Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to the school year of 2016. I extend a very warm welcome to the Gomers, Kinnane and Philip families who have joined our community and an equally warm welcome to returning families. I also welcome the students and families of the Early Learning Centre at St Jude’s. A special welcome is extended to our Kindergarten students who have settled beautifully into their classes. We wish all our students every success and much happiness at St John Vianney’s.

I welcome our new staff members: Mrs Georgina Jaram, who has returned to the school to share the teaching of Year 3/4 St Catherine with Mrs Stiffle, and Miss Hannah Ingram who was an ACU student who completed her Practicum with us and who is now teaching Year Yr 5/6 St Paul. I sincerely hope these teachers will enjoy being part of the St John Vianney school staff and I wish them every blessing as they begin their new roles.

Upon return to school, we were pleased to welcome back Miss Katherine Ferlitsch as Mrs Eastick. The wedding took place during the holidays and I take this opportunity, on behalf of the whole community, to wish Katherine and David every happiness as they begin their life together as husband and wife. May they be richly blessed.

In the week prior to the children’s return, the staff worked very hard to complete a number of professional development sessions as well as engaging in spiritual reflection. The time was spent learning about assessment strategies using the Catholic Education Mathematics Framework; partaking in a Spirituality session, learning more about the First Steps Spelling approach and reviewing Policies and Agreed Practices. In addition, one day was dedicated to an administration meeting and to classroom preparation. I take this opportunity to thank everyone on staff for their hard work in the days leading up to the start of the term and for ensuring that the children had a wonderful first day.

Trial Afternoon Dismissal Arrangement

As of yesterday, we began trialling a new dismissal procedure. We will continue the trial for a further period of two weeks – ending 19th February. Next Friday 12th February, a survey will be available to parents through a Survey Monkey link so that parents can let us know whether or not they are satisfied with the trial arrangements and provide comment. We welcome feedback and encourage parents to provide an opinion whether positive or negative.

The procedure is as follows:

- Dismissal is from the hall every afternoon, regardless of the weather. The classes sit along the glass windows/doors of the courtyard side.
- Everyone assembles in the hall – including bus/bike/walkers who are then taken outside by the teacher on duty.
- Those walking to meet parents in cars at Walpiri Place will be walked out to the rear of the school by a teacher.
- Students attending After School Care walk directly there from their classrooms when the bell sounds.
- When parents have collected their children, they can then take them outside for a chat/play etc. The fixed play equipment is still out of bounds because it is reserved for After School Care from the end of the school day but the other spaces can be used.
- The school will not provide formal teacher supervision outside which means that the parents are responsible for their own children once they leave the hall. Formal teacher supervision is until 3.30pm in the hall. After that, any children not yet collected wait for their parents in the foyer with the duty teacher.
- No games or running around is permitted in the hall during the period of formal supervision.

Following the trial period a decision will be made as to whether to continue or modify the dismissal procedure based on the feedback received. Thank you to the parent community for your cooperation and patience during the period of the trial.

Parent Information Night

The Parent Information Evening will be held on Tuesday 9th February commencing at 6.00pm in the hall where parents will have an opportunity to meet all the teachers and be informed of the various curriculum areas and other matters pertaining to the children’s learning this year. The meeting should not take any longer than an hour. Kindergarten parents are asked to attend a meeting in the Kindergarten classroom at 5.30pm for a special information session prior to the whole group meeting. (Please note that no child care is available for these meetings.)

The agenda for the evening is as follows:

- Welcome and Prayer
- Religious Education and Sacraments
- Curriculum differentiation
- Spelling Focus
- Maths Focus
- General Cyber Safety
- Year Level specific information

There will be an opportunity to ask questions during and after the presentations. We look forward to seeing you there.
Ash Wednesday and Opening School Mass
We will welcome in the new school year next Wednesday, 10th February at 9.30am, at the Ash Wednesday Mass. This marks the beginning of the Liturgical Season of Lent. We would love to have parents (and Kinder – even though it’s a rest day) join us at this Mass.

