



St John Vianney's Parish School

# NEWSLETTER

I WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY TO HEAVEN

TERM 4

11TH DECEMBER 2019

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## Greetings dear Parents, Carers, Family, Friends, Students & Staff!

It is with mixed emotions that I write my very last school newsletter as Principal of St John Vianney's Parish School, Doonside. It's hard to believe that I've been a part of this AMAZING community for 20 years! When I arrived in 1999, to take up a teaching position in Year 6, my daughter was in her HSC year at OLMC Parramatta. Now in 2019, she and her husband are excitedly expecting the birth of their first child.....our first grandchild! **What a joyful blessing to look forward to!**

During my 47 years in Catholic Education in the western suburbs I've been fortunate to work in several schools as a classroom teacher and then in various leadership roles..... Religious Education Coordinator, Assistant Principal and Principal. My time in each school community provided me with the opportunity to work with many great principals, priests, teachers and wonderful children. **However, I must say, no other school has filled me with as much happiness, joy, sense of belonging, achievement and pride as St John Vianney's! I've said this before ..... our school is a little piece of heaven here on earth! I feel so blest to have had the privilege of working with such passionate, compassionate, dedicated and energetic teachers during these last 20 years.**

Fr O'Neill's and Fr Eugene's spiritual guidance, friendship and support have meant a great deal to me. I thank God that Fr O'Neill's vision of building a Catholic school on what was an empty paddock, with horses grazing, was realised. He often speaks with passion and great pride about the wonderful learning and achievements of our students and the work of our teachers. Our new principal, Mr Lievore is very impressed with the high standard of achievement at SJVs. I know that his own love of learning and desire to see students achieve their personal best will ensure continued success for all our students.

My time as a member of this community has been extraordinary! As a school community we have experienced and shared many wonderful moments. We've acknowledged and celebrated many learning successes and achievements across so many Key Learning Areas. We've celebrated special events through our beautiful assemblies which were prepared by our talented and creative teachers and brought to life by the students of each grade.

I especially want to say **THANK YOU to all the students and staff** for the **EPIC Farewell Assembly last Wednesday**. I was 'blown away' by the creativity of each grade's presentation ..... You made me feel very special and truly humbled by the beautiful sentiments shared. It was such a very special day that I will cherish forever!

We've had so many **crazy days** ..... mufti, book character parades, jumping castles and giant slides, fundraising fun days, photo booths ..... and not to mention the FOOD .....Pizza, sausage sizzles, ice blocks & Zooper Doopers, hot dogs, cakes! I believe we all need to balance our lives with a dash of fun and laughter. Our children work hard in their learning each school day and to create events 'just for fun' every now and again lifts their spirits and energises and motivates them. It's always been my belief that students who feel safe, valued and are happy in their school environment will learn! I hope they will cherish the memories of our fun times together.

Over the years we have established and strengthened positive partnerships .... parents, family members, friends, parish, teachers and students working together and supporting each other to enrich our community.

**THANK YOU** to the Parents and Friends Association and all who have contributed in any way to the learning, faith development, wellbeing and fun at St John Vianney's Parish School. I have truly valued and appreciated your support, enthusiasm, generosity and hard work!



To the incredible staff of St John Vianney's, (my school family) past and present, I offer my heartfelt gratitude for all you have done and continue to do for our students and families. Your passion, dedication, energy, enthusiasm, creativity, hard work and love of the students is second to none! Each one of you makes a difference every day! God bless you! I thank you for allowing me to be ME.... for your trust, loyalty, support and friendship...and the FUN and laughter we've shared over the years.

At the same time as I was appointed as Principal, Mrs Michelle Smith joined our school as Assistant Principal.

I am hugely indebted to my leadership team for their unfailing support and friendship. You have kept us focused and on track with our school goals. Your drive, openness to new ideas, professionalism in all you do, and your passion for your ministry in education have been unfailing. I most sincerely thank you for all you have done and will continue to do, to ensure SJVs continues to be a vibrant learning and faith community.

To our wonderful students, I offer a **HUGE THANK YOU** for the beautiful way you show God's love in the way you care for each other, for your great enthusiasm for learning, for being so friendly and welcoming and for the joy and happiness you bring to our school. **You have been a blessing to our community and to me! You are the reason I get out of bed each day! You make me smile! YOU make SJVs a great school! I will miss you very, very much.**

Our School Captains, Student Council and Sports Captains have shown true leadership in their roles. They have been **energetic, positive, resourceful and highly motivated** in carrying out their roles this year. Their hard work and joyful service **has not gone unnoticed!** I am extremely thankful for their support and **proud of the maturity and teamwork** they have displayed.

