Dear Parents,

Firstly a very happy Father's Day to all the Dads out there and special thoughts to all families whose Dads have passed away or who may not be able to be around for celebrations this weekend. Our Year 2 parents, under the leadership of class parents Amy McGoldrick and Sal Letts, have been working hard to prepare our Father's Day breakfast tomorrow morning. We have had great support and look forward to welcoming all of our guests. Gates will be open from 7:00 am tomorrow with a special prayer on the blue softball scheduled for 8:30 am. Wet weather plans are in place and will be communicated on the day, if necessary.

Father's Day is a good time for us Dads to take stock on how we are travelling as fathers and as parents. While our wives and children can provide wonderful encouragement for us, we can take time to think about the things we are doing well and where we can make some improvements. There are some useful articles on this idea at the following link - http://www.integratedcatholiclife.org/2015/05/randy-hain-checklist-for-catholic-dads/

I would like to share this Father's Day reflection with you:

God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

Excitement about our musical is building around the school, especially since we have begun whole school rehearsals. Our music and dance directors are putting the final touches on the performances. The children, teachers and parent helpers are doing a great job preparing for the big night and I encourage you to order your tickets from the school office as September 15th is fast approaching.

Best wishes for the week ahead,

Mark Bateman - Principal
SPRITUAL NEWS

FIRST EUCHARIST (FIRST COMMUNION)

We are very excited for all of the children who are finishing their preparation to receive Jesus in communion for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers as this exciting milestone in their faith journey approaches.

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS

There will be a rehearsal for all children making their First Communion at St John’s, Narraweena, a rehearsal will take place on **Friday 9th September at 7pm**. For those children making their First Communion at St Kevin’s, Dee Why, the rehearsal will take place on **Thursday 8th September at 6pm**.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE ORIGINAL DATE ON OUR CALENDAR.

If the change of date poses a problem please let your group leader know ASAP.

AWARDS

Please Note FOR THIS WEEK:

**THERE WILL BE NO FRIDAY ASSEMBLY OR AWARDS THIS WEEK DUE TO MUSICAL REHEARSAL**

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BUILDING UPDATE

Since our last update, a meeting has been held on reorganising our library. We are planning to re-organise the shelving around the walls and to replace existing furniture with more modern, adjustable furniture that will allow us to use more floor space and create flexible arrangements for class groups and for various meetings. Our Year 5 and 6 children completed a project during Term Two on learning environments and we are working to incorporate some of the children’s ideas into the design of the library space. Additions are being planned for the play equipment area that also take the children’s ideas into account. The idea is to create a section of the play equipment that will encourage interactive and creative play. Both these projects are in the design stage.

A meeting involving school, Parish and CSO representatives will be held next week concerning planning for improvements to the school hall and drawings showing more detail for the changes to the back playground will be discussed. We will also be looking more closely at design ideas for the new classrooms.
At St John the Apostle Narraweena we are RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SAFE Learners

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### SCHOOL NEWS

#### ALFRED ST PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

A reminder to all parents and guardians of the importance of holding children’s hand whilst using the pedestrian crossing. We have noted several occasions of parents and grandparents sending the children across the road unaccompanied.

#### POKEMON CARDS BANNED
Unfortunately we have to make the decision to ban Pokemon cards from the school playground. Could you please ensure that your child respects this rule.

YEAR 5 SOCIAL NIGHT OUT
Please RSVP for the Year 5 Parent dinner on Thursday 22nd September, Collaroy Hotel at 7pm. Please respond by Monday 19th September to karen.burke@det.nsw.edu.au

IMAGINE A MUSICAL NEWS

TICKETS
Tickets for our upcoming Musical Extravaganza - to be held on 15th September - are still available for purchase through the front office. Please see below for a copy of the order form.

WHOLE SCHOOL DRESS REHEARSAL- FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
Details for requirements for the whole school dress rehearsal being held next Friday will be sent home for each class next week.

MUSICAL TRAVEL PERMISSION NOTE
Students will be catching buses to and from the C3 Theatre, Oxford Falls on Thursday 15th September for a full musical rehearsal. You will find a permission note below in today’s newsletter.

COSTUME HELP
We need a couple of pairs of short or long overalls for costumes up to child size 12/14. We would be eternally grateful if you have an old pair of overalls that you are willing to donate (ie they will not be returned!!).

