



# NEWSLETTER

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

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had a wonderful extended long weekend last week. I would like to thank each of you for making arrangements to allow our whole staff to come together for extraordinary professional development last Thursday and Friday.

On Thursday Doug Bailey, a trainer from Berry Street joined our staff to commence training in the Berry Street Education Model (BSEM), focusing initially on the body domain. This model emphasises a holistic approach to education, recognizing the importance of addressing all aspects of a child's development—physical, emotional, cognitive, and social. By starting with the body domain, our staff is learning strategies to support students in developing healthy physical habits, managing stress, and regulating emotions, which are fundamental for creating a safe and nurturing learning environment.

We have begun applying the strategies learned on day one of our training, which has been an exciting learning experience. We eagerly anticipate witnessing the positive impact these strategies will have on our students. This training is timely as our school strategic plan which is outlined in our school improvement plan is based around having a shared vision and using whole school approaches.

On Friday we revisited our school vision and looked at recommendations from our school review last year. The two days were valuable for all of our staff and a great reminder that WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!

## **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

A reminder that school photos will take place next Monday 18th March. We ask that children are in their summer uniform which includes plain white socks and plain black shoes. Children who have a PE class on Monday can bring a change of shoes if their black plain shoes are not runners.

## **OUR WELLBEING HUB**

We are extremely fortunate to have our Wellbeing HUB. It is a place to celebrate and be very proud of. We constantly have other schools visiting this dynamic space. The HUB is for every single student at St Jude's and we welcome parents to pop in to have a look or to contact either Dimity Hemingway or myself if you have any questions relating to the space.

The HUB is a vibrant space which has six learning zones which cater for different learning styles. The entire space is fitted with contemporary furnishings including pedal desks, whiteboard tables, wobble stools, stand up stations, and soft furnishings.

Learning that takes place in the HUB includes literacy, numeracy and social & emotional capabilities which are undertaken either independently, in small groups or whole class. The HUB is always staffed with members from our Wellbeing Team.



One zone is dedicated for small group work where students are extended in their learning, we call this enrichment. There are also students involved in intervention groups where skills are explicitly taught to enable students to improve in their academic growth.

Students also have the opportunity to work independently in the HUB on classroom tasks. Students are either directed by the teacher or choose this working space themselves. This is an excellent opportunity for students to experience working in an alternative space from their classroom, where they can choose different furniture options.

One of the zones is called the 'Take a Break Space' and is filled with sensory tools. Children are explicitly taught how these tools can be used to help them be the best learners that they can be. Children have the opportunity to have a ten minute break when they feel that this will help them. Using this zone can be student or teacher directed.

Since the establishment of the HUB many benefits have been witnessed with children flourishing with their learning.