Year 6 ... May Jesus be your constant companion as you continue your journey. Trust in Him and always have the courage to hold strong to your faith. May the happy memories of your time at SJVs always live on in your hearts and minds. Just like St John Vianney, may you **"show others the way to heaven"** through your kind words and good deeds.

We are all so proud of you and wish each one of you every joy and success during your high school years and beyond! May each of you grow to become the best person you can be. **God bless you and your families always!**

Finally, to our parents, carers, family and friends ..... **THANK YOU** for your trust, support and constructive feedback during my years at St John Vianney's and especially during my short time as Principal. You have walked alongside me on this last part of my journey in education, encouraging me, challenging me, laughing with me, and sharing the hopes and dreams for our students' future. **It's been an AWESOME ride!** I hope I have served this community well. Now I look forward to new endeavours, travel and most importantly, the birth of our first grandchild .... I'm so excited. Please keep me in your prayers as you will be in mine.

*It is always sad to farewell families whose association with St John Vianney's has come to an end. This year we farewell the Allie, Amurao, Angok, Ceniza, Chandler, De Guzman, Dib, Donevski, Escueta, Frendo, Herd, Gathbonton, Hidalgo, Jeremiah, Jones, Kayasfis, Marticio, Mahusay, Mallett, Mercieca, Micallef, Mitchell, Norris, Pino-Undzillo, Piquero, Raymundo, Rull, Sadsad, Shafig, Sinclair, Sultana, Tecala, Teng, Tu'ipulotu and Zhou Families. Thank you for your contribution to St John Vianney's over the years and we hope you have many fond memories to take with you.*

**May our loving God continue to hold each family in His care and bless you as you continue the journey with your wonderful children.**

**I will forever cherish the memories created with you all in this wonderful community.**

**Thank you from the depths of my heart!**

**Until we meet again....**

*Blessings to all!*

*Georgio Coa*

Retiring Principal



## FAREWELL MRS ROZANSKI & MRS SULTANA

*It is with sadness that we farewell Mrs Diane Rozanski & Mrs Jody Sultana.*

*Mrs Sultana is leaving us to take up a teaching position at Mother Teresa Primary School, Westmead. We are extremely grateful to Mrs Sultana for 17 years of dedicated and loving service to the St John Vianney community. Her passion for learning, love of the children, hard work and understanding of contemporary learning has made such a positive impact on the students in her care. She has been a supportive and inspiring colleague and will be greatly missed. We wish her continued success as she begins a new stage in her teaching ministry in Catholic education.*

*Mrs Rozanski is retiring at the end of this year. She and her husband will be moving to Western Australia to enable them to spend more time with their family. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs Rozanski for the 21 years of much valued service, love and dedication to the students, staff and families of St John Vianney's. We wish her a well-deserved rest from her teaching ministry. May she experience all the joy, peace and happiness that retirement can bring.*

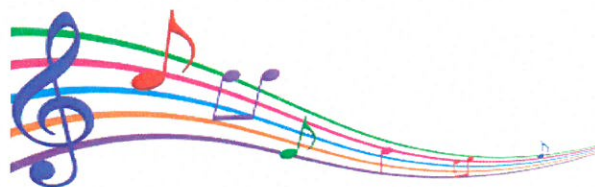
*May God continue to bless Mrs Sultana and Mrs Rozanski in their new ventures and grant them many years of contentment and joy!*

## 'THANK YOU' MORNING TEA

*On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, we held a Thank You Morning Tea to express our gratitude to all the wonderful parent helpers who have given so generously of their time in supporting our school community in so many ways. I hope you enjoyed the high tea we prepared for you and your special gift. It was our way of spoiling you just a little. St John Vianney's Parish school is very fortunate indeed to have such caring, supportive and generous help from our parents and family members. You are greatly appreciated for all you do.*

## JUNIOR & SENIOR CHOIRS

*We have so many talented students! Thank you Mrs Stanley! You did an INCREDIBLE JOB with the choirs! Their angelic voices gave us goose bumps. Thank you! The morning was a SPECTACULAR ensemble of SJV talents enjoyed by all, but especially by Mrs Sultana, Mrs Rozanski and their families, our special guests and the families of these students!!*





