

**27th July 2023**

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**OFFICE HOURS: 8:30am - 4:00pm**

Dear Parents/Carers,

## IMPORTANT DATES

Canteen  
Open each  
Monday &  
Friday

Uniform  
Shop  
Monday  
2.30pm  
School Hall  
Foyer

Secondhand  
Uniform  
Shop  
Contact  
Office

Nude Food  
Every day

[St Jude's  
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Link](#)

Many of our Year 3 students will be celebrating a significant milestone in their faith journey tonight – their first reconciliation. This momentous occasion holds great importance in their spiritual development, as it marks a time of reflection, forgiveness, and renewal of their relationship with God and their community. Through this sacrament, students will have the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God in a profound way, fostering a deeper understanding of the values of compassion, empathy, and humility. I know you will join me in congratulating the students as they take this next step in their spiritual journey. I would also like to thank our Middle team staff for their work in preparing children, especially Lauren Considine our Religious Education Leader.

It was fantastic to see so many parents last week at the 3-Way Interviews. This is always a great opportunity for students to share their learning with their parents.

This week Naplan results were sent home to Year 3 & 5 students. These results give information about a student on a given day in March. The results cannot say everything about who they are and what they have achieved in their day to day learning at school. We hope that all forms of feedback will inspire your child to improve every week in literacy and numeracy and all of their learning. Just remember that there is so much more to describe who they are and what they are doing in their learning that can't be shown in these scores.

## GAGA PIT

This week we have had a great deal of enjoyment learning how to play GAGA. Darren Perry and I hope to have had a session with all classes by the end of this week. The GAGA Pit is new to our school and thanks to the Colour Explosion Run fundraiser we have been able to provide this fun play area. This space will be timetabled for each year level to use during recess and lunch. This space is closed before and after school, I would appreciate parent support with this.

This is a timely reminder that students must be supervised by their parents before and afterschool. During school hours students play on either the Junior playground (Prep-Year 2) or the Senior playground (Year 3-6), this should also be followed outside of school hours.



## PLAY POD

Exciting News! The much-anticipated relaunch of our Play Pod is here, and it's better than ever! For those unfamiliar, our Play Pod is a unique and creative space housed in a modified shipping container, filled with clean industrial scrap materials. This one-of-a-kind play area sparks imagination, encourages innovation, and promotes sustainability among our students. From barrels, to colourful fabrics, tyres to spare wood pieces, the Play Pod offers an endless array of materials for our students to explore and create. It's a playground where innovation knows no bounds, and our young minds can bring their wildest ideas to life. We believe that through play, children can develop problem-solving skills, teamwork, and environmental awareness. The Play Pod also teaches students to look at risk assessment and ways to ensure their safety in play. This is a space where we can watch our students learn, grow, and build one recycled creation at a time!



Yours Sincerely,

Marita O'Sullivan

## St Jude's Trivia Night!

We have planned a fun filled Trivia Night Fundraiser for parents and friends of St Jude's. This fundraising will go towards helping enhance the playgrounds and surroundings at our school. We look forward to seeing you at our Trivia Night!

### Donations

We will be having a silent auction with a variety of donated items throughout the night as well as putting together raffle prizes. We have already sorted donations from different organisations, however if you are able to donate something from your business we would greatly appreciate it! Please bring donations to the front office.

ST JUDE'S TRIVIA NIGHT

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Catholic Primary School  
Sydney

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| <b>Saturday<br/>August<br/>19th</b><br>Doors open: 7:00pm<br>Trivia Starts: 7:30pm | <b>SCHOOL<br/>ASSEMBLY HALL</b><br><br>This fundraising will go towards helping enhance the playgrounds and surrounds at St Jude's Primary School. |
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Register online at [trybooking.com](https://trybooking.com)  
link sent to your emails on  
Wednesday 26th of July at 5:30pm.

BYO Food/Drinks, Silent Auction, Games, Prizes, Adults only  
Card or Cash payments available. Bring loose change!





This weekend's Gospel, like the last few weeks again describes the Kingdom of Heaven, this time through a parable of the found treasure. I feel like it is fitting for me as I embark on another journey across the world to participate in World Youth Day (WYD) in Portugal starting next week.

