



# ST JOHN XXIII PRIMARY SCHOOL



Newsletter No. 12



17th July, 2024



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3, I trust everyone had a good break and are ready for an exciting term. We have a number of exciting activities planned -100 days for Preps, Learning Conversations, Grandparent's Day, St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day, Book week, Year 5/6 Camp and Year 1/2 Extended Day..

### LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Learning conversations to discuss your child's progress will take place next week on Thursday 25th July, beginning at 2.00 pm. All sessions will be face to face and we ask that your child is with you on the day.

Parents who had PSG meetings about your child last term will not be required to book a time as you have already been given a 30 minute report on your child's progress as well as the written school report.

School for the day for students will end at 1.45 pm. Students who cannot be collected at that time or go to TheirCare will be minded by school staff until 3.15pm, the normal finish time. Parents are required to fill in the Operoo e-form indicating if your child/ren are being collected at 1.45pm **OR** are remaining at school until 3.15pm.

### Booking Links

1. Copy link below into your browser and follow instructions.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/5bq9n>

**or**

2. Use the QR code on the right to make a booking

**Bookings open Wednesday 17th July at 4.00pm**



*Frank Vetrone*  
Principal

# IMPORTANT DATES

## Term 3

- Mon 22nd July - Prep 100 Days
- Tues 23rd July- Yer 5/6 Mass
- Tues 23rd July - Pyjama Free Dress Day (\$2 donation)
- **Thurs 25th June - Learning Conversations**
- Mon 29th July - Grandparent's Day Celebrations
- Fri 2nd August - Trivia Night - This is an adults only function.
- Tues 6th Aug - Year 3/4 Mass
- Wed 14 - Fri 16 Aug Year 5/6 Camp
- Thurs 15 Aug - Year 1/2 Extended Day
- Tues 20 Aug - Year 1/2 Mass
- Tues 27 Aug - Prep Mass

## Term 4

- Wed 9th October - School Production (**Students with A-L surnames** unless otherwise communicated)
- Thurs 10th October - School Production (**Students with M-Z surnames** unless otherwise communicated)





We are very excited to be celebrating Year Prep children 100 days of school on next Monday, 22nd of July 2024.

The students will come to school dressed up like they are 100 years old.

## GRANDPARENTS' DAY

We are delighted to invite all grandparents of children in Years Prep- 6 to our annual Grandparents Day which will take place on Monday 29th July from 9.00am in our school hall.

There will be Mass at 9.00am to start the morning followed by classroom visits. The morning will conclude with morning tea in the school hall.

Grandparents' Day is a chance for grandchildren and the community to thank grandparents for their love and support. At St John XXIII we recognise the significant contribution that grandparents make to their families and communities. We are forever grateful for everything you do to support the families at our school.



## Chess Club

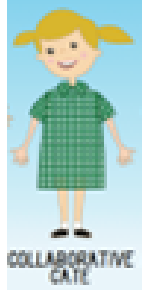
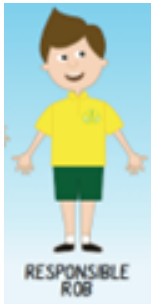
St John XXIII have partnered with Chess for Schools to provide a lunchtime chess club commencing next Thursday 25th July. The company ran a free come and try session for our students which saw a huge turn out of students excited about our new lunchtime offering.

Parents can sign their children up for the club using the link below.

<https://chessforschools.com.au/>

TIME	LOCATION	DATES	COST
11:00-11:40 am	Library	25 Jul to 12 Sep	\$138 per child/per term

# Be the Best Me AWARDS



## BRONZE AWARDS

- 1/2 B - Jonah L, Jacob N, Paramvir S, Zane S.
- 3/4 A - Cody N.
- 3/4 B - Ethan T.
- 3/4 C - Cheyanne B, Tanishka P.
- 5/6 A - Luca K.
- 5/6 C - Lawrence A, Charlotte B, Hiru R, Simon N, Alex Z.

