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

Special Points of Interest:

**March**
- Monday 18th – Friday 27th
  - Grade 3/4 Swimming (excludes Wednesdays)
- Monday 23rd March
  - First Reconciliation
  - 5pm (3RO, 3PE, & 3SC)
  - 7:30pm (3CH, 3MW & 3ML)
- Tuesday 24th March
  - Education Board Meeting 7pm
- Friday 27th March
  - END OF TERM 1
  - Children dismissed at 2:30PM

**April**
- Friday 3rd April
  - Good Friday
- Sunday 5th April
  - Easter Sunday
- Monday 13th April
  - TERM 2 COMMENCES

**2015 SRC REPRESENTATIVES**


**END OF TERM 1 EARLY DISMISSAL**

A reminder to all families that school will dismiss at 2.30pm (Friday the 27th March).
We resume Monday 13th April.

**WORKING BEE THANKS**

The Working Bee last Saturday was very successful and we would like to say a big thank you to the combined efforts of Parish and School.

The following families were represented on the day – Perera, Nabati Babaka, Joshi, Ng, John Britto, Jenkins, Mendis, Disanayake, Lotongol, Luri, Dias, Rosario, Berhardt, Malhotra, Estilles, Appu Acharige, Kabigting, Choppa, Rosse, Mod, Nadan, Oliveira, Francis, Szasz, Fernandez, Naidu-Kumar, Logutoli Peteru, Hale, Kupczyk, Huynh, Dole, Naiken, Martin, Wartono, Cody, Wijesinha

**EASTER RAFFLE**

The St Kevin’s Annual Easter Egg Raffle will be drawn in each grade next Thursday the 26th March

**BIRTHDAY LIST**

- **Tuesday 17th**
  - Anthony 5/6AT, Maya 5/6ME, Selena PFO
- **Wednesday 18th**
  - Ezequiel 5/6ME
- **Thursday 19th**
  - Jasnoor 5/6DD, Lucas PCB
- **Friday 20th**
  - Lily-Rose5/6BE, Vinay 1/2BR, Anooji PCB
- **Saturday 21st**
  - Pramishka 5/6AT
- **Sunday 22nd**
  - Hilo 5/6AT, Aisling 1/2BR, Aryan 3/4CH, Alexander PFO

Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

(John 12:20-33)
Word From The Principal

We are now entering the fifth Sunday of Lent and John’s Gospel invites us to think a little like the early martyrs, in that we should be setting aside what is non-essential and focusing on the love of God that is eternal and all forgiving. The presence of the Greeks in the Gospel is also important because they are symbols of all travellers who will gather in the name of God thus yielding rich harvest. The links can be made to our Reconciliation Workshops night held here last Tuesday evening.

Reconciliation Workshops
By all accounts the Reconciliation Workshops were well attended and very productive. We focused on the story of Zacchaeus. The love and compassion of our God is shown in the actions of Jesus in his meeting with Zacchaeus. At school we make the links to our Restorative Practices process. We are called to continually focus on the building and maintaining of positive relationships. This means we sometimes have to acknowledge our role in harming others and be willing to restore this harm.

Camp at Sovereign Hill
I have just returned from the first stage of our Grade 5/6 camp to Sovereign Hill and could not be more proud of all of our students. The respectful way in which they conducted themselves was very impressive. As a principal and for some of the teachers, when tourists from and interstate and overseas approach to compliment our children it is hard not to be puffed up with pride. Thousands of children visit Sovereign Hill every year so to be praised by strangers is wonderful. Thank you for your role in preparing our youngsters to showcase their best selves in a public forum.

The children learnt a great deal about the foundations of democracy in Australia through the struggles of the goldminers. They were presented with the history in many different and interesting ways and have been able to share their knowledge through focused discussions in the last three days. They also enjoyed panning for gold in the creek at the site and many have struck it rich. We trust that the second group enjoy their camp experience in the same way.

Easter Raffle Draw
This will be held next Thursday and the PFA are still selling tickets. There will be a raffle draw in each classroom rather than an all school draw. Unfortunately there has been a mistake in the administration of the ticket distribution for the Junior classes so please check that your child has a chance for a success if you wish. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience.

French After School Classes
Families who filled out an expression of interest form last year will be notified of the next step next week. I will remind families that this was only available to Grade 4-6 students who started learning French last year and to students who are focused and committed to orderly behaviour. The class will be restricted to 20 students and this number was reached last year. We are pleased to announce after considerable exploration of the options available, that Mrs Christine Antoine will be the teacher on a Tuesday afternoon 3.45-4.45 pm. Families will have a short time to accept the offer.

Early Dismissal Next Week
School will be dismissed at an earlier time of 2:30pm next Friday (27th of March) for the end of Term 1. Please make the appropriate arrangements for the collection of your child/ren on this day. After School Care is provided for those who have booked or are registered with Camp Australia.

