John Vianney's Parish School

NEWSLETTER

I WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY TO HEAVEN

TERM 2

June 5 2019

Number 8

Greetings! Parents and Carers,

And all of them
were filled
with the
Holy Spirit

Acts 2:4



THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' first disciples, a celebration of the birth of the Church.

The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations. From that day on, the Holy Spirit has always guided the faithful.

Jesus gave us a mission to "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation" (Mark 16:15), and the Holy Spirit continues to strengthen and inspire us in this mission. Let us take some time on Sunday to acknowledge the continued presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and think about how we can proclaim the Good News of Jesus through our words and actions.

We invite you to join us as we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost as a school community this **Friday, 7th June, at **9:30am** in the **MPR**. Year 5 and members of our staff will be presenting this Assembly. We thank Mrs Rose and Year 5 for their hard work in preparing this special Assembly.**



Come, Holy Spirit, and make us Pentecost people
Let your wisdom and right judgment guide our decisions,
Let Knowledge and understanding increase
Our capacity for empathy and compassion,
Let reverence and awe fill us with gratitude and respect for all creation,
Give us the courage to witness boldly to our faith in word and deed.

Through and with and in Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 7th June
Cupcake & Popper Stall P&F

Monday 10th June
**Public Holiday - Queen's
Birthday**

Tuesday 11th June
**Winter Uniform for all
students K-6**

Friday 14th June
Tell Them From Me (TTFM)
**Partners in Learning Survey
Closes**

Friday 21st June
K-6 Reports go home

Monday 24th June
9.00am-11.00am
Planterarium Incursion
Yrs. 6 ~ MPR

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SEMESTER 1 REPORTS and PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

*Semester 1 Reports will be sent home in Week 8, Friday 21st June. The report is a reflection of your child's learning, social development and work habits for the first semester. A great deal of time and consideration goes into awarding grades for each student. Grades are allocated based on a number of variables, such as, student work samples, assessment tasks, observations and class work. The Semester 1 Report is one indication of your child's progress. The **Parent/Teacher Conferences set for Weeks 9 and 10 this term** are invaluable. They will give you a deeper insight into your child's strengths and ways to move them forward in their learning. Information on how to book an interview time with your child's teacher will be included with your child's report.*

YEAR 5 GOLD RELOCATING to the LIBRARY

It has been brought to our attention that we are experiencing drainage problems near the Year 5 Gold classroom. To be resolved it requires further investigation by a roofing plumber. Due to these unforeseen circumstances, Year 5 Gold will be relocating to the Library from Monday 3rd June until these plumbing issues can be resolved.

A Change to Library Borrowing

Due to Year 5 using this library space, library borrowing for all classes will take place during lunchtime. **For those students would like to borrow from the Library during this time, especially for the Premiers' Readers Challenge, they will have this opportunity during lunchtime on the following days;**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Kindergarten	Year 1	Year 2
Year 6	Year 5	Year 3
		Year 4



Tell Them From Me

YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS TO US!!

We would like to invite you to complete the **TELL THEM FROM ME (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey**. This survey is an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process. Your feedback and time is greatly valued.

THANK YOU to those who have taken the time to complete the survey. However, at this point of time, only 3% of our Parent community have completed the survey.

As key stakeholders, I strongly encourage you to take part, as the more valid and reliable feedback we receive, the better informed we are in our decision-making for increased student and school improvement for the future of our SJV's community.

The survey is still open until Friday 14th June 2019.

This survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You can access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

<http://tellthemfromme.com/sjv19>

Thank you for your ongoing support!

INVITATION TO CHATTERBOX LIVE

Join Greg Whitby, Executive Director of Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta, for a transparent and engaging Q&A session with parents and guardians from learning communities throughout the diocese.

It is being held at **St Andrews College in Marayong**, the event will begin at 7pm with light refreshments, followed by a Q&A session with Executive Director Greg Whitby where parents will have the chance to raise their questions around education and school in today's world.

TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE from <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/chatbox-live-qa-with-greg-whitby-tickets-59149834748>

Can't make it in person? This event will also be live-streamed via our Facebook page. Make sure to click 'GOING' on the event page by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/events/1988053254654264/> and clicking 'GOING'.

If you have any questions or would like further information in regards to this event, please contact Lachlan Andrews from Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta via landrews8@parra.catholic.edu.au or on 9840 5790.

Blessings!
Michelle Smith
Acting Principal

WITHDRAWAL OF ENROLMENT

Please note that under the School Fee Policy as set out by the Catholic Education Office Parramatta:

"A term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of a student or a full term's fees will be payable. The notice can be given any time during term for the next term.

One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment, that is, the notice period of 10 school weeks will be waived in this circumstance".

WINTER UNIFORM

Parents are reminded that students will be required to wear their full winter uniform from **Tuesday 11th June (after the long weekend).**

Please ensure that your child wears a jacket to school as it becomes colder so that they are comfortable and don't get sick. Also, please make sure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Often, there are many items that are lost but do not have a child's name on them. This makes it difficult to find and hand clothing back to the owner.

ATTENDANCE AT ST JOHN VIANNEY'S

Currently: 66.3%

Goal: 90%

Year K: 54.8%

Year 1: 62.7%

Year 2: 56.1%

Year 3: 63.4%

Year 4: 75.9%

Year 5: 81.9%

Year 6: 69.1%

ATTENDANCE and EXTENDED LEAVE

As you can see from the information above, our attendance data is not looking too healthy!

The **expected Diocesan benchmark for all schools is at least 90% attendance**. We are falling well short of this and I'm urging every parent to give serious consideration to your child's daily attendance and learning.

I realise there have been issues with viruses and other illnesses recently, but our school attendance rate is declining! We are **ALL responsible** for ensuring that our students are **at school EVERY DAY and ON TIME!** There has been a marked increase in the number of families requesting Extended Leave for holidays during crucial learning time. *Please be advised, unless the extended leave is for urgent or serious reasons, approval may not be granted.*

I remind parents, that a **letter explaining in detail the reason for the leave MUST accompany the application for extended leave**. All applications are considered individually and take into consideration each student's learning.

We are monitoring each student's attendance (this includes partial attendance). If a student's attendance falls below 90% we will contact parents by phone or letter to bring this to your attention.

Please contact the school office by phone (8869 6300), email or via the Skoolbag App **on the morning that your child is absent** so this can be recorded, and their class teacher informed. **An absence of 3 days or more without notification to the school will result in a call from the school.**

Georgina Cox
Principal

EACH DAY MISSED:

- ❖ **Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up**
- ❖ **Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy**
- ❖ **Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections**

- ☒ **BE FIRM.** Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
- ☒ **Develop good sleep and morning routines**
- ☒ **Schedule appointments after school**
- ☒ **Avoid taking holidays during term time**

MERIT CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following Students:

K BLUE

Amelia Shobin
Phoenix Frei
Dre Sio Ngaha
Abigail Salameh
Noah Adriano
Abigail Adem

K GOLD

Madeleine Buchanan
Arin Khadka
Nicolas Ortega
Isaiah Hanna
Michael Hellouie
Cecille Rucat

1 BLUE

Jorell Pascale
Priyasa Subedi
Ryan Shobin
Julienne Esclanda
Cristiano Ochoa
Rahn Albeos

1 GOLD

Erielle Intud
Ayrton Tiongco
Nathan Abreu
Sophia Belista
Arya Neupane
Emmanuel Dela Cruz

2 BLUE

Bethenny Scott
Jessica Laidlaw
Mark Boctor
John Barrack
Arizona Tuari
Brooke Shaw

2 GOLD

Hayley Ayliffe
Levi Knight
Zachary Fernandes
Anna Prokhorov
Bernadette McIntrye
Bryan Malonzo