Welcome BBQ
From 5.00pm next Friday afternoon, everyone is invited to gather on the terraced area and playground of the school for the Welcome BBQ hosted by the Community Council. Please come along if you can, to welcome in the new school year amongst friends. We would love to see you there. Food service will take place between 5 and 6pm and drinks will also be provided. Please note that this is a ‘family affair’ and is a non-alcoholic event.

Parent/Teacher Chats
There will be an opportunity to speak personally with the teacher about your child during the ‘Parent and Teacher Chats’ scheduled for Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th February starting at 3.20pm each day. These ‘meet and greet’ sessions will be held in the senior wing classrooms and are an opportunity for parents to let the teacher know any special information about their child. A Parent Questionnaire will be sent home in the information packs for parents to fill out and return to the teachers before the Parent/Teacher Chats. This will provide a basis for the conversations on that evening. Parents are required to book a timeslot through an online booking program called School Interviews. A separate note that has instructions to follow in order to book a time, will be sent home on Monday. If anyone has difficulty with this process, please contact the front office.

Supervision
Staff commence playground supervision at 8.30 each morning. No child is to be on the premises before supervision begins in the morning. The formal supervision period concludes at 3.30pm. Please make every effort to keep within this time frame.

NB: please ensure your child is wearing the school hat prior to leaving home in the morning.

Drop-off Zone and Parking Lot
Please remember that, in the morning, the drop-off zone is similar to a ‘drive through’ (it’s just that no-one will hand you a coffee!). Drivers are asked to remain in the vehicle and allow the teacher to assist the child/ren out of the car so that the traffic can continue to flow. If you wish to spend time farewelling your child in the morning, please park in one of the marked bays. Please also remember to use the crossings and ensure that children do not cross the car-park on their own.

Please do not park in the presbytery driveway or parking area or the grassed areas adjacent to these. There is an irrigation system in place and the sprinkler heads can be damaged by vehicles driving over them. Father Brannelly will be very grateful for your cooperation in this matter.

In the afternoon, the drop-off zone is reserved for parents who have babies in the vehicle.

Staff Prayer Time
Please be aware that all staff gather in the staffroom at 8.45am daily to pray. This is an important time for the staff to be in community with one another and the Lord through prayer. Please avoid the time between 8.45 and 9.00am to meet with members of staff if at all possible.

Security
To assist us in keeping everyone safe, we ask that parents and any other visitors to the school enter the building through the front office and sign in. External doors will be locked during the day. In the event of an emergency, it is imperative that we know exactly who is in the building.

Mobile Phones
I understand that it is sometimes necessary for a child to carry a mobile phone for use before or after school. Should this be the case for your child, he/she must hang the phone in at the front office for safe-keeping during the day. All other electronic devices e.g. iPods, also need to be handed in for safe-keeping. The school takes no responsibility for mobile phones or other electronic devices brought to school. Please be aware that students will only be permitted to use these devices, both in the morning and afternoon, when they are off school grounds.

Collector’s Cards
This is a gentle reminder to parents that we do not allow students to bring collector’s cards to school. The reason for this is that they create issues on the playground. Children will often intend to ‘lend’ a card but the borrower considers it a ‘swap’ which is for ‘keeps’! Also, cards can be lost or damaged which causes some distress. Please ensure that your children keep their card collections at home.

Lost Property
At the end of every term, we always find a ‘mountain’ of lost property including drink bottles and lunch boxes. Please label everything and ask your child to check lost property as soon as a particular item is not brought home.

