

TERM 4

NOVEMBER 4

Number 17

Dear Parents and Carers,

*Last Thursday our children participated in the **Musica Viva programme** via zoom - a first for our school! Musica Viva is a programme that has operated in schools for 40 years and is designed to give children the opportunity to experience live chamber music. My thanks to **Mrs Stanley** our Creative Arts teacher for facilitating the programme and to the teachers and children for their participation and the many questions that they were able to ask the performers.*

*Last Friday was **World Teachers' Day** - a day on which we celebrate the work and dedication of all teachers and the outstanding contribution they make to the lives of children. I would like to acknowledge the work and professionalism of the teachers at St John Vianney's School. Their commitment to the children, their dedication to their own learning and their ongoing support of the Leadership Team is second to none and our community is a richer one thanks to their presence.*

Reminders:

Early drop off:

*I would like to respectfully remind families that children **should not be dropped at school before 8:30am each day**. This is the time that supervision begins at St John Vianney's. I have noticed recently an increase in the number of children who are being dropped off before this time - some of them quite early. I understand that parents are under pressure with work times and their own travel to their place of employment, but you might need to think of alternatives to the early drop off.*

School uniform:

St John Vianney's has a uniform policy that is clearly outlined in the Parent Handbook. Parents agree to adhere to these expectations when they sign the enrolment agreement. Please ensure that your child/ren are in the correct uniform each day and avoid allowing them to wear 'non-uniform' items. If this is not possible, a note to the class teacher would be much appreciated. The schools' uniform expectations appear later in this newsletter.

Thank you all for your support with these two issues.

Cameron Lievore
Principal

IMPORTANT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday
6th November
Ice Block Day ~ P&F**

**Tuesday
November
10th
Cricket NSW Programme
Yrs. 3-6**

**Wednesday
November 11th
Remembrance Day**

**Friday
November 20th
Ice Block Day ~ P&F**

**Sunday
November 29th
1st Sunday of Advent**

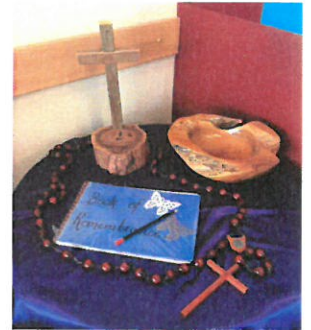
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

November – A Month of Remembrance

November is traditionally the month in which our Church remembers Her dead, and in a special way we are invited to remember our family and friends who have died, especially those who have passed in the previous year. In the school foyer during the month of November we have placed our own school's Book of Remembrance. We invite our community to include members of their family or friends who have passed away so that during this month we can include them in our prayers.



All Saints Day – 1st November

Last Sunday was the Feast of All Saints: a holy day of the Church honouring all saints, known and unknown. While we have information about many saints whom we honour on specific days, there are many unknown or unsung saints who may have been forgotten, or never been specifically honoured.

On All Saints Day, we celebrate these saints of the Lord, and ask for their prayers and intercessions.

The Feast of All Saints is tied in with the Communion of Saints. This is the belief that all of God's people in heaven, on earth and in the state of purification, are connected in a communion. In other words, we believe that the saints of God are constantly interceding on our behalf.



We are all called to holiness as God's beloved.

We are all called to bring a little bit of the Kingdom of God on earth to each other.

Lord God, show us how we too are called to be saints with joyful hearts,

For we truly are beloved, the communion of saints

Here on earth as it is in heaven.

All Souls Day – 2nd November

All Souls Day, last Monday, is always celebrated the day proceeding All Saints Day. On this feast day we remember and honour the multitudes who have walked the earth before us. Every soul is created and named by God and deserves both reverence and respect. On this feast day we give homage to all those who have lived and died before us. It is a day that we particularly hold in our prayers those dear to us who have passed away.

Simon Stennett

Religious Education Coordinator

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The following items may be purchased from the school office:

School Hats and School Backpacks with the SJV's logo.

The full school uniform can be purchased from Lowes - Shop 2060/1, Westpoint Blacktown, 17 Patrick Street, Blacktown. Phone: (02) 9672 3025

Each student at St John Vianney's is expected to wear the correct school uniform neatly and with pride as stipulated below:

Girls' Summer Uniform	Girls' Winter Uniform	Girls' & Boys' Sports Uniform
Dress - Blue check with Navy trim Jacket - Navy Microfibre Jacket with emblem Hat - School Hat with emblem Socks - Navy Ankle style Shoes - Black leather school shoes (no black joggers)	Tunic - Navy/mid Blue/Mrn Check-Pleated Style Tie - Sky blue/Mrn Check Blouse - Sky blue long sleeve p/pan blouse Jacket - Navy Microfibre Jacket with emblem Hat - School Hat with emblem Socks - Navy Ankle style Tights - Navy Becky Shoes - Black leather school shoes (no black joggers)	Polo Top - Navy and Sky blue with school crest Shorts - Navy Microfibre with emblem Trackpants - Navy Microfibre BBT Jacket - Navy Microfibre Jacket with emblem Hat - School Hat with emblem Socks - White Sports style Shoes - Joggers (predominantly white)
Boys' Summer Uniform	Boys' Winter Uniform	
Shirt - Sky with school crest Shorts - Navy 'Blockers' Jacket - Navy Microfibre Jacket with emblem Hat - School Hat with emblem Socks - Navy Ankle style Shoes - Black leather school shoes (no black joggers)	Shirt - Sky deluxe long sleeve Trousers - Navy ½ elastic back classics Tie - School design tartan Jacket - Navy Microfibre Jacket with emblem Hat - School Hat with emblem Socks - Navy Ankle style Shoes - Black leather school shoes (no black joggers)	