## SILVER AWARDS

- Prep B - Arianna P.
- 1/2 B - Kian Z
- 3/4 A - Saavi K, Arwa K,
- 3/4 B - Emily G, Gabrielle G, Michelle N, Ian M A, Aira T.
- 3/4 C - Ayush D, Ahmad D.
- 5/6 A - Laksh M-N, Amy N.
- 5/6 B - Olivia D, Liam F, Sabrina L, Prasuma T.
- 5/6 C - Matilda D, Nimardeep K.

## GOLD AWARDS

- 1/2 C - Olivia F, Arnav H, Zi Zhuo H, Ruby L P.
- 5/6 C - Nimrit C.

## PLATINUM AWARDS

- 3/4 B - Tristian P.

Presented on TUESDAY 23rd July at 2.45pm.



Melbourne Archdiocese  
Catholic Schools



## *Letter of Informed Consent*

***Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys (MACSSIS): Monday 2 / September – Friday 20 September 2024***

Throughout each year, we pause to listen to our students, families and staff to gauge how our learning community is travelling. This feedback is invaluable to our progress as effective school communities and is backed by evidence-based research and best practices.

A significant and formal way in which we engage and gather data is through **MACSSIS**, the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys.

MACSSIS is a set of surveys that have been built specifically for Catholic schools in Melbourne by the Learning Services team at MACS, in partnership with researchers at Learning First and in wide consultation with principals in our schools.

In 2024, students, families and staff are invited to participate in MACSSIS via our secure and purpose-built online platform. The online platform is where our school leaders will access the summary reports that visualise the results of the student, family and staff surveys.

The MACSSIS survey platform is operated by an independent supplier, ORIMA Research Pty Ltd. The platform meets with the high security and privacy standards for handling student and school data. Participating schools are in the process of updating their privacy policy to ensure school communities are fully informed and protected.

Students at our school will be provided with supervised sessions, where teachers are on hand to help and answer any questions. Families and staff can complete the survey anytime over the three-week window via an emailed link and password. Feedback has indicated that previous surveys were completed across a range of mobile devices and different web browsers. Schools will be providing more information about MACSSIS throughout Term 2 and 3, via newsletters and social media.

*Our community's opinions are critical to understanding how our school is performing – MACSSIS is a key data source for guiding the ongoing work to improve our school.*

**All participation is invited, welcomed and 100 per cent voluntary.** The surveys are not a test; they are an inclusive way to support the work we are already doing to improve our school. Everyone has the right to refuse to participate, or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during or after completion of the survey. Please notify the school if your child does not wish to participate.

If you would like more information, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Vetrone



This term in kitchen garden, students will be producing a year level cook book. Students are encouraged to begin collecting recipes and menus for several weeks prior to the start of the unit. Recipes can be found in scrapbooks, family recipe books, magazines, cookbooks, newspapers, promotional brochures and on the internet. Menus can be sourced from local restaurants and cafés as well as on the internet, where many restaurants provide online versions. Recipes can feature dishes from around the world, and ideally should be from the past and the present. We would love to see some family rituals or generational recipes! Please bring all recipes to Mrs Petrelli, room 3.

## School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI) A message from the NBNco

The School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI) is designed to boost education opportunities and narrow the digital divide. This Australian Government initiative is providing up to 30,000 eligible families with school age children with no internet at home access to free nbn® until 31 December 2025.

Parents/carers with school students can contact the National Referral Centre to check whether they qualify. If families sign up asap - this offer means close to 2 school years of free internet until 31 December 2025. We encourage you to share this message with your community.

To check your eligibility, follow these simple steps.

- Contact the National Referral Centre, operated by Anglicare Victoria, on 1800 954 610 (Mon–Fri, 10am–6pm AEDT), [www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet).
- The National Referral Centre team will help assess your eligibility for the SSBI, by checking several things including your residential address and current financial situation.
- If eligible, you will be issued a voucher which can be redeemed at any of the participating SSBI retail service providers. The National Referral Centre will also be available to assist with contacting your SSBI retail service provider of choice and providing follow-up support.