Reminders & Important Information
- Starting time is 9.00am sharp. Students arriving after this time will need to be signed in at the Front Office.
- Supervision commences at 8.30am and NO STUDENT should be at school before then. Students arriving before 8.30am are not supervised and must sit and wait for the duty teacher before playing.
- Correct School Uniform is to be worn at all times.
- If a student’s hair is longer than shoulder length, it must be tied back in an appropriate school-coloured band.
- No jewellery is to be worn to school - only plain studs and watches are acceptable.
- Parents are requested not to send any nut products to school such as Peanut Butter, Nutella, nut based or topped muesli bars, etc. Please understand bringing these items to school may be life threatening to other students.
- Please ensure that all school items are clearly labelled with your child’s name.
- Students who are collected by their parents during the day for appointments must be signed out/in at the Front Office before and after the appointment.
- Parents assisting at the school must have a WWVP card on their person and are also asked to sign in/out at the Front Office and will receive a visitor’s badge.
- Please ensure that the school always has up to date parent and emergency contact details for your child.
- Please ensure that any notes/envelopes sent to the front office are clearly labelled.
Dogs at school
If you are walking to school and taking your dog out for some healthy exercise at the same time, please leave the animal tied up outside the school grounds. Some children have a terrible fear of dogs and others have allergies that are exacerbated by pet hair. If your child wishes to bring in a pet for ‘news’, please see the teacher first to find out whether this is appropriate for the particular group of students in that class. Thank you.

WWVP (Working With Vulnerable People)
Any adult who volunteers to help in the school or with coaching, driving children to excursions, canteen, etc. must have a registered Working With Vulnerable People card and be able to show it upon request. The card also needs to be presented at the front office for a copy to be made and filed for the school’s records. When a card is renewed, it must again be sighted by the front office and a copy made for the file. Please be aware that the card now needs to be sighted at the front office on every occasion that a parent volunteers in the school regardless of it being recorded on file.

The Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011 (WWVP) took effect in the ACT on 8 November 2012 and it is now essential that all volunteers at schools be registered in accordance with the WWVP. Registration for volunteers is free and you will find the registration application on the Office of Regulatory Services website at: www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working_with_vulnerable_people

When registering for the WWVP you will need to complete the application form then take your accepted forms of ID, together with the application, to an ACT Shopfront or the Office of Regulatory Services to complete the registration. Your photograph will be taken when you register and this will be on your WWVP Volunteers Card which you will receive upon completion of your registration.

Please note that on page 5 of the application form it asks for details of your Employer or Organisation. As a volunteer at St John Vianney’s School, you simply need to fill out the name of the school, the address (89 Namatjira Drive Waramanga 2611) and the school phone number (6288 2383) and leave the other fields blank.

Where to find information
There are a number of ways in which the school communicates with parents. If you are seeking information about a particular event or want to know what’s coming up, please check the following sources:
- the Skoolbag application that is a free download for your mobile phone
- your email account if you have notified the school of your email address
- your child’s bag for hard copies of notes and the newsletter should you not have access to email
- the school website for the calendar and digital copies of notes sent home and the newsletter
- the mini-calendar (showing a fortnight at a time) included in the school newsletter.

Please save our school website as a ‘favourite’ and refer to it often as the calendar on the front page is regularly updated with the latest information should anything need to change. The Skoolbag app is an immediate form of communication that alerts parents to upcoming events and any changes to plans. It also has a number of other handy features such as the notice of absence and correction to contact information. Please download it as soon as you can to keep in touch with what is happening for your child at our school and to keep in contact with us.

School Fees
The school relies on the commitment that parents make, when enrolling their children, to pay fees to support it. School fees for this term are due at the end of week 5. Prompt payment of fees is appreciated. If you are experiencing difficulty paying fees, please contact me so that appropriate support structures can be put in place. Many families make use of the direct debit system. If you wish to set up an account, please contact the front office.

School Counsellor
I am pleased to report that Catholic Care has again assigned Ms Jacqueline Hogan to our school as Counsellor. Jacqueline will end of week 5. Prompt payment of fees is appreciated. If you are experiencing difficulty paying fees, please contact me so that appropriate support structures can be put in place. Many families make use of the direct debit system. If you wish to set up an account, please contact the front office.

Condolences
I extend sincere sympathy to the Luck and Luck families on the sudden passing of Mrs Sheila Eastham last Saturday. Sheila was the dearly beloved great-grandmother of Carys (Yr 1/2 St John the Baptist), Harry (Yr 5/6 St Joseph) and Oscar (Yr 5/6 St Paul) and she was a founding member of the Parish who will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

I also extend sincere condolences to Mrs Emma East and her husband Tim on the passing of Tim’s grandmother earlier this week. She too was much loved and will be sorely missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with these families at this sorrowful time.