OnPsych
Thank you to the parents who returned an expression of interest to be part of the psychological and counselling services to be made available within the school, through a program called OnPsych. We will be sending out more information next week and requesting further information, with a view for the program to commence next term.

God Bless
Anni Miers
Principal

Canteen News

TERM 1 SPECIAL
CHICKEN SOUVLAKI
Large $5.00 Small $2.50
Served with chicken, salad and yoghurt sauce in a wholesome wrap.

3/4 Swimming
Lunches will be provided according to the swimming timetable

Please Note
The canteen will be closed next week
(Thursday 26th & Friday 27th of March)
The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open!! 2015 Privacy and Consent Form were issued to students last week.

Once the orange form has been completed and returned (by students wishing to take part in the challenge), students will be issued with their own username and password.

1. Go to www.education.vic.gov.au/prc and click on “students tab” on the left hand menu and then click on “Student Login”.
2. Enter your registered student username and password.
3. Click “Log In”.
4. Your homepage will appear.

From here you will be able to add books to your reading list and check on your reading progress. When you have finished reading the correct number of books, each book must be changed from “started” to “finished”.

Print out your personal booklist from the computer and return the print out to your teacher by Friday, 4th September. If you cannot access a computer at home, you can enter the books online using one of our school computers. All books need to be verified by the school’s Co-ordinator before the challenge is completed.

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).

Keeping Kids Safe Online

Get a filter

Internet filters can help block inappropriate sites for children. None are completely reliable and it’s best if you talk about what websites are appropriate with your child so they understand and make the right choice on their own.


HAMPTON PARK Library
22-26 Stuart Avenue
Ph: 8788 8500
Melway: 96 E8

Proud to Be Me with Carp Productions
With a sprinkle of Magic (and some serious superhero fun) we'll discover that we all have amazing powers and skills.
11.00-11.45am Ages: 4-10

Eggs! Thursday 2/4
Come to the Library for some eggitng stories and some Easter craft.
11.00-11.45am Ages: 3-6

Hampton Park Games Centre Tuesday 7/4
Test your skills in our games centre, including PS3s and vintage gaming consoles, basketball, foosball, ten pin bowling and the net target challenge. Prizes, snacks and drinks provided. This is a joint activity with Hampton Park Youth Centre.
2.00-4.00pm Ages: 10-25

Hampton Park Cinema Wednesday 8/4
PG or G rated movie. Come on down, pick your seat and enjoy the movie with food and drink supplied. This is a joint activity with Hampton Park Youth Centre.
2.00-4.00pm Ages: 10-16

Calling All Book Worms … Wednesday 8/4
Make your own 8-page hotdog book to take home. Fun for all.
2.00-3.00pm Ages: 7+

Rmrabbits! Thursday 9/4
Come to our rabbit Storytime and make a card bunny.
11.00-11.45am Ages: 3-6
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OF SPACE FOR THE KIDS TO PLAY, LAUGH, LEARN
AND GROW TOGETHER

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- School Holidays
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- Weekend and Public Holidays

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families

Contact: Asha Mobile No: 0434 593 593
Address: 4 Insaf Court, Hampton Park 3976

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ABN 76 374 343 319

PO Box 257, Hampton Park 3976
Adam Clarke
0411 437 642

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Migrant women’s employment training and
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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 894, 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

Prayer Service in solidarity with
REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS

PALM SUNDAY
29 March 2015, 1.00 - 1.30 pm
Celebrant: Fr Bruce Duncan CSsR
St Patrick’s Cathedral
East Melbourne

Whoever turns refugees away, forgets that Jesus was also one. — Pope Francis

HAMPTON PARK
REDBACKS
Junior Football
Club

SUPERCLINIC/REGO DAY
Do you want to play AFL football?
We are looking for players for our
U8s to U17 and Youth Girls teams.

TOGETHER WITH HAMPTON PARK JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB AND HAMPTON PARK AUSKICK WE WILL BE HOLDING A SUPERCLINIC AND REGISTRATION DAY ON FRIDAY 20TH MARCH 5PM TO 6.30PM CAIRNS RD, HAMPTON PARK.

Come and have some fun, there will be a BBQ and
drinks to purchase, pay fees on the night.
For more information please
Email: hpfjc-secretary@live.com.au
Or phone Chrissie 0415 740 145

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS IN 2015.
Art and Swimming In 34 MW and CH

The Grade 34s have been studying the artist He Qi (pronounced Hu Chee). He is known for his use of geometric shapes, bright colours and oval shaped eyes.

He Qi’s work shows the influence of his study of medieval European art, as well as his familiarity and cultural ties with Chinese folk art, such as woodcuts, paper cutting, traditional weaving and embroidery.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. It celebrates Jesus procession into Jerusalem where people threw down palm fronds to celebrate his entry into the holy city. Many churches process around their churches waving palm fronds and crosses as a symbol of this triumphal event.
We have just started our swimming lessons at Paul Saddler Swim School.

What Fun!