- Girls are permitted to wear plain gold or silver single sleepers or studs.
- Ornamental bangles, bracelets, anklets or earrings are not to be worn.
- Girls may wear one signet ring.
- A necklace of Religious significance may be worn underneath the uniform.
- Boys are not to wear earrings to school.
- Nail polish is not to be worn.
- Boys' hairstyles are to be neat and simple – no pronounced undercuts or designs, no rats tails or hair impeding their vision.
- Girls with shoulder length hair are to have it tied back away from the face.
- Girls' hair accessories are to be in school colours
- School shoes are to be black and polishable.
- Sport shoes are to be a jogger design predominantly white with no bright colours, patterns or slogans.
- Students are to wear the school hat everyday with the flap down and the peak of the cap facing forwards. Students without hats will be directed to the designated shade areas.
- Year 6 students may wear their souvenir polo shirt on sports days.

The Principal will make the final decision on what is considered appropriate hair styling, grooming and jewellery for school. Parents will be notified if there are concerns regarding their child/ren.

All items of clothing must be clearly marked with the student's name and class.



Dear Parents and Carers,

***Fill in the Blanks** is a fun Maths game you can play with your child. Listed below are ways you can change the game to suit your child's needs.*

FILL IN THE BLANKS

124	226	329		538		751		
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You will need:

Playing cards (ace-9, a blank row of squares (at least 7, up to 30, with some of the spots filled in with numbers).

How to play:

The player to finish the number sequence correctly is the winner. Players turn over 2 cards and use those to make a number (4 and 2 makes 42 or 24). Players take turns to put a number in. If they are not able to go, the next person takes two cards.

What's the Maths?

- Counting
- Ordering numbers
- Difference between numbers

Change the game slightly:

- Use a dice (0-9) instead
- Choose three cards and make the numbers in the hundreds
- Choose four cards and make the numbers in the thousands
- Choose one card and make numbers less than 10
- Biggest to smallest
- Decimals

HAVE FUN PLAYING THIS GAME!

CALENDAR TERM 4

Friday	November 6	Ice Block Day ~ P&F
Tuesday	November 10	Cricket NSW Program ~ Yrs. 3-6
Wednesday	November 11	REMEMBRANCE DAY
Tuesday	November 17	Cricket NSW Program ~ Yrs. 3-6
Friday	November 20	Ice Block Day ~ P&F
Sunday	November 29	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Thursday	December 3	12:15pm Student of the Term, Clear Speaking & RE Awards
Friday	December 4	Primary Swimming Carnival~ Yrs. 2-5 (no spectators and no parent helpers)
Sunday	December 6	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Tuesday	December 8	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Reports go home K-6 2:00pm Change over afternoon
Friday	December 11	9.30am Year 6 Graduation
Sunday	December 13	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Tuesday	December 15	Yr. 6 Day Out ~ Don Bosco Centre
Wednesday	December 16	Student's last day
Thursday	December 17	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Friday	December 18	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Tuesday 26th January 2021: Public Holiday

Wednesday 27th January 2021: STAFF ONLY
Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs)

Thursday 28th January 2021: STAFF ONLY
Mathematics Assessment Interviews (MAIs)

Friday 29th January 2021: Years 1-6 Resume

Monday 1st February 2021: Kindergarten Commence

ENROLMENTS 2021

**Enrolments Forms for Kindergarten and all other grades
are available from the school office.**

DROPPING OFF & PICKING UP STUDENTS

Mornings: Parents are to drop off their child at the school gate, adjacent to the school office, and leave straight away.

Afternoons: All siblings or children picked up with other family member and/or friends, will be gathered on the Basketball Court. These children will be dismissed by a teacher via the top gates in the far corner of the basketball court.

All those children without siblings will gather in the amphitheatre. A teacher will dismiss these children via the gate between the Parish and the School Library.

The Main Entrance Gate, adjacent to the office will be locked in the afternoon. The walkers are to wait near this gate for Mr Lievore to walk them out.

After School Care children will wait in the amphitheatre. Mr Lievore will escort them to their supervisor outside the Main Entrance when they arrive.

Parking Notice:

A reminder to parents that there is no parking in the Staff or Parish carpark when dropping off / picking up children unless you have a disability sticker displayed. Also, there is no parking in the bus bay at any time. Blocking driveways makes it very difficult for others to enter / exit so please refrain from this practise as well.