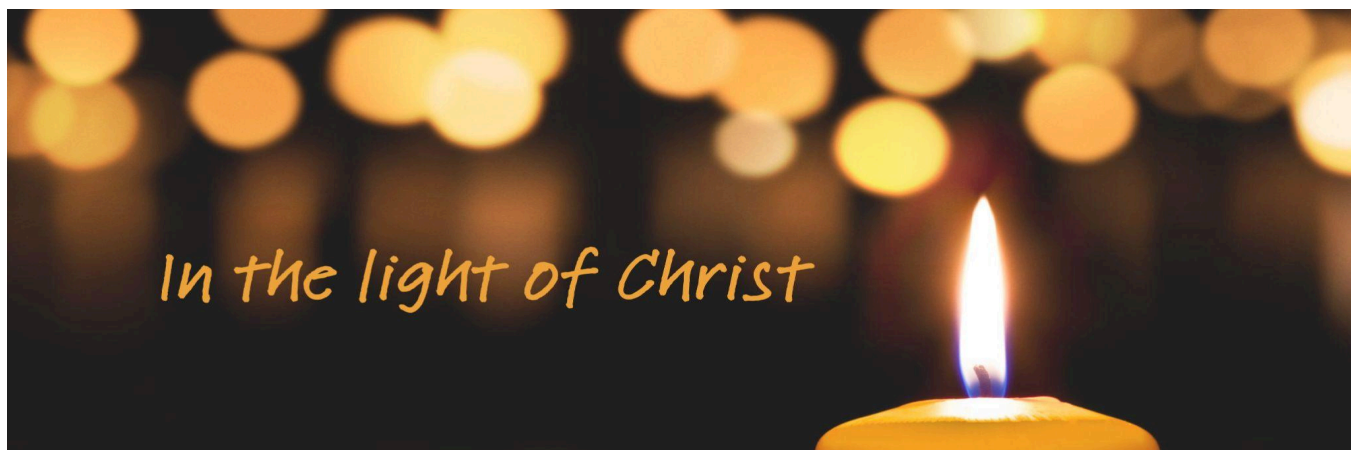
Yours Sincerely

Marita O'Sullivan

Principal

### 2024 School Closure Dates

Term	Date	Reason
Term 1	Thursday 28th March <b>1pm Finish</b>	Last day of Term 1
Term 2	Friday 26th April (following ANZAC Day)	Time in lieu
	Friday 28th June <b>1pm Finish</b>	Last day of Term 2
Term 3	Wednesday 24th July <b>1pm Finish</b>	Parent Teacher Interviews
	<b>Monday 9th September</b>	Curriculum day
	Friday 20th September <b>1pm Finish</b>	Last day of Term 3
Term 4	Friday 1st November	Curriculum - Assessment & Reporting
	Monday 4th November	Time in lieu
	Tuesday 17th December <b>1pm Finish</b>	Last day of Term 4



## *In the light of Christ*

This week is one of my favourites for the year. The week around St Patrick's feast day (Melbourne's Patron Saint) Melbourne Catholic Schools celebrate Catholic Education Week. This is a time for all of us to stop, reflect and celebrate all the wonderful things that make our Catholic schools so special. It is a time to think about how we are called to be 'In The Light of Christ' with all that we say and do.

I took some time to ask some of our students about why they love coming to school at St Judes and why they think we should celebrate this week. Here were some of their responses.

I love that it is a Catholic school and we learn about God, at my old school we didn't do that! Also

I love all the teachers they really care about me

I love coming to school. All the teachers are kind. I have so much fun at St Judes!

I have friends here and I have lots of things to learn- it's just live, laugh and learn

I love that we believe in Jesus, this school can help my spiritual link to know that he is watching over us

I love that we can get the opportunity to learn about how Jesus did wonderful things for the world.

I also love our St Judes community because everyone is positive and always willing to try.

This week take some time to think about how your family can be in the presence of God and how we can be Jesus' heart and hands in our world. Also you might like to take some time to say a prayer giving thanks for our school and community.

### **Reconciliation**

Tonight some of our Students will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. They have been preparing by using the example of Jesus to know how to treat people with respect. They have also explored two key gospel passages of 'The Prodigal Son' to think about how we are called to forgive and John 13: 34-35 "Love one another as I have loved you." to think about the way they treat others with respect and Love.

This week your family might like to say a prayer for those who will be receiving the sacrament while also asking your family about what it means to you to "Love one another as I have loved you."

Have a wonderful week,

**Lauren Considine**

Harmony Week  
18 - 22nd March

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On Thursday the 21st of March, we will be celebrating 'Harmony Day' at school. On this day, students are invited to wear the traditional outfits or national colours of their culture, Italian colours or alternatively, they may like to wear the colour orange, as orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week..

As part of this event, we are kindly requesting a gold coin donation, which will go towards supporting the incredible work of Caritas Australia. All staff and students will be given wristbands to wear for Harmony Day. The school leaders will come around on Thursday morning to collect donations and give students the wristbands to wear, and the wristbands for all staff will be in the Staffroom.