## GRADUATING CLASS OF 2019

### 6BLUE – MRS CROSER

Jose Abrigo  
Elizabeth Angok  
Marcus Amurao  
Cadence Autagavaia  
Avria Bergado  
Zymon Calonzo  
Marc Cuevas  
Gabrielle De Guzman  
Lara Derjani  
Mary Dib  
Bella-Angel Flores  
Chelsea Hidalgo  
Izabel Jerez  
Mariana Kayafis  
Maximus Konstantinoff  
Charlize Mahusay  
Angelica Mallett  
Jerrell Marticio  
Bernadette Mercado  
Blake Norris  
Ruby O'Keefe  
Jeremy Portelli  
Enrique Rindfelish  
Liam Robertson  
Aidan Sadsad  
Breannan Scott  
Daniel Sinclair  
Alexis Vella

### 6GOLD – MRS BALINTEC

Jai Abadiano  
Merolla Abdelmalak  
Mounir Abou-Yaghi  
Brooke Ayliffe  
Ian Ceniza  
Grace Chandler  
Thomas Donevski  
Sabine Escueta  
Ethan Frendo  
Pedrito Gatbonton  
Ashyana Herd  
Deanne Jeremiah  
Aniya Jomon  
Jaeda Liao  
Adam Mercieca  
Ethan Micallef  
Isabel Mitchell  
Josef Piquero  
Jayda Ramia  
Van Irish Raymundo  
Jasmine Rull  
Angelina Shafig  
Ysabella Sibucan  
Dante Sio Ngaha  
Adrienne Sultana  
Sienna Tecala  
Kevin Zhou

*We congratulate the Graduating Class and thank them for their leadership this year.  
A special thank you goes to the Student Council Members and School Captains for being  
excellent role models.*

### STUDENT COUNCIL 2019

SCHOOL CAPTAINS: Avria Bergado & Daniel Sinclair

STUDENT COUNCIL: Adrienne Sultana, Max Konstantinoff, Bernadette Mercado,  
Sabine Escueta, Pedrito Gatbonton & Josef Piquero

### SPORT CAPTAINS 2019

**MacKillop (blue)** ..... Jaeda Liao and Aidan Sadsad

**Smith (gold)** ..... Sienna Tecala and Mounir Abou-Yaghi

**O'Neill (red)** ..... Bella Flores and Marc Cuevas

**Watts (green)** ..... Ysabella Sibucan and Jerrell Marticio

*Our thoughts and warmest wishes to all Year 6 pupils as they embark upon their High  
School Years.*







## A Christmas Creed

*I believe that Christmas is a time for remembering Christ and the incarnation of God's love in human flesh.*

*I believe that the important gifts of Christmas are the things we teach our children, the way we share ourselves with friends and the generosity and commitment we give to building a better world in our time.*

*I believe that the finest carols are often sung by the poorest voices; from hearts made warm by the wonder of the season.*

*I believe in the angel's message that we should not be afraid – that the child of Bethlehem is still to overcome all anxieties and insecurities.*

*I believe in prayer and quietness and that if I wait in stillness and silence, I will experience the presence of the One born in the manger, for He lives today as surely as He lived then.*

*I believe in going away from Christmas as the wise men went: "another way." I want to be different when these days are past – more centred, more thoughtful, more caring.*

*And I believe God will help me. Amen.*



## STUDENT COUNCIL 2020

Our Year 5 students went through an important process of electing eight new members of the Student Council for 2020 as well as eight Sports Captains.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students who have been elected by their peers as our new Student Council for 2020.

*Adia Aniano  
Tiana Cutajar  
Tyarrah Jimenez  
Jacob Magsalin*

*Chanel Morales  
Myron Nicolas  
Nicolas Perez  
Lachlan Rull*

*From this team, two school captains will be elected by the Year 5 students and staff.*

*The new School Captains and Sports Captains for 2020 will be announced at the end of the Year 6 Graduation on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. The Graduation ceremony will begin at 9:30am in the MPR.*

## STUDENT OF THE TERM AWARDS FOR TERM 4 - CONGRATULATIONS

Tyrell Quimpo (KB), Serena Arranz (KG), Lina Joseph (KG), Charlotte Bayada(1B), Emma Bajada(1G), Romeo Marasigan (2B), Liana Saba (2G), Justine Dela Pena (3B), Josephine Lopez (3B), Chloe Marcelo (3G), Gabriel Hidalgo(4B), Lucas Ocampo (4G), Timothy Cheng (5B), Sofia Manalac(5G), Liam Robertson (6B), Van Irish Raymundo (6G).