3 BLUE

Sebastian Gaspi
Aaliyah-Rose Robertson
Janelle Lobo Kakodkar
Justin Dela Pena
Avryl Bergado
George Mikhail

3 GOLD

Eason Zheng
Caetlynn Dolores
Arrabel Gutierrez
Stella-Rose Deluca
Zara Smith
Denzell Crisostomo

4 BLUE

Aubriana Obligacion
Lidya Habtemikel
Aayana Chaudhary
Jordan Laidlaw
Clare Ciappara
George Sokar

4 GOLD

Julienne DeGuzman
Lachlan Tiqui
Charlize Pascale
Bridget Mercado
Vatican Talione
Boris Prokhorov

5 BLUE

Caitlin Ortega
Nathan Ison
Matthew Buttigieg
Marcus Jones
Joel Autagavaia
Helyna Nery

5 GOLD

Meriel Cruz
Rylarni DuRoss
Jacob Magsalin
Micaela Sibucan
Elianah San Pedro
Khodi Azzopardi

6 BLUE

Marian Kayafis
Lara Derjani
Jerrell Martico
Izabel Jerez
Jose Abrigo
Marcus Amurao

6 GOLD

Deanne Jeremiah
Mounir Abou-Yaghi
Ian Ceniza
Angelina Shafig
Vann Irish Raymundo
Dante Sio Ngaha

St John Vianney Students Reviewing New Children's Book!

Last week our school was lucky enough to be invited to help review and be involved in the launch of a new children's book 'Squidge Dibley' by Mick Elliott. Mick visited us last year and talked to students about story writing and what it is like to be a professional author. His first book 'The Turners' has been read and enjoyed by many of our students.



A number of students from Years 3, 4 and 5 were asked to read the book, which hasn't been released to the public as yet. They were then interviewed by Mick and their responses were filmed to be used to promote the book.



"It was exciting and I also was a little bit nervous because I've never met a real author in person before."
- Zyra

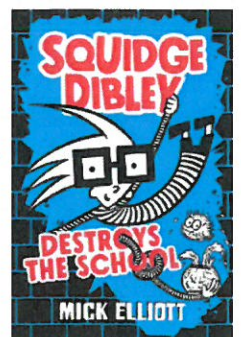


"To me it was weird because I had never done that before. It was interesting and fun too because we had some funny moments. The book was also funny because Squidge Dibley does a lot of weird things." - Jacob



This was a wonderful opportunity for students to be involved in an authentic review of a book and to talk about this with the author. As well as discussing their responses to the book, the students were invited to ask their own questions such as 'How long did it take to write? What inspired you? Will there be another one?'

Mick was very grateful for the opportunity to work with the students and remarked on how amazing their involvement was in giving him authentic feedback. He was immensely impressed at how they engaged in their reading.



Mr Stennett

(Literacy Coordinator)

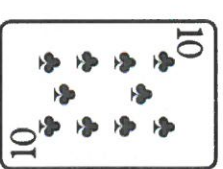
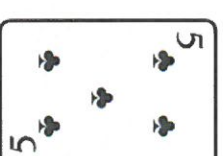
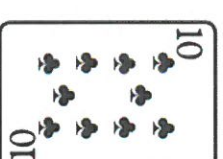
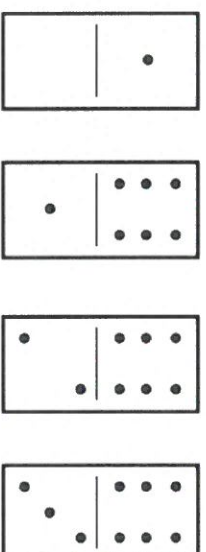
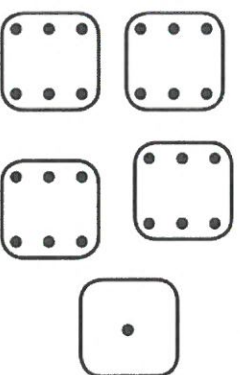


TARGET GAME

Miss Cotton's class have been playing number games with dice, dominoes and cards.