Harmony Day - Assembly

The Preps will be hosting our Assembly on Friday 22nd of March from 8:45am to celebrate Harmony Week.

To celebrate Harmony Week, all students will be enjoying an Italian performance, "Vacanze Romane" (Roman Holidays), presented by Spectacular Spettacolo on Wednesday morning from 9:30 - 10:30 in the Hall. During all Specialist classes on Tuesday and Wednesday, students will be engaged in Italian themed activities.

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## **St Jude's Easter Raffle**

**St Jude's will be hosting an Easter raffle on the last day of this term. We are seeking your generous donations of Easter goods**

**These donations are requested by Monday, March 25th. The funds raised will be used to support ongoing improvements in the playground.**

**Kindly bring your donations to your classroom teacher. Raffle tickets will be distributed early next week and sent home with students. Thank you for your support!**



# I SEA, I CARE

## DOLPHIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Emerging student leaders Lincoln, Sophie, Miles and Geogia were chosen as I Sea, I Care Ambassadors for 2024. They recently got the chance to experience the richness of biodiversity in our bay on the Moonraker boat, swimming with Seals and spotting Dolphins!

Read to find out what they got up to.



### LINCOLN

Being an I Sea, I Care Ambassador has helped me learn about the ocean, its creatures and how we can look after it. We got to see Seals and Dolphins, which is something I've never experienced before!



Keep an eye out for more I Sea, I Care information next term!



### GEORGIA

We went on the Moonraker boat today. My favourite part was seeing the Burrunan Dolphins swim next to our boat. They were big, over two meters long!



### SOPHIE

I got the chance to see dolphins and seals! I really liked the snorkelling!



### MILES

My first day as an I Sea, I Care Ambassador was awesome! It was super fun. We got to snorkel in the bay. I saw lots of fish!



Learning at

# ST JUDE'S LANGWARRIN

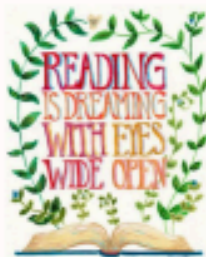


## English

### Bookflix at St Jude's

**BOOKFLIX** is a resource for our St Jude's school community to find book suggestions for different class levels, whilst sharing which books are popular and available in the library. There is also a section for suggestions. We encourage families to share books that you have enjoyed reading.

To access **BOOKFLIX**, scan the QR code below.



## Mathematics

This week, our Year Level Showcase looks at the great learning happening in Year 1/2. This term, the Year 1/2s have been learning about *patterns*, *time* as a measurement unit and *addition*. For the remainder of the term, the students will be exploring *shape*, including how to recognise and classify shapes by their obvious features. Check out the 1/2s in action here!



Elen and Eylan sorting according to number of sides



Elen and Lucy comparing two shapes by counting the sides

Quiz! Which of these is not a triangle?  
Unsure? Ask a Year 1/2 student!



## Prep Information Night

Tuesday 23rd April at 6:30pm

As part of our commitment to fostering a collaborative and supportive partnership, we are excited to invite you to our upcoming Prep Information Night. This will be an opportunity to hear about learning in Prep at St Jude's. The curriculum leaders and class teachers will also share how to best support your child's learning at home, with opportunities to ask questions. We look forward to seeing you on the Tuesday 23rd April at 6:30pm.





# SPECIALIST NEWS



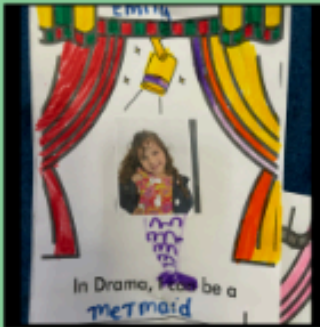
## Your 2024 Specialist Team!

Our school is blessed to be able to provide our students with some rich and engaging learning in many different areas including Art, Drama, Italian, Library, Music, Sport and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). Read to find out what each year level gets up to in Specialist classes!



