Dear SJV Families

This coming week we celebrate the Feasts of St. Patrick and St. Joseph. The pride, the passion and the "down-to-earth" humanity of the Irish have had a marked influence on the history and culture of our nation. So too has the feast day of Ireland's favourite son, St. Patrick, been such a cause of celebration nation-wide for many years that the tradition continues to grow. In the past the "wearing of the green" may have been a mark of sectarian pride but in this new era it serves to unite people of all backgrounds in its once a year celebration.

The Feast of St. Joseph is also significant, as it is the patron of many of our Parishes, Churches and Schools. St. Joseph's role as foster-father of Christ was unique, St Joseph reminds us that the caring role of all fathers is unique and should never be underestimated. The Bible pays Joseph the highest compliment: he was a "just" a man. By saying this, the Bible means he was completely open to all that God wanted him to do for Him.

75th Celebrations – Thank You

I would like to sincerely thank a number of people for their contribution to our 75th Anniversary celebrations last week. Thank you to:

- Kate Lambkin (APRE) for the planning & coordination of the liturgy as well as many of the details associated with this day;
- Leanne Laboo and Theresa Sheppard for the beautiful music on the day;
- Maureen Addley & Julene Bedall for the organisation of the wonderful historical display;
- St John Vianney's Parish for the new steel cross and school motto lettering on the new building;
- Jeff Bond for his work presenting the grounds so well for the day;
- Amanda Harding and her team of helpers for the impressive morning tea after Mass;
- Matt & Sheridan Leo of Taste the Aroma, Wynnum Plaza for providing the beautiful food; and
- The SJV Parents & Friends Association for the donation towards the students' 75 Years badges and for covering the cost of the new 'Friendship Seat'.

Years 5 & 6 School Camp

This week, our Years 5 & 6 students are attending a camp at Tallebudgera on the Gold Coast. The children are very excited about the great range of outdoor and team building activities that they are participating in. These include Surfing, High Ropes, Team Skills & Archery. I am currently attending the camp this week along with Mrs Cristina, Ms Hadfield, Mrs Addley & Mrs Staley-Biggs. Camps like this are an excellent opportunity for students to grow in confidence and independence as they learn in a different setting to their school. Camps provide opportunities for students to live in shared accommodation, develop social skills and independence, challenge themselves and enjoy the benefits of an active lifestyle.

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In my experience, camps allow students to connect with others and experience success in a different setting. In recent years schools have placed a greater emphasis on the development of students’ wellbeing at school and school camps provide one way to address the emotional development of students.

Reading Magic – This information, which stresses the importance of reading each day, was provided by our Prep teachers to Prep families in the last week. Mem Fox loves to remind us that learning to read is ‘magical’. We call upon our knowledge and understanding of a great store of vocabulary that we have heard and we match it to the context of a story in order to get the author’s intended meaning.

When we, as adults, read aloud to children they gain a vast amount of general knowledge. They listen to the richness of language from books they cannot yet read. They hear the rhythm of words; the emotion of the story; all the things the author intended. If we keep reading aloud to children they will continue to be immersed in a world of words that they will eventually meet when they themselves are independent readers. Keep night time reading alive!

Best wishes for a great week ahead.
Geoff Sullivan (Principal)

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

Our SJV School-wide Expectations:
✓ Be Respectful
✓ Be Responsible
✓ Be Safe
✓ Be a Learner

Virtue for this fortnight: Compassion
Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled, even if you don’t know them. It is wanting to help, even if all you can do is listen and say kind words. You forgive mistakes. You are a friend when someone needs a friend.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep S
Jaden le Dieu; Ella Brown

