

PARENTS' BULLETIN – 2008
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Calendar of Events

TERM 4 - 2008

December

Fri	5th	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Fri	5 th	Year 10's conclude Wk Exp. & school
Sun	7 th	Carols by Candlelight at the Rex Theatre at 8.00 pm
Mon	8 th	Year 9 Canoe Camp commences
Wed	10 th	Opening of Music/Drama Room at 2.00 pm
Fri	12 th	Year 9 Canoe Camp concludes
Wed	17 th	Awards Night at the Rex Theatre – <u>2.30 pm finish</u>
Wed	17 th	Last day of school for Year 9s
Thur	18th	Pupil Free Day: Staff Planning Day
Fri	19 th	End of Term 4 – 2.30 pm finish

TERM 1 – 2009

January

Wed	28 th	Staff commence 2009 year – PD Day
Thurs	29th	BOOKDAY
Thurs	29 th	Staff PD Day
Fri	30 th	Staff PD Day

February

Mon	2 nd	Students commence 2009 year
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From the Principal
John Harley

Dear Parents, Staff and Students

End of year school attendance requirements

- All students are required to attend and fully participate in school activities throughout Term 4. This includes participation in elective programs.
- Students up to and including Year 9 are required to attend school until the end of the school year – Friday 19 December 2008. An activities program is planned for the last week of school, especially on Monday – Wednesday.
- Year 10 students may be excused from a Friday in December not more than two

weeks before the last school day of the year (Friday 5 December 2008). This requires a request from the parent/guardian and the principal has been provided with satisfactory evidence that the student has suitable employment.

Awards night

Awards Night is Wednesday, 17th December. It will again be held in the Rex Theatre. Students Are expected to attend, be in full school uniform and will sit with their home group teachers. Everyone is asked to be seated by 7.20 pm in order that the proceedings begin promptly at 7.30 pm. The upper area of the theatre will be available for adults to sit in and we will make sure that there is lighting up there this year so people can read the program.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that tomorrow staff from our 2 campuses will join all other staff from our Network of schools to complete the second day of a program called “Understanding Poverty”. As a result there will be no school. This program will complement the recent classroom management workshop with Jo Lange.

Opening of the Music/Drama Room

The Music/drama room is now complete The official opening is planned for 2 pm on Wednesday December 10th and an invitation is extended to parents to be present for this opening which will take place in the new Music room.

Year 7 Orientation

This week we have continued an orientation program for the students of Grade 6 at St Josephs and our own grade 6 students as they prepare to move to year 7 in 2009. Thank you to Mrs Stanley for her coordination of this event.

Rotary Carols at the Rex

Our P-6 students have been asked to sing at Carols on Sunday night at the Rex and they have all been practicing on a Thursday and we are asking that all parents see that their children attend to ensure a good choir on the night.

John Harley
Principal



It's a Matter of Choice

I woke up early today, excited over all the possibilities that I could achieve before the end of the day. You see, I have responsibilities to carry out.
I am important. My job is to choose what kind of day I am going to have.
Today I can choose to be in a bad mood or I can seek out those I enjoy being with or who can help me change my situation.
Today, I can complain because the weather is rainy, or I can be thankful that the grass is getting watered for free and the tanks and dams are filling up.
Today, I can feel sad that I don't have more money to buy the things I want, or I can be glad that I can save for the things I really need and be grateful for what I have already.
Today, I can grumble about my health, or I can be happy that I am alive and able to make a difference.
Today, I can moan about how unfair it is that my parents don't give me everything that I want, or I can feel grateful that they allowed me to be born so as to experience life.
Today I can wish that I am like someone else or I can remember that I am made special and there is no one else exactly like me
Today, I can cry about being bored, or I can celebrate that the world has so much to see and do.
Today, I can feel miserable about my lack of friends, or I can excitedly decide to go on a quest to discover new interests and friendships.
Today, I can complain because I have to go to school, or I can wonder about what new pieces of information or skills I might discover which will expand my mind and its knowledge for the future.
Today, I can protest loudly because I have to do chores at home, or I can feel lucky because I have a warm home that provides shelter for me and my family.
Today, stretches ahead of me, waiting to be shaped. And here I am, the sculptor who gets to do the shaping.
What today will be like is up to me. Largely, I get to choose what kind of day I will have! It depends on how I look at things! I hope you have a Great Day... Unless you have other plans.

