Term 1, Week 2  
2017

10th February

PRINCIPAL’S COLUMN

Dear St John’s Community,

Thank you to everyone for contributing to such a wonderful Parent Information Evening last night. We have received a lot of feedback to say it was positive and helped parents to feel a strong sense of direction for their children’s learning this year.

I really appreciated the opportunity to meet many parents and look forward to meeting many more; especially at the Multicultural Carnivale this next Friday.

This is a great chance to shamelessly plug this exciting event:

See you there!

Matthew Garton

Principal (Acting)
“Rabbi, where are you staying?”

He said to them, “Come and see”. John 1:38-39

Every morning I watch the majority of children run to lines, smile and wave at friends. I watch teachers faces light up as they walk out to lines in the morning and see their eager charges. I witness the kingdom of heaven right in front of me.

The other interactions that often occur, especially at the beginning of the year, are the little ones who are worried about leaving mum or dad. The ones who are not sure about friends, teachers and new routines. In those moments of tears and distress I see great compassion for parent and child. Teachers crouch down and speak softly with a sense of calm and purpose.

We often say to the children, “What would Jesus do now?” (WWJDN?)

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14)

What a blessing the staff are at St John’s that they remember this everyday as they gently encourage parents to work and little ones inside. Our staff are daily examples of Jesus in all our children's lives.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

Community Council News

The Community Council AGM for 2017 will be held on Wednesday 22 February at 6:00pm. ALL parents are invited to attend this meeting. Positions will be filled at this meeting, including Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Parents who wish to nominate for a position, or enquire about more information, can do so by writing to the Council on: CommunityCouncil.sjaps@cg.catholic.edu.au.
Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival will be held on Monday 20 February at CISAC Aquatic Centre for Years 2-6. A note with full details was sent home last week. This day requires many helpers. A current Working with Vulnerable People card is required. If you can assist please fill in the form and return to school, you will be contacted before the carnival to advise you of your job/s for the day.

Class Awards
Presented at Assembly next Monday, 2.00pm

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Weekly Notes & Forms

The following notes have gone home this week and are currently on the school website or as an e-form on Skoolbag.

- Fees – CE Systemic Discount
- Year 6 Leadership Shirts
- General Information note from Information Night

Dates to Remember

- 15 Feb – School Photos (Years 1 – 6) Full school uniform
- 15 Feb – Kindergarten rest day + assessments
- 16 Feb – Opening Mass, 11.00am
- 17 Feb – Multicultural Carnevale Fete, 4.00pm
- 22 Feb – Community Council AGM, 6.00pm

Student Banking

Student banking is every Tuesday. Bank books will be sent to the front office for processing. The books will be returned to students within a few days.

Happy Birthday...

Happy Birthday to Michael P, Kobi S, Thomas F, Cooper S, Nate K, Evangelos P, Jackson K and Nicolas V who are celebrating their birthdays during the week.

Tuckshop News

We are in need of volunteers for our Tuckshop. The tuckshop operates Tuesday-Friday. If you are able to help please contact the front office. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Clothing Pool

Open Monday, 13 February afternoon 2:45 – 3:30pm

Raffle Tickets

Please return all raffle tickets (sold or unsold) and money to school immediately please.
Year 6 Camp Cooba
Dear Parents,

School photography day is coming up very soon. Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link above or by using the envelope.

Important Information:

- School photos purchased online DO NOT require envelopes returned to school*
- Don’t forget to order your sibling photos now
- Late fees/additional charges will be applied for purchases after photo day
- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are taken
- Past years’ photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups available at school’s advancedlife & your advancedyou photo sites (follow the link above)

*Sibling photographs must be ordered either online or by order envelope prior to the day of photography. A photograph will not be taken without an order. Sibling photographs only apply to children enrolled at the school.

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Deluxe Package
38x135mm
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Prints from package. No additional prints supplied.

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Group format selected by school. Format may vary from image pictured.

Bonus 10x8" class group
Perfect for 10x8" Frames
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Value Package
38x135mm
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Bonus 10x8" class group
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Regular Package

Basic Package $37

For a complete description of packages and measurements, formats may vary from image pictured.

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FETE ORDER FORM 2017

Fete Four – Your child can get a sausage sizzle, drink, lucky dip and face paint or hair spray without having to carry around any money!

Ride Wristband – Enjoy unlimited rides on the storm ride, teacups, giant slide and jumping castles!

Cow Pat Bingo – Purchase a square (or several!) for a 1 in 100 chance to win $250!

Please return order and payment by Wednesday February 15 2017

- Prepaid fete fours and ride wristbands may be collected from the canteen during the fete.
- Cow pat bingo draw will also be displayed near the canteen.
- Ride wristbands purchased on the day will be $30 each or $5 per ride.

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Parish Assembly

The Heart of our Parish

12 February 2017
11:00am – 1:00pm

Program

- Coffee
- Welcome & Prayer
- The challenge of transition
- Developing a pastoral focus for 2017
- Conversation on Discipleship & Mission
- Concluding with a sausage sizzle

Parish Centre

Child minding will be available

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend the assembly.
Please join us for the

**Children's Mass**

this Sunday at 10am for Mass followed by morning tea and the Parish Assembly

The Children's Choir sings at every Children's Mass & meets every Thursday at 4pm at the Church - all welcome!

If your child would like to be involved in the Offertory, Collection or be an usher please arrive at the church by 9:45.
The Dollarmites are bringing the future to your school.

Since 1931, CommBank’s School Banking program has been offering engaging ways for Australian children to learn the value of saving and develop lifelong money skills.

For our 2017 theme, a futuristic adventure is in store. Students will join the new-look Dollarmites as Future Savers, making their way towards the Savings Hover Park – a fantastic playground up in the clouds of a hi-tech metropolis.

Encouraging savings habits with great rewards

School Banking will continue to reward children who demonstrate regular savings behaviour, and this year we’re introducing an exciting new range of reward items. Two are released every term, and available in Term 1 are the Cyber Handball and Colour Change Markers. Your child can redeem one of these reward items, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to download and print this year’s Rewards Card. On our website you’ll also find a fun activity sheet and a Savings Tracker your child can use to keep track of their School Banking deposits throughout the year.

Dedicated savers get a chance to win a trip to Tokyo Disneyland

The Future Savers Grand Prize competition will take one lucky student on a family trip to Tokyo, Japan. Up to two adults and three children will get tickets to explore Tokyo Disneyland and Tokyo DisneySea, including the futuristic Tomorrowland attractions. This prize includes:

- Return economy airfares from the winner’s nearest capital city to Tokyo, Japan
- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel
- Three-day Magic Pass to Tokyo DisneyLand and Tokyo DisneySea
- AU$1,000 spending money

To enter, your child simply has to make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3, 2017. This will automatically enter them into the competition for a chance to win.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking
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