## ATTENDANCE AWARD 2019

This year we have introduced a **NEW** award for 100% attendance. This is to acknowledge those children who have had no absences for the whole academic year. **Special congratulations** to **Julienne Esclanda (1B) & Liana Saba (2G)** who are this year's proud recipients of our inaugural Attendance Award. **'Every day counts'**.





### **FR O'NEILL RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE AWARD 2019**

*Congratulations to the students who received the **Fr. O'Neill Religious Knowledge Award for 2019**. This award is presented to students from each of the primary classes who achieve 100% in the Religious Knowledge Test which is based on the St John Vianney's Parish Catechism. God bless you. Remember to **LIVE** the message of the Gospel. Thank you, Fr. O'Neill, for your support of this award.*

**3B Justine Dela Pena, Niya Kanesh, Majella Nguyen, Joseph Abou-Yaghi, Avryl Bergado**  
**3G Denzell Crisostomo, Jake Cutajar, Jayden Derjani, Arrabel Guterrez, Dean Sultana**  
**4B Amelia Azzopardi, Nina Isakov**  
**4G Maria Kanesh, Talia Gomez, Roslind Cabiguen**  
**5B Myron Nicolas, Angelica Icaca, Helyna Nery, Tyarrah Jimenez, Nicolas Perez, Caitlin Ortega, Adia Aniano**  
**5G Keira Hamilton, Alanna Jomon, Rhianna Bartlett, Tiana Cutajar, Micaela Sibucan, Khodi Azzopardi**  
**6B Avria Bergado, Jeremy Portelli**  
**6G Angelina Shafiq, Ysabella Sibucan, Adrianne Sultana, Mounir Abou-Yaghi**



### **FR O'NEILL CLEAR SPEAKING AWARD 2019**

*Congratulations to the students who received the **Fr. O'Neill Clear Speaking Award for 2019**. This award is an initiative of our Parish Priest and is awarded to one student from each of the primary classes. Thank you Fr. O'Neill for your continued support of clear speaking.*

<b>Niya Kanesh (3B)</b>	<b>Angelica Icaca (5B)</b>
<b>Dean Sultana (3G)</b>	<b>Gabriel Paul (5G)</b>
<b>Tayana Hamilton (4B)</b>	<b>Gabrielle De Guzman (6B)</b>
<b>Maria Kanesh (4G)</b>	<b>Adrianne Sultana (6G)</b>



## CALENDAR TERM 4

Thursday	December 12	9.15am Parish Mass – Years 3-6
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 13</b>	<b>9.30AM YEAR 6 GRADUATION ~ MPR</b> Ice Blocks & Zooper Doopers~ P&F
Sunday	December 15	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 16</b>	<b>9.30am Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly ~ MPR</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 17</b>	<b>Yr.6 Day Out ~ Don Bosco Centre</b>
Wednesday	December 18	<b>STUDENTS' LAST DAY</b>
Thursday	December 19	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
Friday	December 20	<b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020: Public Holiday**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020: STAFF ONLY**  
**Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs)**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020: STAFF ONLY**  
**Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs)**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020: Years 1-6 Resume**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020: Years 3-6 Primary Swimming Carnival**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020: Kindergarten Commence**

## STUDENT BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

At this busy time of year with birthday celebrations, we ask that you limit food to ice blocks, nut free cakes, donuts or lolly bags. Food items like Macdonalds or KFC are **not permitted**.

Just a reminder that **no correspondence** should be sent home to parents without the consent of the Principal.

Thank you for your co-operation!

*Mrs Cow*



**MERIT CERTIFICATES**  
**Congratulations to the following Students:**

**KBLUE**

Isabelle Arevalo  
Noah Adriano  
Antoine Alfafara  
Amelia Shobin  
Shiloh De Guzman  
Dre Sio Ngaha

**IBLUE**

Rahn Albeos  
Mica Enrile  
Leni Smith  
Liam Allie  
Frances De Guzman  
Gabriel Crisostomo

**2BLUE**

Jennifer Talione  
Simon Pastoral  
Gisele Fernandes  
Celestine Cabiguen  
Gavin Zano  
Hrishi Koduri