Then one day, when she wasn't very well, she asked the class to work quietly using the 5 dice or 4 dominoes or 3 cards and see what different ways they could find to make a target number.

What was the target number? What different ways can you find to make the target number with 5 dice or 4 dominoes or 3 cards?



Bathurst Highlights - 24th May 2019

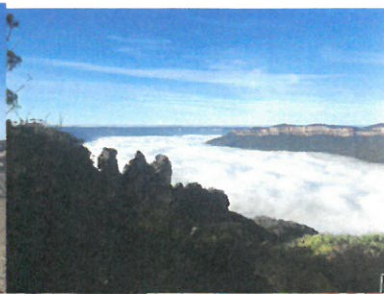
Our fieldtrip to Bathurst launched our study of Colonial Australia. This term Year 5 are investigating the impact of the gold rushes on the early colony and how this event shaped our identity as a nation.

Year 5 had a FABULOUS day in Bathurst. We had the BEST weather and ALL of the children were so engaged.

The highlights for our Year Five students included; visiting 'The Three Sisters', Gold panning, cooking damper, making mud bricks, playing games and of course, our stop at Maccas. It was a WONDERFUL experience for all!



- My highlight of our fieldtrip was Echo Point because we got to admire the breathtaking view of the Three Sisters, take school photos and have crunch and sip with our friends.
Crystle Espino
- The highlights of our Bathurst excursion were seeing the Three Sisters, panning for gold and getting McDonalds on the way home! **Lucy Ciapara**
- Cooking damper was my favourite part of our excursion. Playing olden day games proved to be hard, but lots of fun. **Andrew Aggrey**
- After lunch, our guide Barry took us to make some damper and mud bricks. Our day was filled with fun and enjoyment. **Rylarni DuRoss**
- On Friday the 24th of May a group of Year 5 students jumped back into the past. They found themselves in the Bathurst Goldfields. One of the very important activities was panning for gold. It was loads of fun for all the children. **Tiana Cutajar**
- One of the many highlights of our excursion to the Bathurst Goldfields was cooking damper. Damper is when you put dough on a stick and cook it over a fire. We had a choice to eat our damper with golden syrup. I chose to eat my damper with golden syrup and it was deliciously scrumptious. **Micaela Sibucan**
- My favourite part of the day was panning for gold. It was tricky and took lots of patience. There was lots of excitement, and some were lucky enough to find gold! **Allistair Reyes**.
- One of my highlights was cooking damper. We learnt that damper was one of the quick and easy ways people in the goldrush days were able to cook a tasty bread like treat. We were able to have our damper with delicious golden syrup. **Helyna Nery**
- **My highlight was going to Echo Point and admiring the magnificent view of the Three Sisters. Caitlin Ortega**
- The blacksmith was one of my favourites because we got to watch how a blacksmith was able to mould steel using fire. **Monique Papachristo**
- Year 5 had an action-packed day at Bathurst. We all went gold panning in the freezing water and most of us were lucky to find gold!
Khodi Azzopardi.
- My highlight of the day was when we went gold panning because I found four specs of shiny gold all by myself! **Sofia Manalac**
- **Year 5 visited an actual museum, full of GOLD! Airabelle Quizon.**





CONGRATULATIONS to all our athletes who competed in the Diocesan Cross Country at Eastern Creek on Tuesday, 7th May. They all performed extremely well on a very difficult course. Two competitors were placed in the top 20. **A SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS** to **ANDREW AGGREY** who was placed 6th in his race and has now progressed to represent the Parramatta Diocese in the NSWCPSS Cross Country, which will be held on Friday, 14th June at Eastern Creek. We wish him all the best. **GO ANDREW!!!!!!**

Thank you to all the family members who supported the entire Cross Country squad.