In Visual Arts, Year 3/4 have finished their Under Water Portraits. Students have focused on two art elements when creating their work: Cool Colours and Texture. Keep an eye out, you will see their amazing work displayed around the school soon!

In Drama, the Preps have been learning about acting out different characters. They've also been exploring a range of emotions, and how to show them with facial expressions or body movements. The Year 3/4s have been learning about actor biographies and introducing themselves as actors. They are also learning about how some Elements of Drama, such as roles and characters, and atmosphere and sound help them to be amazing actors!



In Weeks 1-3, Italian students in Years 1/2 & 5/6 completed activities related to the yearly festival of Carnevale which is celebrated throughout Italy with the biggest celebrations taking place in Venice. Students enjoyed drawing, and decorating masks. For the rest of the term, the focus is on Roman landmarks and learning new songs.







# SPECIALIST NEWS



In the Library, our Preps have focused on uncovering rhyming words within beloved storybooks. We've delved into classics like "Green Eggs and Ham," "Where is the Green Sheep?" and "Llama Llama Red Pajama."

Meanwhile, our 3/4 students have been immersed in dissecting various narrative components. They've taken delight in crafting suspense within the stories they're creating.



In Music, the 1/2's have been learning about Percussion instruments. They have thoroughly enjoyed playing their percussion instruments to classics like William Tell Overture.

In 5/6 students have been exploring rhythm and Percussion also. They have been learning notation and basic beats through Bucket drumming.

We have had a very exciting term in Sport! Middle students have participated in 'Striking Sports' such as Cricket and T-Ball. Senior students have been participating in fitness based activities, as well as practicing the different Sports for SLP. Junior students have participated in team based games. Over the next two weeks of Term, we welcome a tennis organisation, Set4Success, that will deliver a Tennis program to all grades during their PE lesson.



In STEM, our 1/2s have been learning about Healthy Eating. Like all good Scientists, we had a close look at fruits to see if we could spot the seeds!

In 5/6, students have been focusing on collaboration in Engineering Challenges and looking closely at different foods through a microscope!

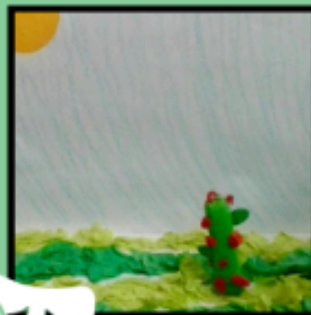


# MACS ART EXHIBITION

Each year, Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools hosts an exhibition in Catholic Education Week to showcase some of the best artworks created during the previous year, 2023. Our school has five pieces selected for inclusion.



Robbie- St Jude Portrait  
Zara- Portrait of Mary  
Rebekah- Cathedral in Nicaragua  
Hudson- Sydney Harbour  
Molly- Digital Animation, Sassy Strawberry



We wish, Robbie, Hudson, Rebekah, Molly and Zara all the best in the exhibition. We hope you enjoy your trip to the city and feel very proud when you see your work on display!



# ST JUDES SPORTS REPORT



## SSV DIVISIONAL SWIMMING

Congratulations to all students who participated at the SSV Divisional Swimming Carnival last Tuesday! All students should be extremely proud of themselves for progressing to this stage. The students did a phenomenal job in supporting one another and trying their absolute best in the pool, well done!

Congratulations to Joel W, Hugo P, Slater B, Andre W, Leon S, Lucas K, Gilbert H, Mason P, and Caleb T for representing St Jude's at the Divisional Swimming event!

## HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

Our House Cross Country will be held on Friday the 19th of April. This event is for all students from Prep to Year 6. The distance each year level will run are:

- 11,12 & 13 year olds: 3km
- 9/10 year olds: 2km
- Year 2: 1.8km
- Year1: 1.2km
- Prep: 600m



## SENIOR GIRLS FOOTY TEAM

Last year was the first year in the history of St Jude's that fielded a Senior Girls Footy team. I am excited to announce that for the 2nd year in a row, St Jude's will participate in the SSV Frankston District Girls Footy Gala. The event will be held on Thursday the 2nd of May. The senior girl students have been practicing and are extremely excited for the day!