This parable made me feel nostalgic. Thinking back to my first WYD experience in Madrid as a 20 year old. The energy and experience of faith alive was infectious for everyone there. It was like we had all connected to faith in a unique way and unlocked the 'treasure' that faith experiences can bring.

For some the treasure (faith) was found quickly and it ran out soon after as it wasn't invested in or nurtured. For others the treasure has been taken care of and shared with others in our lives since returning. For me that was the case! I realised that the Catholic Church and my connection with God could be relatable especially through music and connections with others.

As a teacher these skills have shaped the way I share my faith with my students and help them connect in their own way. As I embark on this journey, I will keep our community in my prayers and can't wait to share all about it when I return.

*I wonder how the treasure of faith that we are freely given is alive in your life?*

*I wonder how you like to live your your discovered treasure in the world around you?*

This week you might like to tell your family about the parable and ask them what the analogy of treasure means to them. They might surprise you with what gold they think they have already.

God Bless,  
Lauren



***This month the ELFS (Environmental Leaders of the Future) have been learning about Plastic Free July. We have all agreed that this is a very important event to share even though there is only one week left of July.***

***These are some things that you can do at home to be more plastic conscious:***

- 1. Keep your plastic bags from the shops and reuse them when you shop again***
- 2. Use material bags when shopping where possible***
- 3. Try to avoid plastic containers and wrapping***
- 4. At the coffee shop, use a Keep cup rather than a disposable cup***
- 5. Use metal or paper straws over plastic ones because metal ones are reusable and paper is recyclable***
- 6. When you get shampoo/conditioner, get the bar instead of the plastic container so it's better for the environment***

***Thanks, Zara and Eleanor***



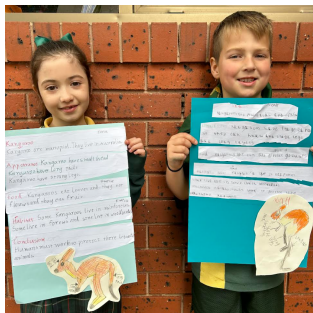
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# ST JUDE'S LANGWARRIN

## English



Our 1/2 students have been researching and writing **information reports** about kangaroos. They have read and written facts about their appearance, food, and habitat. The 1/2 students have also explored the language features of non fiction texts, drawing labelled diagrams as part of their information report.



Integrating reading and writing provides a meaningful and engaging way for students to build their Literacy skills.



### Some facts about kangaroos -

Hudson - Kangaroos have a long muscly tail for balance.

Mason - Kangaroos are herbivores.

Harrison - Some kangaroos live in rainforests and woodlands.

Caroline Hume

Literacy & Enrichment Leader

## Year Level Spotlight: Prep!

The Preps have been engaged in all things measurement! Our Preps are comparing objects around their classroom as being bigger / smaller or heavier / lighter. They had the measure of any challenge put to them. Check out Lily-Mae, Georgia, Chad and Saoirse comparing common classroom objects to a row of unifix cubes!



## Maths Game!



Want to master times tables while having fun? Try *Close to 100!* This game is for anyone looking to improve their multiplication skills, no matter what year level.

<https://youtu.be/qD8s5yNTE8s>

Find the gameboard [here](#)

Braden Hammond

Mathematics Leader & STEM Teacher

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION



## Apply now for Year 7 2025

**The Catholic Education enrolment due date  
for Year 7 2025 is 18 August 2023.**

Applications for places in Year 7 2025 are filling quickly. Apply before the due date to ensure your child is considered.

Bus service available to Carrum, Bonbeach, Carrum Downs, Skye, Chelsea, Seaford, Patterson Lakes and Sandhurst.

Apply online via [jpc.vic.edu.au](https://jpc.vic.edu.au)



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Local families are feeling the pressure of rising costs of living. That's why the Child Care Subsidy will increase from July. This is a big reform that is good for children, good for families, and good for Australia.

**About 5,800 families in the Frankston area will benefit from cheaper child care.**

It means parents - especially mums - can work more paid hours if they want to. It means more money in the pockets of families. And it means more children can access the benefits of foundational early learning.



**Peta Murphy MP**  
Member For Dunkley

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