Dear Families

Thank you to the many families who participated in the Year 3/4 ICT sessions last Thursday and thank you to Anthony Speranza for his presentation and the teachers for facilitating the session. The engagement between family members was evident and it was great to see parents interacting and learning from their child. Please remember that the tasks and feedback are due tomorrow. All User Agreements across the school are also due back tomorrow.

SCHOOL EDUCATION BOARD

The School Education Board is requiring a new member to join due to the completion of the term of office of Collette Mann. This year the board’s focus will be on aligning the school’s policies to meet the new Victorian child safe standards and reviewing the reporting to parents with the introduction of the Victorian Curriculum in 2017. Please see the description and nomination form attached to this newsletter.

FOUNDATION (PREP) 2017 ENROLMENT
Applications are to be in by Thursday, 24th March.

FOUNDATION 2017 SCHOOL TOURS (new families only)
Monday 18th April – 9.15am to 10.15am
Friday 22nd April – 9.15am to 10.15am
Wednesday 27th April – 9.15 to 10.15am
Wednesday 11th May, 7pm.
### St Mark’s Church – Easter Masses

- **Holy Thursday (24th March)** – Mass of the Lord’s Supper: 7pm.
- **Good Friday (25th March)** – Stations of the Cross at 11am, Soup lunch at St Mark’s Church, Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross: 3pm.
- **Holy Saturday (March 26th)** – Confessions at 9:30am – 10:30am, Easter Vigil Mass at 7pm.
- **Easter Sunday (March 27th)** – Mass at 9:30am.

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Before enrolling in the Mondulkiri Community Health Program, supported by Caritas Australia, young midwife Sreymom lacked the practical experience necessary to safely assist childbirth. Now, with the skills and knowledge gained through the program, Sreymom is a trusted midwife who is helping to improve the health of indigenous women and children in her region.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help healthcare workers in isolated areas of Cambodia gain vital training to improve the health and wellbeing of the region’s indigenous women and children.** You can donate through School boxes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

Just a reminder that all Project Compassion boxes need to be returned to school office by Monday 21st March.

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### Year 3 Reconciliation

Next Thursday 17th March 66 children will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. The service will be starting at 6pm in St Mark’s Parish Church. We would appreciate if you could pray for the following children over this coming week.

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**Easter Paraliturgy**

On Thursday 24th March we will be holding a ‘whole school paraliturgy’. The paraliturgy will be going through the Stations of the Cross. It will be starting at 11:40am and the venue will be in the undercover area. All families are welcome to attend.

Harmony Day (Monday 21 March) celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. The message of Harmony Day is everyone belongs. It’s a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. On Monday 21st March our school is going to celebrate Harmony Day by the children dressing up in either traditional cultural dress or by wearing the casual clothes in the colours of their ancestor’s country. The children will also be asked to bring along some cultural traditional food they can share with a friend at lunch time. This is not compulsory. From 2:20pm onwards the children will be participating in a variety of activities to celebrate Harmony Day. Parents are invited into the classrooms to watch the children participate in a variety of Harmony Day activities. More information will be sent home in the coming weeks.

**Chess and Rubiks Cube Club news..**

It has been wonderful to see the children enjoying being a part of the Chess or Rubiks Cube club. All children have been doing really well in Rubiks Cube & Chess clubs. The Winner of The "Rubiks Cube" Club from the this week is: Armen Gilhooly (3/4S) and the winner of the "Chess" Club for this week is Jude Davies.

Well done to everyone. Anna Janai (Chess and Rubiks Cube club teacher)

**GLEE CLUB**

**Jells Park Performance**

Last Sunday, twenty students from St Mark’s School Glee Club, and ten students from Kingswood Senior Choir, performed at Jells Park, for a fundraising event for the new Children's Hospital in Clayton. The students sang beautifully with big smiles and actions. They looked very confident and looked like they were enjoying every minute of the performance. Thanks again to Carol and all the families who attended the event.

Susie Podesta
Susie Podesta
Performing Arts

TUCKSHOP
Next Tuesday’s special is an ALL VEGGIE pastie and a piece of fruit $4.50.
Many thanks Carm.

