Dear Parents and Friends,

This coming Sunday is known as Trinity Sunday. The clover leaf is often used to describe the Trinity to children as it makes this great mystery easier to understand; though, as a mystery, comprehension is not really possible – it is a matter of faith. The clover leaf has three parts but is one leaf just as God is one being with three forms – God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. As it explains in Break Open The Word 2016: “The mystery of the Trinity can be approached as a theological conundrum or as an adventure in faith. The word of God invites us to take the latter route. The readings of the day help us retrace some of the steps taken by our forebears in faith as they were led to discover Father, Son and Spirit communing in the one Godhead and enfolding the whole of creation in their love.”

Enrolment Forms
This is a reminder to all our parents with siblings who are of school age next year, to lodge enrolment forms at the front office as soon as possible. Numbers need to be known as a matter of urgency for planning purposes. The official enrolment period ends today. However, we will continue to accept enrolment applications after this date.

Students Leaving at the end of 2016
If you anticipate that your child will leave St John Vianney’s at the end of this year, please fill out the slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to the Front Office. This includes those who have applied for Marist or St Edmund’s colleges. Please let us know as we need to begin planning for staffing and class configurations for 2017. I appeal to you not to leave it to the last minute to inform us – we would much rather plan accurately in advance for the next year than have to make changes once the year has begun! Thank you to those who have let us know already, this is very much appreciated. Year 6 need not respond to this request.

Enrolment for 2017

ENROLMENTS FOR 2017 CLOSE TODAY. PLEASE LODGE ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS TO THE FRONT OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

"Loving and forgiving are tangible and visible signs that faith has transformed our hearts".

Pope Francis @ Pontifex
19 May 2016
Rule Reminders

**Toys at school:** We ask that children leave their toys at home and only play with equipment provided by the school; with the exception of hand balls that are labelled with a name. This is to ensure that ‘personal treasures’ do not become lost or damaged at school. It is also to keep everyone safe as some toys are not ‘playground friendly’.

**Long hair:** If a child’s hair is long enough to touch the shoulders, it needs to be tied back. This is to prevent the spread of head lice and to keep hair out of eyes as well as to ensure a neat and tidy appearance.

**Hats:** Please note that it is not yet time for ‘hats off’. Children still need to be wearing a uniform hat until the end of May. If it is particularly cold, the children may wear a beanie. However, the only beanie that is acceptable is the uniform one or a plain beanie of the exact same colour as the uniform variety – royal blue.

Thank you
Thank you to Paul Viljakainen for helping us out by putting up the big, yellow ‘Enrolling now’ banners that hang at the front of the school and under the school sign at the entry drive. Thanks also to Kelly and Anthony Hill who donated the new signs to the school. We are very grateful for the above means of support.

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STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO ST JOHN VIANNEY’S IN 2017 (Other than Year 6)

Please return this slip to the Front Office ASAP or alternatively email the school

- My child/children have an Enrolment Application pending at another school.**
- My child/children will not be returning to SJV in 2017.

Child’s name: ____________________________________________

Class: ____________________________________________

Destination School: ____________________________________________

Parent Signature: ____________________________________________

**Please note we will require you to confirm your enrolment status with us once a place is accepted at another school.

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Vicky van der Sanden
Principal
GO GREY IN MAY

BRAIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

AROUND 1600 PEOPLE ARE DIAGNOSED WITH BRAIN CANCER IN AUSTRALIA ANNUALLY AND APPROXIMATELY 1200 DIE FROM THE DISEASE EVERY YEAR. BRAIN CANCER KILLS MORE CHILDREN IN AUSTRALIA THAN ANY OTHER DISEASE AND MORE PEOPLE UNDER 40 THAN ANY OTHER CANCER. CURE BRAIN CANCER FOUNDATION IS DEDICATED TO ACCELERATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TREATMENTS TO INCREASE FIVE-YEAR TO SURVIVAL FROM THE CURRENT 20% TO 50% BY 2023.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: WWW.CUREBRAINCANCER.ORG.AU

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Courage doesn’t always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says…..
“ I’ll try again tomorrow. ”

Mary Anne Radmacher

Nina De Rosa
Assistant Principal
This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as ‘solemnities’; special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. This weekend, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity—one God in three persons.

Jesus taught us that God is not just one Person, but three Persons in one God. The three persons in God are God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. The Blessed Trinity is a mystery that we can’t really understand. The Catechism explains that the Trinity is a Christian mystery of faith in which God is celebrated as a relationship of love. This love is between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Father is the source of infinite love. Jesus is loved by the Father in the same way as parents love their children. The Holy Spirit is the absolute love that unites the Father and the Son as the one God. People sometimes try and explain the Trinity using analogies like the three leaved clover but the Church celebrates the mysteries of faith in song and worship. It invites us to reflect on the wonder and beauty of the Most Holy Trinity in the prayers we say and in our daily lives.

When we pray, we sign ourselves in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit—a reminder of our baptism in the name of the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At Mass we acclaim the mystery of the most Holy Trinity in several prayers.

- We praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the prayer of praise called the Gloria in the first part of Mass.
- We acclaim Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the great proclamation of faith the end of the Eucharistic prayer.
- There are many other prayers praising and acknowledging the Trinity.

