Dear Families, Staff and Friends of St Johns

2017 Planning

At this time of the year planning has commenced for 2017. It is essential for the school to have accurate information so we can coordinate staffing and resourcing for next year. A Return to St John’s 2017 form was sent home with each child on Monday. I ask that this be returned by the end of next week (no later than Friday, 30 September). Please note that according to our school enrolment policy that one term’s notice is required if a student is leaving the school or a full school term’s fees will be charged. It is important that we are notified of this information to support us with our planning and enrolments for 2017.

Grand Parents Day
Friday 21 October
9:30am
St Dominic Centre
Parking will be available on the Netball courts from 9.00am

Winter Sports Presentations

We have had another great season of out of school hours winter sports with some great successes in the netball and soccer teams. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our coaches, team managers and volunteers who support our children on a weekly basis to ensure that they have wonderful experiences in sport. The aim in primary school sport is to provide a positive environment and let the children have some fun. We do this very well as a school community and I am sure that the children do appreciate the chance to get involved and enjoy the sport of their choice. Our Winter Sports Presentation is this Saturday 24 September starting at 12:00pm.

Catholic Schools’ Music Festival

On Thursday 29 September, Year 6/7 students will be performing at the Festival Theatre as part of the Catholic Schools’ Music Festival. I would like to thank the students for all their commitment to the festival so far. I know they are really looking forward to performing on stage that night. For most of the students, this will be the first time that they have performed in the festival and I am sure it will be a night that they will not forget. Congratulations and thank you to Lisa Martin our Choir Trainer who has taught the Choir their songs and movements and we are grateful for the rich experiences she provides for our students throughout the year. In Term 4, the Festival choir will be performing at our Grand Parents Day. I am sure they will represent their parents and our school with pride.

School Photos

Advancedlife Photography has delivered the school photos and they have been distributed to your child’s class. If you ordered a portrait photo it has gone to the eldest child’s class. If you nominated to collect your order from the front office please see Lee-Anne B to collect your order. Please be reminded that if you have a problem please contact Advancedlife 1300 728 972.

A place of …. Welcome, Love and Truth

Spirted by our Catholic faith and in partnership with parents, parish and the wider community, we are committed to providing a high-quality, holistic and contemporary education for our students. We respond to the message of St Luke the Evangelist, by being a welcoming and inclusive school community, as part of the Noarlunga/Seaford Parish. We acknowledge the writing of St John the Apostle, God is Love (1 John 4:8), by striving to love one another as God loves us.

We continue the tradition of St Dominic, by seeking truth and justice through lifelong learning and prayerful reflection.

Diary Dates / Important Notes 2016

Mon 26/9 – Assembly 1/2E
Thu 29/9 – Class Mass
Catholic School Music Festival at Festival Theatre
Fri 30/9 – Casual Clothes Day & end of Term 3 (school finishes at normal time 3:10pm)

* All Assemblies are held in the St Dominic Centre on alternative Mondays at 2:20pm
** Class Masses are held at 9:00am in the Chapel
From the APRIM

Gospel Reading
Luke 16:19-31 

Family Connection

In this gospel story Jesus tells a parable about a story of the rich man and Lazarus which demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God. As family, we need to share things with each other and at times this can cause conflict between family members. Children are not always keen to share possessions such as the TV or their toys. Perhaps this week you may decide to make a commitment to share your possessions with someone in need.

This week Pope Francis called for the observance of a 'Day of prayer for Peace' on Tuesday September 20th, 2016. The theme for the day was 'Thirst for peace: faiths and cultures in dialogue'.

REMINDER: Sacramental Program 2016/2017

The Sacramental Program will begin again in term 4. If your child is interested in celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic Church please collect a form from the Front Office and return as soon as possible.

Class Masses

Week 9 Thursday 22nd September 2/3 WP Class
Week 10 Thursday 29th September 3M Class

Casual Clothes Day for Catholic Charities Appeal

It is through the generosity of our donors and supporters that Catholic Charities is able to support agencies in making a difference to the lives of the vulnerable and disadvantaged in our community. On Friday September 30, we will be having a casual clothes day to raise money for Catholic Charities South Australia. Please see the brochure attached to the newsletter or check the website http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/charity-and-giving/catholic-charities/appeals to find out more about the great work carried out right here in South Australia. In return for the privilege of wearing casual clothes to school, all we ask is a gold coin donation. Please remember that for safety reasons, sensible footwear, clothing and hats are still required on this day.

Go gently
Loretta Wheatland
Acting Assistant Principal: Religious Identity and Mission

Noarlunga-Seaford Parish

St Luke's Church
Corner New Honeypot Road & Goldsmith Drive
NOARLUNGA DOWNS 5168
PO Box 406
NOARLUNGA CENTRE 5168

Office Hours: Monday-Friday (10am-4pm)

Office: T: 8382 1717
F: 8326 7999
E: nswcp@tpg.com.au

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Gauci
Assistant Priest: Fr Saminathan Arockiasamy
Parish Manager: Toni Fishlock

Masses

School Thursday 9:00am (please check front page)
St Luke’s Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 9am / 5:30pm (Youth )
Seaford (SEM) Sunday 10:45am
Trauma Sensitive School Project

In collaboration with the Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF) and Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) the staff at St. Johns are currently undertaking action research to improve trauma sensitive practices here at St. Johns. With so much research focused on brain function and the importance of understanding how our brains work we believe it is important for us to improve our learning and share this with the whole community.

