The Year of
"Who Do You Say I Am?"

May the light of your soul guide you. May the light of your soul bless the work you do with the secret love and warmth of your heart. May you see in what you do, the beauty of your own soul. May the sacredness of your work bring healing, light and renewal to those who work with you and to those who see and receive your work. May your work never weary you. May it release within you wellsprings of refreshment, inspiration and excitement. May you be present in what you do. May you never become lost in the bland absences. May the day never burden. May dawn find you awake and alert, approaching your new day with dreams, possibilities and promises. May evening find you gracious and fulfilled. May you go into the night blessed, sheltered and protected. May your soul calm, console and renew you.

John O’Donohue

Psychology Services In Schools

onPsych can help children to learn essential skills and help them recognise and manage anxiety, fears and stress. If you feel your child would benefit from this service, please complete the enclosed slip and return to the office by Tomorrow.

PLEASE NOTE

School Closure
THURSDAY 5th MARCH
FRIDAY 6TH MARCH

School Assembly

Monday 2nd March
2:30pm
This School Assembly will be lead by 1/2BR

School Photo Day

Wednesday 4th March
(Photos can be ordered online. If you DO NOT order online, then each Student is to bring their photo envelope with the correct money or cheque enclosed ONLY ON PHOTO DAY).

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAY LIST

Monday 23rd  Judith 5/6BE
Tuesday 24th  JC-Lewis PCB,
Thursday 26th  Ashton PVA
Friday 27th  Keyanne 1/2LA, Nitish Taran 1/2KK
Saturday 28th  Cameron 5/6DD
Sunday 1st  Jenelle 5/6W, Guransh 1/2TC
Caleb 3/4ML, Dula 3/4MW
The second week of Lent again offers us a chance to reflect on the degree to which we have embraced the process of reconciliation with those who might need us to find a better version of ourselves and renewal with our God.

Mark’s Gospel invites us to consider what ‘Repent and believe in the Good News’ actually means for us. When Jesus was in the desert for forty days he was tempted by Satan. These are our daily distractions. In the arid isolation of the desert the internal life takes on a new meaning. Lent offers this time to create some internal space to renew and refresh our relationship with God and prepare for the hope that Easter eventually brings.

**Education Board**

The Education Board met this last Tuesday evening to set the agenda of work for the next year. We will be holding a Parent Information evening on Cybersafety in Term 2 hopefully. This will be jointly hosted by the Board and the school leadership. Please make arrangements to come along as soon as we have a date. Please also keep an eye on some of the valuable tips that Gini Verstraaten promotes every week in this bulletin.

**Working Bee**

Our first Working Bee for 2015 will be held on Saturday 14th March. This session will commence at 9:00am and finish by 12:30pm. Your continued support to maintain and improve the school’s grounds is essential. A Working Bee form for families to register for this will be sent home with students closer to the date.

**onPsych**

Expression of Interest for the OnPsych services needs to be returned by tomorrow. The service aims to build a partnership between families and the school and in many cases works to develop individualised behavioural programs that co-ordinate school and home-based interventions.

**Closure Day for Conference 5th & 6th March**

Please remember that the school will be closed next Thursday and Friday for the annual staff conference. This is our opportunity to gather 55 staff at the one time and deepen our understanding of important issues and topics in our School Development Plan. We will be working with a team of experts on the emotion brain and the learning brain as well as working on our cooperative team skills and Restorative Justice training.

Camp Australia will be running their service for the two days and we urge you to register if you are likely to need this facility.

**Prep BBQ**

On Tuesday the Prep teachers hosted a BBQ for the families of our Class of 2015 Preps. It was very well attended by families and supported by teachers across the school. We trust that everyone had a wonderful time and look forward to enjoying more gatherings.

Have a wonderful weekend,
God Bless

Anni Miers  Principal

**Sub Divisional Swimming**

These swimming trials are to be held for selected students on Wednesday 4th March at the Noble Park Pool, (not the 5th March as incorrectly advised on a note sent home with students)

**Community News**

Fitted for Work is offering a valuable course to take place in Term 2. Book now. Please inform your networks and maybe more people will be able to take advantage of this. This course does not have eligibility criteria relating to visas or previous study.

