



ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S SCHOOL

*"Lake Alive with Dreamtime Knowledge, Waves of Learning,
Sailing into the Future"*

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Mission through courage, kindness and reconciliation.

Our mission is to work in an environment of mutual respect for cultures and backgrounds and celebrating the Gospel principles in order to achieve quality education for all.

*"You are the
light of the
world, let Jesus
shine through
you to others"*



During 2020 our main educational focus will be to continue to improve our students' Literacy and Numeracy abilities— staff, students and families working together so all our students achieve at least 12 months growth. Other goals for 2020 are:

- **Build a community that continues to learn**
- **Enhance and maintain the wellbeing of all**
- **Build a community that is connected**

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



Thank you to all who joined us for our Opening School Mass as we celebrated the beginning of the new school year. The 2020 school leaders were presented with their leader badges by Fr Dominic. It was the second time the students were in the church last week, as we also attended mass on Ash Wednesday. All students are to be commended on their reverence and participation. We were very proud teachers!

We welcome **Mrs Sarah Whiting** back to our school community. Sarah was a staff member in 2013 and we are very pleased that she is with us again for the rest of the year. Sarah will be teaching Years 5 & 6.

The season of Lent begun with Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time for reflection, pray and almsgiving. About almsgiving, the pope said sharing one's worldly goods helps to make the world a better place. **"Charitable giving makes us more human, whereas hoarding risks making us less human, imprisoned by our own selfishness,"** he said.



At school during Lent we support Project Compassion. This support allows Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice. We are encouraging students to support Project Compassion. For you information - In 2020:

- * 1 in 7 people still go hungry every day.
- * 1.2 billion people don't have access to clean drinking water.

- * There are 11 million women and girls in forced labour.
- * Around 2.8 million children in the Philippines do not go to school.*

The face of Project Compassion in 2020 is Shirley. Shirley was struggling to support her family and keep her children in school. She faced regular discrimination and disadvantage, limiting her family's access to food, education, employment and healthcare. With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley



PRAYER

God of all peoples and nations,
As you accompany us on
our Lenten journey,
May our fasting strengthen our
commitment to live in solidarity,
Our almsgiving be an act of justice,
And our prayers anchor us
in love and compassion.
Awaken our hearts and minds that
we may be one human family
As we all go further together.
We ask this in Jesus' name,
Amen

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
GO FURTHER TOGETHER



Caritas
AUSTRALIA

End poverty
Promote justice
Uphold dignity

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We acknowledge that St Francis Xavier School is built upon the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri nation and walked upon by the Ngiyampaa and Barkindji peoples. We pay our respects to Elders, past and present and ask for their guidance as we work towards improving outcomes for future generations.

The following are dates on our school calendar which involve our families.

Thursday 5th March	NRL Clinic
Friday 6th March	K/1/2 Assembly at 11.30am Netball
Monday 9th March	School Community Council Meeting - 6pm - in the Staffroom
Friday 13th March	School Mass at 11.30am. National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence Sacrament Information Session—1:00pm
Friday 20th March	Publication Celebration and Books in Home Assembly Open Day for families 5/6 Assembly at 11.30am
Tuesday 24th March	Dental Check for Kinder, Year 1 & 2 Life Education Visit
Tuesday 2nd April	Cross Country Carnival
Friday 3rd April	First Reconciliation for students in Year 3/4 Year 3/4 Assembly after school mass

Time for Healthy Habits



Enrolments
Closing
Soon

Do you have a child between the ages of 2-6 years and live in NSW? Do you wonder if they are eating enough of the right foods, being active enough or getting enough sleep?

We are offering a free program to help parents give their young children the healthiest start to life.

For more information and to register please visit www.timeforhealthyhabitsnsw.com/ or contact time-healthyhabits@uow.edu.au

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HOME READING PROGRAM



There is no app to replace your lap

READ TO YOUR CHILDREN

We will be again aiming to encourage reading for all our students. Research has shown that the more children read the better they are at all areas of school and in turn better able to achieve success when they leave school.

To assist in encouraging reading all students will receive a Home Reading Log to complete at home to record any book they read (or others read with them). Children will be rewarded for each total of 10 books they read and additional rewards for each 25 books they read. These Reading Logs will

be given to the students this week or sent home with homework.

Please help us to assist our students become better readers.

Please note if you wish to borrow books for your children to read at home our school is extremely well resourced and we will lend books to any family or student wishing for more books (or different choices of books) at home.

Mass Times this week for Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Friday 6th March: Mass 11.30am

Saturday 7th March: 6pm

Friday 13th March: 11.30am School Mass
Parents and Friends are Welcome

Saturday 14th March: 6pm



CONGRATULATIONS to Will Nicholson and Carter McFadyen for the great effort they put in to their swimming events on Monday at the WR Swimming Carnival at Narooma. Both swam extremely well Carter gained 4th in the backstroke and Will came an equal second in the backstroke. Will go on to the next level .

A big thank you to Andrew and Kirsty McFadyen for taking the boys and supporting them at the carnival.



Primary happenings...

Over the past few week students in Years 3-6 have started their Science and History units. In our last science lesson we made catapults and the students had some fun trying them out. From this week Mrs Whiting will teach Science and Mrs Shaw will continue with History.