Prep J
Owen McDonald; Chelsea Ogborne

Prep V
Braxton Exton; Mia Winne

1S
Lani Sando; Will Qureshi

1J
Jorja Bairstow; Charlie O’Kane

1V
Isla Donnelly; Ben Stevens

2S
Marcus Shorey-Kiton; Sarah McLaughlin

2J
Olivia Wilson; Bruno Pupillo

2V
Grace Parkes; Jacob Bridge

3J
Ben Hislop; Reilly Crockett

3S
Emmi Leo; Luke Szilagyi

3V
Jack Dodunski; Aisha Wilder

4S
Grace Collins; Emily Storck; Aisha Williams; Jas Thomas-Appleton

4J
Isabelle Wieland; Zion Chingwile

4V
Carla Harkin; Jake Harding

5S
Amelia Sadler; Olivia Peake; Danielle Dormer; Abigail Rogan-Benfer

6S
Phoebe Joyce; Amy Elkington

Principal’s Awards
Chloe Harrison; Charlotte Bradly; Charlie Camilleri; Lachlan Kirwan

APRE NEWS

Since becoming involved in the Hamara Haq (‘Our Rights’) project, Dhaniram and his community in India have learnt about their rights and have been empowered to speak up for themselves. Now, real change is taking place. Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help vulnerable communities in India learn more about their rights so they are empowered to speak up, ask for their rights and create lasting change.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion 1800 024 413

Project Compassion Donations

Tuesday 22 March is the last day to bring in your Project Compassion donations. To date, we have raised $1500 - an amazing and very generous effort from our school community. It would be wonderful to raise $2320 so we could provide schooling for four children with an intellectual disability for one year in Laos.

Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause. As a community, we can truly make a difference to the lives of others.

Kathryn Lambkin (Acting APRE)

PREP 2017 SIBLING ENROLMENTS **URGENT**

Applications for Prep 2017 must be submitted by 24 March 2016. Families of siblings who are eligible for Prep 2017 (child born 1/7/11 – 31/8/12) are requested to submit their applications urgently. Enrolment applications are available from the school office or can be downloaded from our website: http://www.sjv.qld.edu.au/About%20Us%20-%20School%20Pages/Our-Enrolment-Policy.aspx. Applications must be accompanied by a full birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if applicable) and a $60 non-refundable application fee.
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION (HPE) AND SPORTS REPORT

Tip for the Week: Minds are like parachutes - they only function when open. Thomas Dewar
Cross Country Friday 15 April 2016
All students Prep to Year 6
Preparations are continuing for the annual Inter-house Cross Country Carnival. You will have received the information letter with all the details and a permission letter for you to complete and return to the class teachers. The program and details are also posted on the school website. Training for the event has been included in the students’ PE lessons to ensure all participants are adequately prepared for the day.

It is recommended that during the forthcoming holidays, the children are provided with opportunities to maintain their fitness for the event. I would also encourage you to provide the students with their respective house coloured shirts to make the event a real carnival atmosphere. Would you also please consider volunteering as a helper on the day, even if only for a couple of hours, by completing the helper slip and returning this to your child’s classroom teacher.

Marian Carlton
HPE Teacher and Sport Coordinator

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Our weekly newsletter remains the major source of communication between school and home. In an effort to support responsible stewardship of the environment, we will be emailing the newsletter to families from the beginning of Term 2.

ROAD SAFETY

Parents, carers and grandparents are asked to please consider the safety of all members of the community and pay careful attention to street signage and road rules. Parents are also asked to ensure that driveways remain clear at all times. A reminder to parents who use the Oceana Pick up Zone in the afternoon that the driver of the vehicle may only stop for a maximum of 2 minutes. For children to be picked up from Oceana Terrace, they must be able to get in the car, buckle themselves in independently and the car must move off promptly. Parents are not permitted to get out of the car at this location as the congestion stops traffic down the road, causing access problems for our neighbours. In the afternoon, drivers should not sit in a parked car and wait for their child to arrive or queue their vehicles down Oceana Terrace causing traffic congestion. Your patience and consideration is appreciated.

An alternative to the Oceana Terrace pick up zone in the afternoons is the walking buses. Two walking buses take children to Wellington Street and Valetta Street each afternoon. These children walk with a supervising teacher to the pick-up points in those streets. It takes approx. 10 minutes for children to arrive in those areas.

P & F NEWS

Quickbeds
Don’t forget next time you are booking accommodation for a weekend away or holiday, go to www.quickbeds.com. Enter our unique SJV code: 1748 and you will raise funds for our school. There are no booking fees and they have a price beat guarantee on over 5500+ properties in Australia and New Zealand.