**Women’s Friendship Café**

And

**Fitted for Work**

Book now

Migrant women’s employment training and ongoing mentoring.

10 weeks training:
- Life skills training
- Job readiness activities
- Mentor support
- Career Day

When

Beginning Term 2 16th April 2015
8 sessions locally 9.30-2.30pm
2 sessions in Melbourne city.

Where

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Hampton Park
Corner of Somerville Rd and The Fairway
Bus 884, 893, 892 get off at fire station across from tennis courts

Cost—gold coin donation

Email: w.friendship.cafe@hotmail.com
Contact/enquiries/enrol: Elaine: 0427596977
Keeping Kids Safe Online

2. Mind your business

Remind your child to keep information such as their name, address, phone number, school and even your credit card number to themselves. When signing up to a chat room, they should use a screen name that is a nickname and not easy to work out. The same goes for choosing passwords – don't make them easy to figure out. If your child is going to put photos on the internet, ensure they don't show them wearing their school uniform – this can be enough to identify your child's school. Also ensure that any photos are not the type that would attract unwanted attention from strangers.


St Kevin's School Closure

The school will be closed on Thursday 5th & Friday 6th of March so that all staff may attend a professional learning conference.

Camp Australia is open for business on this day and will be running a program between the hours of 7am to 6pm. The fees are approximately $51.00 per day, per child. After the rebate, it will cost no more than $25.50 a day per child. You must be registered with Camp Australia to attend the service.

If you would your like child to attend on this day, please register with Camp Australia on campaustralia.com.au or see Julie King and staff in the OSHC room.

Please register ahead of time so that the correct ratio of staff can be organised.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

The second hand uniform shop is open for parents to view and purchase items every-

Monday mornings between 9:00am to 9:15am

All items of clothing are selling at $5 each (excluding bomber jackets and winter dresses which are $10 each).

Expression Of Interest

If you feel your child would benefit from working with a psychologist, please complete the following information and return this slip to the office by Friday 27th February.

Parent Name........................................................ Contact Phone Number........................................

Student/s Name....................................................... Grade..............................................................

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Women’s Friendship Café
All Women and children welcome
- Make friends
- Preschool activities
- Sewing machines
- Cup of tea and chatting
- Learn something
- Find out about study, jobs and training

FREE
Every Wednesday in the school term 9am to 12midday
River Gum Primary School,
via Preschool gate 29 Robinson Cres, Hampton Park
Email: w.friendship.cafe@hotmail.com
Contact/enquiries Weda 0413401629 Elaine: 0427596977
Silke 0404653426

To be conducted on the weekend of the 4th & 5th of July
The MS 24 Hour Mega Swim is a fun team relay event. Teams of up to 15 people compete for laps swum and money raised. Each team must have a swimmer in the water for the entire 24 Hours. People of all ages and abilities can take part. Each team creates a swimming roster to suit each swimmer. Each participant decides when they would like to swim and for how long. Some swim for 10 minutes, others swim for 4 hours! Each team member has an online fundraising page and raises money from family, friends and colleagues. They can receive one off donations, be sponsored for the number of laps they do, or host their own fundraising event to add to their total. It is entirely up to each participant to decide how they will fundraise. The MS 24 Hour Mega Swim is a competition with points awarded to each team. Each team will receive 1 point for every $10 raised and 1 point for every 500m swum. The winning team’s name will be displayed on the perpetual plaque at the venue.
A MS 24 Hour Mega Swim can be organised by a community group or a corporate group. The organising committee is supported by MS to carry out the event. If you are interested in running a MS 24 Hour Mega Swim or have general enquiries call 1300 705 341 or email megaswim@msaustralia.org.au

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Our freight forwarding services tailors logistics solutions to suit your individual and business needs. With over 20 years of import/export experience, we have proven and quality partners to provide the best pricing options for both air and sea, with exceptional level of service.

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