

Francis Jordan Catholic School

Our Vision Francis Jordan Catholic School prepares students for a lifelong journey by nurturing a passion for learning and excellence while remaining centred on Jesus and His teaching's.

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

All parent/teachers' meetings have now been completed as well as pastoral care interviews. A big thank you to all of the teachers for giving up personal time to present to the parents and to all the parents who came along.

COVID is still having its effect. We have had a number of cases in the middle school over the last couple of weeks so please be vigilant. With the new regulations the children only have to be kept home until they stop having symptoms. We have also had a couple of cases of Chicken Pox within the school so please keep an eye out for this as well.

An update on the Junior Playground. A lot of background work has been completed over the last term. We have had a ground survey completed that gave us all of the levels and incoming services which we needed before we could finalize the plans.

Over the holidays the fence in the Kindy area has been moved out to give more room and the black fencing has been continued down to the Pre-Primary shed. This opens up the area for a mural on the side of the shed.

One of our dads has been constructing mud kitchens out of recycled pallets and these are nearly ready to install. Over the coming weeks we will be asking for on the ground help to do some installs and general work, so if you see a message from the playground committee and you can help it would be much appreciated.

COMING EVENTS

TERM 1

Wednesday 22 February ASH WEDNESDAY LITURTY

11AM - HALL



Staff Meeting 3pm Friday 24 February New Families Morning Tea— 8.30am - Prayer Garden

Year Class Assembly 2pm - Hall

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Wednesday 1 - 3 March Year 6 Camp Staff Meeting 3pm Confirmation Parent Information Meeting 7pm at SSP Thursday 2 March Confirmation Parent Information Meeting 7pm at SSP Friday March Running Club 8.10-8.20am



There have been a couple of changes on our website over the last term. The policy link now directs you to the CEWA policy portal which covers all schools. We also have a complaints link that you can use to notify us of any concerns. In the coming weeks we will have a virtual tour installed. Thanks to the wonderful work of Ben Gregory with his amazing 360-degree camera you can walk around the image of the school as if you were using Google Earth. It also allows us to put in way points which show videos and picture of events. As soon as this goes live, we will let you know.

Next Friday will be our New Families meeting. It is a chance for all of our new families to meet each other, share their stories and as a family ad a plant to our wonderful garden. Mrs Woodall will be contacting the new families soon. We will also be planting the plants that we gave out last year at our Kindy night next week, so if you still have your plant at home, please bring it in to the Kindy teachers next week.

Regards

Chris Dunning Principal

1 Corinthians 13:4-5:

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast,

it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking,

it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.



Ash Wednesday

Next week we begin the special season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. We will recognise this with a liturgy together as a school. During the season of Lent we are called to draw closer to God through:

Prayer- by spending some time each day in prayer.

Alms Giving- by thinking about how we can be generous with those around us

Fasting- by thinking about what we can give up or do without in this preparation time.

The children will be thinking about these things in their classes over the coming weeks.



Project Compassion

Project Compassion spans across the six weeks of Lent each year and brings together thousands of Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds for people living in some of the most vulnerable communities across the world. Money boxes for Project Compassion will come home next week with the children and at school we will be discussing how we can support this special project. The children are encouraged to add coins to their money box over the weeks of Lent and it can be returned to school in the last week of term.

Save the date

We are excited to be planning our first Christmas Carols event in conjunction with the P&F. This is planned for 1 December at 5.30pm so you may wish to keep this date free in your calendar.

Kind Regards

Megan Woodall Assistant Principal RE/ Year 5 Teacher



MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

Should your child require medication to be administered at school, the correct documentation must be completed.

'Over the counter medication' – Student Medication Request/Record Appendix 1 is to be completed and signed by a parent.

'Prescription medication' – Medication Instructions from Prescribing Doctor Appendix 2 is to be completed and signed by a doctor. Additionally, Student Medication Request/Record Appendix 1 is to be completed and signed by a parent.

Medication must be provided in the original packaging.

Both of these forms are available from the class teacher, front office and on our school website.

Thank you Anita Woodall

PARENT REMINDERS

ABSENTEE/LATE NOTICES - Parents PLEASE use the Absentee Email Address to advise School Office of Sick/Late students. This email address is - **absent@fjcs.wa.edu.au**

Please do not email or see-saw these notifications to the Teachers as they're too busy to check and these notifications are to be sent directly to the Office to the email address which was set up specifically for this reason. Also when you receive an Absentee sms, please do not automatically hit reply as it goes to an incorrect email address and may not get picked up. Your child/children's absence will go unresolved, until we get written notification/email with a reason for the absence.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST FORM - Please be advised that if you are taking your child/children out of school during term times, your are required to fill this LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST FORM, even if this is only for 1 day. These forms can be collected from the Front Office or if your call early enough it can be emailed to you for your convenience.

IT ISSUES - If you have an issue with your child/children's device, please note the days/hours the IT Technician is at this school. **MONDAYS 8.00 – 11.00AM AND WEDNESDAYS 8.00 – 11.00AM**

Please bring in your Child/Children's device in before these days, so that he can pick it up on his way through and have the issue fixed by the time he leaves. Leave your contact details and student's name, class, date etc with the device at the time of drop off. If there is an issue he can call you on the contact number provided.

DINNER / BINGO MENU

MENU A

Beef Rendang Sweet and Sour Fish Stir Fry Mix Vegetable Stir Fry Noodles Fragrant Jasmine Rice with Soft Drinks or bottled Water <u>Dessert</u> Cut Fruits and Ice Cream

MENU B

Capitan Curry Chicken Sweet and Sour Fish Stir Fry Mix Vegetable Stir Fry Noodles Fragrant Jasmine Rice with Soft Drinks or bottled Water <u>Dessert</u> Cut Fruits and Ice Cream

Dinner and Bingo Parish Fundraiser - Saturday 18 February

Support the Parish with this major fundraiser, enjoy a delicious 2 Course Dinner and have fun playing Bingo for some great prizes and cash! This will be held at the St Simon Peter School Hall. Cost \$40/ person (12yrs and over). Tickets on Sale from the Parish Office, OR after Weekend Masses. Pay Cash or EFTPOS, OR you can make a bank transfer to BSB: 086 006 Acc No 458 537 459 (Just include your Surname, Bingo and Set A or Set B) to pick up at the door. Make your selection of choice of Mains – Set A for Beef or Set B for Chicken! Creche is available for children (4yrs – 11yrs) \$5 /child. (Bring your own pillow) Doors open 6.30pm / Dinner served at 7.00pm / Eyes down 7.45pm – Bingo starts. Check out the Posters on the school website for more details





BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



Please save your bread tags - they will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread Tags for Wheelchairs has been recycling bread tags in South Africa since 2006. They currently collect about 500kg/month, which funds 2-3 wheelchairs. Now we are collecting in Australia too!

What can I do?



It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop them off at one of our collection points. Ask your family, friends, school and local café

to help.







Visit our website for signage, to find your nearest collection point, or to host a collection point.



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