ALSO

THANK YOU to the P & F Committee who purchased a new set of soccer posts for our students. Many students enjoy the use of the soccer posts during recess and lunchtime play as well as sport lessons. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the students and the staff of SJV's.

Marg Hancock
Sports Coordinator



ENROLMENTS 2020

Enrolment Forms for Kindergarten and all other grades are available from the office.

FEES ACCOUNT – TERM 2

Accounts will be posted out by the Catholic Education Office this week.

Fees are payable by **Wednesday 5th June**

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 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2019.
Erielle Intud, Josef Piquero, Khodi Azzopardi, Nicholas Lim, Margaux Lim, Aryton Tiongco, Andre Tiongco, Alana Jesson, Amelia Azzopardi, Austin Howard, Jaideen Labo, Aidan Labo, Natasha Kuhu, Emily Bottomley, Zarah Smith, Leni Smith, Emma Bajada, Cryztle Espino, Lara Hendrickson, charlotte Grace Bayada and Isaac Bayada.

Well done!!
Mrs Kersivien
Teacher/Librarian

TERM 2 CALENDAR

Thursday	June 6	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 7	9.30am Pentecost Assembly ~ MPR Cupcake & Popper Stall ~ P&F NO MERIT ASSEMBLY
Monday	June 10	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY
Tuesday	June 11	Full Winter Uniform for all students
Thursday	June 13	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 14	Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey closes 2.15pm Merit Assembly - MPR
Monday - Friday	June 17 – June 21	Reach Assessment -Spelling Reach Assessment -Writing
Wednesday	June 19	Primary Athletics Carnival – Blacktown International Sports Park
Thursday	June 20	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 21	K-6 Reports go home 9.15am P&F Meeting - Staffroom 2.15pm Merit Assembly - MPR
Monday	June 24	9am-11am Planetarium Incursion Yr. 6 – MPR Parent/Teacher Interviews Evening Session K-6 3.30pm – 8.00pm
Tuesday-Thursday	June 25 – July 4	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Wednesday	June 26	Voice of Youth – School Final
Thursday	June 27	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	June 28	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus 2.15pm Merit Assembly - MPR
Tuesday	July 2	Coding Club Expo Yrs. 3-6
Thursday	July 4	9.15am Parish Mass Yrs. 3-6
Friday	July 5	9.30am Student of the Term Pizza Day ~ P&F NO MERIT ASSEMBLY LAST DAY OF TERM

TERM 3 COMMENCES FOR ALL STUDENTS ON MONDAY 22ND JULY

ST JOHN VIANNEY'S - P & F NEWS



LAST CHANCE TO ORDER....

Don't forget that Cupcake & Popper Day
is this Friday 7th June

Due to ordering requirements with the Bakery,
we will not be accepting any more orders for
Cupcake after **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**
BEFORE 3PM.

Extra order forms are available from the office.

Future Term 2 EVENTS...

FRIDAY 5TH JULY - PIZZA DAY

P & F Meetings for Term 2

FRIDAY 21ST JUNE - 9:15am

All of our P&F meetings are held in the Staffroom. They go for approximately 60 minutes. These meetings are a great chance to hear about all the exciting things happening at school, be a part of planning future events and have a chance to speak with other parents and Mrs Cox about the school. Light refreshments are provided and siblings are welcome.

Clothing Pool Opening Hours - Term 2

The 2nd Hand Clothing Pool will be open on the following dates this term

Friday 14th June - 8:45am till 9:15am

Friday 5th July - 8:45am till 9:15am

WE DESPERATELY NEED YOUR HELP...

If anyone has any 2nd Hand Uniform Items at Home that they would like to donate to the Clothing Pool, please send them into the School Office ASAP.

SUPERVISION

Morning supervision starts 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.