**3BLUE**

Tyenna Jimenez  
Janelle LoboKakodkar  
George Mikhail  
Mile Siric  
Annabelle Valenzuela-D'Antonio  
Jamae Abadiano  
Phoenix Marsters Barber Sio

**4BLUE**

Meghan Bartlett  
Margaux Lim  
Alyssa Forster  
Adrienne Mahusay  
Chelsea Quimpo  
Nathan Shafig

**5BLUE**

Charlotte Attard  
Cryztle Espino  
Mentweb Angelo  
Allistaire Reyes  
Cryztle Espino  
Nathan Ison

**6BLUE**

Bernadette Mercado  
Charlize Mahusay  
Mariana Kayafis  
Bella-Angel Flores  
Jeremy Portelli  
Marc Cuevas  
Liam Robertson

**KGOLD**

Aaliyah Knight  
Phoenix Sylva-Williams  
Ananya Bains  
Nathaniel Ram  
Rosa Talione  
Isaiah Hanna

**1GOLD**

Sophia Belista  
Erielle Intud  
Justin Nasif  
Georgia Mercado  
Nathan Abreu  
Nicholas Lim

**2GOLD**

Lilliana Broadfoot  
David Lopez  
Scyanna DuRoss  
Micah Mercado  
Liana Saba  
Ava Elfar

**3GOLD**

Sharmaine Bompat  
Denzell Crisostomo  
Eason Zheng  
Lily Solbiati  
Nicole Maliwat  
Sage Cheng

**4GOLD**

Ayurvi Chaudhary  
Claire Mallett  
Lachlan Tiqui

**5GOLD**

Jacob Magsalin  
Micaela Sibucan  
Cypher Dela Cruz  
Mico Aducaen  
Sandrina Roufail  
Monique Papachristou

**6GOLD**

Ian Ceniza  
Jaeda Liao  
Deanne Jeremiah  
Adam Mercieca  
Merolla Abdelmalak  
Brooke Ayliffe



**CONTINUATION OF MERIT CERTIFICATES**  
**Congratulations to the following Students:**

**KBLUE**

Dre Sio Ngaha  
Carter Maningat  
Eli Gray  
Jacinta Mickaeal

**KGOLD**

Arin Khadka  
Bhavya Sangroula  
Jacob Joubran

**1BLUE**

Priyasa Subedi  
Amber Chin  
Sabal Pokhrel

**1GOLD**

Caitlin Morales  
Georgia Mercado  
Francis Salameh

**2BLUE**

Mia Castro Candiotti  
Khushi Singh  
Hendrix Layson

**2GOLD**

Demiana Abdelmalak  
Bernadette McIntyre  
Eliza Arranz

**3BLUE**

Jett Cuevas  
Amelia Shafig  
Tiago Belisto

**3GOLD**

Sage Cheng  
Eliah Angok  
Arrabel Gutierrez

**4BLUE**

Aubriana Obligacion  
Clare Ciappara  
Angela Sicat

**4GOLD**

Alana Brennan Jesson  
Lucas Ocampo  
Carmen Sokar

**5BLUE**

Lara Hendrickson  
Helyna Nery  
Jerome Chin

**5GOLD**

Elianah San Pedro  
Andrew Aggrey  
Tiana Cutajar

**6BLUE**

Aidan Sadsad  
Angelica Mallett  
Isabel Jerez

**6GOLD**

Josef Piguero  
Sabine Escueta  
Adrienne Sultana

**KIDS ON KEYBOARD**



Kids on Keyboard is a fun and easy way to introduce children to the world of music and the keyboard. Classes are open for students from Years 2 to 6. Classes are run before school and children attend once every week. If you are interested in enrolling your child for 2020 or want more information please contact **Christine Dieckmann on 0409-247-424.**



Fr Tony Bouchaaya: 0414 321 385  
Roula Salameh : 0410 985 276



## Christ is born, Glorify Him!



Under the patronage and the blessing of ***His Grace Bishop Robert Rabbat*** Eparch of the Melkite Catholic Church, in Australia & N/Z.

The Scouts of Our Lady of the Dormition Group at Doonside, are honored to invite you to the .....Grotto of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, on ***Sunday the 8/12/2019 at 12:30 pm. At St John Vianney Church's hall at 17 Cameron Street, Doonside.***

Relying on the scriptures in the Holy Gospel, the scout strived to reflect the environment and the culture of the daily life in the old Bethlehem. Visitors will witness the detailed handmade buildings and the tools used by the people's daily chores at that time.