*Register to attend a John Paul College*

# Discovery Morning

**Term 1 - Thursday 7 March**

**Term 2 - Thursday 20 June**

**Term 3 - Thursday 1 August**

**9:00am - 11:00am**

Explore all that John Paul College has to offer as you tour our expansive grounds, discover our state of the art facilities, engage with our students, and enjoy a morning tea in the company of our leading staff and College Principal.

Register online at [jpc.vic.edu.au](https://jpc.vic.edu.au)

Enrolments for Year 7 2026 close on 16 August 2024



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John Paul College welcomes applications for Year 7 2026.

Places are available for students in Year 5 who are interested in applying for Year 7 in 2026. Families are encouraged to submit an online application at their earliest convenience or prior to the Catholic Education enrolment date of Friday 16 August 2024, to avoid joining a waitlist.

For information on how to apply or to submit an online application to John Paul College, please visit:  
<https://www.jpc.vic.edu.au/home/information/enrolments>

# Community Information



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



**PRICES START FROM \$99**

- 7-10 SUPER STARS CAMP
- 11-13 SUPER STARS SQUAD - MIXED
- 11-13 SUPER STARS SQUAD - GIRLS
- 14-17 SUPER STARS ACADEMY



# EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tuesday 2nd April to Friday 12th April

- Excluding weekends and public holidays

New Venue: St John's Catholic PS, Frankston!

We are excited to be back for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including lots of Sports, awesome games **& MUCH MORE**



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**Who can attend:**  
Boys & Girls aged 4-12 years old.

**General Information:**  
We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**What do you need to bring:** Appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

**Food:**  
Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12.30pm to 1.30pm each day.

**Programme activities:**  
Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

**Payment details:**  
Payment is required up-front within 2 hours of your booking. A receipt will be issued when a completed booking is received. All details will be included on the receipt.

**Please note:**  
Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Sports accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme.

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# EASTER 2024 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PS - JAYNE ST, FRANKSTON,

	Mon 1st April	Tues 2nd April	Wed 3rd April	Thu 4th April	Fri 5th April
<b>WEEK 1</b>	<p><b>EASTER MONDAY NO SESSION</b></p>	<p><b>FIRST DAY FUN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SOCCER</li> <li>BASKETBALL</li> <li>FOOTY</li> </ul>	<p><b>WHACKY WEDNESDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BAT TENNIS</li> <li>CRICKET</li> <li>EASTER EGG HUNT</li> </ul>	<p><b>THRILLING THURSDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NETBALL</li> <li>BASKETBALL</li> <li>DODGEBALL</li> </ul>	<p><b>FOOTY FRIDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HOCKEY</li> <li>SOCCER</li> <li>FOOTY</li> </ul> <p><i>Come dressed in your favourite team colours!</i></p>
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<p><b>MAD MONDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FOOTY</li> <li>CRICKET</li> <li>BAT TENNIS</li> </ul>	<p><b>EASTER EGG HUNT!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HOCKEY</li> <li>SOCCER</li> <li>EASTER EGG HUNT</li> </ul>	<p><b>DYNAMIC DODGEBALL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DODGEBALL</li> <li>BASKETBALL</li> <li>HOCKEY</li> </ul>	<p><b>TERRIFIC THURSDAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FOOTY</li> <li>CRICKET</li> <li>NETBALL</li> </ul>	<p><b>KIDS CHOICE</b></p> <p>KIDS DECIDE THE DAY!</p>

**FULL DAY: \$60**  
Mon - Fri, 8:00am - 5:45pm

**FULL WEEK: \$275**  
8:00am - 5:45pm

PLEASE NOTE THAT THEMED DAYS WILL ALSO INCLUDE OTHER SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES THE KIDS WILL LOVE.



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