If you are running late to pick your child up, please ring the office so we can inform your child - 8869 6300

KEEP US INFORMED

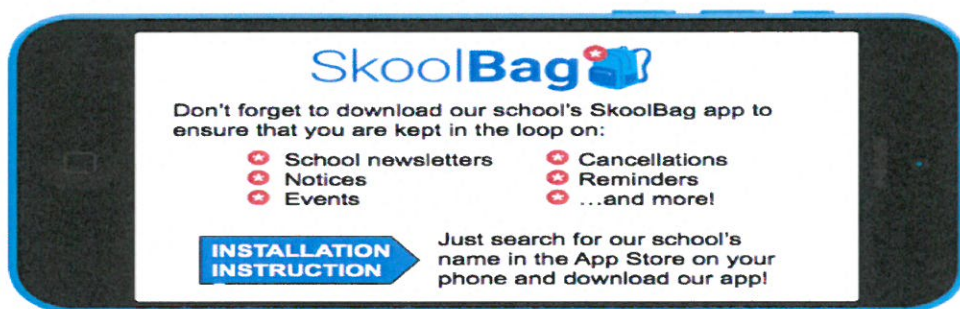
If you have changed your address, email address or phone numbers, please update via the Skoolbag App or contact the school office as soon as possible. It is important to have ALL contact details up to date for our records to ensure we can contact you when necessary.

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2019

Term 3 Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September

Term 4 Monday 14th October to Friday 20th December

❖ Students finish Wednesday 18th December



MEDICATION

If your child requires medication during the day, e.g. antibiotics, please send a note to the office together with the medication, details of dosage and time to be administered. If medication is required for a period of 5 days or more, a form will be sent home for completion. Just a reminder that **NO MEDICATION** is to be in your child's school bag. All medication must be kept in the office as we need to record all medication given to students.

The School's First Aid Officer require updated copies of all Asthma Management Plans and Anaphylaxis Action Plans so that we are prepared to help your child in case of an emergency.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019



This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From **1st May to 25th June**, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. **You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards).** Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at St John Vianney's or at Woolworths, Quakers Court.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths and some fantastic fun supplies. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Stickers need to correspond to every symbol on the sticker sheet.





KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTRE BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL

PICKUP & DROP OFF DAILY 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, or **to make the switch** please contact Jackie De Abreu on (02) 9622 8214 or visit our website www.kindercare.com.au

CHILD PROTECTION

Building Child Safe Communities New procedures reminders for volunteers

<http://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/asp/volunteerscpmodule/index.asp>

If you are considering volunteering for school excursions, sports carnivals etc. it is important to complete the requirement as set out below.

It is a system requirement that child protection training be completed by all volunteers commencing work in our school and a briefing every second year for existing volunteers.

An online training module for use by volunteers.

1. Open the module by clicking the Start link below.
2. Read through the presentation.
3. Complete and submit quiz questions. This will take approximately 45 minutes.
4. After successful completion of the module, fill out the form by typing your name, email address, contact number, contact address and the school you intend to volunteer at.
5. A notification of your successful completion of the module will be sent via e-mail to the school and also to your email address.

Click on Start the module.

Volunteers

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/volunteers>

Thank you for your interest in volunteering. The opportunities provided to students are greatly enhanced by the contribution of volunteers.

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE STEP 1 AND STEP 2

Step 1: Complete 'Building Child Safe Communities - Undertaking for Volunteers' Form

You will need to complete a Volunteers Form for each location that you volunteer. A notification of your successful completion of the form will be sent via e-mail to the volunteering location and also to your email address.

VOLUNTEER FORM

PRIVACY STATEMENT

Step 2: Complete the online training module

It is a system requirement that the online training module be completed by all volunteers commencing at any of our locations and the training needs to be completed every second year.

- Open the module by clicking the **Start** link below.
- Read through the presentation.
- Complete and submit quiz questions (this will take approximately 10 minutes).

TRAINING MODULE

PRIVACY STATEMENT