



NEWSLETTER

St Justin's Parish School

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Dear Families and Friends,

How wonderful it is to have life, noise, laughter and the sound of learning back in our classrooms and playgrounds again! I can hear numerous parents responding with..... "How wonderful is it to have silence in my house!" We give great credit to our Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 children for the seamless manner in which they have recommenced their days at school, although our Prep children did look rather weary on Wednesday afternoon!

Today we have our Year 5 & Year 6 children back onsite. We look forward to our senior students reconnecting with each other and being a positive leading presence in our school and no doubt our Year 3 and Year 4 children are eager to be onsite next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Prayers for Back to School during the Pandemic

Prayer for Students

Lord, we pray for our students. Ease any anxiety they may have about returning to school. Help them to flourish in these unique times. Give them the blessing of fun with their friends and classmates. Protect and guard them from all harm. Bless them with good health. Help them to face every challenge with your strength and mercy guiding them. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Prayer for Teachers

Father, thank you for the teachers who love and care for our children. Give them patience and grace to navigate this unique year. Help them to teach with joy and peace. Guide their decisions and provide them with wisdom as they walk through each day. Amen.

Prayer for Parents

Lord, you know as parents that we want what is best for our children. Help us to walk in grace and truth. We pray for your guidance. Help us to have a spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind. Remind us that we can always trust in you, even if things are uncertain. Thank you for your love and mercy! In Christ's name, Amen.

Prayer for Administrators and Leaders

God, grant wisdom to our school leaders as they walk through these unique circumstances. Help them to respond to the unique needs of our students. Give our entire school community discernment and peace in all circumstances. Amen.

Prayer for Church and Community

Father we know that these are trying times for everyone in our community and church family. Grant an extra measure of grace and patience to each one as we seek to follow you. Let us, as part of the body of Christ, be a shining light for those around us. Amen.



**** PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE NEW 2 MINUTE PARKING ZONE ALONG WHALLEY DRIVE JUST BEFORE THE SCHOOL CROSSING.**

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School Fees

School fees now need to be finalised for 2021 unless you have a pre-arranged payment plan. Over the next fortnight as students return to school, families with fees outstanding will receive a fee statement.

Families who have a child in Years 3 or 4 have received a credit of \$156.00 which was the fee charged for this year's Year 3/4 Camp.

As is our ongoing practice, should any family's financial situation have changed, please contact Patrick Torpey or office staff on 9561 7644 or email principal@sjwheelershill.catholic.edu.au.

MACSSIS Surveys

We recently sent out some MACSSIS Surveys to some randomly chosen families and for those who have not yet completed them the cut-off date for completing them is next Thursday 28th October. Thank you to the families who have already completed this survey.

Prep 2022 Information Night

We had a successful night last night with our Prep 2022 Information Evening. Whilst we weren't able to catch up face-to-face, our Zoom Meeting provided a great deal of information about starting school, and highlighted the importance and value of being involved in our beautiful community. There was lots of positive energy in the Zoom room, with excited parents ready to have their children take the big step into school life. I wish to thank our Year 6 Leaders for providing a wonderful insight into life at St Justin's as a student, our "Super Models" for proudly parading our school uniform, Fr Andrew, staff, members from our School Advisory Council and Parents and Friends Committee for assisting to make the night a success.



Whilst it was our intention to provide an insight into life at St Justin's, we also try to highlight that this is our community, and therefore, our responsibility. It is impossible for us to plant seeds in a garden bed and expect a single seed to blossom. In preparing the soil and providing the right conditions, all seeds will bloom and provide colour for all to see. Likewise, we share in the responsibility in providing the right environment so that all members of our community (especially our students) will blossom.

Term 4 Planning - Onsite Learning/COVID Practices

Please refer below to the Schedule of Onsite learning for Week 4 of term 4:

- ***Staged return to onsite learning - Week 4 (commencing Monday 25th October)***
 - *Prep students (Monday to Wednesday) and Year 1 and 2 students (Thursday and Friday) will continue;*
 - *Year 3 to 4 will attend on Tuesday and Wednesday;*
 - *Year 5 and 6 will attend on Thursday and Friday;*
- ***Monday 1st November - School Closure Day - Assessment & Reporting Day for all students - Staff commence entering details for Semester 2 Reports***
- ***Tuesday 2nd November - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday***
- ***Wednesday 3rd November - Preps, Year 3 & 4 onsite***
- ***Thursday 4th November - Year 1 & 2 students & Year 5 & 6 students onsite***
- ***Friday 5th November - all students will return to full time onsite schooling.***

COVID Protocols - Parents are not permitted to enter the Classrooms

We ask families to please note the following key points:

- *Parents/Carers are requested to where possible refrain from entering the school grounds, dropping/collecting children at the School Gates.*
- *If dropping/collecting outside of school hours, please do so via the School Office*

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Essential Workers - Onsite Learning Continues

We advise Essential Workers who have children registered to be onsite, that onsite learning and supervision will remain in place when it is not your child's scheduled day to be onsite with their class group.

