



St. Philip's Vision - Modelling the teachings of Christ, St Philip's Catholic School community aspires to be a place of welcome that provides many learning environments to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world.

CALENDAR DATES

MAY

- 7 Mother's Day Stall 9.00am
- 11-13 Naplan Yr's 3 & 5
- 11 P/1N Class Mass
- 14 First Eucharist Reflection Day
- 16 First Eucharist Mass

PRAYER



There are times when only a mother's love
 Can understand our tears, can soothe our disappoints
 And calm all of our fears.
 There are times when only a mother's love
 Can share the joy we feel When something we've dreamed about
 Quite suddenly is real.
 There are times when only a mother's faith
 Can help us on life's way. And inspire in us the confidence
 We need from day to day.
 For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
 And a mother's steadfast love Were fashioned by the angels
 And sent from God above.
 Amen

ST PHILIP'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS TIMES

- Saturday Evening 7.00pm Vigil
- Sunday Morning 8.30am & 10.30am
- Monday-Friday 9.00am

CONFESSION

- Saturday 10.00am-11.00am

PLEASE NOTE: SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS IS BETWEEN 8.40AM TO 3.45PM ON SCHOOL DAYS.

From the Principal

Dear Parents,

We can be grateful for the many opportunities we have had to gather with others this week. Beginning with Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Philip the Apostle with Father Dillon and the parish on Monday, followed by other activities, we marked the special day of our patron saint. Our Mother's Day breakfast was a time for mothers, grandmothers, aunts, friends and children to share time with others, and enjoy each other's company.

Our thoughts and blessings are with our students who have celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion recently, and those who will celebrate on Sunday 16th May. Receiving the Sacrament of First Communion is an important time in a child's life as they journey in faith, deepening their understanding of Jesus' love.

Next week, students in Years 3 and 5 will sit the NAPLAN tests. The purpose of NAPLAN is to assess students' knowledge and skills in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. The testing schedule is: Tuesday – Language Conventions and Writing; Wednesday – Reading; and Thursday – Numeracy.

We have scheduled open days during the school day this month. We also have an open day on Sunday 16 May, following Mass, from 11.00-1.00pm.

Our School Assembly is at 2.50pm tomorrow. If you would like to attend you will need to sign in at the Office.

Best wishes for the weekend.

Warm regards,
Michelle Worcester
Acting Principal

SKOOLBAG APP

All relevant school related dates and newsletters can be accessed via the St Philip's Skoolbag App. If you have not accessed the app to this point it is available for all devices and is free. Simply go to the App store or Google Play and search for the Skoolbag app. Once the app is set up you will then be able to search on the app for St Philip's Primary School.

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is away from school for any reason could you, please either ring the school on the morning of the absence or alternatively notify the school via the Skoolbag App. On the home page of the app press eforms. From this menu select Absentee Form. Fill in the form and sign at the bottom using your finger. Press 'Submit eForm'. The school office will receive a copy of this form which will be passed on to the relevant teacher.

Based on government attendance guidelines and our school policies on attendance we must advise parents/guardians of unexplained absences, on the same day as soon as practicable.

Student of the week

Congratulations to the following students who have worked hard to uphold our values of respect for self, others and the environment.

P/1N	Eilidh Z	For sharing her holiday story with the class and always following the school rules.
2/3MS	Norah F	For using good thinking skills before writing information and speaking clearly during her presentation to the class.
4/5KM	Rachel S	For being kind and always showing compassion towards her peers.



Community News

KELLY SPORTS – DANCE PROGRAM at St Philip’s Primary School

Our specialized Dance coaches can get your child’s hips swinging, feet rocking and heads bumping to all of the modern music contemporary hits. We will be holding Dance classes for children in Year P - 4 on Tuesdays at lunchtime 1.10pm - 2.00pm in the Fr Arnold Hall.

Online Booking System – WWW.Kellysports.com.au enter your post code/School and enroll from there. Forms are available from the school office. Classes commenced on Tuesday 4th of May.

RE NEWS

St Philip's Day was celebrated on Monday, beginning with a whole school mass. As many of you know, St Philip is the patron saint of bakers and milliners. As part of our St Philip Day celebrations we invited Russell the Baker from the Celtic Bakery to speak to the students. He spent 1½ hours talking to the students about what is involved in bread making and the significance of bread in the scripture stories of The Last Supper and the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. He also spoke of bread in relation to the sacrament of Holy Communion.