TUCKSHOP ORDERING

All orders for tuckshop, including iceblocks, should be ordered online via flexischools. The tuckshop has a very limited cash float which makes changing large notes difficult. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Friday 18 March: Sandra Lewis-Wittman, Brooke Bridge, Victoria Breadsell, Melissa McIlvane, Lindsay Jenkinson
Monday 21 March: Elise Muller, Monette Emery
Monday 11 April: NO TUCKSHOP FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
Friday 15 April: Anne-Maree Fabriek, Trish Kristjansson, Kirsten Gardner, Patricia Szlajgi

LOST PROPERTY – COLLECT OR DUMP

The next Collect or Dump is Monday 21 March at 3.00pm. Lost property items will be displayed near the Prep bubblers. Parents are encouraged to check their child’s belongings regularly. Please also ensure all items are clearly labelled.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER – MONDAY 21 MARCH
PREP J (IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER)
Please contact your Classroom Coordinator for further information regarding the cleaning roster and duties.

GUITAR LESSONS

Guitar lessons run on-site at SJV on Thursdays (during school hours) for grades 2 - 6. $11 / week (+ start-up resources) - term payment at the commencement of lessons. Fun, contemporary style... small groups - beginner to advanced programs. Taking term 2 registrations now - admin@daymusicnow.com.au or call 0434030084.

UKULELE LESSONS

Ukulele lessons run on-site at SJV on Thursdays (during school hours) for prep & grade 1. $105 +GST start-up package deal (includes term lessons, ukulele, ukulele book & CD of songs) - term payment at the commencement of lessons. Fun, friendly environment.. small groups - fantastic way to introduce young students to learning an instrument. Taking term 2 registrations now - admin@daymusicnow.com.au or call 0434030084.

WHIZ KIDZ – SUPER SCIENCE CLUB PROGRAM

Fortnightly on Wednesdays 3.00 – 4.15pm
CONCEPTS (Term 2)
1. PENDULUM OF DEATH – Things that swing are constantly converting energy. Is there a volunteer for the Pendulum of Death?
2. BURIED TREASURE (crystals) - There are thousands of different crystals, everything from salt to diamonds. Grow the crystals of your choice for fun and enter them for judging in the crystal growing competition - if you dare!
3. TOTAL RECALL – Brain work - remembering to remember and remembering to forget!
4. WEATHER WATCH - The atmosphere’s movement and how it creates the Earth’s constantly changing weather.
5. HILLARY HAMBURGER - Without plants all animals on Earth would die. The digestion of foods is linked to the chemistry of foods.

WHO – Years 1-6 WHEN – Fortnightly from Wednesday 20 April
WHERE – Nano Nagle Centre (School Hall) FEE – $125 – normal length term (Cash, money order or cheque payable to D. Bennett). To enrol your child into Science Club for Term 2 / 2016, please contact Donna Bennett. Email scedau@optusnet.com.au
Mob 0427 644 490.
WHIZ KIDZ Science
HANDS-ON EXPERIMENTING = LEARNING THAT'S FUN

- Is your child driven by curiosity?
- Does your child love science?
- Does your child ask lots of questions?
- Your child will have fun and enjoy learning about the world and how it works!

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WHERE - Nana Nangle Centre (School Hall)
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ENROLLMENT:
- New students - Your child must be properly enrolled to be accepted. For the enrollment package and a full program - contact Donna Bennett before Session 1.
  - Email - scedu@optusnet.com.au  Mobile - 0427 644 493
- Continuing students - please complete the form below and send before Session 1

St John Vianney Science Club
Please return this slip to Donna Bennett before Session 1. (Do not return this to the school)
NAME: ________________________  YEAR: _______
ADDRESS: ____________________  Postcode: _______
Mobile: _______________________  Emergency Mobile: ___________________
Term 2 FEE - $125 for the term (normal term)
Fees included with this form? (please circle) - 1. Yes
2. I will bring the first session

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