Out of Hours School Care - Before & After School Care

Outside of Hours Care continues to operate as it has throughout 2021. We encourage parents to make contact with [Camp Australia](#) if you require this service for before and/or after school care. Please ensure that you book in at least the week before.

Face Mask Regulations - Year Prep to Year 6

Parents of Year 3 to Year 6 children are advised that the Government COVID Guidelines provide new advice in regards to the wearing of Face Masks - please refer below:

The Chief Health Officer:

- **Directs** students in **Year 3 to Year 6** to wear face masks when indoors on school premises, unless an exemption applies.
- **Recommends** that **Prep to Year 2 children** wear face masks when at school and attending an Out of School Hours Care Program.

We request that all families specifically adhere to the direction for Year 3 to Year 6 children and take on board the recommendation for Year Prep to Year 2 children.

Parents of children with 'lawful exceptions for mask wearing, including those with disability, medical or a mental health condition' are advised to contact Patrick Torpey - ptorpey@sjwheelershill.catholic.edu.au

Thank you in anticipation of your support for the new Government Guidelines.

COVID Safety

The school continues to follow the advice from Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS). To minimise the risks of transmission of the virus, please note below a few significant COVID Safety measures that may provide some clarity for you:

- We are being provided with air purifiers but have yet to be advised as to when they will arrive.
- Ventilation is a priority for all work spaces.
- All staff onsite are vaccine compliant.
- Physical distancing is encouraged.
- Hand washing and sanitising is mandated.
- Additional cleaning and sanitising of touch surfaces continues to be in place.

Congratulations Mrs Xanthis!

Congratulations to Belinda and Arthur Xanthis on the safe arrival of their daughter, Divina Xanthis. She was born on the 13th October, weighing 3.53kg and was 51cm long! We wish them all the very best as they all get to know each other.



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Parking around St Justin's Primary School, Wheelers Hill - please be mindful of restrictions



As we welcome students back to our school over the next few weeks, we'd like to encourage children to return any library books borrowed before the lockdown. We have lots of books that were borrowed and we are sure they would be very well read by now! Children will then be able to borrow their next book.

If children are unsure about their borrowed books or have a question, please email amelenhorst@sjwheelershill.catholic.edu.au

Looking forward to seeing everyone in person soon!



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Please note that whilst every attempt is made to ensure that dates are accurately listed, things may need to change from time to time. Please check this section on a regular basis. Thank you for your understanding.

TERM FOUR

Saturday 30th October

Monday 1st November

Tuesday 2nd November

Thursday 11th November

Thursday 18th November

Thursday 25th November

Thursday 25th November

Thursday 9th December

Wednesday 15th December

Friday 17th December

Working Bee

All Saints Day / School Closure – Report Writing day

All Souls Day / Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

2022 Prep Transition 9.15am-10.15am

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*2022 Prep Parent Information Evening –
'Thrive Not Just Survive' 7.30pm-9.00pm*

2022 Prep Orientation 9.00am-12.00pm

Final school day for students, 1pm finish

Final school day for staff

Lost Property

With the change of seasons, we sometimes need to wear a jumper or jacket in the mornings.

By lunchtime, the children are warming up and running around and this can often create a build-up of "lost" items that we would love to return to the rightful owners.

We regularly find items that have not been labelled, or are only labelled with a child's name who no longer attends St. Justin's or has an indecipherable name and in some cases no name at all!

Please help us to find the correct home for your children's uniform by clearly labelling your children's clothing with their first and last name. Thank you.



Labelling your child's uniform:

-  *Jack C*
-  **Jack**
-  Not labelled
-  Leave previous owner's name on the uniform
-  **JACK CITIZEN**

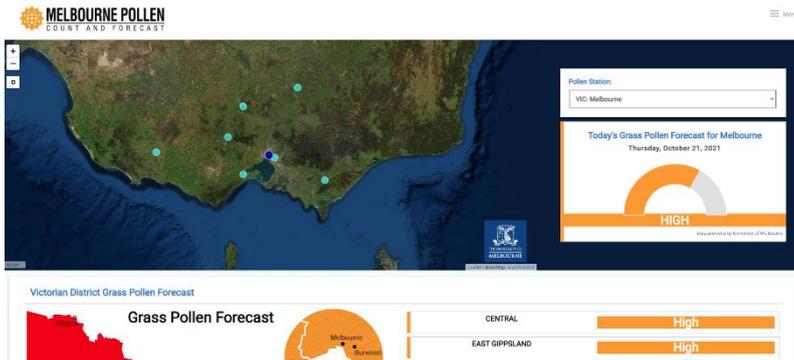
Please help us to facilitate the successful return of your child's uniform by using your child's first and last name when labelling them

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Are any of your children regularly affected with Hay fever? If so, here's a handy tool to help you decide if you child should take some allergy medication before coming to school:



<https://www.melbournepollen.com.au/>

It shows you what the pollen count is for the day and it can easily be saved on your phone/laptop for easy reference and this can be a great guide before making a decision for your child's best interest on any given day.