Complaints Procedures:

At St John Vianney's School, the dignity of each individual is paramount. The school follows the Catholic Education diocese of Parramatta Complaint Handling Policy and Procedures. A copy of the policy is available at the school office or online at:

<http://www.stjohnvianneysdoonside.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Policies-and-Procedures>

Classroom issues should always be addressed with the class teacher in the first instance so that a positive outcome can be reached. Parents should not approach other children in an effort to resolve an issue or misunderstanding.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED LEAVE

*Parents, as you know, it is very important that children attend school every day. Quite often leave is requested by parents for various reasons. While we understand that this may be necessary sometimes, it is not encouraged. **Every school day is important for every student.***

*If you intend taking your child out of the school for **five days or more** you must make a formal application to the Principal in writing and complete the '**Application for Extended Leave**' form which is available from the school office. The application must be **submitted at least 4 weeks prior to the expected leave** or earlier if possible.*

***It is important for parents to know that, depending on circumstances, this leave may not be approved.** Each application will be considered on an individual basis and could depend on circumstances such as the intention for the leave, your child's attendance and the impact the leave may have on your child's academic progress.*

These regulations are in place in all schools in the Parramatta Diocese to make sure that all students have the best opportunity to achieve to their full potential. We appreciate your support and understanding of these requirements.

MERIT CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following Students:

23rd & 30th October 2020

K BLUE

Izabel Lopez
Meray Mikhaeel
Andrija Ochoa
Alexander Muljono
Dre Sio Ngaha
Lucas Cuento-Reynoso

K GOLD

Eva Gatchalian
Lucy Cook
Andrei Maximo
Marqus Fagela
Anandita Bains
Mia Kempainen

1 BLUE

Abigail Adem
Eli Gray
Connor Layson
Shiloh De Guzman
Mikaella Morato
Marcus Gergawy

1 GOLD

Jacob Joubran
Lara Mabagos
Nahom Habtemikel
Rosa Talione
Cecille Rucat
Austin Howard

2 BLUE

Justine Savari
Natasha Kuhu
Nathan Abreu
Hannan O'Keefe
Jesiah Flores
Lebron Marasigan

2 GOLD

Nathaniel Lejero
Olivia Jesson
Emma Bajada x 2
Leni Smith
Sienna Hayman-Lafo

3 BLUE

Chanel Maningat
Zachary Fernandes
John Barrak
Jonathan Cabrera
Emilia Khattar
Demiana Abdelmalak

3 GOLD

Mark Boctor
Joaquin Castillo
Jaanvi Sahni
Bryan Malonzo
Simon Pastoral
Ava Elfar

4 BLUE

Lily Solbiati
Elijah Sibucan
Caetlynn Dolores
Alicia Williams
Avryl Bergado
Jett Cuevas

4 GOLD

Nicole Maliwat
Sharmaine Bompat
Zedrique Calonzo
Tiago Belista
Chloe Marcelo
Niya Kanesh

5 BLUE

Roslind Cabiguen
Tayana Hamilton
Jordan Laidlaw
Shreya Bijo
Lachlan Tiqui
Brandon Duff

5 GOLD

Sophia Miranda
Alana Jesson
John Carlo Simon
Chelsea Quimpo
George Sokar
Dennis Pamplona

6 BLUE

Allistaire Reyes
Jacob Magsalin
Andrew Aggrey

6 GOLD

Caitlin Ortega
Nathan Ison
Matthew Buttigieg
Rachel De Luca
Hayley Gunnion
Nicholas Chrysanthou

Parents & Friends News

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Friday 6 th November	ICE BLOCK STALL - LUNCHTIME
Friday 20 th November	ICE BLOCK STALL - LUNCHTIME

ICE BLOCK STALLS

During Term 4, we will be running Ice Block on Stick Stalls for the students.

These are \$1 each and can be purchased on the day.

Please send correct money on the day with your child if possible.

Due to Covid restrictions we are unable to sell Zooper Doopers in Term 4.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We will be running a Christmas Raffle in Term 4.

There are 10 Fantastic Prizes to be won.

Look out for our Christmas Raffle Note later this week

P & F MEETINGS

Due to the current restrictions, we have cancelled our meetings for Term 4.

2ND HAND CLOTHING POOL FRIDAYS ~ 2:30PM – 3:00PM

The clothing pool will be by 5 minutes appointment only, during Term 4.

Appointments can be made through the school office.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We need all types of uniform items, summer, sports, or winter, in good condition.

If you have any items you would like to donate to the clothing pool,
we would appreciate them being handed into the school office.

Teneile Shaw
P&F Committee



STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2021

If your child is not returning to St John Vianney's in 2021, please call into the office to complete the necessary documentation. This information assists us in finalising classes for 2021 as soon as possible. THANK YOU!

SUPERVISION

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

Please be mindful of physical distancing and when dropping off and at pickup parents are requested to leave immediately.

LATE NOTES

Parents just a reminder: if your child is late of a morning you must complete a Late Note at the school office as this is a record of attendance and a legislative requirement.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE PICK UP

Parents if there are instances whereby you will be picking your child up from school rather than after school care, please inform the office via email or phone call so that we can let your child know of the changed arrangement.

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2020

Term 4 Tuesday 13th October to Friday 18th December

◆ Students finish Wednesday 16th December

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".

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.



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.



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

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