BOOK SWAP - WEDNESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, ST JOHN’S SCHOOL LIBRARY
Our school is holding a book swap to raise funds for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Please bring into the school library up to 5 loved books to swap and a gold coin to be able to take home other books in their place.

Students will receive a raffle ticket for every book they bring in and can exchange the ticket for another book.

We encourage older students to bring in books from older siblings if appropriate to increase the pool available for mature readers.

Bring the books into your class before the day and next Wednesday students will be given opportunities to select new books, during the school day and after school.
On Tuesday this week 8 students from our school attended the annual Lunch with the Stars at the International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS) on St Patrick’s Estate at Manly.

The selected students were the winners of the Father Vogt Memorial writing competition from Stages 3 and 2. At the lunch the students hosted the author Kate Forsyth at our table and were enthralled by her treasure box or trinkets from her books in the Impossible Quest series. The students also listened to author Deborah Abela inspiring speech about the essential ingredients for good writing and were given a drawing lesson from illustrator Marjorie Crosby-Fairall.

Each school were invited to dress up and decorate their table on a theme inspired by the author at their table and St John’s won an award for their great effort. Nina also won a book voucher for her drawing entry which she kindly donated back to the school.

All the students who attended were polite, enthusiastic and engaging and represented our school well.
**IMPOTANT NOTE: The Canteen is CLOSED every THURSDAY**

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**HELP NEEDED**

**Canteen NEEDS HELP Wednesday 7th September 2016,**

**2 experienced volunteers required.**

Please contact Fiona Costa ASAP 0409566640

**CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS**

If you are interested in volunteering for canteen for Term 4, we would love to hear from you. Please fill in the form below and return it to our office or our canteen coordinator, Fiona Costa. Fiona can be contacted on fionacosta3@yahoo.com.au or 0409 566 640
IMAGINE A MUSICAL - Transport Permission Note

As you will be well aware, our school spectacular “Imagine a Musical” will be held on Thursday 15th September.

A whole school rehearsal is planned for Thursday 15th September at the venue. All children will need to be at school for normal school hours and will be transported to and from the venue by bus. The children will return to school for normal dismissal.

As the children will be away from school all day they need to bring all food and water for the day.

The children may use their school bag or another smaller bag.

School uniform is to worn on the day.

As there may be waiting time throughout the day, when other grades are rehearsing, we encourage the children to bring quiet games to play. Please ensure that any games brought are clearly labelled. The games remain the responsibility of the student. Precious, expensive or inappropriate games should not be brought.

Parents will transport the children to the venue for the evening performance. All children are to be at the venue at 6:15pm where they will meet their class teacher. The children are to arrive dressed in their costume and with the appropriate hair and make-up. More information on this will follow.

Please return the completed permission form to your child’s class teacher by Friday 9th September.

__________________________________________________________________________

IMAGINE A MUSICAL Rehearsal Permission Form

I give permission for _________________________ in class ________ to travel by bus to and from Christian City Church, Oxford Falls on Thursday 15th September for “Imagine a Musical” rehearsal.

Signed ___________________________ Name ___________________________ Date ________________

Please return to class teacher by Friday 9th September
Wednesday 7th September
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You can make a difference

Can you imagine not being able to read a newspaper, a road sign or directions on a bottle of medication? Sadly, this is a reality faced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders living in remote communities today.

The literacy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous children is significant – and the more remote the community, the larger the gap. Since 2009, ILF’s Book Supply program has delivered more than 150,000 new books to over 250 communities nationally. But we need your help to continue these efforts.

The Great Book Swap is a fantastic way to celebrate reading locally, and raise much-need funds to buy books for remote communities. Schools, book clubs and all kids of organisations can host a Great Book Swap. All you need to do is swap one of your favourite books for someone else’s – for a gold coin donation.
The P&F Secretary role is up for renewal at the Term 4 AGM on Wed 16th November.

St John’s P&F team are looking for someone who would be interested in stepping into this rewarding role and joining our P&F team.

Be a part of the decision making process in your child’s school.

- Make a difference with an important role in continuing to move our school in a positive direction.
- Can you prepare an agenda, take notes and help organize meetings?

