Dear Parents & Carers

The SJV Fete is almost upon us! Many people have been working very hard behind the scenes to ensure the success of this major fundraiser for the year. Despite this, less than 50% of the parent body is involved! Please seriously consider offering your support to the fete effort. We need everybody to lend a hand in one way or another. It promises to be ‘the best day ever’ yet again but this can only happen with the support of the whole community. Please get in touch with the fete coordinator via sjv.fete@gmail.com if you can assist – every little bit of help makes a difference. Thank you for giving this your consideration.

Class Structure for 2017
The structure of classes for next year will be as follows with an average class size of 24 students:

1 x Kindergarten
2 x Year One/Two
3 x Year Three/Four
2 x Year Five/Six

We are reducing by one class next year despite the fact that we will have a similar enrolment number to that which we currently have. The reduction is due to the fact that a couple of classes fell below 20 enrolments during this year and classes of this size are not sustainable in terms of the cost of staffing. It is not the case that we are not attracting families to our school (in fact we have had a few new enrolments this term). Parish boundaries have a lot to do with this situation which means that we are unable to accept forms from families who do not belong in our area. We are currently working with Catholic Education to see what can be done about our particular circumstance.

Sideshow Alley
Next Friday, 28th October, Year 6 will be hosting ‘Sideshow Alley’ (rather like a mini-fete) during the recess break to raise funds for Catholic Missions and the Ayui Foundation in Thailand – a school for the disadvantaged. They have asked the children to bring loose change to school on that day to spend on the various amusements; especially silver coins. There will be a variety of stalls including coloured hair spray and pillow fighting, guessing competitions and games of skill and chance. The Year 6 students have been working very hard to think of innovative ways to raise money for the nominated charities and are very excited about hosting this special event. Please support it as best you can.

Disco
Next Friday evening, the school disco will take place in the hall. I do hope everyone will have a wonderful time enjoying the music, dancing, lights, company of friends and the good food! Unfortunately, I will not be present this time as I am already committed to a family event. Thank you to the organising parents and those who have volunteered to assist – we simply couldn’t stage this event without you.

A member of staff will be at the front office area taking copies of WWVP cards and will also have the ‘one-off’ statutory declaration available. They will then hand out SJV event volunteer aprons to those authorised to assist.

Parents, please be aware that your children can only attend the one session that corresponds to their year level. Also, no enrolled students are permitted to be inside the canteen, even if they have a parent volunteering there. Please be aware that the disco is for enrolled students only. If pre-school age siblings are present, they will need to be closely supervised by their parents. I’m sure that the children will have a wonderful time and look forward to hearing all about the fun they had when we get back to school on the following Monday!
Fete Drop Off
There will be another opportunity to drop off anything that you may wish to donate to the fete effort (as long as it’s in good condition) whilst the Disco is full swing. Items can be brought into the school for storage in the St Mark classroom. The front doors of the school will be open for parents to bring in items whilst the children are busy boogieing the night away! A parent representative will be there to greet parents and direct them to the storage area.

Catholic Schools Netball Carnival
This very big event will take place next Sunday, 30th October, at the Calwell Playing Fields. It’s hard to believe that it is already one year ago that we hosted this event for the Archdiocese! We all know the enormous amount of work that goes into preparing and running this event, so I hope that many of our families will go along to support the teams and the hosting school on the day. I wish all the teams from our school all the very best of luck. I know they will behave beautifully and be very encouraging of each other and gracious in both victory and defeat. I also thank all our parents who are acting as coaches and managers on the day and in a variety of other roles. We are most grateful for your support.

Congratulations
Sincere congratulations are extended to Miss Theresa Ardler who has been nominated for an Alan Laughlin Award for Leadership as an outstanding educator. This Award is administered by the Inner Sydney Region of the Australian College of Educators. We wish Theresa all the very best for her future as she finishes her time with us after working in our school for a few weeks to impart aboriginal cultural understandings to the children and teachers. Everyone has thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and learned much from Miss Ardler. I have also been very impressed, as has Miss Ardler, by the knowing responses of the students and their highly relevant and interesting questions. It has been inspirational to witness the passion and depth of knowledge that Miss Ardler has shared about her culture and heritage and we have all benefited from the experience. I extend thanks to both Miss Ardler and the Catholic Education Office for affording us this opportunity.

Baby Congratulations
Congratulations to Clara Fernandez de Canete Nieto (Yr 3/4 St Clare) on becoming an aunty for the 4th time! Maria Carmen was born last Saturday and Clara could not be more excited. We wish the whole family every blessing and welcome little Maria (named after Clara’s mum) into the world.

