



St Augustine's School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 4

23rd February, 2018

St. Augustine's school acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people, the traditional custodians of the country on which we have gathered. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this country over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our region. We commit to working for reconciliation, justice and peace.



Bushwahzee

Mon 5th March

Parents & Friends Meeting

Thurs 8th March
5.30pm in the
Marian Centre

Labor Day Public Holiday

Mon 12th March

Children do not
come to school

St Augustine's
School
58 Burke St
Maryborough
Ph 54604440

Dear St Augustine's families,

Yesterday, staff gathered to share a day with Colin Sloper, an expert in Professional Learning Communities. We thank our parent body for enabling this to happen.

A Professional Learning Community is a group of educators coming together to use data and check in with the data across a learning cycle to ensure learning growth for all of our students. The students in our care are the responsibility of all in our school community.

We began this journey four years ago and Colin has affirmed what we are doing and enabled actions to take us forward.

As a staff we have identified the essential learnings that children need to master at each year level. A learning cycle of each essential learning with pre and post assessment and all children knowing exactly what they need to do to achieve to the next level.

You may also see students being taught by another teacher for a short, sharp intensive boost of learning.

This weekend the children who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation will make a commitment of their intentions at mass. We pray for these children and their parents as they prepare for the Sacrament over the next four weeks.

It is with great excitement that I welcome Mr Mark Tanis to our teaching staff this year. Mark will be working in a number of different rooms in a Boost role.

Many Blessings,

Mrs Sonia Turner





Newsletter for 2018 – We encourage all parents and carers to install the Skoolbag App onto your phone as we move towards a paperless system. Instructions available on previous newsletter and in the school office.

The school website is currently being updated. You will now be able to access school news, newsletters, parent calendar, forms and more!

[Go to www.samaryborough.catholic.edu.au](http://www.samaryborough.catholic.edu.au)

Bushwahzee is coming to our school on the March 5th.

Classes will learn a dance during school hours and then families are welcome to come back for an evening performance. More details to follow.

Uniform Shop

Monday 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm
Thursday 8.45 am to 9.15 am



Rylee Year 2
Chad Year 1

Oliver Year 1
Pranav Year 4

Connor B Foundation



SCHOOL CANTEEN ROSTER

DATE	9:00am – 11:00am	12:15pm – 2:15pm
Thursday 1 st March 2018	A Rich & J Davis	L & S Roberts
Thursday 8 th March 2018	S & C Robinson	A Roche & T Heriot
Thursday 15 th March 2018	M & D Roche	Bianca & A Ross
Thursday 22 nd March 2018	A & Brigitte Ross	B & S Ross
Thursday 29 th March 2018	D & A Ross	T Rossi

Please arrange a swap or call Nicole on 0429440696 to let her know if you're not able to

Bus Passes

Bus travel on the country buses is available for students at St Augustine's School and arrangements are made through the bus co-ordinator at the Maryborough Education Centre on 5461 7900. Parents of the student/s must organize the pass through MEC at least two days prior to travel. Students cannot travel on the country buses without a pass. The town bus does not require a pass but costs 50cents a trip, payable on the day of travel. Please advise the office if your child will be travelling on any of the buses so we can update our bus roles.

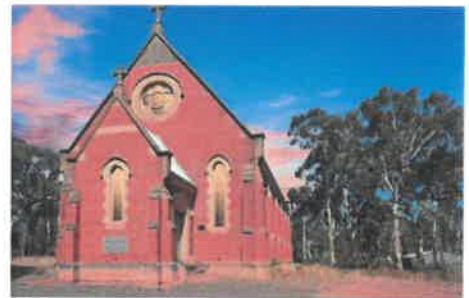
Community Messages

TARNAGULLA CHURCH AUCTION 3rd MARCH 2018:

St Francis Xavier's church will be sold by Auction at 12.30pm on Saturday 3rd March onsite at [57 Stanley St, Tarnagulla](#). There will be a Clearing Sale of pews and other items the same day, immediately following sale of the church. Kate Ashton of Ballarat Real Estate, 94 High Street, Maryborough 5460 5100 welcomes enquiries. The church will be open for inspection 12.00–12.30pm Saturday 17th February (following 11.00am Mass) and Saturday 24th February then on Auction Day 3rd March from 11.30am. More information including beautiful photos of the church inside and out and its adjacent "dinkum dunny" can be found on the websites of MaryboroughBallaratRealEstate

<http://www.maryboroughballaratrealestate.com.au/?/property/3264109/57-stanley-street-tarnagulla-vic-3551> and [realestate.com](#)

There is also a good little "movie" on Kate's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/kateashtonrealestateagent/> Please spread the word to potential buyers so that funds from this sale can assist us funding Parish and School projects we are hoping to commence this year. Monthly Mass will continue at St Francis Xavier's until settlement date, though it may be advisable to byo chair to Masses after the auction if all pews are sold.