BUDDY OF THE WEEK
Hey guys, it’s Michaela and Monet here. Just wanted to update you on this week’s buddy of the week! Congrats to the following buddies!

Liana and Lile!
Liana’s favourite food is K.F.C. and Lile’s favourite food is pasta. Lile loves that Liana is funny, playful, kind and sporty. Liana loves that Lile is sporty and approachable. Liana’s favourite colour is Aqua and Lile’s favourite colour/s is rainbow!

Hunter, Riley B. and Michael!
Did you know that both Hunter and Riley go for Collingwood? Their wonderful buddy, Michael, goes for Essendon! Hunter loves that Michael is funny and Michael loves that Hunter is helpful and kind. Riley loves that Michael is playful and kind and Michael loves that Riley is helpful and kind.

Well, again the time has come to say goodbye. See you next week! ~ Monet and Michaela

LITERACY NEWS – Write for Fun Competition.
Students, entry is now OPEN in the 2016 School Writing Competition! Make sure you get your poem or short story in before the closing date of Thursday 31st March. Everybody has a story to tell and we would love to hear yours! What would you do with the $1000 cash prize? How awesome would it be to win an awesome Xbox One or Playstation 4 or how about an Apple iPad Air or a Samsung Galaxy Tab? Do you have a fine rhyme, a spectacular story, the perfect poem or a terrific tale that could make us laugh, cry, shake with fear or sigh dreamily? Get writing and send us your 16 line or less poem or 500 word or less short story and you could be a winner!

Enter now at www.write4fun.net or for details of how to enter.

"It is our choices... that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities."
— J.K. Rowling
**March**

*“Growing together”*

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| 1/2B |
| George Kydas for taking the initiative to ask for additional work to help him with improving his maths skills. You are a great role-model George! |

| 1/2D |
| Cindy Huynh for always offering to assist others. Thank you for being our ‘Little Miss Helpful’! |

| 1/2E |
| Jeffrey Kaing for the fantastic organizational skills he demonstrates in group activities. |

| 1/2P |
| Kevin Pham for listening to and implementing feedback given to him by a teacher. |

| 1/2R |
| Hudson Barnes for demonstrating persistence as a writer to improve the quality of his recount work. |

| 1/2XR |
| Shanaya Parikh for being an excellent role-model with her learning choices for her friends and peers. |

| 3/4C |
| Scarlett Kitts for working well with others and helping out around the classroom without being asked. |

| 3/4F |
| Charlie Fasham for working co-operatively with classmates when creating her Inquiry project. Well done! |

| 3/4KU |
| Chloe Shinkfield for tuning in and contributing to class discussions and activities. |

| 3/4MC |
| Alexander Chhun for always being considerate of others and helping to create a safe and happy learning space. |

| 3/4S |
| Campbell Newham for setting his Term One goal to focus on helping a friend. Well done for recognizing your skills & wanting to share it to others. |

| 5/6L |
| Vallan Brown for confidently sharing ideas during class and always treating others with respect. |

| 5/6D |
| Delta Le for commitment to learning and always contributing to class discussions. Keep up your positive attitude Delta! |

| 5/6M |
| Shelby Turone for mesmerizing the class with her powerful teaching skills. Your talent needs to be celebrated and nourished. |

| 5/6N |
| Samuel Princi for his wonderful co-operation and commitment in his reading groups. Congratulations Sam! |

| 5/6P |
| Matt Gaspar for developing his learning skills by becoming organized and asking some thoughtful questions. |
Our Japanese teacher, Susan Taylor has chosen to help the Leukaemia foundation by shaving her head on March 12th. You can sponsor her on this link: http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/susantaylor1

Please remember to sponsor Susan. To shave your hair is an extraordinary way to help people with leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma, but I can't do it alone. Help me make the most of my hairy sacrifice. Sponsor me at least $28 today which can provide a cancer information pack to help a family prepare for the challenges ahead.

Kind regards
Susan Taylor

PARENTS.....

