

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

It's hard to believe, but the school term is nearly over! As we look back on the past few months, we can be proud of all of the hard work, dedication and growth that our teachers and students have achieved.

We've seen a renewed focus on student well-being through the introduction of our Resilience Project with the three words Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness being heard around the whole school. Next term we move into phase two of the implementation of this program with you the parents, so look out for information in the new term.

We move into our winter uniform next term for our Years 3 to 6 students. We have a two-week window of change over and we require all of the students to be in the correct winter uniform by the start of week three. Boys especially need to be wearing long trousers by then.

A big thank you to our new P&F Executive who have been working hard running the Easter Raffle and Family Fun night. A big thank you all of the families that sent in an egg, bunny etc and who have bought tickets.

Next week we have move into Holy Week, a time to prepare for the Easter Celebration. We will be doing a number of different activities on Wednesday to make us think of what it means for the death and resurrection of Jesus at this time in our Churches calendar. A big thank to Mrs Woodall who has co-ordinated the celebration.

COMING EVENTS

TERM 1

Monday 3 April

Year 2 Easter Hat Parade

Tuesday 4 April

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Wednesday 5 April

9.45am Stations of the Cross

Staff Meeting 3pm

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Thursday 6 April

PUPIL FREE DAY

PD Day for Staff - The Science of

Reading



WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL

STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 2

ANZAC Day Liturgy

Staff Meeting 3pm



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As we end this school term, let's take a moment to reflect on all that we have achieved and all that lies ahead. We would like to thank all of our teachers, staff and students for their hard work and commitment. We look forward to seeing you all back in the new term!

Regards

Chris Dunning Principal



FATHER GOD, WE REJOICE! WITH ALL CREATION, WE REJOICE IN YOU,

IN YOUR SON, AND IN YOUR HOLY SPIRIT!

JESUS IS ALIVE AND WE CELEBRATE HIS LIFE. HIS LIFE IS ETERNAL,

AND WE LIVE BECAUSE OF HIM!





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HOLY WEEK AT FRANCIS JORDAN



Next week we celebrate Holy Week, the most special and sacred week on the Catholic Calendar.

We will be recognising the significance of these events with a special day of prayer and reflection on Wednesday beginning with the Stations of the Cross at 9.45am.



6. Jesus falls



The Year 6 students will lead us through the events of Good Friday with an outdoor service and parents are welcome to join us for this event. The students will then take part in a re-enactment of the Last Supper in their own classes and the day will conclude with a retelling of the events of Holy Week.

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PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS TUESDAY 4 MARCH

Thank you to all families who have booked an interview for this coming Tuesday. The platform will be closing on Monday at 3pm, so if you have not had a chance to book a time slot, please go to https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/dg5wq

Alongside interviews, students will be coming home with their portfolios/assessment folders on the last day of school. This will show a cul-

mination of work done this term and results from various assessment pieces. Our goal at Francis Jordan is to provide clear, timely feedback to parents regarding student progress, so our hope is that all families finish the term with clarity on how their child is progressing.



HAPPY EASTER

I would like to wish all our families a truly happy Easter. The children and staff at Francis Jordan work hard everyday in all aspects of the learning process and are definitely ready for a break to recharge and rejuvenate.

May Easter be celebrated with Jesus in your hearts and chocolates in your stomach! I look forward to seeing you all to begin Term 2.

Gloria Ward
Assistant Principal Curriculum



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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 these notifications which are to be sent directly to the Office to the email address which was set up specifically for this reason.

Please Note: when you receive an Absentee sms, 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 date, reason for the absence and parent's name.

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 you call early enough it can be emailed to you for your convenience. These notifications are meant to be sent in prior to the day off.

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.

LOCAVORA THE OUT-SOURCED COMPANY FOR LUNCH ORDERS

<u>Please Note</u>: as per previous notifications, (last year and this year) we do not have an operational Canteen on-site anymore. Parents if you are ordering Lunches for your child/children, PLEASE MAKE SURE you order before 8.30am and that your order has actually gone through. We have had a few students come up and insist their parent has ordered their lunch, but they are not recorded on the sheet that accompanies the Lunch Orders. As we no longer have an operational Canteen, Parents will be called to bring their child/children's lunches.

Please make sure that your Child/children's classes are also on the order.

As our Canteen is no longer operational, students are expected to bring their own Recess.



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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

ANAPHYLAXIS AND ALLERGIES

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction that is potentially life-threatening. The most common causes of anaphylaxis in schools are food and insect allergies. The only way to prevent allergic reactions is to avoid being exposed to the allergen.

Our school is supporting students at risk of anaphylaxis in the following ways: training staff,

encouraging students with a food allergy to wash their hands before and after eating, encouraging students to wash their hands after eating something their classmate/friend is allergic to, teaching students not to share food,

teaching students the importance of getting help immediately if their friend with an allergy looks sick educating students about allergies and anaphylaxis, and teaching students that teasing someone with an allergy is not acceptable behaviour.

Food allergy is now common in school aged children. Children can be allergic to any food, and it is not possible to completely remove all foods from our school. We have chosen not to stock nuts and nut products, as these foods are not staple foods in the diet and we request that parents do not send nuts or nut products to school. We are an Allergy Aware School.

As we educate our school community to help with the management of food allergy and anaphylaxis, the parents of the student with a food allergy will continue to educate their child on self-management at a developmentally appropriate level.

We ask you to support the school's risk minimisation strategies that can be found in our Anaphylaxis and Allergy Management Procedures on our school website, so that we can increase safety and provide an environment that meets the needs of all our students.

Thank you

Anita Woodall-Medical Officer



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PARENTS AND FRIENDS NOTICES

PLEASE MARK THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARIES AND/OR PLACE ON YOUR FRIDGES

Milo pikelets are back next Wednesday for the last day of term!





Mother's Day stall will be Thursday 11 May

Mother's Day liturgy followed by morning tea in the prayer garden will be Friday 12 May

School disco will be Friday 19 May

Juniors from 5.00 - 6.30pm and Seniors 7.00 - 8.30pm.

Tickets are \$5 which gets you entry to the disco and a juice box.

You can purchase more drink, lollies and glow products once inside.



Pre Kindy are welcome to come along as Mrs Redding and Mrs James will also be in attendance!





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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