



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

- 21 Coffee & Chat Morning 9.00am
- 24 The Great Book Swap
- 25 District Cross Country
- 26 4/5KM Class Mass 9.00am

JUNE

- 1 Parents & Friends Meeting
- 2 Coffee & Chat Morning 9.00am
- 14 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- 15 School Closure Day

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

PRAYER



Lord our God, give us your Spirit,
we pray, that we may learn to understand
what we are and what tasks you have set for us.
We thank you for all the light you give us.
Grant that we and many others may come closer to
knowledge of the
truth and be at peace about all that belongs in your hands,
our Father in heaven.
Keep us now and forevermore in your
almighty hand.
May we know your goodness and the
blessing it brings.
For through your goodness we can endure even the hardest
days and be victorious
in the battle of life.
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

From the Principal

Dear Parents,

This morning I watched our Year 5 students head off for their walk to one of the local kindergartens as part of our community engagement. All were carrying story books they had carefully chosen to share with the preschoolers. Their smiles were evidence of the joy they receive through sharing time with the pre-school children. The students' engagement with the local community is aligned with our school's vision to model the teachings of Christ within our community. As we aspire to be a school community that is a place of welcome we encourage our students to also be welcoming of others into their lives.

A reminder that The Great Book Swap is on next Monday, 24 May. The students have been working hard to organise this event, and support from all within the community will be greatly appreciated. Their efforts are contributing to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation which helps by providing access to reading materials and developing familiarity and engagement with reading in indigenous communities.

This Friday is our first 'coffee & chat' morning. Everyone is invited to drop-in to the Fr Arnold Centre from 9.00am for a coffee and chat. This is a time to catch up with others and to meet new people.

All parents with children who are beginning school in 2022 are encouraged to submit an enrolment form. These are available from our school website or from the office.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Last week the students in Year 3 and 4 participated in a Holy Communion Reflection Day. The students looked at the different parts of the mass, the signs and symbols of First Communion, made prayer cards and a special prayer cloth to use at home and to remind them of this special sacrament. Father Dillon very kindly invited the children to the church to talk about the Sacrament of First Communion and to show the students the many special items used in the mass, particularly for Communion. There were many questions and many correct answers when it came to naming each piece!

We finished up with a well-earned celebratory lunch together.

Congratulations to our First Communion recipients and may God bless them as they continue on their faith journey.

Gabrielle Carter
Religious Education Leader



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	Aria C	For always putting lots of effort into her work, using her manners and including others in activities.
2/3MS	Belinda L	For putting lots of effort and demonstrating excellent learning behaviours.
4/5KM	Ryan Y	For being cheerful and never giving up.
5/6CG	Jack A	For going over and above and always doing his best in his work.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Date	Class presenting
4 June	4/5
11 June	P/1
18 June	5/6

Community coffee & chat

Dear families,

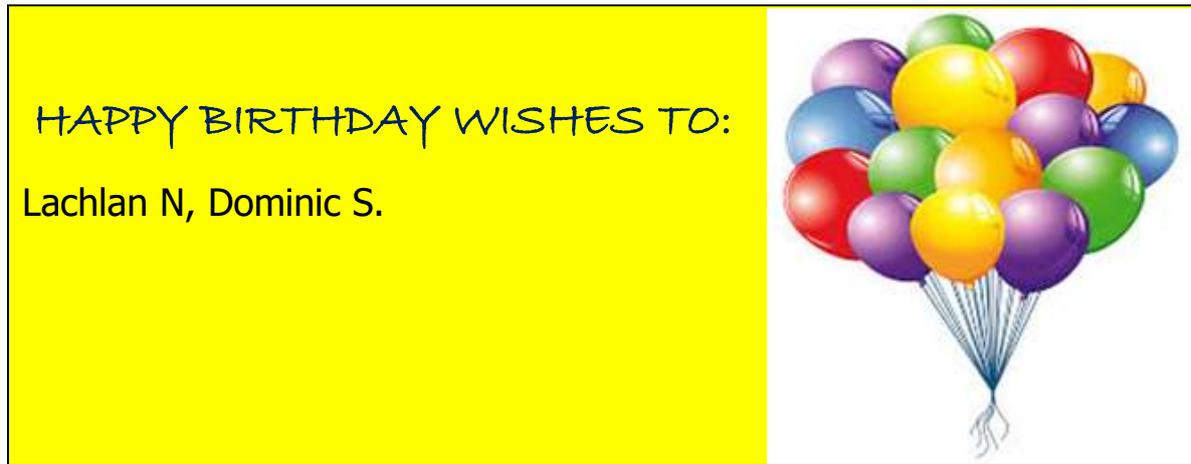
Being able to gather with others is an important part of our community. To enable this, we invite you to pop-in to our 'community coffee & chat' mornings in the Fr Arnold Centre.