Do you have an anxious child? Please join us for a one-hour, free masterclass tonight, Thursday, March 10th @ 8pm EST called 9 Things Every Parent with an Anxious Child Should Try — Grab a spot now!

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM.

We love volunteers to help us in either our garden classes on a TUESDAY from 10.00am-11.00am or our kitchen class from 11.40-1.30pm. Feel free to then stay and join us in our shared lunch eating what we have cooked.
If you would like to help out in our garden or kitchen classes AT ANY STAGE please contact Mrs D on the school phone number – 9551 1150 or the following email address: kdermietzel@smdingley.catholic.edu.au

Recipes this week are Asian Cucumber Salad, Easy Bread Scrolls, Pumpkin Chilli Dip & Tomato and Basil Risotto for recipes please contact the office.

SCHOOL FEES
School fees statements were sent home recently. A reminder that the tuition fee should have been paid by 1st March 2016. Accounts can be paid by cash, cheque or internet banking into the school bank account (BSB 083 347, A/c 46545 3309 – please remember to include your name and account number). We received a deposit into the bank account on 26th February however there is no name or number attached to this deposit. If you made a deposit on this day could you please contact the office on 9551 1150 to verify this contribution.

VERIFICATION FORMS
Last Call for Student Verification Forms. This form is kept in the office and used by staff when they need to contact families. Thank you to those families who have returned their forms, but there are still some outstanding, please ensure you return the form by TOMORROW Friday, 11th March 2016. Forms still need to be returned signed, even if there are no changes, thank you.

TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN DIMAR COURT.
Parents!!! Please be advised that some cars are doing u-turns in Dimar Court. By driving into a private driveway and reversing back, this is likely to cause an accident. Many children are also walking along the footpath, this also can be very dangerous to their safety.
In future could cars go to the very end of the court to circle around and drive back out of the court.
P.E. Important Sport Dates:

Term 1:
16th March - Division Swimming - 9-12pm, Carnegie Pool,

Term 2:
15th April - House Cross Country - F-6, 9-11am in school grounds.
April 18-29th Kingston Division, Team Vic Selection Trials - Various in week 2 & 3 of term
2nd May - District Cross Country - Selected year 3-6, 10am-1pm at Heatherton Park.
1st June - Kingston Division Cross Country - Cornish College.

National Ride2School Day

Our stats for the day were:-
Riding - 121
Walking - 180
Car - 144

Giving us a percentage of around 67% active travellers for the day which was great considering we ended up having such a hot day. Our winning class was 5/6M with 86% wow - 25 out of 29. Our Yr 5/6's did an especially great job having 81% across the level - superb job. Let's keep up the great effort more often!

Mr Snell

District Swim Carnival

On the 2nd of March some chosen students from years 3 to 6 competed at the district swimming carnival for 2016. Everyone tried their hardest to win their race with a couple of outstanding results as detailed below.

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St Mark’s ended up finishing in 5th place overall, which is a good effort. Hopefully we can find some more young children who are training hard to lift St Mark’s back up into the top 3.

A special thanks to Mr Snell for organizing the trials and the training session.

**Swim Captains**
Lorraine Becker, Taylah Harris, Hunter Hains and Sean Hong.

**Swim Team**

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| Lachlan Trinh |
NRL half time match at Melbourne Storm v St George

Last Monday night 18 St Mark’s children from Year 5 & 6 came along with a couple of ex-students from Year 7 & 8 competed in a half time NRL game at AAMI Park. There were 2 teams competing, one was against Coatesville P.S. while the other one competed against Oakleigh South P.S.

The Children firstly met outside the ground at about 6pm, with several of the students and parents being quite excited as they’d never been inside the venue and some had never watched an NRL game. While waiting outside children had photos with the mascots and some with the cheerleaders. They were then issued with their tops to play their games. This is when the real excitement kicked in.

We then entered in quite early as the game wasn’t to begin until 7pm, so everyone grabbed a bite to eat while taking in the pre-game excitement. Eventually the game got underway and it was great to see the Storm’s star player Billy Slater back on the field after spending half of last year out injured. Unfortunately it seemed that the players for the Storm weren’t quite ready for the game going down early but fought back to have a slight edge 12-10 at the half.