Boorowa Carnival
I trust that all our students competing in the Boorowa Netball and Touch Carnival had a wonderful day today – nearly 70 of them! Thank you to the many parents who have assisted in a variety of ways, including providing transport. We could not have managed without your help. Thank you to Mr Konik for organising this event. Thanks also to Mrs Thomas and Miss Ingram who attended the carnival to supervise the students. I’m sure everyone will return very tired after a very busy day!

Thought for the week:
“You’ve gotta dance like there’s nobody watching,
Love like you’ll never be hurt,
Sing like there’s nobody listening,
And live like it’s heaven on earth.”

*William W Purkey*

Vicky van der Sanden
Principal

REPEAT NOTICE:

**Kindergarten Orientation Day**

The Orientation Day for students coming to Kindergarten in 2017 will be held on Tuesday 25th October from 9.30 to 11.00am. The pre-schoolers will spend time in the classrooms and be introduced to the environment and some routines of ‘big school’. Their parents will meet in the hall for an information session followed by a morning tea. Coming to primary school is a really important event in the lives of the children and their parents and we are looking forward to making families feel very welcome at St John Vianney’s. If you are a parent of a child currently enrolled in Kindergarten and you have the time to spare, we would love to have your company. It’s always nice for the incoming families to meet existing ones and to hear ‘how it all works’ from other parents. We are also asking for donations for the morning tea from the current Kinder parents. If you are able to help out, please leave your donations in the canteen/After School Care area on the morning of the 25th October. Please remember to exclude nuts from any donated items. Thank you.
Congratulations to the 37 children from Years 2-6, who participated in the University of New South Wales Mathematics and English competitions last term. Certificates have arrived and will be handed out during Monday morning’s assembly.

Next week is Children’s Week with the focus being:
- the right of children to enjoy childhood
- the celebration of children and young people
- highlighting their skills, achievements and needs
- acknowledging and supporting parents, carers and all those associated with the well-being of children and young people

SJV activities include some children attending a Global School Partnership Day and Children’s Week Awards Ceremony, Kindergarten Orientation Day, Mission Mass, School photos, Side Show Alley and the Black and White Disco. Included with these “special” events are the children continuing to enjoy their school with dedicated SJV teachers and families. The message of Children’s Week fits naturally with the concept of community; living and working together for the benefit of our children and young people. The role of volunteers is significant in this work. With the SJV ‘Best Day Ever’ Fete only a few weeks away, what a perfect opportunity for our community to live out this message!

‘Childhood is not a race to see how quickly a child can read, write and count. Childhood is a small window of time to learn and develop at the pace which is right for each individual child.’

Source Unknown

Nina De Rosa
Assistant Principal
nina.derosa@cg.catholic.edu.au

HELP NEEDED
We are running a final Fete Garden Stall work party tomorrow - Saturday 22nd October from 9am - 3pm.

If you can volunteer an hour or so of your time just come along and help. No skills needed. Hope to see you there!
In this Sunday’s Gospel we hear a Parable with a special message for those who were proud of their own goodness and looked down on anyone who could not live up to their strict rules. The parable was meant for the Pharisees, who were very sure of their own goodness. They prided themselves on obeying the laws and treated anyone who didn’t with disgust and contempt. The tax collectors were some of the people the Pharisees’ targeted. In the parable a tax collector is very aware of his faults and came to ask God’s mercy and forgiveness. He spoke quietly to God while the Pharisee declared loudly that he was better than everyone, thanking god for his greatness. Jesus explained that God was more please with the tax collectors prayers than those of the Pharisee as is it not outward gestures of goodness that impress God, rather what we feel in our hearts.

This week as a family, talk about how no one is perfect so we should not judge the actions of others.

'Socktober’

Just as you did it to the one of the least of these.....you did it to me’
Matthew 25:40

A reminder that Side Show Alley will be NEXT Friday, 28th October (Week 3). We encourage all children to start collecting their silver coins in order to play the variety of activities the Year 6 children are preparing. This is always a fun afternoon and the children always give generously to this worthy charity.

Have a great week
Sharee
MERIT AWARDS

Kinder St Anthony
Emma Battaglini

Year 1/2 St Brigid
Xanthe Smith

Year 1/2 St John the Baptist
Nermeen Georges

Year 1/2 St Nicholas
Skye Wilder

Year 3/4 St Patrick
Sophia Harriott

Year 3/4 St Catherine
Luke Egan

Year 3/4 St Clare of Assisi
Imogen Stokes

Year 5/6 St Joseph
Patrick Thygesen

Year 5/6 St Paul
Isabelle Gavran

Library
Sophia Harriott

Assistant Principal
Lachlan Harrington

Principal
Anthony Grgic

Certificates will be awarded at next Friday’s Assembly.