What is the eligibility criteria for the initiative?

To be eligible, a family must:

- Have a child living at home that is enrolled in an Australian school.
- Have no active broadband service over the NBN network.
- Live in a premise where they can access a standard NBN service.
- Not have had an active NBN service during the previous 14 days.

Families can directly contact the National Referral Centre to have their eligibility assessed or be referred by a participating nominating organisation.



**\$ 10**

**ENTRY**

**BYO DRINKS  
AND SNACKS**

**GAMES**  
BRING GOLD COINS TO PLAY

**PRIZES**

**AUCTION**

**8 PLAYERS PER TABLE**

**FRIDAY  
2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7PM  
7.30PM START**

**ST JOHN XXIII**

**TRIVIA  
NIGHT**





# Their Care (Outside of School Hours Care)

## Our highlights from the holiday program Exciting excursions.



- Excursions are a key way to develop a child's confidence as they are able to explore and begin to understand the real world. A child's confidence is vital to their development because it shows they have developed the necessary skills to move into primary school. Primary school in itself will be a big, new and potentially scary environment for your child, so at Theircare, we attempt to combat their fears by routinely introducing them to environments and new people via local excursions. These excursions allow for your child to become familiar and confident in participating in a range of community.
- At Theircare, we like to provide a range of local excursions during our holiday program that are engaging for all children and teach them something new about their community. We find that these excursions often increase a child's attention span and spark learning behaviours.

## Some of our highlights from the holiday program





# St Monica's College, Epping

## Enrol Now for Year 7, 2026

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Dear Parents/Guardians & Carers,

Applications for **Grade 5 students starting Year 7 in 2026** are now open and will close on **Friday, 16 August 2024**.

Application for enrolment is available on the St Monica's College Website: [www.stmonicas-epping.com/apply](http://www.stmonicas-epping.com/apply). Click on the apply button to complete your online form and submit with documentation required.

If you would like to attend a school tour, please visit our website to make a booking.

For enquiries, please contact the College Registrar, Mrs Lina Sirianni on 9409 8800 or email [registrar@stmonicas-epping.com](mailto:registrar@stmonicas-epping.com).



# ENROL NOW FOR YEAR 7 2026



Applications close on Friday 16 August 2024



Apply Online

[www.parade.vic.edu.au](http://www.parade.vic.edu.au)

Email: [enrol@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@parade.vic.edu.au)

Phone: 94683300



# PARADE COLLEGE

## Family Tours



Term **3** Tours commence at 9:15am

- Friday 26 July
- Thursday 1 August
- Tuesday 6 August
- Monday 12 August
- Friday 23 August
- Tuesday 3 September
- Wednesday 18 September



**Book a Tour  
or Apply Online**

Email: [enrol@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@parade.vic.edu.au)



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### MITE-E SOCCER (2-3YO)

A great introduction to Soccer! Children work with their parents to learn new soccer skills and develop their motor skills! Lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment!

**35 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$165 FOR 8 WEEKS**



### PINT SIZE SOCCER (4-5YO)

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal keeping and more. Children get to play lots of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get introduced to Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!

**50 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$175 FOR 8 WEEKS**



### INTRO TO MICRO (5-6YO) MICRO (6-8YO)

The ultimate challenge for young soccer players! They'll learn the rules of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game and develop their skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and more!

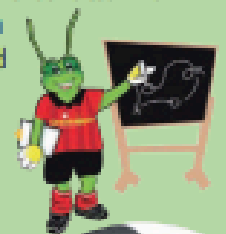
**INTRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS  
MICRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS**



### MICRO PLUS (8-12YO)

This program focuses on skill development and teamwork in preparation for club soccer. Children will enjoy all the favourite soccer based games, fine tune their skills as well as play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!

**60 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$185 FOR 8 WEEKS**



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