On Tuesday the school staff hosted the Mother's Day breakfast. It was lovely to see families enjoying each other's company as well as a cuppa and a treat or two. We finished the breakfast with a prayer led by the students who shared what they would like to thank their mum for.

This week the students from Year 3-6 who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation attended Confession in the church with Father Dillon. The students were able to receive the rite and were given time to pray and reflect.

On the 14th of May students receiving the Sacrament of First Communion this year will participate in a Reflection Day. The students will be involved in activities in the morning then celebrate together with a shared lunch.

So many lovely things to celebrate! We hope all the mums have a wonderful day celebrating this Sunday.

Gabrielle Carter
Religious Education Leader

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST - PHOTOS





Happy Mother's Day to all of our mums, grandmothers and guardians, we have included just a snippet of the photos taken on Tuesday morning.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

*Mother's Day
Lunch*

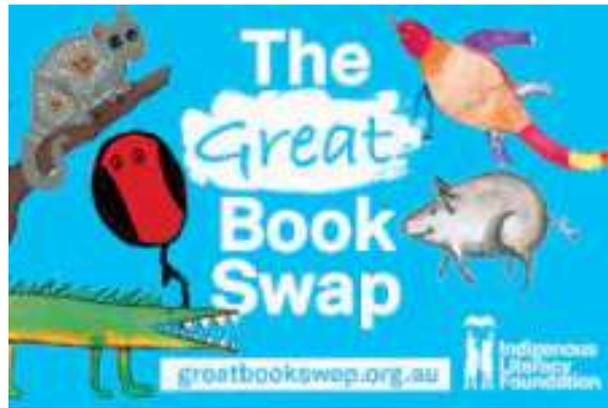
Friday 7th May @ 12:00pm

Host: Ivana Prskalo

131 Junction Road, Nunawading

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE
AND BYO DRINKS

Pre-school children welcome



St. Philip's Great Book Swap

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Monday 24th May from 2:30pm, Year 4/5KM will be holding The Great Book Swap.

The Great Book Swap is where you donate a book then you can purchase a book with a gold coin. If you want to buy a book you don't have to donate a book, but if you want to purchase a book you'll need to pay \$1 or \$2. On Monday 24th May from 2:30pm, Year 4/5 is going to spread all the donated books on tables in our classroom and we are going to be like shopkeepers. Each class will come to our classroom and you can choose one or more books and donate a gold coin for each book. Adults can also come to choose a book they want to buy.

If you buy a book, that money will be used to donate to the ILF which stands for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. The ILF writes and publishes books and runs programs to inspire aboriginal communities to tell and publish their own stories in the languages they choose.

Parents are invited to attend from 3:30pm and the books will be set up for you in the breezeway outside the school hall. Please choose books that you don't read anymore. Please donate the books by the 21st May.

Kind regards
Anastasia C, Chloe G, Rachel S and Sophie K



SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**BOYS:****Summer-**

- Black leather lace-up school shoes, navy socks, navy shorts.
- Light blue polo shirt with St Philip's Crest.
- Maroon hat: bucket, legionnaire's or wide brimmed.
- Maroon windcheater with St Philip's Crest.

**Winter-**

- Black leather lace-up school shoes, navy socks.
- Long navy pants (either elastic waist or zipper & button).
- Light blue skivvy or light blue polo shirt with St Philip's Crest.
- Maroon windcheater with St Philip's Crest.

**GIRLS:****Summer-**

- Black leather lace-up school shoes.
 - Poly cotton dress (maroon/navy/white check) with white or navy socks
- or
- Navy skort with light blue polo shirt with St Philip's Crest with white or navy socks.
- Maroon windcheater with St Philip's Crest.
 - Maroon hat: bucket, legionnaire's or wide brimmed.
 - Maroon or navy blue hair accessories.

Winter-

- Black leather lace-up school shoes, white or navy socks, or navy tights.
 - Blue and maroon checked Pinafore or long navy pants (either elastic waist or zipper & button)
- Or
- Navy skort, light blue skivvy or light blue polo top with St Philip's Crest
- Maroon windcheater with St Philip's Crest.
 - Maroon or navy blue hair accessories.

PLEASE NOTE:

Elastic sided boots are not accepted as part of the School Uniform.

All removable items of clothing must be clearly labelled with your child's name.