Please, bring your families to experience the daily life where baby Jesus was born and to be blessed by Our Lord as we come closer to welcome Him.

Your contribution is much appreciated, by advertising, attending, donating and by praying for the success of this pastoral project.

Please advertise this project in your Churches and post it on notice board.

### **Address and opening dates and hours:**

**17 Cameron street Doonside, NSW, 2767**

13,14, 20, 21, 23, 24 / 12 / 2019.

from: **6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

15, 22, 25 / 12 / 2019.

from: **11:00 am – 2: 00 pm.**

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**FREE ENTRY**



## **Term 4 Overview 2019**

**By Daniel Sinclair - Avria Bergado**

Good morning Father O'Neill, Father Eugene, Mrs Cox, Mrs Smith, parents, teachers and students. We began Term 4 on a bright, sunny October day, excited to start the last term for 2019. Term 4's schedule was busy for all students but was filled with great learning, fun and laughs.

On the first Friday of the term, all grades prayed the Rosary together, to celebrate the month of the Rosary. Thank you Mrs Rose for leading the liturgy and making it possible.

On Monday the 21st of October, 55 students ranging from Year 3 and 4 had a blast playing cricket at the Woolworths T20 Blast. A big thank you to Mrs Tierney, for organizing the event as well as giving up your lunchtimes training the students.

The next day, Year 3 had their excursion to the Sydney Tower Eye. They got to see the great views from the tower, looking over Sydney as well as enjoying lunch at Hyde Park.

While Year 3 were busy at the Tower Eye, Year 4 were at school, exploring space as they experienced a hands-on learning incursion at the Space Workshop held by the Fizzics Education. Year 4 had a wonderful time as they enjoyed several fascinating scientific experiments.

On Friday the 1st of November, our school celebrated the feast day of All Saints. While Years 3 - 6 attended mass, infants classes celebrated with a special prayer session.

To honour all the fallen soldiers on Remembrance day, the school experienced a special prayer liturgy led by Mrs Rose. As well as the prayer, all students remained silent for one minute at 11am as a sign of respect.

This term, Kindergarten to Year 2 were able to take part in a Pet Care and Safety program, where they learnt how to deal with pets safely and responsibly. They were given the chance to pet a dog and put into practice what they learnt.

The day after the Pet Care and Safety talk, Year 6 held a Rainbow Day fundraiser, where students were able to wear coloured mufti clothes for a gold coin. The money raised will be used for supplying a gift to St John Vianney's after our 7 years of schooling.

As well as the Rainbow day, Year 6 ran a Toblerone raffle where students were able to purchase tickets to win a 4.5kg Toblerone Chocolate. The money earned will go towards the Year 6 Fun Day, at Don Bosco later in the term. Congratulations to Adrianne Mahusay for being lucky enough to win the massive chocolate.

With the money earned from both the Rainbow Day and Toblerone raffle, Year 6 were able to raise \$614.35. On behalf of Year 6, I would like to say thank you to everyone for helping us raise this money. A special thank you to our Year 6 teachers, Mrs Croser and Mrs Balintec for running this event.

2 weeks ago, Year 5 were lucky enough to pay a visit St Agnes at Rooty Hill for a Technology Day. During the day they were able to join in a number of technology related activities.

Earlier this term, Year 5 had the responsibility of voting for next year's Student Representative Council as well as the Sport Captains. Just last week, the grade had the opportunity to take a glimpse into what the 2020 SRC was capable of, by listening to their inspiring school captain speeches.

On Tuesday, the 26th of November, the Learning Support team were able to celebrate a Christmas party at Variety Day. The students and teachers certainly enjoyed their day where they were able to participate in several activities.

Last Friday, Year 4 led us in the Advent Assembly. They gave us the message that Jesus is coming and that we should watch out and wake up. It was a beautiful assembly teaching us to be prepared for the birth of Jesus.



After recess on Friday, all grades were able to play games and booths run by our very own teachers. There were stalls such as Game Zone, where the Year 6 Coding Club had the chance to share their games and animations. The Popcorn & Lollipop stand, karaoke, beauty salon and many, many more. After an early lunch, the Talent Show began where numerous students were able to showcase their talents and skills. There were comedy skits, singing, dancing, guess the movie game and several other variety of acts. In total, the school was able to raise \$1361. All the money earned will go towards helping the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal. A heartfelt thank you to Miss D'Sa for organizing and running this very successful event.

