



St Francis Xavier School

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May
Monday 28
Reconciliation
Day Whole School
Island Dreaming
10:00am – 11:00am

June
Friday 1
9:00am Assembly

Year 3/4
Excursion to Wool
Museum

Tuesday 5
Year 6
Incursion –
Literacy Buddies

Wednesday 6
Year 5/6
Confirmation
Celebration

Thursday 14
Friday 15
Teeth on Wheels

Dear Families,

'There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose'. 1 Corinthians 12: 4-7

The Holy Spirit is the source of our energy and strength to be the hands, feet, face and heart of Jesus each day. Last week we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost. May we continue to use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to guide us to be people who have a positive influence and a heart of justice and compassion.

Not only did we celebrate Pentecost, but our Year 5/6 children celebrated their Confirmation last week. It was lovely to see the children, their Sponsors and families at Mass as the journey of their faith continues. Our children were great and a credit to you all. Bishop Mark commented how prayerful everyone was and how well prepared the children were. I'd like to thank the Year 5/6 staff, Julie, Kate, Stephanie, Noeline and our Religious Leader, Monica who had a hand in preparing the children.



CAMP

What a great time the staff and children are having on camp. If you are keeping up with our school Facebook you will have seen some great photos of the children during the last couple of days. They are all having fun and I'm sure you are looking forward to having them home.

Below are some of the quotes from the children.

Appo: "Zipline was really fun and exciting. It makes you nervous but it also makes you want to face your challenges at the same time".

Anna: "The cabins were really cool and the zipline was the best because when I went backwards it felt like I was going to do but I didn't.... that was really fun!"

Macey: "We should stay here for longer!"

Phoebe: "The activities were really fun and the camp staff were really helpful."

Dakota: "My favourite thing was the zipline because I got to challenge myself by going backwards".



STUDENT FREE DAY

As staff we continue to have Professional Development and continue to learn. Please note that **Thursday 16 of August and Friday 17 of August** will be student free days for all students. This is the biannual Conference the school has every second year. This year's conference will be on Religious Education.

Unexplained Student Absence: Notifying Parents

This is an area that we continue to ask for your patience and help, when your child is absent; 'schools must advise parents/guardians of unexplained absences, on the same day, (initiate roll call at 9:30 am)

As you may be aware if your child is absent from school we are required to call you unless you inform us that your child is away. This is a required process from the Catholic Education Office to ensure that your child is safe and where they need to be. We are working towards a good system for recording absences of students from school and we need your help.

We ask that all absences be reported through the office with either:

1. Text message to 0438 122374
2. A phone call 03 5275 1974
3. A personal visit to the office
4. Or by See-Saw before 8:30am

We must always have written notification of any absences.

If your child is to be absent from school for any reason, please contact the school office before 9:30am.

Enrolment 2019:

Enrolment packs are available from the school office for new and existing families. Please come in and collect a pack and book an enrolment interview. Letters of offer will be made at the end of this term – you may not be counted in our enrolment numbers at St Francis Xavier if you are not enrolled formally through the school. If you know anyone who is still looking for enrolments at St Francis Xavier please ask them to ring the school office, for an enrolment pack and an interview.

Winter Uniform

Winter school uniform. Thank you to our many parents who have ensured that their child is wearing the correct winter uniform. All students from Prep - Year 6 are expected to wear the correct uniform. If this is causing any difficulty please make an appointment to discuss this with Maria.

BOYS	GIRLS	SPORT
Grey trousers	Kilt	Bottle green tracksuit pants
Grey polo	White polo	Sports polo
Green knitted jumper	Green knitted jumper	Sports jumper
Grey socks	Green tights/white socks	Proper runners
Rain jacket (optional)	Rain jacket (optional)	
Beanie (optional)	Beanie (optional)	
Black leather school shoes	Black leather school shoes	

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL – NO MORE PRINTED NEWSLETTERS

Please be aware as we work towards being a sustainable school that our newsletter will now be available on our Facebook page, through the school APP or our school website.

The school website link is www.sfxcorio.catholic.edu.au

After School Care (OSHC PROGRAM)

Kelly Club is an organisation that provides OSHC before and after school care and vacation throughout Australia. Their aim is to provide not just a childcare facility but to create a safe environment where children can have fun and benefit from in a number of ways.

We will be sending an expression of interest forms should anyone like to access after school care next term. It will be held at St Thomas Norlane and we are looking at trying to get transport from here to there. Stay tuned!

UNIFORM WANTED:

Size 10 or 12 'old style' kilt. If you have one you would like to sell please call Corey 0437 286 821

If anyone has anything for sale or wanted please let the office know and we can advertise here for you.

COLDS AND BUGS:

It is that time of the year again where children are picking up all kinds of colds and tummy bugs. If your child is coming down with something please keep them home. This helps prevent the spreading of the germs. Also teach your children how to properly wash their hands.