Dear Parents & Carers

On Wednesday this week, 3 senior SRC representatives accompanied me to the Archdiocesan Mission Mass held in St Christopher’s Cathedral. The children conducted themselves with utmost reverence and were excellent representatives of the school. It was a pleasure to take Josh Urbaniak, Ellie Carr and Oscar Luck-Cameron to the Mass. After communion, two of our ex-students, Clare Corson and Emily Mullamphy, sang a reflection hymn along with three other high school students. It was a beautiful rendition and a proud moment for St John Vianney’s. Father Tony Percy was the celebrant who spoke about being conscious of the needs of those around us and the fact that we never know what God might have planned for us in life; that we just need to be open to hearing God’s call.

Classes for 2017
The process of allocating children to classes for 2017 starts now. The allocations are based on the following considerations:
• Friendships
• Learning abilities
• Balance of gender
• Behavioural considerations
• Personalities
• Religion – so that a balance of Catholic and non-Catholic children is achieved especially in Sacramental years.

As part of the process of allocating children to classes, the children are given the opportunity to nominate 5 friends with whom they would like to share a class next year. They are guaranteed to have at least one of these friends with them. These nominations are based purely on friendship and not on any other factors and are the child’s decision to make. The ‘Friendship 5’ lists will be completed by the children at a suitable time, in class, over the next couple of weeks.

My firm belief is that teachers are in the best position to decide a child’s placement because they know all the children in their classes and have a view of the ‘big picture’. However, I invite parents to inform me of anything that you feel needs to be considered, for your own child’s well-being or development. I have allowed 3 weeks time in which to notify me of your concerns, in writing. Alternatively, you can make an appointment to see me. After the cut off date of Friday 18th November, it will not be possible to take further wishes into account.

Students Leaving St John Vianney’s at the end of the year
Please ensure that you have informed me, in writing, if your child will not be returning to St John Vianney’s in 2017. It is imperative, for planning purposes, that I have accurate information with regard to enrolment numbers. I also need to know the destination school as part of system accountability requirements. Thank you to those who have already provided this information.
Kindergarten Orientation Day
On Tuesday this week, our new Kindergarten students for 2017 visited the school and spent the morning getting to know the environment, a few of the staff and some of the routines of 'big school'. The children were so excited and showed just how ready they are to come to primary school by how settled, engaged and happy they were. Parents spent the morning in a meeting focused on preparing their children for primary school and then enjoyed a morning tea and time to chat with one another. Special thanks to Kerry Kennealy and Emma McDonald for organising the clothing pool sales. Thanks also to current parents of the school and to the Parish Council members who came along to welcome new families to the school.

BYOD
Thank you to the parents who attended the meeting regarding introduction of a Bring Your Own Device program next year. Feedback on the draft policy, parent handbook and Acceptable Use Agreement were sought at this meeting. These documents will be emailed today, for parents who were unable to attend, to peruse and provide feedback.

The information was positively received and parents were informed that the program will begin for Years 5 and 6 at the beginning of the 2017 school year. Soon parents will receive information with regard to device specifications so that students can be ready for the start of school next year.

Condolences
Sincere condolences are extended to the Hall family on the passing of Hudson’s (Kinder St Anthony) maternal grandmother, Robyn Schofield.
Many of you will remember Mrs Kimberley Justice. Her father passed away last week and so we also extend sincere condolences to Kimberley and her family.

May both families be granted strength and comfort at this sad time in their lives.

I wish all our students a wonderful time at the Disco tonight and all those participating in the Catholic Schools Netball Carnival a wonderful day on Sunday.

Thought for the week:

“If we open ourselves to God’s forgiveness, we make something strong out of weakness.”
Fr Tony Percy

Vicky van der Sanden
Principal

REPEAT NOTICE:

Fete Drop Off TONIGHT……..