On Tuesday December the 3rd, Year 4 had the opportunity to attend the Road to Bethlehem at Loyola Senior High in Rooty Hill. The grade was able to watch the liturgical pilgrimage of the Christmas story as they prepare for the season of Christmas.

Mrs Cox's Farewell assembly was on Wednesday the 4th of December. All grades shared an item to thank our wonderful principal for all she's done for us. The items included artworks, singing, and more. Every member of the St John Vianney's community was welcomed, as we all wished her a safe and happy retirement. Thank you to Mrs Kersivien, Mrs Smith, and to all the teachers who helped organise the assembly to make it memorable for Mrs Cox.

After the assembly, the P&F held a farewell BBQ at lunch for all grades. Every student received a free sausage sizzle and ice block as we celebrated Mrs Cox's retirement. A MASSIVE thanks to our P & F for all you do to put smiles on our faces and food in our bellies.

We thought the term couldn't get any busier, but we thought wrong. Our last weeks of Term 4 will be more packed than ever, not leaving anyone rest as we end the year.

We still look forward to the Christmas Assembly led by Year 2 next Tuesday, the change-over afternoon for Kindergarten - Year 5, the day our semester 2 reports go home and the Premier's Reading Challenge Assembly.

We also look forward to the Year 6 Graduation on Friday the 13th of December. During the graduation, the current SRC, School Captains and Sport Captains vacate their positions to the 2020 leadership team. After the assembly, Year 6 will move to Nurragingy Reserve, where they will celebrate a graduation picnic with our teachers, family and friends. Then on Tuesday December the 18th, Year 6 and their teachers will be heading out to the Don Bosco Centre for our fun day.

On behalf of the school, I would like to thank Fr O'Neill and Father Eugene for all the weekly masses the primary grades attend. Thank you for helping us strengthen our Christian faith and relationship with God, as well as showing us the way to Heaven.

A much needed thank you to the P&F, for arranging countless events, such as the ice block & zooper dooper stalls, pizza & popper stalls and cupcake & popper stall. Another thank you is needed for also running Oscar and Samantha for next years Kindergartens, the Kindy Parent Information Night and Kindy Orientation visits.

A massive thank you to Mrs. Cox for her time here at St. John Vianney's Parish School Doonside. On behalf of SJV we wish you the best in the years to come. We hope that being a grandmother is one of the best things that will happen. May God Bless you in this new chapter of your life.

As we end our school year on the 18th of December, on behalf of the Student Council, Avria and I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you to Mrs Cox, Mrs Smith, teachers, parents and students for making our last year, one to never forget. I can certainly say that all of us in the leadership were honoured to serve our school this year. We would like to wish the incoming Student Council - Chanel Morales, Nicolas Perez, Tyarra Jiminez, Jacob Magsalin, Tiana Cutajar, Myron Nicolas, Adia Aniano and Lachlan Rull - the very best as they venture into their journey as the 2020 leaders.

**May God Bless and have a wonderful holiday.**



## **PARENTS & FRIENDS**

*On behalf of the 2019 P&F Committee, I would like to thank all of the Students, Parents, Extended Family and Staff for all of their support this year.*

*2019 has been a fantastic year for Fundraising thru the P&F events, with us raising over \$20,000 throughout the year.*

*We have been able to assist the school with purchasing some much needed equipment and resources throughout the year.*

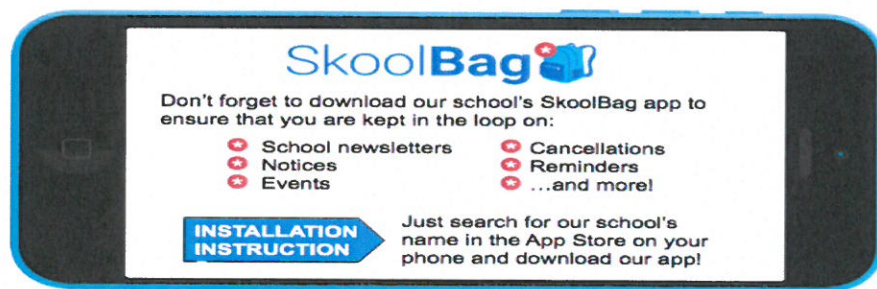
*Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents, older siblings and others who have come along and volunteered their time thru our the year. None of our events would have been successful without you.*

