Good morning to all and welcome back to the third school week.

To help keep our school a safe and happy environment we all need to follow fair and appropriate general procedures, rules and requests. From time to time, to deal with special or unique situations, rules may need to change or be modified – we all understand this; however, the general principle is to follow and comply with these arrangements to achieve safety, wellbeing and fairness.

To help all students with these arrangements we have an “Admin Assembly” at the start of the year. At this Assembly on Friday I spoke with all our students about our school values and our school rules. Classrooms will also be collaboratively working to build strong work focused and happy environments. Our students are always attentive, cooperative and faithful to our requests and as our school principal I appreciate and value everyone’s effort with these requests. I have noted the key points for families to also support and implement.

TRAFFIC Before and After School
Road rule observations and compliance is critical.

- Loop - A supervised Drop Off Zone only; please move forward and exit left only. No right hand turn to enter Loop
- Collection and Drop Off Locations are: Botanic Road, South side – cross at crossings only Queens Road, Parking either side – cross at crossing Bromfield Street, Parking in tennis court area – collection only from this area. Crossing at supervised points; either supervised area or round about.
- Aqua Zone Car Park, cross at round about
- School Car Park – NOT drop off zone; it is for staff and visitor parking only.

- As a general reminder traffic speeds around school at school times is 40 kph.
- To aide traffic flow and students fitness we support the “Healthy Moves” program of walking, riding, busing or scooting to school. Along key feeder routes to the school, children may be dropped off several blocks earlier and walk the final journey. Key Feeder Routes are: Lava Street, Russell Creek – Walking and Bike Paths and Queens Road.

Other Important Reminders are:
- “School Fair Planning Meeting”, tonight at 7:00 pm in the staffroom, all welcome.
- Attached is the “Senior School Representative Sports Program” dates for family information. Students will be advised via Senior School Assembly of actual details with each event.

- Whole school “Sports Day” will be Friday 21 March. Families are encouraged to join us on this day for a picnic lunch and watching of the events.
- Attached is an invitation to a “Parent Welcome” social function, again all most welcome.

Regards,
Michael Gray, Principal

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**CALENDAR**

**Week 3**
- Mon 10  Fair Meeting, staffroom  7:00 pm
- Tues 11  PTO Online Opens        9:00 am
- Tues 11  Active After School Commences - Tennis  3:30 pm
- Wed 12   Active After School Commences - Netball  3:30 pm
- Fri 14   School Assembly held by E1  2:30 pm
- Fri 14   Bookclub Orders Close

**Week 4**
- Mon 17 & Tues 18 Parent Teacher Interviews commence various
- Mon 17   123 Magic Parenting Program - Week 1  6:30 pm
- Tues 18 - Fri 21 Senior School Water Safety program various
- Tues 18   PSA Meeting, staffroom  7:30 pm
- Tues 18   Senior Reconciliation Parent Meeting Gathering Space, St Joseph’s Church  7:30 pm
- Thurs 20  School Advisory Council  7:30 pm
- Fri 21   School Assembly held by D1  2:30 pm
- Fri 21   PSA Welcome Night, The Last Coach  7:30 pm

**CANTEEN NEWS**

The canteen is now offering a gluten free brownie on the canteen list. Notifying families that this product does contain WALNUTS. Please be mindful of this when placing an order for your child. Thanks. Canteen helpers still urgently needed for both shifts. Please contact the office.

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**CANTEEN**

**Week 3**
- 1st shift (9 - 11 am)  2nd Shift (11 - 1 pm)
  - Mon 10  P Norton  K Mackenzie
  - Tues 11  J Stewart  K O’Meara
  - Wed 12   T Monk  A Van De Camp
  - Thurs 13  K Bushell  K Owen
  - Fri 14   L O’Neill  A Loft  C Joseph

**Week 4**
- 1st shift (9 - 11 am)  2nd Shift (11 - 1 pm)
  - Mon 17  S Kelly  G Kavanagh
  - Tues 18  M Zerbe  A Surkit
  - Wed 19   K Mentha  C Mahony
  - Thurs 20  N Stevens  M Walsh
  - Fri 21   J Lougheed  M Hynes  N Winnell

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**ALL NEWSLETTER inquires should be forwarded to:**
Alicia at our Office at: abidmade@sjwarraambool.catholic.edu.au

Summer,
10th February, 2014
EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)
The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

To be eligible for receipt of the EMA you must:
- be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and
- be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPi) pensioner or be a foster parent.