WARAMUNCHIES

The Canteen is open each Wednesday and Friday

If you would like to volunteer to assist at the canteen next term, please contact Trish in the canteen.

Please make sure you have your WWVP card with you.

ELC NEWS

Happy Birthday Hayden M

They Joeys spent some craft time making spiders this week. They also enjoyed cooking yummy cornflake cookies. The Echidnas and the Wombats enjoyed their excursion to Canberra Airport to explore different types of transport. They met a trainee sniffer dog, learnt about airport security and travelled on a bus around the tarmac to see planes taking off and landing as well fire engines. They all enjoyed their walkathon today.

Mrs Parkes’ Baby – Congratulations to Mrs Parkes on the birth of her beautiful daughter Charlie Edith last Friday! They are both doing so well that they were able to drop into the ELC for a visit.

Grandparents Day and St Jude’s Feast Day - will be celebrated on 28 October. Parents and Grandparents are invited to mass at 9:30 after which you are invited to visit the ELC. Scones, tea and coffee will be provided or you are welcome to bring your lunch and sit with the children.

SJV Fete – will be on Saturday 5 November. If you are available to help, please contact sjvfete@gmail.com. Or drop into the ELC for a ticket in the 100 Square raffle to support St John Vianneys. Tickets are $2 and the prize is $100.

Orientation Day – for the ELC will be held on Wednesday 9 November in the morning. Please order uniforms by 1 November for collection on the day.

Family Photos - On Saturday 12 November ‘Sandpit Photos’ will be visiting the ELC for family photos. The cost is just $20 per sitting (which includes a 10”x13” print). More information is on the school website. Contact the ELC to book. Everyone is welcome to take part!

Movie Night – The ELC Movie Night will be held on Friday 18 November. More information available at the ELC.
### Book Club Issue 7

This year, Scholastic Book Club is just one catalogue for all students. Issue 7 went home this week and all orders need to be completed by **Wednesday 26 October** (Week 3).

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 back 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.

### Scholastic Book Fair (Week 5):

**Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th November,**

3pm – 4pm in the Library.

### SJV Fortnightly Calendar

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**Book Club LOOP**

For Parents

To order and pay for School Book Club by parents. Visit:


By paying online, parents can pay up to $600.00 and have no fees.

For free delivery, please use the pre-paid delivery option.
The SJV Fete Cake Stall needs your culinary skills! It will soon be time to tie on your apron and create some sweet and savoury delights we can sell at the cake stall on the “Best Day Ever”. The week before the SJV Fete your child will bring home the following:

- Paper plate inside a plastic bag
- Ribbon
- A label
- A note from us

Please use these to package and label your homemade treats including a list of ingredients on the label. Items containing nuts are fine as long as these are clearly labeled. If you have Christmas items we can supply you with festive ribbons to pretty up your packaging. These can be provided when you drop off your creations. Instructions about where and when to drop off your baked goods will be provided on the note with packaging.

**Here’s a list of items we are particularly keen to receive:**

- Whole cakes
- Tarts
- Novelty treats that can be sold individually
- Cupcakes
- Biscuits – Melting Moments, Choc Chip cookies, Gingerbread men, Funny Face biscuits in particular
- Home made confectionery
- Jams, Relishes, Sauces
- Christmas cakes, puddings, shortbread
- Fresh breads and cheesy scrolls
- Dessert toppings in jars
- Dry ingredient jars that can be bought as gifts
- Scones (these will be passed on to the Fete Tea Room)

**Exclusions:**

Anything filled with custard or fresh cream – we will not have access to refrigeration. Shop bought baked items. We apologise for this but they are almost impossible to sell on a cake stall and usually go to waste or are given away. If you are unable to bake you can support us by providing a donation of half the cost of what you might have spent on shop bought goods or come along and buy an extra treat.

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Do you have any items of bric-a-brac in good pre-loved condition looking for a new home?

We would be most grateful for your donation.

Next drop-off opportunity will be **Friday 4th November**

or

Please contact Karen on:

0466 416 251 to make an alternate arrangement.
FETE RAFFLE

Win a ‘once in a lifetime’ 45 minute Adventure Flight in a Soviet Union’s Yak 52!

Fete raffle tickets only $2 each or three for $5.

The prize is valued at $550 and can be tailored to the individual passenger’s requirements but usually involves aerobatics (rolls, loops etc).

Minimum age 12 years.

Generously donated by Capital Warbirds.