*We would like to wish all of the students, parents and families all a very Merry Christmas. Stay safe over the holiday period and enjoy the family time.*

*We look forward to working with you all in 2020, with some exciting things come...*

***Teneile Shaw, Maryanne Vella & Tina Hendrickson***  
***P&F Committee***

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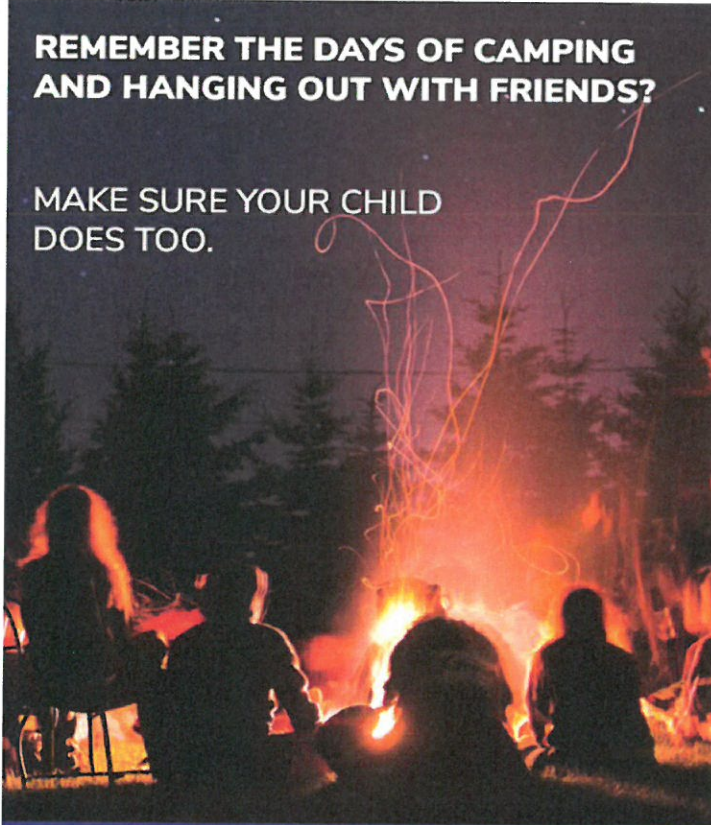
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Our After School Care operates from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

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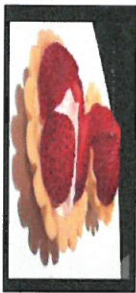


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# Vacation Care January 2020

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Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th
<b>D for Detective</b> Detective D is a story and workshop about solving cases and unravelling the big questions, like who ate my lunch –  Incurison \$20.00	<b>All aboard the Art Express</b> It's a day fill with fun activities 	<b>Mini Beast</b> A Whole new world  Mini World discover the importance Mini Beast in your garden. Incurison \$20.00	<b>Great Race</b> It a whole lot of fun, team up for the great race there be lots of challenges  Incurison \$20.00	<b>Mexican Festival</b>  Get your Sombrero on for a fun fill day of Art/ Craft, Games, food & learn Spanish greeting.
<b>Sonic Kitchen</b> experiment with Sound we will see it interact with it create a science experiment with slime.  10.30 -1.30 Incurison \$20.00	<b>Chillax at Movie Day</b>  Technologies Day bring your pillow & chillax	<b>Zone Bowling</b> Blacktown Plus Arcade Games/ Laser Tag  Lunch included Excursion \$30.00	<b>Wheels Day</b> Bring your scooter for a fun day.  Learn about road safety	<b>Silent Disco</b> Get Wired for sound At our own music at our silent disco  1:00 -2.30 Incurison \$20.00
<b>Taronga Park ZOO</b>  Which animal will be your favourite! Excursion not to be missed Excursion \$30.00	<b>Sweet Treat Cooking</b> make and take-home variety of favourite treats 	<b>SMOOSH Carnival</b> It a whole lot of FUN, Hoopla, Hungry clown, Pirate Revenge Balloon Bop, Mini Golf. Lucky Dip \$5.00 Ticket	<b>Beat the Buzzer</b>  Games Day Fun and games as you try to beat the Buzzer Prizes to be won. Bring your technology for extra fun.	<b>Rainbow Warriors</b> are back for a Fun Day of Challenges  Incurison \$20.00

Vacation Care Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January: To Cool for School Activities, (Last day of Holiday's before returning to school.

Tick the box ☐