CHURCH CONTENTS FOR 3rd MARCH CLEARING SALE:

In addition to items within St Francis Xavier's church, this Clearing Sale is a good opportunity for us to declutter and tidy each of our other parish churches. Fr John will be in touch with each community so we can also auction off excess/unused items and generally make each of our buildings neater and better presented and more fire and OH&S safe.

Dyslexia Drive

FREE 90 minute Seminar:

Dyslexia is a disorder that involves difficulty in learning to read or interpret words, letters and other symbols. Many people go un-diagnosed and struggle through school and later life. Recent studies show that up to 15% of the population are affected by it.

This Dyslexia Seminar will be 90 minutes of tips, insight and practical knowledge about what dyslexia is and how you can go about remediation.

Learn How...

You can finally break free from the cycle of reading failure and learn how to help your child read.

Learn why it is that dyslexia occurs. Understand what's happening in the classroom and how to accelerate your child's reading quicker than you thought possible - all at an affordable price, in the comfort of your own home, at a time that works with the family commitments.

You will see that small adjustments can make big changes to your child's learning and you'll gain powerful insight on how to support your child to ensure their promising future.



Where in March

Rochester
Maryborough
Kyneton
Castlemaine
Bacchus Marsh
Daylesford
Cleen Cruse
Turquay
Camperdown
Warrnambool
Portland
Hamilton
Stawell
St Arnaud
Horsesham
Warracknabeal
Swan Hill

Kerang
Shepparton
Cobram/Baroona
Scymour
Kilmore
Hessville
Morangton
Warragul
Morwell
Sale
Bairnsdale
Bright
Wengerarra
Benalla
Yarrawonga/Mulwala
Albury/Wodonga

See venues & details online at dyslexia.com.au/register



Register Online at www.dyslexia.com.au/register | or call 02 9436 3766



Introducing



for Canteen starting Thursday the 1st of March!

We understand there are many times when you may need to provide cash to your child to pay for Canteen. But cash isn't the only option in today's world; which is why we want to make it convenient for you to make payments.

We will be introducing CDFpay for use for Canteen from Thursday the 1st of March, which is a *cash-free solution* for our canteen. This solution is an online payment platform offered by the Catholic Development Fund Melbourne (CDF).

We will be encouraging all parents to use this simple, cash-free platform in the future. Please be assured that we will not turn away parents/students who choose to pay via cash, however to ensure the success and drive the full benefits of this program we encourage your participation.



The benefits of our school going cash-free with CDFpay are:



Greater security: a safer option where you don't have to be concerned about your child losing cash from their bags and pockets.



Anytime, any device: order and pay for lunches (while setting dietary needs & allergy requirements) from your mobile, tablet or computer at any time.



Fast & easy payments: it allows credit card or bank transfer payments. Stored credit cards make the process of ordering lunch faster and easier than ever.



Reduced administration: counting and handling cash is costly for the school. CDFpay will help eliminate admin fees so we can better distribute funds for other activities.

We look forward to working with you as we implement CDFpay in our school community. More information to follow next week along with a parent guide and set up instructions.

If you have any questions please contact the school office.

Ways to open a Youthsaver account for your child.

- 1. If you are a CommBank customer apply online through NetBank.**
Please have your child's birth certificate handy to complete your online application.
- 2. Visit any CommBank branch.**
Please bring along your child's birth certificate and identification for yourself.

Receive a Dollarmites wallet when you open a Youthsaver account.

Things you should know: As this advice has been prepared for use by opening your child's bank, financial institution or credit, you should seek independent advice, consider all rights or interests to your child's bank. Full terms and conditions for the Youthsaver account product are available on CommBank.com.au and should be accessible in any branch where the product. If you have a complaint in respect of this advice, the Commonwealth Financial Reviewer should be contacted on 13 2221. Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18 Week 4	19	20	21	22	23	24 Reconciliation Commitment Mass 6pm
25 Week 5 Reconciliation Commitment Mass 10.30am	26 Assembly Uniform Shop 3pm 3/4 Tennis K-2 Meet & Greet appointments	27 SAC Meeting 5.30pm	28 Foundation Rest Day Breakfast Club	01 Uniform Shop 8.45am Lunch Order Day K-2 Meet & Greet appointments	02 School Banking 	03
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11 Week 7	12 Labor Day Public Holiday <u>Students do not come to school</u>	13	14 Breakfast Club	15 Uniform Shop 8.45am Lunch Order Day PSG Meetings	16 School Banking 	17

Advanced dates for your diary

Monday March 5th - Bushwazee (details to follow)

Monday March 12th – Labor Day Public Holiday

Friday March 23rd – School Photo Day

Friday March 30th – Good Friday Public Holiday

2018 Term dates

Term 1 – Wednesday 31st January – Thursday 29th March

Term 2 - Tuesday 17th April - Friday 29th June

Term 3 - Monday 16th July - Friday 21st September

Term 4 – Monday 8th October – Friday 21st December



Mother's Day Stall

The P & F are running a Mother's Day Stall.