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 in 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 from 5.30pm 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.
Earlier in the week, Year 5/6 SRC representatives: Ellie, Oscar, Josh and Melanie attended a Global Schools Partners (GSP) cluster meeting. The children discovered more about the GSP Program and participated in activities to create an awareness of the work of GSP. They made soccer balls, tasted ‘Ugali’ and came to understand the hardship of the young people in underprivileged Kenyan schools. The children worked on future fundraising projects and will present their ideas at the next SRC meeting.

Wednesday was National Children’s Day. Miss Heath & I, along with a group of parents and children, attended the Children’s Week Awards Ceremony held at the National Museum of Australia.

Mrs Hall and Miss Ingram received a Child Development Award for providing students with opportunities for creativity, collaboration, problem-solving, designing, questioning, triumph and failure. As part of the STEM initiative, the nominated teachers have set up a lunchtime coding club called the C.I.A (Coding Institute of Awesomeness) and all children can participate in coding activities with and without a computer.

The Year 6 Leaders: Melanie, Harriet, Livia, Isobel, Alphonsa, Mollie and Kirthana from the Lunchtime Dance Group, attended the ceremony and received a Youth Commitment Award for their commitment to physical activity. They spend their own time designing a dance to music and then teach the rest of the group their dance at lunchtime. Children are also encouraged to participate and share their dance ideas. The leaders also include a games week, where participants play a game to music.

As I sat and listened to the citations of all the awards recipients I was humbled by the privilege of working so closely with awesome SJV children and the wonderful community.

I am sure the success of the Side Show Alley this afternoon will be another credit to the commitment of our young SJV Leaders and the Black and White Disco a celebration of our parent volunteers!

‘There are two gifts we should give children: One is roots. The other is wings.’
Source Unknown

Nina De Rosa
nina.derosa@cg.catholic.edu.au
In this Sunday’s Gospel we hear the well known story about a tax collector called Zacchaeus. In Jesus’ day, tax collectors were not popular people. They were collaborators with the Romans and were despised by many Jewish people. The tax system allowed them to charge more than what was required so that they could make a profit for themselves. Thus, they were considered sinners by their countrymen. Observers in the crowd that day grumble because Jesus dines with a sinner. Throughout Scripture, Jesus’ choice of dinner companions set him apart from other observant Jews of his time. In first century Jewish culture, to dine together was to show a bond of fellowship and peace among those at the table. Observant Jews did not generally dine with foreigners and sinners. Yet, Jesus chooses to honor the tax collector, Zacchaeus, by staying at his house. Even before Jesus comes to his home, Zacchaeus shows himself to be someone in search of salvation. Zacchaeus, described as short in stature, climbs a tree in order to see Jesus. We know from Luke’s description that Zacchaeus was no ordinary tax collector; he was, in fact, the chief tax collector and a person of some wealth. In his search for salvation, he humbled himself by making a spectacle of himself by climbing a tree. Jesus recognises the faith the tax collector exhibited in his search for salvation and calls him down from the tree. In the hospitality he extends to Jesus and in his conversion of heart, Zacchaeus is raised up by Jesus as a model of salvation and forgiveness.

This week as a family, talk about how in search of forgiveness we sometimes have to humble ourselves and lay our faults down in the open for everyone to see. You may like to share a time you have had to humble yourself in the search for forgiveness.

Socktober

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

Today the children participated in a variety of activities organized by our Year 6 leaders in Side Show Alley. The money raised from this afternoon will be sent to ‘Catholic Mission’ so they can ‘Sock it to Poverty’!

In Cambodia Sister Eulie and the Daughters of Charity initiated a mobile Tuk-Tuk Education Centre which goes out to remote villages to give children an education they would otherwise never achieve. A fully self-contained enclosed trailer is pulled along by a motorbike so it can reach any community, no matter how narrow the laneways. The trailer then opens up to display an array of educational resources. Locally trained teachers, who know the dialect and culture of the community, arrive with the Tuk-Tuk to teach the children their ABCs, as well as lessons on health, hygiene, human rights, life skills and cultural development. The children also receive meals so they are physically healthy and can focus, while educational toys are provided to keep the smaller ones occupied.