How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink ????

Something to consider.....

If I go off somewhere without telling anybody, the consequences are -
- I may get into trouble and no one knows where I am to find me
- I may miss out on something special because again they don't know where to find me
- I may be okay but others may worry about whether I'm alright
- Others may think I'm sneaking off to do something that's wrong
- Someone may grab me and again no one knows where to start looking for me
- If I've been with a group they may leave without me or not notice I've gone

Years Prep – 4 News

Student of the Week:

Olivia Mora – for working consistently with her Reading and Writing. She has a positive attitude towards her learning.



Values Winners From Last Week: **Consideration**

Prep / One: *Caitlin Lang*

Two: *Lachlan Start*

Three / Four: *Sally McLean*

Value For This Week: **Tact**

Responsible Citizens: *Prep / 1*

Cool Cat: *Prep / 1*

No School Tomorrow

Friday 5th is a Pupil Free day for our College students. School resumes as usual on Monday 8th December.

Carols By Candlelight

Our P-6 students are performing on Sunday Night at the Rex. Students are to be at the venue by 7.45pm. Thankyou to Miss Donaldson who has prepared the students for this event.

.P-4 Final Assembly

On Wednesday the 17th December at 9.00am the P-4 students will have their last assembly for the year. It will be held in the P-4 building. Spelling certificates, musical items and our Year 4 student graduation ceremony will take place.

Early Finish

On Wednesday 17th December **school will finish at 2.30pm.** Please remember to collect your children early on this day.

Awards Night

The P-12 Awards night ceremony will be held on Wednesday 17th December at the Rex Theatre. The P-4 students will be included in this event. Some of our students will be receiving "Achievement Awards" for the work they've done this year. Students are to wear their school uniform and pupil reports will be given out after the ceremony.

Pupil Free Day

Thursday 18th December there will be **NO school** for all the College students on this day. Teachers will be planning programs for the 2009 school year.

2009 Staffing

Staffing arrangements for the P-4 sub-school has been completed. They are as follows:

Mrs. Lois Curnow Prep / 1
Mrs. Ruth Maxwell Year 2 / 3
Miss Tania Donaldson Year 3 / 4

Mrs. Judi Hastings will be working across all year levels teaching a variety of subjects.

Mrs. Lois Curnow will be the P-4 Coordinator for the 2009 school year.

Years 5 - 8 News ***Judy Stanley, Coordinator***

Permission forms have been sent home for:

- a) Grade 5-6 excursion to Brambuk, Halls Gap to finalise our Integrated Studies work this term. The excursion is on Monday 8th December and permission forms need to be returned by Friday 5th December.
- b) Grade 5-6 End of Year class party to be held at the Charlton swimming pool on Tuesday 9th December from 5-7pm. Permission forms need to be returned by Monday 8th December.
- c) The children have been asked to bring a present to the value of \$5 for our 'Kris Kringle' to be held on Friday 12th December.

Years 9 - 12 News ***Barry McKenzie, Coordinator***

YEAR 9

Managed Individual Pathways - Year Nine Students

Congratulations to all Year Nine students for returning your MIPs Books to the school and 'thank-you' to all parents/guardians for your assistance in the process. This week, students were given the opportunity meet with Lizzie for a one-on-one session to discuss their plans for life after school. Overall, students approached the sessions with enthusiasm and provided thoughtful responses to each of the questions, which will form the basis of a 'career investigation' task to be carried out early in 2009. Lizzie wishes the College Community a safe and happy holiday and looks forward to working with all students in the New Year.