If you would like more information, please feel free to contact
Paul Bedford - P&F President: pbedford2099@gmail.com
Peta Sargent - P&F Secretary: petasargent@optusnet.com.au
**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – Term 4 2016 CLASSES**

Our classes give children the chance to make new friends, build confidence and self-esteem as well as learn tools that will set them up for life.

Your child will learn skills that they can use every day:

- how to relax and improve their sleep
- how to self sooth
- how to increase their brain power
- how to develop their self-confidence
- how to manage their moods or emotions
- how to manage stress and anxiety

Relax Kids classes are different from any others as they use a unique combination of mindful games, storytelling with exercises, stretching, breathing as well as positive affirmations, visualisations, mindfulness and relaxations. The program allows children to have fun but also learn vital skills that will help them for years to come.

*These classes have been very popular this term. If you would like to pre-register for classes for Term 4, 2016 we can get started very quickly.*

*Please return the below slip to the school office to express your interest by Friday 16th September and Elizabeth will get in touch with you.*

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**RELAX KIDS – Term 4 2016 CLASSES**

Parent Name: _____________________________ Ph: _________________________

Email: _____________________________

Child’s Name: _____________________________ 2016 Grade: __________________

Preferred Day:   Lunchtime   ☐ Mon ☐ Tues ☐ Thurs

After school   ☐ Mon ☐ Tues ☐ Thurs
Application for Canteen Volunteers

WHERE: St John’s School Canteen (166 Alfred St, Narraweena)

HOURS: 9.00am to 2.30pm

WHEN: Canteen is open every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Volunteers are required to help once or twice per term.


BONUS: Your children/grandchildren are happy to see you. You get to meet their friends and classmates. You meet new people and make good friends within the school community. You get to spoil your children by spending a little extra money.

BENEFITS: Supporting school activities. Being a part of your children’s educational environment. Meeting other parents and families. Hearing and keeping up to date with school news. Experience in the hospitality industry.

***All canteen volunteers must complete a Working with Children Declaration and Confidentiality Agreement ***

CANTEEN COORDINATOR: Fiona Costa Ph 9975 2532 or 0409 566 640

Please fill out the form below and return it to the Canteen Coordinator or The School Office. A roster will be sent out in each school term.

***If you are unable to attend on your rostered day PLEASE make arrangements to swap days with another person as soon as possible. ***

NAME:____________________________ CHILD’S NAME/CLASS:____________________________

MOBILE NUMBER:____________________ HOME PHONE NUMBER:____________________

EMAIL ADDRESS:__________________________

PLEASE NOMINATE WHICH DAY YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Friday

NUMBER OF TIMES PER TERM:________________

PLEASE ROSTER ME ON WITH:________________

Please make my phone number available to other volunteers: YES/NO
Dear Families,

Please find below an order form for tickets to our upcoming Musical Extravaganza on **Thursday 15th September**, Christian City Church Auditorium Oxford Falls. **Doors will open at 6:15pm for a 7:00pm sharp start.**

The seating is unallocated, but there is plenty of room for all, feel free to invite grandparents and extended family. Allow plenty of time to arrive, park the car, deliver children to the backstage area and be seated.

**Tickets are priced at $15 per person. You do not need to purchase a ticket for St John’s students.**

We will have a professional videographer and photographer to capture this event, and ask that no photos be taken during the performance. This is very distracting for the performers and we need to keep aisles clear for some acts. Feel free to take lots of photos before and after. Do be mindful of posting pictures on social media as not all children will have permission to have images shared. A note with more information about the schedule for the night will follow soon.

**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR BY RETURNING THE SLIP BELOW**

**No tickets will be available at the door, all tickets to be purchased in advance by Monday 12th September.**

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**Imagine a Musical Tickets**

Family Name: _______________________________ Eldest Child: __________________ Class: __________

We would like to order the following tickets to the school musical:

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☐ We enclose the correct cash, or a cheque payable to St John the Apostle School

☐ Please charge my Visa/Mastercard the sum of $__________

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   Card Holder Name: _______________________________ Signature: __________________________


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Monday 26 September, 10 - 11.30am

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Bookings essential on 9942 2401 or
Jessica.donkin@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

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Week 2: October 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th

Times: 8.00am to 6pm (activities between 9am and 3pm)

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Contact: wrc@voyagertennis.com or call 9938 1831

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