Consequently parents/guardians are able to access the EMA if they have a valid Health Care Card or valid Pension Card.
The eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of Term 1 (28th January 2014) which is the first day for teaching staff.

All applications must be returned to school office
Thursday 28th February, 2014
If you would to have the full EMA allowance to be taken off your school fees you just need to put a X in the ‘Direct deposit to school box’ within the preferred payment method section. If you want your half of the fees paid into your own bank account you will need to fill in your details within this same section.

Family Fee Assistance Scheme
In 2014 in all Ballarat Diocesan Catholic Primary schools, tuition fee discounts are available to families who are eligible for the Education Maintenance Allowance. Although a family may be eligible to receive a fee discount, families may choose not to apply for the fee discount and pay the full school fee.
The family fee assistance scheme will be implemented across all Ballarat Diocesan Catholic Primary Schools from 2012. Families that qualify for the scheme will have the family portion of their school fees replaced with one fee of $520. The discounted fee does not cover additional charges such as camps, student fees, bags or swimming programs.
To help cover the remainder of your school fees you can have the full amount of your EMA payment taken directly off your school fees.

Direct Debit Payments
All direct debit payments will begin this Thursday. If you would like to commence a scheduled payment arrangement it is not too late, please contact Cathy Duynhoven on 5591 1343.

LITERACY
Dear Parents
Thank you so much for your support as we conducted individual literacy assessment with all our students, at the beginning of the year. Ninety seven percent of our students attended, which allows us to give your children a great start to the year, enabling us as teachers to prepare our classroom programs and support.

During the Literacy interviews teachers listened to your child read and they recorded how he or she read and understood the text. Teachers are now responding to this information by planning activities, to meet their students’ learning needs.

Your child will soon begin bringing home books to read. Teachers carefully select the level your child will bring home as Take Home Reading. Students may decode (break words apart) at a much higher level than they can comprehend a text. The books your child brings home need to be easy and enjoyable, which means both decoding and comprehension need to be easy.

Reading easy and familiar books at home will help your child develop their confidence and skills, while talking about what they have read will help their understanding. Remember children of all ages enjoy being read to and sharing the reading task can be enjoyable for you and your child.

Again thank you for your support.
Monica Currer (School Literacy Co-ordinator)

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
Active After School Community Programs commence this week for those students enrolled in this program. This program runs from Weeks 3 - 8. Students to meet in the undercover area at 3:30 pm for a snack and are then taken to their activity.

Pickup for Tuesday night’s Tennis is at the Supergrass tennis courts in Bromfield Street at 4:45 pm and pickup for Wednesday night’s Netball is in the School’s Loop at 4:45 pm.

PARENTING PROGRAM
1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program is an easy to learn, easy to use, down to earth parenting program to help parents gently and firmly manage the behaviour of children in the 2-12 year old age range. Parents, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts and Carers all welcome.