It was an exciting game to watch, however the real excitement happened when the boys entered the arena with 10 minutes to go in the half, sitting down on the side of the pitch ready to play.

In the game against Oakleigh South it was a tough game, with them having one player who was almost as big as Mr Snell. Nobody really felt comfortable tackling him. We had a fantastic early intercept by Tom Bright which saw him bursting up the field, however he didn’t get to the line. From then on it was a fast moving game with some great passing by both sides. Oakleigh South scored first with a strong run, followed by a return score by St Mark’s. This came from two strong individual runs, firstly by Lochie Benton, then finished off by Vallan Brown with a spectacular try. Unfortunately things went backwards from here with Oakleigh South scoring a couple of tries while we were on the back foot, although certainly with our opportunities! They just had a very strong defensive line. Towards the end of the game we managed to score again through Lochie Benton, however their extremely big, strong lad ran through for his second try, leaving us with a scoreline of 4 tries to 2. A solid game by our boys against tough competition,

In our other match against Coatesville the boys had strong defensive structure from the beginning with them being unable to score for the duration. With Cooper Goonewardene leading the pack from his NRL experience with Josh Groves there as a big force to help it allowed many of our others to perform with some great run. Eventually we scored a try through Cooper, with a second try to Cody scored later which was unfortunately disallowed. St Mark’s eventually winning 1 try to 0.

Congratulations to the boys on their performances on the night. I hope they enjoyed the experiences of the night. Well done to them all for putting up their hands to play. We were glad we could spend the night with Cooper Topham on his birthday.

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The School Board has a vacancy due to the completion of the term of office by Collette Mann.

The main duties of the school board are to:

- Support the Catholic ethos of the school.
- Assist in planning for the future development and direction of the school in consultation with the parish priest and principal.
- Advise on the setting of priorities for the school year.
- Assist with policy development and review.
- Advise on budget planning and finance-related matters such as school fees.
- Assist with activities that promote the school within the parish and the broader community.

Some of the initiatives the board has been involved in over the years are outsourcing of Out of Hours Care, development of healthy eating policy of canteen, application of grants from Bendigo Bank, future school building development, campaigning to local members for better funding for Catholic schools and introduction of the 1:1 device program in Years 3 - 6.

This year the board’s focus will be on aligning the school’s policies to meet the new Victorian child safe standards and reviewing the reporting to parents with the introduction of the Victorian Curriculum in 2017.

The board meets approximately 8 times a year with the dates negotiated at the first meeting of the year. **The first meeting this year is on Tuesday 19th April.**

If you are interested or would like to nominate someone please fill in the form below as well as provide a brief written application of your background and skills that would be of advantage to the school board by **Thursday, 24th March.**

Regards

Debbie Darvell
Principal

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**Nomination for St Mark’s School Board 2016**

I _______________________ nominate _______________________ for a position on the St Mark’s School Board.

Name and signature of person nominating Name and signature of nominee

Name ___________________________ Name ___________________________

Signature __________________________ Signature ___________________________
Below is a flyer for Hot Cross Buns which has been sent home this week.

Hot Cross Buns
Traditional
Fruitless
Chocolate &
Gingerbread Bunnies available!

Please ask all family and friends to order and support this fundraiser.

Return form and money must be handed into the office by Friday 18th March.

Distribution Date is Thursday 24th March
Delivery will be given to eldest student, so please supply name and class on form.

Any queries please contact Maree 0418 306 190
maree.mag3@hotmail.com

Thank you for supporting St Marks Fundraising event!
Second Hand Uniform Sale

Dates: Wednesday 16th March 2pm till 3pm
Thursday 17th March 9am till 10 am
All donated items will be selling for $5.00
Cash only if purchasing items!

*Please ensure all clothes are in good condition and washed.
Items must be handed into the office by Friday 11th March.
Money from items sold & items not sold must be collected from office
Between 20 – 24 March.
If not collected by the end of term 1, money and items will be donated to parents association.
Any queries contact Maree 0418 306 190
maree.mag3@hotmail.com

Please complete and attach form to each item and place each item in a separate bag.