Community News



Charlton Lawn Tennis Club - Juniors

THIS WEEK (06/12/08) – Round 6

ADIDAS V YONEX
WILSON V PRINCE

Clubhouse Duty – TORMEY & SOULSBY

Scoring Duty – START & SAIT

A reminder that warm-up activities will start at 9:00am and matches to commence at 9:15am.

If you are unavailable to play, **please contact or text Tulsa Andrews on 0417 599 419** ASAP so that there is an opportunity to find a replacement for you.



Charlton Basketball Association Inc. **Round 10**

Monday, 8th December

4.30 Juniors Green v Navy
U: Rhys Thompson, Jake Attenborough
ST: Corey Heath, Nick McCallum

5.20 Juniors Red v Yellow
U: Nigel Williams, Tom Finlay
ST: Chris Mora, Liam Russell

6.20 Women Light Blue v Navy
U: Leanne Gretgrix, Laura Whykes
ST: Ange Best, Sam Coughlin

7.10 Women Red v Yellow
U: Rachel Boulton, Jayne Burton
ST: Ellen Tormey, Deirdre McKenzie

8.00 Men Red v Yellow
U: Aaron Walklate, Jeremy Lane
ST: Daniel Lane, Steven Walsh

8.50 Men Green v White
U: Brett Schofield, Lee McLoughlan
ST: Corey Fanning, Tom Stanley

BYE Men NAVY

Tuesday, 9th December

Foyer Duty – House Family 4.00 – 5.30 pm

4.50 pm **Red v White**
U: Kim Thompson, Kirsty McKenzie
S: Lizzy McGrath, Sigrid Lee

5.40 pm **Green v Yellow**
U: Dana Laffin, Indiah Guy
S: Madilyn H-Brown, Ebony Fitzgerald

Last week's lucky official (\$20):
Tameka Hooper



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
2008 FETE RAFFLE WINNERS:

St Joseph's would like to apologize to anyone disappointed at not seeing Similar Situations or the Water Skirmish at the Fete last Friday night. Unfortunately these were cancelled due to the wet weather. St Joseph's students and Auxiliary would also like to thank all those who supported their fete and hope that they found it an enjoyable evening.

MAJOR RAFFLE – *Bistro Setting & Tableware*: Henry Bourke

CHRISTMAS CAKE:

Made & donated by Marg Thompson & Decorated & donated by Julie Bourke: Pat Storey

LOLLIES: Michelle Soulsby

KIDS: *Girls Prize donated by House to Home - Betty Baird*
Boys Prize donated by Charlton Newsagency: Jess Kenny

PARENTS: *Mothers –donated by Marion Guy: Joe Tormey*
Fathers –donated by Tsharni Burns & Charlton Timber & Hardware: Joy James

CHRISTMAS: Rosemary Hackett

DOLLS HOUSE: *Donated by Joe & Margaret Briffa - Ken Rogers*

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Job Title	Town	Contact	Closing Date
1 st or 2 nd Year Cabinet Maker	Melbourne (Campbellfield)	Deena Sleiman	5/12/2008
Apprentice Painter & Decorator	Birchip	Kate Clark	12/12/2008
Ward Clerk Traineeship	St. Arnaud	Kate Clark	Open
Beauty Services Traineeship	Warracknabeal	Kate Clark	Open
Automotive Apprentice (Light Vehicle) – 1 st /2 nd Year	Melbourne (Yarraville)	Deena Sleiman	5/12/2008
Apprentice Chef	Daylesford	Jamie Bennett	Open
Horticulture/Agriculture Traineeship (Field Worker)	Horsham	Chris Perry	5/12/2008
Planning Officer Asst Traineeship: Cert IV Loc. Govt	Horsham	Chris Perry	5/12/2008
Asset Services Traineeship	Melbourne (East Melbourne)	Deena Sleiman	08/12/2008
Certificate III in Plastics Traineeship	Ballarat	Shane Cross	18/12/2008
Information Technology Traineeship	Horsham	Shane Cross	12/12/2008