**Thursday 10th May Friday
11th May**

Gifts range in price from \$1.50 to \$8

Parents can assist in **Hand Making Gifts** or providing a **Donation** such as **Shower gels and lotions, Boxes of Chocolates, Photo frames, Jewellery or Coat hangers**

These can be left at school or given to a member of the committee from now until Tuesday 8th May.

Any child wishing to buy a present needs to bring money along to school on the Thursday morning. Teachers will take classes to the stall in class time.

Any Parents who wish to help on the day with the stall,
Please contact

Bianca 0417 335 888 or Tracey 0419 654 874

The times for helpers is 9am to 11.30am

Please note this stall is not open to the public, it's only for our students.

Healthy Lunch Box Ideas

To support their growth and development it is important to help your child form long lasting healthy eating habits from an early age.

A healthy lunch box for school or kindergarten is a great way to ensure these habits continue away from home. Your child is also more likely to meet all their nutrition requirements if they are having healthy meals and snacks throughout the day.

Choose something from all the major food groups

FOR A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX PICK & MIX SOMETHING FROM EACH GROUP 1-6!



Recipe Idea:

Cheese, tomato and spinach pockets

GREEN (ACT & SA) / Everyday (NSW)

Makes 12

Ingredients:

- 2 large tomatoes, sliced
- 6 slices of reduced fat cheese cut in half or 125g grated reduced fat cheese
- 120g baby spinach
- 12 x 10 inch wholegrain wraps

Method:

1. Lay out all the wraps and place a slice of tomato in the centre of each one, followed by half a slice of cheese and a small handful of spinach, keeping it all in the centre of the wrap.
2. Fold the edges in on all sides to form a square pocket.
3. Turn the wraps over and toast in a sandwich press for 5 minutes or until golden.

Recipe tested by JG October 2016

Tips:

- Shop smart and save money by buying seasonal fruit and veggies
- Freeze water or place an ice pack in the lunch box to keep food cool on warmer days
- Create a colourful lunch box by including a variety of veggies and fruit. This means the lunch box will be packed full of different nutrients
- Getting your child involved in choosing and preparing foods and snacks may encourage them to become more interested in healthy eating
- If you have a busy family prepare lunch boxes the night before. You can even prepare some meals/ snacks in bulk and store them in the freezer ready to defrost during the week

References and links to more recipes:

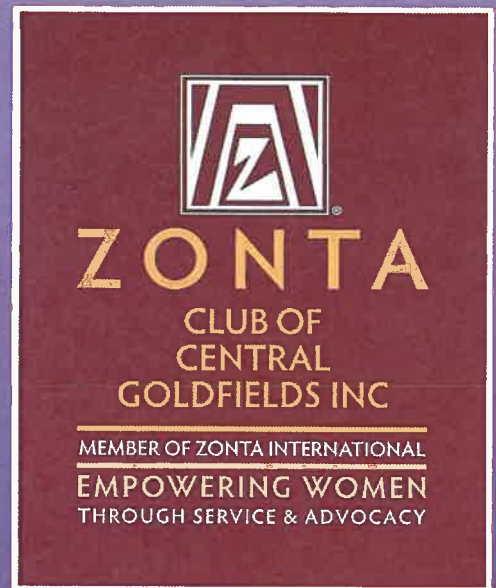
1. <http://heas.health.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/pickandmixlunchbox1.JPG>
2. <https://healthy-kids.com.au/parents/recipes/>



eSafety Info Session for Parents & Carers



International Women's Day



Celebrate International Women's Day and have safer online experiences by joining Zonta for an info session with Greg Gebhart, a specialist from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner.

Highlights:

- ⌘ Social media
- ⌘ Online risks
- ⌘ Cyber bullying



Monday 5 March @ 7pm

M.E.C. Performing Arts Centre

\$2 donation for supper

Booking is essential, collect
tickets by Feb. 28

Contact us for more info:

zonta.centralgoldfields@gmail.com  facebook.com/ZontaClubOfCentralGoldfields



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

being offered by Genesis Church
for Students from Year 5 to Year 9
starting Wednesday 7 March, 2018

The Program includes:
Teaching Life Skills based
on Christian Values and Ethics
plus Practical Electives.

Electives offered will include:
Electronics, Woodwork, Cooking,
Grow your own Food, Art and Crafts.

Cost:
\$5 per session per family
Time: 4pm to 5:45pm
Day: Each Wednesday during school terms.

Location:
Tren du Bourg Hall
3 Neill St, Maryborough

Enquires:
Pastor Clive Buck - 0414 395 575

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Tear off - One form per child

Parents/Carers Name:.....

Address:.....

Phone No. **Email**

*I (student) would like to enrol in the program and participate
in the following electives. (Circle one Elective only)*

Electronics Woodwork Grow your own Food Cooking Art & Craft

*Please Note: A maximum of 10 students only per activity
Forms to be returned by Friday 2 March, 2018*