Working bee Thanks
I express whole-hearted thanks to the families who turned up for the grounds working bee on Saturday last week to get everything looking fresh and wonderful for the start of the school year. Special thanks to Steve Nolan, our Environment Focus Group Leader, for organising the working bee. Thank you all so much – the grounds look great!

Staffing and Classroom Names

Karen Stilling
Louise Hall and Ben Lowe (1 day per fortnight)
Natalie McCallum
Sonja Foster
Sharee Thomas & Ben Lowe
Katherine Eastick
Georgina Jaram & Sharon Stiffle
Hannah Ingram
Mark Konik & Kathy Monagle
Samantha Heath
Mary Mullamphy
Rosemary Howard
Learning Support Team

Kinder St Anthony
Year 1/2 St Brigid
Year 1/2 St Nicholas
Year 1/2 St John the Baptist
Year 3/4 St Patrick
Year 3/4 St Clare of Assisi
Year 3/4 St Catherine
Year 5/6 St Paul
Year 5/6 St Joseph
Library - St John Vianney
Arts room - St Joan of Arc
Italian room – St Francis of Assisi
St Bernadette

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I thank the Lord for bringing everyone back safe and sound after the holidays and for the happy start to the year and ask God’s continued blessings on all of us during 2016.

Vicky van der Sanden
Principal

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**CO-ORDINATOR NEWS by Mark Konik**

**Swimming Carnival**

The swimming carnival will be held on 7th March at CISAC Belconnen. A permission note will be sent home this week and students will be able to nominate for an event. There is also a section where parents are able to volunteer to assist at the carnival. Please fill in the form with your child, leaving your copy at home and returning the permission slip promptly to school.

I am currently working on the program for the carnival. Once completed, a draft program of events will be displayed in the senior corridor. The classroom teachers will take the students for a look to check that they are in the correct events. Any additions requested by students will need to be accompanied by a note from their parents.

**Upcoming Sporting Dates**

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Mark Konik
Mark.konik@cg.catholic.edu.au
Benvenuti! Welcome!

to all families including new children and parents across the school. I am pleased we have all returned afresh and ready to beginning another exciting school year at SJV!

For those new to SJV you will see me pop up all over the place. As well as my role as the Assistant Principal I work in the Learning Support Team.

Walking around the school and playground I am so pleased to see happy smiling faces as new friendships begin and we continue to develop a happy community. In this growing age of technology and interactive phones in some social gatherings we have lost the art of personal communication. Are we teaching children how to communicate?

**Why are greetings important?**

When someone says “hello” to you, you probably don’t hesitate to respond with a greeting of your own. “Hello” and “goodbye” are more than polite words. These greetings are a basic function of communication. We all need recognition. We need to feel that we matter. This doesn’t mean that we should be running for glory and honour, but every human being has a basic desire to be significant in some way and we can provide significance to others by simply greeting them properly.

When we greet someone with a simple ‘good morning’, we are actually giving them a blessing. We are telling them that we hope they will have a good morning.

Children may find it difficult to use greetings. Using greetings is an important part in the process of interacting with others to form and maintain friendships.

**Tips to encourage children to use greetings**

- **Teach greetings** – Encourage children when they meet someone, they should greet them in some way, e.g. saying hello, giving a smile etc
- **Be an example** – model the correct way in front of children
- **Pretend play** – practise using greetings during play. e.g. playing shop – greeting a customer
- **Read a book** – read books about the topic to your children
- **Sing a Song** – use music as a motivator to help children learn social skills

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**Mrs D’s “Thought of the Week”…..**

“Hello Friend! I just wanted to say:
‘Hello!’
‘Have a great day!’
...because you deserve it. Life is so short and we hurry on through it.
Well, I just wanted to slow down and say Hello”.
— Nubia Group

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Nina De Rosa
Assistant Principal
Wow – 5th February already!!!