Over recent weeks we have been monitoring how the children move around the school and more importantly how they transition from one activity to the next. We have noticed that simple movements like getting out of the car and into school can be distressing for some children. Moving or transitioning from the playground back into a classroom environment can also be problematic for some. As a result of our research to date, from Monday we will be trialling a revision of how we use the school bells. We currently ring the bell 11 times each school day.. is it no wonder we feel like we’re running against the clock some days?

From Monday, there will be no bell sounded at 8:48am and 8:50am to mark the beginning of the day. Supervision in the school yard starts at 8:30 and children can access their classroom at 8:40.

Students are still expected to be ready to start their school day by 8:50. We aim to provide a calmer learning environment for the whole community by reducing the loud interruptions. We hope that it will promote self-responsibility and enhance wellbeing.

We look forward to hearing your feedback which can become part of our data collection.

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Class Awards: Assembly Term 3 Week 8

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School Uniform - Second Hand Cupboard

The Second Hand cupboard, located in the St Dominic Centre, will be open every Wednesday morning from 8:45 until at least 9:00am. Should you wish to arrange a different time please contact Naomi Ellis on: 0408 118 775

For all new uniform purchases including replacement sun hats (see details below) please contact or visit:

LOWES at Centro Colonnades
Beach Road, Noarlunga
Ph: 8326 2528  Fax: 8382 7473

- PLEASE NOTE: All students are supplied with a sun hat by the school when they commence. You can NOW purchase a replacement hat from the FRONT OFFICE at a cost of:

| Slouch  | $15.00 |

Online ordering is also available: www.lowes.com.au

Lost Property

All named items are returned on the same day that they are found and any unnamed items will be held by Mrs Peters for a few days before going to the St Vinnies box.

Canteen Info

MUNCHMONITOR

Log on to www.stjohns.catholic.edu.au And click on the link under School Canteen or use the Schoolstream app and go to the Munchmonitor tab.

When registering for the first time you will need:
SCHOOL ID: Cardijn
PASSWORD: munch5168

Canteen Roster for next week (T3 Wk 10)

| M:   | 26/9 Fiona Viner |
| T:   | 27/9 Donna Farley |
| W:   | 28/9 Naomi Ellis |
| Th:  | 29/9 Michelle Gasmans |
| Fr:  | 30/9 CLOSED      |

* Please note: it is the parents responsibility to cancel lunch orders if your child is away. Please also remember to ONLY use the St Johns tab when ordering.
St John’s OSHC

- M: 0409 094 888

- OSHC operates at St John the Apostle Parish School from 6:30am—6:30pm, Monday to Friday during the school term (except staff training days)
- We do not run vacation care but are able to supply you some information.
- We have bookings capacity for a maximum of 35 students per session.
- All OSHC staff have senior first aid qualifications.
- Enrolment forms must be completed in order for your child to attend OSHC.
- Bookings must be made prior to 2pm on the day OSHC is required (subject to availability).
- If you have booked your child into a session and they no longer need to attend, please notify the school as soon as possible.
- The Behaviour Management Policy (BMP) of the St John’s OSHC program follows the same principles and procedures as the school’s.
- Hats must be worn all year except for the months of June, July and August.

Little Johns Play Group

- Wednesdays from 9:00—11:00am during school terms.
- Gold coin donation and piece of fruit each visit to share at morning tea.

Dear OHSC Parents/Caregivers

communication between OHSC and families is vital and we encourage you to take an interest in what your child/ren are experiencing in OHSC. We would appreciate you taking the time to complete the OHSC survey that was sent home with your child. This helps us know what areas we are doing well in and areas that could be improved on. Thankyou for your participation

Janine Jak OHSC Director

Please be reminded of our previous newsletter item regarding the School uniform policy and the requirement for the current sports uniform:

“Girls and Boys: Long or short sleeved white polo shirt (with logo). Predominantly white low cut sports shoes, plain white socks, navy parachute or fleece tracksuit pants.”

At St. Johns we expect the children to wear our school uniform with pride and respect. We also have a second hand uniform supply where the quality of the uniforms is outstanding.

CANTEEN CLOSED – LAST DAY OF TERM 3
Please note that the Cardijn Canteen will be closed the last day of this Term Friday 30.9.16
(No lunch orders will be done on this day)

JUNIOR CRICKET AT REYNELLA OVAL, Old Reynella
Reception-Yr 1: Cricket Australia’s 10-week national beginners program for boys and girls, Milo in2CRICKET, returns for the first 5 weeks Saturday, 5th November, 9-10am, finishing 3rd December. The program returns in February 2017. Free Come & Try Day is Saturday 29th October, 10-11am.

RCC Girls Only: Saturdays 9.00-10.00am skills/game for girls Yr 2-5, commencing Saturday 5th November for 6 weeks, cost $30 cash payable at the oval. Includes engraved trophy, all equipment and A-grade player woman coach.

Yr 2/3s: SACA-supported school teams play Kanga cricket Saturdays 8.15-10.00am, 29th October to December 10, against other schools. All equipment supplied by schools or SACA. Girls may play up to Yr 5. Register interest at your school through your sport co-ordinator.

Contact for any of these programs: Trish Pinder, pinders@internode.on.net 0411 116 300

Little Johns Playgroup

Wednesday 28 September
Crafts, and music fun
(Please bring some fruit and a gold coin donation)
We welcome new families to come and join in our fun!