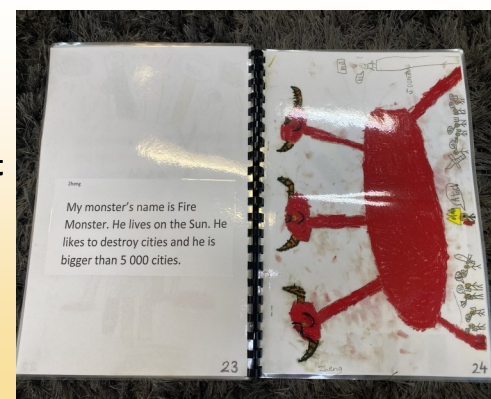
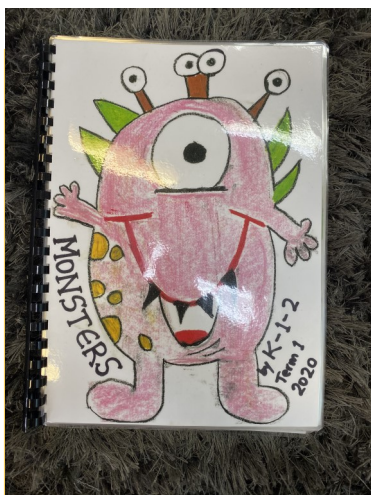
This semester students will be learning about First Nations, initially discussing the inquiry questions: Why and how did Australia become a nation? (H) 2. Who were the people who came to Australia? Why did people come to Australia? (H) Part of this learning will be about understanding what is meant by Historical Consciousness. Research and group work will be a focus for learning in History. There will be some homework attached to this learning of History.

Please make sure you get the dojo app on your phone so that students can start sharing their work once they have become more proficient at using the IPAD's and computers. Thank you to the four parents who have done this already. Any changes to current homework expectations and activities will be communicated to families shortly.



KINDER, YEAR 1 & 2 NEWS

In the Kinder 1, 2 classroom the children have been busy publishing stories about monsters. Miss Wheeler has been very clever and turned the children's artworks and stories into our first published class book. All of the children have been excited to read our new story book about monsters.



Volunteers Needed— thanks!

Name _____

Please circle your response and return to school if you can assist, or contact Sue on 68981611 if you can help. Thank you!

Canteen cooking for recess - I am able to cook 1 / 2 times a term

Some suggestions for cooking – cakes, slices, biscuits, fruit

I can assist by making 2 platters of sandwiches for the Interagency Meetings held once a month.

Once / Twice this year Yes / No

FRIDAY RECESS CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1 2020

6th March Shane Phillips, Anna Wojecik
13th March Maddie Frankel, Rachael Morris
20th March Amy Golding, Leanne Middleton
27th March Erika Bartholomew, Nicolle Clarke
3rd April Therese Stenhouse,

INTERAGENCY MEETINGS (2nd Tuesday of each month)

10th March: Jacinta Elwin
14th April: Sharna Hayward
12th May Kristy Brooks
9th June: Anna Wojecik
 Sandwiches can be dropped off at school by 10am.

Menu for Friday Lunch Canteen

Pizza

Small cheese & bacon \$4.00
 Small cheese, ham & pineapple \$4.00

Sandwich or Roll

Ham, Chicken, Roast Beef, Silverside, Egg, Cheese, Vegemite \$3.50
 Add Salad—lettuce, tomato, beetroot, cheese (eg: meat & salad) \$4.00
 (White, wholemeal or grain bread available)
 Sweet Chilli Wrap (1xtender & salad) \$5.00

Hot Food

Chicken & corn roll \$4.00
 3 x Yummie drummies \$3.50
 6 x Chicken Nuggets \$3.50
 4 x Chicken breast wedges \$3.50
 6 x Chicken Goujons \$3.50
 Hot Dog (tom sauce) \$3.50
 Plain Pie \$3.50
 Sausage Roll \$3.50
 Sauce .50
 Fruit Juice \$2.50
 Fruit Box \$2.50

Garage sale

70 Reef Street Lake Cargelligo.

Friday 6th & Saturday 7th March.

Open 9am.

Lounge suit, 2 small round tables and chairs, Large oval table and chairs, 2 double beds & mattress, bed side tables, 2 chest of draws, dressing table, washing machine, 2 TV cabinet, wardrobe, Pots & pans, Tupperware, canisters, kitchen utensils, glass wear, china, assorted linen, porter cot, highchair. Garden tools, pots, tools, hardware, books, toys and much more.



SFX COMMUNITY COUNCIL —

Annual General Meeting

Staffroom on Monday 9th March at 6.00pm.

The first School Community Council Meeting will also be the Annual General Meeting. All parents, carers and interested persons are most welcome to come along. Please show your support for your children and your school.

The meeting will be held in the staffroom at 6.00pm Monday 9th March. Items on the agenda include Canteen, Uniform, Car Rally Fundraising on the 30th March (catering for more than 200) and 2020 school goals. If you would like to add any items to the agenda or become a committee member please let Sue, Jacinta or Andrew McFadyen (Chair Person) know.

Thank you and looking forward to working with you all.



For God & Australia

Butts 4 Buck\$

Supporting local not-for-profit clubs and organisations

ATTENTION WOOL GROWERS

Moses & Son are giving back to the clubs and organisations that support them.

After you clean out your shed be sure to drop your "cash wool" off to your local Moses & Son store.

Moses & Son will donate 7c for every kilogram to your club/organisation AND pay you the market value for your butts & bags.

Be sure to tell the wool buyer that you want the kilograms allocated to:

Lower Lachlan Community Services Inc - Down the Track Program



MOSES & SON

WOOLBROKERS MERCHANDISE LIVESTOCK

Wool purchased by Moses & Son through our Private Purchase Wholesale Facility, does not include wool sold at auction. Some butts and bags are not eligible to be part of the program. Please contact 07 7146 for more information.

Wool growers, **Down the Track** is seeking your support. Moses & Son are currently running an initiative that supports Not-For-Profits. All you need to do is sell your Butts to the Moses & Son re-handle facility and nominate Lower Lachlan Community Services Inc – **Down the Track** as your Not-For-Profit choice. For every kilogram of wool, Moses & Sons will donate 7c to the **Down the Track** program.