Fete Drop Off

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St John Vianney’s Primary School 2016 Fete Cake Decorating Competition

Categories:

- Junior Primary Section:
  - Grade: Entry Fee: $2
  - Decorated Cup Cake

- Senior Primary Section:
  - Grade: Entry Fee: $2
  - Decorated Cup Cake

- Open Section:
  - Grade 1: Entry Fee: $3
  - Novelty Cake
  - Grade 2: Decorated Cup Cake
  - Grade 3: Decorated Cup Cake

Enquiries: Eleanor Corcoran, a297@hotmail.com

Where:

St John Vianney’s School Hall
Namatjira Drive, Waramanga

When: Saturday 5th November

Entries submitted 10am - 12 midday. Winners announced at 1pm. Cakes can be collected after 1pm or donated to the Cake Stall for sale.
Your Fete 2016 ...... Latest News

2 WEEKS TILL FETE DAY! Get involved and help us make “The best day ever!!!

WE NEED YOU!!! General volunteers!

This is our MAJOR fundraiser for the year and so far less than 50% of school families have offered assistance – We really need as many families as possible to get involved – we can’t do it without you!!

If you can offer any help, even for 1 hour, please email your availability to sjvfete@gmail.com

Raffle - Thanks to those who have returned their sold tickets!!!
THIS WEEKS WINNERS - “Best Day Ever” t-shirts

Lucia Taflaga          Samantha Cook
Sam Kenneally          Tempy Elwood
Poppy Wellington

Please contact sjvfete@gmail.com with your t-shirt size and we will organise it to be sent home next week

Please sell your tickets and return the $ and the stubs to the front office ASAP...
Extra books are available at the front office for those who need them...

ANOTHER CHANCE TO WIN!!!!
Every family that returns a fully sold book by Monday 24th Oct gets a chance to win a “BEST DAY EVER” tshirt – don’t miss your chance!!

Best day ever @ the SJV Fete
Preloved Goodies:
save your White Elephant gear, books, toys and fabulous preloved Children’s Clothes for next drop off – TBA

You can still drop off your donations for the Tombola stall to the front – anytime!!! We are asking each student to make a packaged food donation.

Can’t Help Out? Are you away or unavailable on fete day but want to contribute? A donation of wine or case of beer for the chocolate wheel would be gratefully received at the front office!

GET EXCITED!!!!
What’s happening on Fete day??

Fete day raffles - Buy a $2 ticket and put in the box of the prize you want to win..... Hampers, Gift Vouchers, and a once once in a lifetime 45 minute Adventure Flight in this Soviet Union’s Yak 52!

Fantastic entertainment all day!!!! Amazing cake stall
Books Toys Kids Clothes White Elephant
Best fete plant stall in Canberra! Mad Hatters Tea Party
Bubble Soccer Giant stick up wall Super Slide
Jumping castles Inflatable Obstacle course Bubble Soccer
Petting Zoo Side Show Alley Jaffa Smash
Face Painting Glitter Tattoos/Tattoos Hairspray
Helium Balloons Tombola Secret Nails Showbags
Chocolate Wheel Great variety of food and drink

And much much more!!!

If you have any questions please contact sjvfete@gmail.com or 0412 496 856
Until next time - thank you for your support!

Steph sjvfete@gmail.com or 0412 496 856

Best day ever @ the SJV Fete
Big thanks to the amazing businesses supporting our Fete!

2016 SJV FETE
SJV BLACK & WHITE DISCO

FRIDAY
28TH OCTOBER

Kindergarten to Year 2
5.30 - 6.30pm

Year 3 - Year 6
6.45 - 8.00pm

Ticket information will be sent home early next week.

Parents - we can't boogie without you! Please consider volunteering for either session for the following roles:

Canteen (4), Dancefloor supervisors (12) & hall monitors (2), Front door (3) and BBQ assistants (2).

If you can help, please text your name and session preference to:

0417 662 933 or email nadia@ohalloran.id.au

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Holy Trinity Primary School
Celebrating 50 Years of Functions in the School Hall
1966 to 2016

Everyone Welcome!

SATURDAY
22ND OCTOBER 2016
7.30 PM
DINNER DANCE

We are looking forward to you joining us for an old school dinner dance to celebrate fifty years of functions and frivolity in our school hall. A fully entered evening complete with dance instructions, rocking music through the ages, wine and soft-drinks: please join us to celebrate 50 years of our fantastic school.

Tickets are $50.00 ($81 per year) per person and are available from QRK, (P&P section) or via the Front Office.

If you don’t have QRK, please bring cash payment to the front office and enter your name “School Dance” with your name and details.