We not only celebrate and proclaim the Holy Trinity in prayer and worship, we learn more about it in reflecting on it and trying to understand more about how great God is.

This week as a family, when you pray, concentrate on making the sign of the Cross slowly and deliberately, pausing after every step to reflect on the different parts of the Trinity and where we witness them working in our own lives.

**Confirmation**

A reminder that the ADULT formation evening will be held this **Tuesday 24th May** from 7-8pm in the SJV school hall. If you have not paid your child’s nomination fee, Cathy from the Parish will be in attendance at this meeting to collect outstanding money.
Sponsorship forms for the Walkathon were handed out this week, along with a note outlining some information about the event. A note will be sent home next week asking for volunteers to help at the Walkathon.

Remember to bring in your sponsorship form each Thursday so that the money can be collected and counted.

Mark Konik
Mark.konik@cg.catholic.edu.au

Hello to new families and old! Are you looking for a way to help at St John Vianney’s? The SJV Plant Stall is run as an ongoing fundraiser for our school, with a major stall at the school fete (Term 4). It is run by volunteers and we need your help!

Do you like to garden? Can you weed, tip prune or repot plants? No experience is required, just some of your time and energy. We would love for you to come along to a gardening work party on Saturday 28 May from 1pm to 4pm in the SJV courtyard (end of week 5). If possible, let the front office know if you can make it (ph:6288 2383 or office.sjv@cg.catholic.edu.au).

Please come as a one off, for an hour or two or even become part of a gardening group for future work and projects. Hope to see you on Saturday week!
MERIT AWARDS

Kinder St Anthony: Olivia McDonald
Year 1/2 St Brigid: Anthony Grgic
Year 1/2 St John the Baptist: Samuel Corcoran
Year 1/2 St Nicholas: Skye Wilder
Year 3/4 St Patrick: Nathan Georges
Year 3/4 St Catherine: Mia Dutkiewicz
Year 3/4 St Clare of Assisi: Sammy Cook
Year 5/6 St Joseph: Mollie Hill
Year 5/6 St Paul: Jacob Loughlin
The Arts: Emma Battaglini
Library: Georgie Burrows
Principal: Tallis Flowers

Certificates will be awarded at next Friday’s Assembly.

WARAMUNCHIES

Wednesday May 25
June Smith

Friday May 27
Carol Nolan
Pip Harrington
Louise Thygesen

Please make sure you have your WWVP card with you.

ELC NEWS

Early Learning Centre
Enrolling Now for 2017
Enrolment Applications Due 20 May
Forms can be collected from the ELC

This week the Joeys built an awesome ‘space cave’ in their classroom and have had a great time playing in it. The Echidnas have been talking about families and will be making family trees (remember to send in a family photo). They have also met Spike the toy Echidna this week. The children will be taking turns bringing Spike home to see what adventures he can get up to! The Wombats have experimented with weaving and have also made a huge grey mural with finger painting and handprints.

Mad Hat Day – Wednesday 25 May is National Simultaneous Story Time all around Australia. The book this year is ‘I Got This Hat’ by Jo and Kate Temple. Children are encouraged to wear their favourite or craziest hat to celebrate. The Joeys and Wombats will parade their hats during their library lesson.

Design a Plate – ELC is running the Design-A-Plate fundraiser. If you would like plate made from your child’s design or photo, please collect information and a template from the ELC. Plates are $25 each. Feel free to order extra plates for siblings or multiples of the same design.
**Book Club Issue 3**

This year, Scholastic Book Club is just one catalogue for all students. Issue 3 went home this week and all orders need to be completed by **Wednesday 25 May** (Week 5).

Orders can be made as usual with cash, cheque (made out to Scholastic Australia) or online banking, which is now called LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents). The main difference with LOOP is there is no need to return the paper order form or payment receipt details to SJV. If you decide to order online, you will be directed to LOOP and there are easy steps to follow. Any questions or problems, please contact Sandy at the Front Office or Sam in the Library.

Every year SJV students and staff participate in the National Simultaneous Storytime with thousands of other children around Australia. This year the book is called **I Got This Hat** by Jol and Kate Temple and everyone is invited to wear their favourite or funniest hat to school on Wednesday 25 May (Week 5) to celebrate! Students still need to wear their normal school uniform.

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**SJV FORTNIGHTLY CALENDAR**

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**LUNCHBOX PINWHEEL WRAPS**

**Ingredients**
- 2 multigrain wraps or mountain bread
- 1/2 avocado
- 1 small carrot, grated
- 1 stick celery, finely chopped
- 4 slices cooked chicken or turkey, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon whole-egg mayonnaise
- handful of fresh baby spinach or chopped lettuce

**Method**

**Step 1**
Place wraps on a board

**Step 2**
In a small bowl combine the avocado, carrot, celery, chicken and mayonnaise. Mash together until well combined

**Step 3**
Spread half the avocado mixture over one wrap and sprinkle with the spinach. Roll up the wrap tightly to enclose filling. Continue with the second wrap

**Step 4**
Cut into small bite sized slices