Sadly, at the moment, the Sisters only have enough money for the Tuk-Tuk to go to the villages one morning a week. Sister Eulie desperately wants to raise money so she can increase the number of times the children can receive an education each week, and so that the Tuk-Tuk can also visit children living in other villages who are in desperate need too. At this time, Sister Eulie needs at least $106,500 to be able to continue the operation of this Tuk-Tuk service to families and their children, to be able to alleviate them from their poverty situation, change their lives and change their society. Hopefully after this afternoons fun we can help Sister Eulie get closer to her dream of providing education to more children in need.

Have a great week.
Sharee Thomas
Boorowa

The Boorowa Netball and Touch Football carnival was held last Friday. A great day was had by all involved. The weather was terrific and there were lots of goals and tries scored by the SJV teams. Thank you to all the parents who helped coach, manage or umpire on the day. Without your help, carnivals like Boorowa can’t happen.

A big thank you to the students that filled in for other teams throughout the day. It was a big effort from the boys and girls that filled in, often they were playing in a grade against much older children. They showed tremendous school spirit and commitment during these games. Well done!

Catholic Schools Netball Carnival

The Catholic Schools Netball Carnival will be on Sunday. A note and show bags went home yesterday which included all the carnival information, including an amended draw. Please contact me if you did not receive a note or show bag.

Tech Corner

https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/

Thinkuknow.org.au is a website set up by the Federal Police that explores issues and topics relating to internet safety. There is a portal for teachers and parents as well as portal for students. There is up to date information and digital resources that are engaging and informative.
MERIT AWARDS

Kinder St Anthony  
Carl Thygesen

Year 1/2 St Brigid  
Sammy Spurrett

Year 1/2 St John the Baptist  
Olivia Harriott

Year 1/2 St Nicholas  
Luke D’Souza

Year 3/4 St Patrick  
Lucas Corcoran

Year 3/4 St Catherine  
Mia Dutkiewicz

Year 3/4 St Clare of Assisi  
Addisen Bale

Year 5/6 St Joseph  
Dannae Henriquez Campos

Year 5/6 St Paul  
Melanie Johnson

The Arts  
Sophie Vincent-Wildman

Library  
Matthew Kinnane

Assistant Principal  
Tamara Brammall

Principal  
Josh Urbanik, Ellie Carr  
Oscar Luck-Cameron

Certificates will be awarded at next Friday’s Assembly.

WARAMUNCHIES

The Canteen is open each Wednesday and Friday

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT WEEK:
Wednesday 2 November
Janelle Kinnane

Friday 4 November
Carol Nolan  
Lucy Webb  
Lucie/Steven Walker  
Dianne Wallace

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

Please make sure you have your WWVP card with you.

ELC NEWS

Happy Birthday Jack D

Joeys - Thank you to those parents and grandparents who came along on the Joeys Walkathon on Monday. They had a great walk up to Cooleman Court, enjoyed the playground then hit the shops for some fruit and iceblocks!

Wombats – The Wombats enjoyed the sunshine with a picnic at a local playground this week. They also tested out their cooking skills making yummy chocolate brownies.

Echidnas - Following on from their awesome airport adventure last week, the Echidnas have been learning more about different types of transport. They enjoyed celebrating Grandparents Day today also.

Do you have Dress-Ups – The ELC is looking to increase our dress-up collection. If any families have dress-up items that they no longer need we would gratefully accept donations.

SJV Fete – St John Vianney’s fete will be on Saturday 5 November. If you are available to help, please contact sjvfete@gmail.com.

Orientation Day – Orientation Day for the ELC will be held on Wednesday 9 November. 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.
LIBRARY NEWS by Sam Heath

Coming Soon

Scholastic Book Fair

(Week 5)

8th - 11th November, 3pm – 4pm
in the SJV Library

Students will also have time to purchase books during their Library lesson and at recess during the week. All profits will be used to buy new books for the library. I hope you can join us!