Welcome back to 2016. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with your families and friends and had some time to rest, rejuvenate and reconnect.

**YEAR OF MERCY**

Pope Francis this year has called an extraordinary Jubilee Year “The Year of Mercy”. He wants us to live this Holy Year in the light of the Lord’s words: “Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:36). Thus “Merciful like the Father” is the motto of this Holy Year. In mercy, we find proof of how God loves us. He gives his entire self, always, freely, asking nothing in return. He comes to our aid whenever we call upon him. During this jubilee year, Pope Francis encourages us “to contemplate constantly the mystery of mercy” and “rediscover and make fruitful God’s mercy, with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time.” Throughout the year, as a school, we will be focusing on Mercy and what that looks like in our school and greater community. The children have begun learning the World Youth Day song “Blessed are the Merciful” and the Year of Mercy prayer will be sent home to each family for you to share during prayer.

**THIS WEEK’S GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11**

Jesus teaches from Simon’s boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus’ presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus “Lord”—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus’ presence. Today’s Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. We continue to speak of Peter’s leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the “successor of Peter.” We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives. This week as a family, talk about ways we can live out the mission of the Church and what influence we can have on those around us to live like Jesus.

**SACRAMENTS**

This year is a busy Sacramental year with children celebrating Confirmation in Year 6, Eucharist in Year 4 and Reconciliation in Year 3. Dates for these celebrations as well as Information Evenings and Retreat Days will be confirmed with the parish and St Jude’s this week and be presented at our Information Evening on Tuesday night. Families with children in a Sacramental year will soon receive a letter from Father Brannelly explaining how the nomination process will occur in 2016. If you have any questions about the Sacraments, please do not hesitate to contact me or the parish office.

Sharee Thomas
REC
**MERIT AWARDS**

Kinder St Anthony  
Emma Battaglini

Year 1/2 St Brigid  
Alyssa Sjoberg

Year 1/2 St John the Baptist  
Abigail Flanagan

Year 1/2 St Nicholas  
Jacob Hardy

Year 3/4 St Patrick  
Sophia Harriott

Year 3/4 St Catherine  
Sophya Halatoa

Year 3/4 St Clare of Assisi  
John Paul Gonzalez Guerrero

Year 5/6 St Joseph  
Jacky Pearson

Year 5/6 St Paul  
Bethany Kelly

Assistant Principal  
Lara Cristofani

Principal  
Hudson Hall

Certificates will be awarded at
next
Friday’s Assembly.

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**ELC NEWS**

Happy Birthday to Heidi, Jack, Michael, Benjamin, Alyssia, Samuel and Finn who all celebrated their birthday in January.

A very warm welcome to all of our new ELC families. We hope you have enjoyed your first week and look forward to seeing lots of ELC families at the St Jude’s Welcome Picnic tonight from 6pm.

We would also like to welcome our new staff to the ELC - Miss Shanahan (Joeys), Miss Holgate (Echidnas) and Miss Barbara (After School Care). And a big congratulations to Ms Thomas on the safe arrival of her beautiful baby boy last week.

The Joeys, Wombats and Echidnas have settled beautifully into preschool this week. They have been exploring their new playground and learning space. They have been getting to know one another, making new friends and talking about ‘belonging’. The Joeys and Wombats had their first visit to the library and borrowed books to take home.

**ELC Parent Information Night** - will be held next Tuesday night at 6:30pm.

**Parent Teacher Interviews** - will be held at the ELC in week 3. Booking sheets will be available next week.

**Student Information** – To ensure we have accurate student information, we have sent home an information checklist for parents to check and return to the ELC.

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**VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 1**

The roster will be distributed shortly.

Our school canteen is open Wednesday & Friday.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR FRIDAY 12TH FEBRUARY.**

Please notify Trish in the Canteen on Wednesday if you can assist.

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School Banking is fuelling financial education.