These will be held at the following times:

Friday 21 May at 9.00 - 9.30 am
 Wednesday 2 June at 9.00 - 9.30 am
 Friday 18 June at 9.00 - 9.30 am
 Wednesday 23 June at 9.00 - 9.30 am

Everyone is welcome. This is a chance for a chat with old friends, and a chance to meet new friends.





Community News

OUR LADY OF SION COLLEGE

Is your Daughter completing Yr 5 in 2021? Applications to start Yr 7 in 2023 at Our Lady of Sion College close on Friday 20th August 2021.

We warmly invite you to join us at one of our scheduled tours held throughout the year during school terms. Dates are as follows: Information Evening: Monday 24th may 7.00-8.00pm
Talk & Tour Mornings: 9.30am-11.00am - Monday June 21 – Friday July 23 – Monday 16th August
Monday 11th October – Thursday 18th November.
Visit our website:www.sion.catholic.edu.au to book.

NUNAWADING KANGAS BASKETBALL CLUB

The Kangas Basketball Club are looking for girls who are interested in playing basketball to join an Under 10 Saturday Girls team. Please contact Meg on 0407 214329.

VICTORIAN PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The 2021 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Philip's Primary School is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Participation in the challenge is not compulsory, however it is a fabulous opportunity to record all of the students reading and receive a certificate at the end of the challenge. All the recording is completed online using the following VPRC link <https://vprcidentity.eduweb.vic.gov.au/account/login> and entering your Username and passcode listed on your checklist. All books completed also need to be manually recorded on the checklist and handed into the school office once you have completed the correct amount of books so we can validate your participation.

Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

More Books required for the Great Book Swap!!



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



Parents & Friends



St Philip's Families,

Tomorrow (Friday), the school has kindly organised a Meet and Greet coffee for all parents and guardians. This will be a great opportunity to reconnect or connect for the first time with our school community. I look forward to seeing you there.

Just a reminder that we are still looking for someone to help organise the School Disco (term 3) and the Colour Explosion (term 4). If you would like further information and would like to help, please email me.

We are planning a Pie Drive in Term 3 and also a Family Portraits day. Stay tuned for more details to come.

Maria Ferrara

P & F Co-Ordinator

pandf@stphilipbbn.catholic.edu.au

0411 255 176

P&F Meeting

Our next P&F meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st June @ 7pm. All are welcome! We continue to look for more people to help with organising events. Without the support of our families, events and fundraising. We love to see new faces.

Cake Raffle

The weekly cake raffle is held every week at school assembly. Please follow the link to book in your week. Only 2 spots left at the end of term. Can you help?

<https://volunteersignup.org/3EMT3>

Entertainment:

Receive a FREE upgrade when you purchase a single city membership. Available until 31st May.

Entertainment
Get a **FREE MEMBERSHIP UPGRADE!**

- Access thousands more offers
- Explore 21 cities and regions with your Membership

BUY SINGLE CITY MEMBERSHIP \$69.99

GET UPGRADED TO MULTI CITY* ~~\$119.99~~

SAVE \$50

*Offer for selected time only. 30% apply.

Click to order your membership => <https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/9a27151>



Upcoming Dates: 1st June – P&F meeting

20th August – School Disco (Term 3)

WEEKLY CAKE RAFFLE ROSTER

Friday 21st May - Sutherland Family

Friday 28th May - Moussa Family

Friday 4th June - Sindel Family

Friday 11th June - Li/Chen Family



eSafetys guide to parental controls

The eSafety team has been working around the clock and have developed content and resources for the new [Parent and Carers](#) webinar.

This webinar will look at how parents and carers can set up devices and apps to help keep young people safer online.

Audience

Parents and carers of children aged 4-13

The webinar will cover:

- The benefits and limitations of parental controls
- How to set up iOS and Android devices for safety
- How to set up popular games and apps like YouTube and Roblox for safety
- Using family tech agreements and other parenting strategies to manage online risks
- How eSafety can help when things go wrong

The webinar will include practical tips, demonstrations and advice for parents and carers to help keep young people safer online.

[REGISTER NOW!](#) (click here)