Date: Monday 17th Feb, 24th Feb and 3rd March a commitment of 3 sessions is required
Venue: St Joseph’s Primary School
Time: 6.30—9.00 pm, Cost: FREE
Child Care: Contact school directly

For enquiries and bookings phone
Angela at Centacare on 5559300
Information flyer available at the school front desk

GRIEF AND LOSS
This program is offered to students at our school who have experienced loss or separation. If you believe your child would benefit from this program or if you have concerns for a child in your care. Please feel free to contact me. Thank you
Wellbeing Co-ordinator
Michelle McIntyre Hand

Guitar Tuition - Matt Price has vacancies for Guitar tuition for 2014. Learn great popular songs, in a relaxed environment. After school vacancies are available. Ring Matt on 0499 598 614
ST. JOSEPH’S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SPORTS DATES 2014  
Updated: 6 February 2014

School Sport Victoria (SSV) actively promotes school sport for all Victorian school students, years 4 to 12, as a means of supporting schools in developing their students’ health and wellbeing. SSV operates under the auspices of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. Membership of School Sport Victoria is open to all Victorian schools, providing the opportunities to participate in programs that extend from grassroots intra and inter school sport, to district, division, region, state and national levels.

Students attending schools affiliated with SSV are eligible for selection in Victorian Teams to compete in 2014 School Sport Australia National Championships. Further information is available from your School’s Sport Coordinator or on the School Sport Victoria website, www.ssv.vic.edu.au. Parents and teachers are encouraged to regularly visit the site.

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Venue: The Last Coach-Corner of Kepler and Timor Streets, Warrnambool

Date: 21st February, 2014
Time: 7.30pm onwards

St. Joseph’s Primary School
Parent Welcome to 2014 Social Function

Parents and Friends are meeting for a start of the new school year get together. An invitation is extended to all parents to attend on this evening. It provides a great opportunity to meet new families and catch up and rekindle old friendships.

Purchase drinks at bar prices.

Finger food provided

Phone-Co ordinator Michelle Edwards for enquiries on 0439 427 933

To assist with numbers please fill in the return slip below-

Name-__________________________________________
Numbers attending-________________________________

Thanks. Looking forward to seeing you all on the night.
HAWKS U/12's SEASON 2014 DETAILS

Football training will be at the Allan Oval at the following times:
U/12's: Thursdays (4.00 - 5.00 pm) from March 13

Player Registration:
Thursday March 13th from 4am

Football Coaches:
U/12: Leigh Moncrieff and Clinton Baulch

Come and be a part of our great family junior football club. All current and new players most welcome.

Clinton & Leigh

JUNIOR SOCCER
Warrnambool Rangers FC will begin their Sub Junior coaching program with two "Come and Try" sessions on Saturday 15th and 22nd February at St. Joseph's Primary School. Starting at 9.30 am Age group: 6 to 12 years. Girls and boys welcome. Cost: FREE.

Come along – bring a friend.
For further details phone John on 5561 2397 (0417 777 938).

Netta is a structured Netball program which enables children to learn and develop the skills of netball in a non-competitive environment with maximum participation and fun.

For Enquiries Contact:
Fran Bell 0408 560 252

Minimum Age: 8 Yrs

Registration and Information Night
Monday 10th February 4:15pm

Warrnambool Netball Stadium, Caramut Road, Warrnambool
Tennis Coaching now available @ Warrnambool Indoor Tennis Centre

Tennis Australia’s Hot Shots program from 4 years and up
Friday night $3 HIT casual class
Plus a full range of coaching including adult classes.
Interested? 55626539

Carboot Sale @ the Sustainable Living Festival

Date: Saturday 22 February 2014.
Where: Civic Green end of Liebig Street.
When: Cars need to be in place between 9am-9.30am.
Cost: $5 per car.
Register: visit the Warrnambool City Council Civic Centre, 25 Liebig Street. Payment must be made at time of booking.
Enquiries: Contact Kate on 0417 309 585 or kmcinnes@warrnambool.vic.gov.au.
Carboot sales - keeping resources out of landfill!

Clean Up Warrnambool Weekend

Saturday 1 March, "Detox Your Home", 8am - 4pm
Household chemical disposal. Registration is essential.
Register online: sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxmobile or via phone: 1800 353 233

Sunday 2 March, Clean Up Australia Day, 10am - 12pm
 Clubs and organisations wanting to get involved can contact Kate McInnes on 5559 4800.
 Individuals and families can register on the day at the site office, Viaduct Road.