Dear families, the School Banking program will be sharing with parents, key articles and fun financial activities from the Boardwalk. The Boardwalk is our online resource designed to help parents bring money to life for their children. Check out this term’s articles and activity ideas.

Money and maths:
Whether your child is or isn’t the biggest fan of maths, you can make sure their financial literacy develops strongly with fun money lessons. One tip is to get your child to set a mixed bag of coins into individual $1, 50c, 20c, 10c and 5c piles. Then, challenge them to make a dollar in as many different combinations of coins as they can think of. Read on for more tips at community.catholic.edu.au/moneyandmaths.

How to teach your kids to save:
Teaching your children to save is important, but what is the best way to go about it? One tip is to help them set their own savings goal. By choosing their own goal, they will be more motivated. Plus, it will help make it a fun experience for them. Read on for more tips at community.catholic.edu.au/moneyandmaths.

Activity Money Mats:
Help your child develop the essentials and skills with these fun articles. More Money Mats can be found at community.catholic.edu.au/moneyandmaths.

Make sure you have a look out for more fun articles next term in the School Banking program in your School Newsletter.

SJV Fortnightly Calendar

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Parent & Teacher Chats
Tennis Clinic
Parent Information Evening from School Hall 5.30 Kinder

Year 5/6 Camp
Kinder REST day

School Banking 2016 is set for the outback.

Since 1988, the School Banking program has been introducing interactive lessons and exciting ways to teach students banking skills. This year’s program invites your child to join the children on an adventure through the Cairns of Savings.

Your child has received an Outback Outfit in Term 1. To help introduce the students to the exciting world of the Outback, we’ve put together some school banking fun.

Parents and children are invited to get involved. The Outback Outfit provides a fun and engaging way to introduce students to the basics of banking.

For more information, visit schoolbanking.com.au/schoolbanking.
IRISH DANCING CLASSES

Irish Dancing classes will be continuing in 2016 in our school hall on Wednesday afternoons from 3.30 – 4.30pm.

Irish dancing is a great way to keep fit and make new friends. It also assists with coordination and gross motor skills. The sequences and patterns of the moves make it spectacular to watch.

Anne-Marie Dimmock is a qualified Irish Dancing teacher registered with the Coimision in Dublin Ireland. Anne-Marie competed for many years in local and National competitions with excellent results. She has been teaching Irish Dancing since 1991, in fact her first classes were with students from St John Vianney’s where she was a classroom teacher.

If your child is interested in learning Irish Dancing or you would like more information please ring Anne-Marie on 0418 626 911 after 3pm.

SJV PLANT STALL

Re-opening
Next Friday
12th February

SJV Courtyard
REGULAR OPENING TIME:
FRIDAY
3.00PM - 4.00PM

PLANTS INCLUDE:
Camellias, Hebes, Azaleas, Box, Abelia, ground covers, hedging plants & more.
Grown in Canberra and hardened to our Canberra climate.
Follow us on FACEBOOK

BEST WISHES FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE PARISH

Everyone at St Jude and St John Vianney Parish would like to wish parents, students and staff a happy and successful school year. Whether this is your first school year ever or you’re a veteran at the school, a new year is always an exciting time with so much to look forward to. Many of us know your feelings well as past parents or students, and we hope you’ll love being a part of your school community as much as we did.

We’ll be praying for God’s blessings on you.

Parents and Carers are invited to Bringing Up Great Kids—a parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation for Parents and Carers of children aged 2—10 years.

This course will give you insights and skills needed to:
• Promote positive and nurturing relationships between parents and children
• Explore the management of stress in your parenting role
• Encourage the development of your child’s positive self-identity
• Develop the ability to contain strong emotion and to think through the responses to your child rather than give ‘knee-jerk’ reactions
• Overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be
• Create opportunities for positive exchanges with your children.

The course is offered 3 hours per week over a 4 week period.
DATES: 24th Feb, 2nd, 9th & 16th March
TIME: 6pm—9pm
VENUE: 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill
FEE: $100 (Concessions available)
Fee includes light supper & course materials.

Bookings Essential
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