Ritchie's IGA's

Ritchie's IGA have their Ritchie's Card which incorporate the Community Benefits Program, so we have the opportunity to continue to earn some money for our school. It is very easy to sign up and takes all of 2 minutes. Just download the app, complete the registration, verify your email address and activate your account. Then login and nominate St. Justin's School Wheelers Hill.

Every time you shop at any Ritchie's IGA and scan your app we will receive a % of your spend. For those that prefer you can collect a card from your local IGA store. It all adds up and so far, our school has received well over \$6000 on the previous version of this program. We know quite a few parents in our community shop at Ritchie's Rowville so please get on board and support our school. Thank you!

You can download the Apps by scanning the QR codes - or search for Ritchie's in the Apple App Store or Google Play.



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**BY USING YOUR
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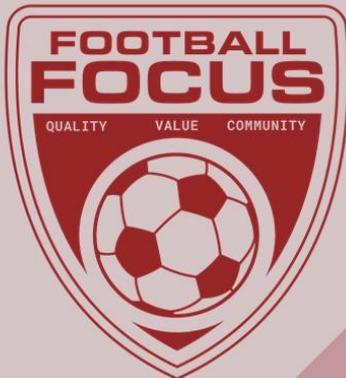


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3-10 YEAR OLDS / BOYS & GIRLS

MONASH UNI CLAYTON

KICKING OFF SAT 6TH NOV @ 9:30AM



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3.30pm- 6.00pm

It's time to celebrate, we're back!

Your OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

Welcome back to the St.Justin's Catholic primary school OSHC service. Let us celebrate this happy time with a big celebration!

This week we plan to celebrate happiness by exploring milk experiments, creating beautiful hairbands, making a happiness collage, happy clay creatures, sand art and musical party fun.

We can't wait to see you back exploring your innovative skills with us, regards Aradhana.

Activities coming up

- Clay art
- Hairband decoration
- Collage fun

What's on the menu

- Fruits
- Pop corn
- Noodles with salsa



It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)

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Mazenod
Cricket Club

Mazenod Cricket Club invites our entire St Justin's community (mums, dads, girls and boys) to play cricket.

Our new junior program is all inclusive with specialist Level 2 coaching aimed at various children's skill levels.

Training is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Mazenod College.

Mazenod Cricket Club offer:

- Super7s (7-8 year olds; Wednesday evening)
- Fast9s (8-10 year olds; Friday evening)
 - U12s (Friday evening)
 - U14s (Friday evening)
- u15s elite level turf (Sunday morning)
 - U16s (Saturday morning)
- u17s elite level turf (Sunday morning)
 - Seniors (Saturday afternoon)
- Womens seniors (Every second Sunday afternoon)
- Veterans (Every second Sunday afternoon)

For further information, contact David on 0412 663 756 or mocccjuniors@gmail.com
Visit our website mazenodcricketclub.com.au for all information.

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NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

Junior Programs

Under 11, Under 13, Under 15 & Under 17 Teams (Friday Night)

13 & Under All Girls Competition (Wednesday Night)

Woolworths Blasters Programs

Junior & Master Blasters Programs are also available.

Programs will be held at Columbia Park Reserve, Wheelers Hill.

For more information regarding our Junior Programs or Woolworths Blaster Programs contact Emidio on 0407 766 562

To register your child in a Woolworths Blasters Program or a Junior Team logon to <https://play.cricket.com.au/program-finder> and in the search for a “Club by Name” field type in **Notting Hill Brandon Park** and follow the prompts.

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Nazareth College is a Catholic Co-educational Secondary School where all students are known and have the opportunity to succeed.



ENROLMENT INFO



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REGISTER NOW FOR THE SUMMER SEASON!

Games played on Saturdays

UNDER 8 boys & girls (games at 8:00 and 8:45)

UNDER 10 boys (games at 8:00, 8:45 and 9:30)

UNDER 12 boys & girls

UNDER 14, 16 & 18 boys

Beginners and experienced players welcome

Term 4 2021 & Term 1 2022

**One hour training session per week at
Mt View Primary School
or Wheelers Hill Secondary School**



For further information contact
Mike Morrissey, President
Email: president@waverleyraiders.com.au

Or register at PlayHQ.com.au and search
for Waverley Raiders



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