



# Francis Jordan Catholic School

## Our Vision

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# news letter

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term Two! I hope everyone's had a restful and reviving holiday break. It is a wonderful time for our students to take the time to recharge and reflect upon their last term and to also look forward to the rest of the year ahead.

Over the holidays we have had some pruning work completed on all of our wonderful palms around the school. We have this done every three or four years so that the growth is invigorated and it gets rid of all old growth. Our wonderful grounds staff have also recoated the surface of the paving in the prayer garden as well, so this area is looking great.

We have welcomed ten new students on Wednesday who started with us this term at Francis Jordan. It is wonderful to see these fresh faces settle in and be made so welcome.

In the next few weeks parents will receive an invitation to participate in a school wide questionnaire. This is a process used by CE-WA to help the school see trends and gain feedback from parents, students and staff. The more responses we get back the more we can hear from you, our supporters. So, look out for the information and the link, the questionnaire will only take a short amount of time to complete.

A big thank you to Ms Woodall and all of the Year 6 Pastoral Care team who presented our ANZAC ceremony on Wednesday. It was a time of reflection and gratitude, for the students to participate in and is a tradition that is alive and well in our school.

## COMING EVENTS

### TERM 2

#### WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL

3pm – Staff Meeting

First Communion Parent In-  
formation Meeting at SSP

Church - 7.00pm

#### THURSDAY 4 MAY

First Communion Parent In-  
formation Meeting at SSP

Church - 7.00pm

#### MONDAY 8 MAY

Year 1 Incursion

#### WEDNESDAY 10 MAY

Year 6 Classes attending

"Shrek" the Musical at  
Prendiville Catholic College

#### THURSDAY 11 MAY

Dance Incursion

#### FRIDAY 12 MAY

Dance Incursion

School Photos

Tuesday 16 /Wednesday 17 May



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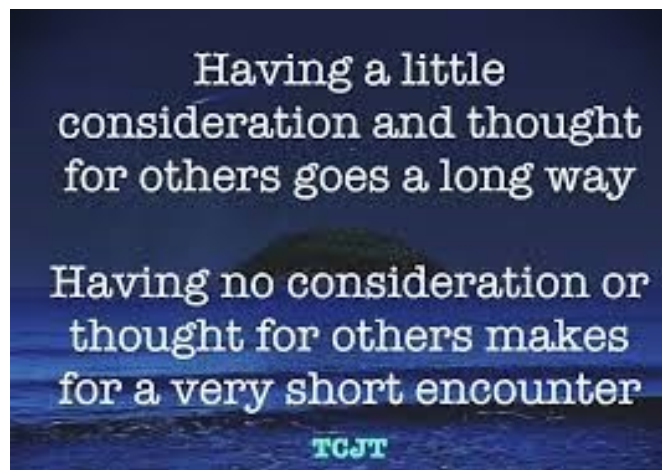
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A reminder that by week 3 (8 May 2023) all senior students in Year 3 to 6 are required to be in the correct winter uniform. Your support with this would be much appreciated.

## Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Dunning'.

**Chris Dunning**  
Principal



## School Climate Survey- Week 3

Look out for more information coming soon regarding the School Climate survey. The survey is used to find out about the way parents, students and staff feel about the school environment. It is helpful to identify areas of strength as well as areas of improvement for the school.

The survey is used to find out about the climate at THIS school.

The survey is an opportunity for parents to tell the school staff how things are going for them and their children.

The school values their feedback and will try to respond to the information that they provide.

The feedback does NOT include the data of individuals; rather, feedback involves a graph based on feedback from all parents. Anonymity of respondents is assured.



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**Anzac Service:** On the first day back this week the children participated in a moving liturgy lead by our Year 6 students. A highlight of the service was the live rendition of the last post by our talented brass tutor Millie.

**Communion Parent Meetings:** A reminder to our Year 4 parents that the parish-based Communion meetings are on next week on either the 3or the 4 May evenings at St. Simon Peter church.



**Mother's Day Liturgy:** We extend a warm welcome to all of the mothers in our community to attend the Mother's Day liturgy and morning tea on Friday 12 May.

The liturgy will begin in the school hall at 7.45 am and will be followed by classroom visits from 8.15-8.30am. Mothers are then invited to gather for morning tea in the prayer garden area organised by the P&F from 8.30am.

**Please note that students will remain in class for the morning tea so will need to have breakfast at home before the liturgy.**

Kind Regards

**Megan Woodall**  
**Assistant Principal RE/ Year 5 Teacher**



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## **PARENT REMINDERS FOR TERM 2**

### **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](mailto: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, you 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**

**Please Note:** 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**

**WEDNESDAY 3 May Canteen open at Recess - ONLY for Cheese Toasties \$1.50**



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 4.00 - 5.30pm and**

**Seniors 6.00 - 7.30pm.**

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

**Tickets go on sale NEXT WEEK.**

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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 [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au](http://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au)

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Local Contact: .....

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