SJV FORTNIGHTLY CALENDAR

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89 Namatjira Drive, Waramanga 2611
Email: office.sjv@cg.catholic.edu.au  Phone: 6288 2383  Fax: 6288 8578  Community Council: sjvcommunitycouncil@gmail.com
ONLY ONE WEEK TO GO!!!

THANK YOU!!
We have had a great response to our request for volunteers.... stay tuned for a full fete day roster next week.... We still a few more helpers – even one hour would help!!!!! If you would still like to lend a hand and be part of the fun please email sjvfete@gmail.com

PLEASE SELL YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS!!!!!

We need all tickets sold and stubs and money returned to the office by Monday 30th Oct

Thank you SOOOO much to those who have returned their sold tickets!!!

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THIS WEEKS WINNERS - “Best Day Ever” t-shirts
Emily Harney  Alyssa Sjoberg
Zoe Dutkiewicz  Isla Skipper
Bronwyn Anderson

LAST 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 (if you haven’t already) and we will organise your t-shirt to be sent home next week

Best day ever @ the SJV Fete
**Preloved Goodies:**

save your White Elephant gear, books, toys and fabulous preloved Children’s Clothes for these stalls – You can drop off during the disco tonight, next Thursday during school hours or Friday (until 6pm).

Extra books are available at the front office for those who need them...

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

**THANK YOU!**

To everyone who has sent in donations for Tombola.. the following lucky people have won a raffle ticket in their name.. hope it’s a lucky one!!!!

Finn Eagles  Lily Wilson  Nathan Georges  Tallis Flowers  Connor Doyle

**OUR CHOCOLATE WHEEL NEEDS YOU!!**

A donation of wine or a case of beer for the Chocolate Wheel would be gratefully received at the front office! – for those that can’t help on fete day this would be a fantastic way to help out!

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Thursday 3rd Nov/Friday 4th Nov**

Help needed for set up in hall

If anyone who has some time to spare on either of these days, please join in the sorting and setup of all the indoor stalls.. there is heaps to do and every little bit helps!

**Saturday 5th November**

**THE BIG DAY!**

Join in the fun on fete day!!

And then....... Straight after pack up : celebration drinks and a bite to eat after our big day - Stirling Labor Club - EVERYONE welcome!

Best day ever @ the SJV Fete
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 the Soviet Union’s Yak 52!

**Fantastic entertainment all day!!!!**

**Amazing cake stall**

**Books**  **Toys**  **Kids Clothes**

**White Elephant**  **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!

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

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Fit Bodz
Karen Bruce Qualifi ed fitness professional
0438 319 895

Best day ever @ the SJV Fete
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.

CRAFT STALL
Gift Basket Wrapping Night – next Wednesday 2 November at 6.30pm
Thank you to the families who have donated items and baskets for the Fete gift baskets, which will be sold at the Fete Craft Stall.
We need your help to wrap & price Gift Baskets in the Staffroom next Wednesday. If you would like to help, please contact the Front Office or the Craft Stall coordinators Georgina Smith (Connor 3/4CA) or Genevieve Johnston (Imogen 5/6P and Will 3/4CA).
By now you should have received your packaging items for the SJV Fete Cake Stall. Please use these to package and label your homemade treats including a list of ingredients on the label. If you feel your items would be better sold individually, just bring them along in a box with your name clearly marked on the box so we can return it to you.

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

Where to drop off your creations:

- To the meeting room opposite the Front Office on Friday November 4, between 9 am and 4.30 pm. If you need Christmas ribbon for your contribution one of us will be there to provide that or to just receive your donation between 3.30 and 4.30pm.
- If your items must be fresh baked on the day – breads etc – please bring these to the Cake Stall by 10 am on Fete Day.

Thanking everyone in advance for your support. Mary and Eleanor.

Don’t forget the cake decorating competition too. Submit your entries on the day!

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

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**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.

Enquiries: Eleanor Corcoran, e297@hotmail.com