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☐  Donating
☐  Selling

Price wanted $ ............

Item Description ........................................................................................................

Size..................................  ☐ Boy / ☐ Girl

Contact Name ............................................................

Ph No .................................................................
Please find attached the flyer for the Wastesaver company. The P&F have been able to raise funds for St Mark’s by collecting recycled (700kg) clothing and have raised over $330 for the school. Please remember that the bins are located in the parents room near the library.

“Bag it and Bring it!”
Fundraising and Recycling.

By placing outgrown and good quality unwanted clothing in bags in and bringing to the school, you will be raising money for our school!

Bags can be placed in the Australia's Wastesavers "Bag it and Bring it!" collection bins.
(Bins are located in the parents room.)

Yes Please!

• Clean, undamaged clothing
• Paired footwear
• Handbags
• Jackets and coats
• Sheets, blankets and towels without stains
• Belts and tights
• New underwear, bras and new socks
• Swim wear

No Thanks!

• Dirty, stained or damaged clothing
• Unmatched footwear
• Used tradie wear
• Doonas, duvets and pillows
• Cushions
• Rugs
• Bric-a-brac
• Books
• Electrical items
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.
**PLEASE NOTE - UNIFORM SHOP** is open Wednesday mornings 9 – 9.30 am. Order forms are available from the school office and website. Orders can be left at the office to be completed on Wednesdays after 9.30 am.

**WINTER UNIFORM**  
Term 2 is the change into winter uniform. The uniform shop has been stocked and is available for orders.

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**LOST PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN THE PARENTS/UNIFORM SHOP ROOM.**

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**CHILD CARE**  
Do you have appointments to attend?  
Need to do some shopping or study?  
Or just need a quiet break?  
We offer short term child care, Monday – Friday, between the hours of 9.15am – 3.30pm.  
For more information or to make a booking, please phone  
**MORDIALLOC NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE: 9587 4534.**

**OHSC**  
Now is the time to start thinking about Camp Australia Holiday Club. Log onto the Camp Australia website to find your nearest location. Thanks Clint.

Thought for the week:

*I don’t think you can ever do your best. Doing your best is a process of trying to do your best.*

_Alvin Van Zandt_

Regards

[Signature]

Debbie Darvell
BOOK BUGS
For kids in grades Prep, 1, 2 and 3
BOOK BUGS is for kids who are interested in books and reading! Come along for a fun hour of book talk, puzzles, games, craft activities and an afternoon snack. Book Bugs gives you the chance to look at all the new kids books before anyone else sees them. **How to become a Book Bug** - simply turn up to one of our meetings and sign up. You’ll receive a ‘Free reserve card’ straight away! Book Bugs in 2016 is held monthly at the following branches from 4-5pm:

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ASPENDALE STINGRAYS SOCCER CLUB

GOALKICK SOCCER

Goalkick Soccer Skills Programme for boys and girls 5-8 years old

16 week programme over terms 2 & 3 held at Jack Grut Reserve, Mordialloc

Commences Sunday 17th April, sessions at 10am and 11am.

For more information go to the Club’s website [www.aspendalesc.com](http://www.aspendalesc.com)
or contact the Club on secretary@aspendalesc.com
Holiday Program
29 March - 8 April 2016

Join the epic fun
these school holidays!
~ everyone is welcome ~

program fees

- In-house $59.00
- Workshop and Excursion fees are dependent on the particular activity.
  CCB/CCR applicable

locations

Mill St Aspendale Yarrabah School
Bonbeach Primary School
Dingley Primary School
Moorabbin Primary School

key dates

Enrolments open: 9am Monday 29 Feb
Enrolments close: 5pm Friday 18 March
Mill St Aspendale enrolments close 5pm Friday 11 March

How to book

1. Read through this brochure
2. Pick the sessions for your child
3. Fill out A Application for enrolment
   (if you did not enrol in the March/April program in 2015)
4. Fill out B Excursion Permission
5. Fill out C Booking + Payment

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