4th February 2016

NEWSLETTER

Reflection
Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

Loving God, your love for us endures forever, and demonstrates your faithfulness and steadfastness. Your love brings wholeness and peace and is all we desire. Open our hearts so that we may live in loving relationships with one another. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Dear Parents/Carer’s

A very happy new year to everyone. The staff have all arrived back safe and well and we are looking forward to another wonderful year ahead.

We are very pleased to welcome Julie Tran to our staff as the classroom teacher for the Foundation / Year 1 class. Julie is a delightful young teacher who spent her final school placement with us during third term of 2015. She is working closely with Mrs Mary (Yr 2 teacher) this year.

We hope that each family has also enjoyed the break from school and the children are all fresh for the new school year.

2016 STAFF
Our classroom teachers are:

- **Foundation / Year 1**: Julie Tran (Miss Tran)
- **Year 2**: Mary Guastalegname (Mrs Mary)
- **Years 3 & 4**: Chris Hynes (Mrs Hynes)
- **Years 5 & 6**: Dorothea Johnson (Mrs Johnson) - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
  Katy Hall (Mrs Hall) on Wednesdays

Katy Hall is also our Deputy Principal

Our part-time teachers are:

- Phys Ed / Wellbeing: Jacqui Perrett (Miss Jacqui) (Wednesdays)
- Technology: Sarah Strybosch (Mrs Strybosch) (Wed and Fri)
- Italian: Loretta Bartilotta (Signora) (Friday)
- Music: Lindsay Owen (Miss Owen) (Friday)

Our Education Support Staff are:

- Administration: Connie Cornwill
- Administration: Deanne Fitzgerald (Monday afternoon)
- Learning Support: Rosemary Loft
- Learning Support: Connie Velardo
WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHILDREN

The following children are all new to Annunciation this year:
Samar (Foundation), David (Foundation), Ilias (Foundation), Hannah (Foundation), Huai (Bawi) (Foundation), Amelia (Foundation), Hannah L (Foundation), Archer (Foundation), Memphis (Foundation) and Phoenella (Year 6). We hope that each of the children settles very quickly into life at Annunciation and that each family soon feels very much an important part of our Annunciation School community.

It has been a real pleasure to meet members of the new families. I have a sense that our school community will be greatly strengthened by your involvement.

SOME REMINDERS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL WEEK

• On Monday mornings at 8:45am, all family members are invited to join us as we begin the school week with community prayer.
• Assembly will be held on Friday afternoons at approximately 3:10pm. All family members are invited to join us as we celebrate the week.
• Wednesday is Physical Education day and all children are to wear their sports uniform to school.
• Each Wednesday Father says Mass at 10am in the Annunciation Church and classes take turns attending. Anyone is welcome to attend these Masses.
• Foundation children do not attend school on Wednesdays until March 2nd.

Barry Ennis
Principal

SCHOOL FEES
1st Term school fees together with Pupil levy, Swimming Levy and Excursion Levy are due on 8th February. You can either by cash or cheque. Direct debit method is also available to pay school fees. Please see Connie at the office for details.

CAMP, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)
CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.
If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual amount per student is $125 for primary school students.

Please contact the school office to obtain an application form. All forms need to be returned to the office by Friday 26th February.

LIBRARY BORROWING
The children, mums and dads, will be able to borrow books from the library on any day of the week. Katy Hall will be available at the start of lunchtime, each day, to supervise the borrowing of books. Please remind your child that they can borrow any day.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE
After School Care has commenced for 2016. The program operates between 3:30pm and 6:00pm on each day that school is open, except on the last day of each term.

BROOKLYN FUN FOR TOTS
A Playgroup called ‘Brooklyn Fun for Tots’ will begin operating in the Community Room next Wednesday February 10th between 9:30a.m. and 11:30a.m. Please note the details on the attached flyer. Anyone is welcome. Spread the word.
## Dates for the Calendar 2016

### Term One

**After School Care - Daily - 3:30p.m. – 6:00p.m.**

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<td>Tues 9th</td>
<td>Family BBQ at school for all families – 6p.m. start</td>
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<td>Wed 10th</td>
<td>No school for Foundation class (Preps)</td>
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<td>Brooklyn Fun for Tots begins 9:30a.m.</td>
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| Week 4 | Mon 15th | Parents and Friends Meeting at 7:00p.m. in the staff room. |
|        | Tues 16th | ‘Storytime in the Park’ – Foundation/Year 1 class participating. |
|        | Wed 17th | No school for Foundation class |

| Week 5 | Tuesday 23rd | Parent Information Evening – 7:00p.m. (Baby-sitting provided) |
|        | Wed 24th | No school for Foundation class |

| Week 6 | Wed 2nd Mar | First Wednesday for Foundation children |
|        |            | Combined Parish Schools Mass and Picnic Day in Yarraville |

| Week 7 | Tues 8th | THRASS for Parents – 7p.m. start in the ‘Shared Area’ |

| Week 8 | Mon 14th | Labor day Holiday – School closed |
|        | Tues 15th | Yrs 5/6 School camp to Warrnambool |
|        | Fri 18th | Children return from Camp. |

| Week 9 | Mon 21st | School Photos |
|        |         | Parents and friends Meeting at 7p.m. (To be confirmed) |
|        | Wed 23rd | School Athletics – Twilight Sports for whole school. (2p.m. – 6p.m.) |
|        | Thurs 24th | End of Term – 1:00p.m. |

### Term 2

| Week 1 | Mon 11th Apr | School resumes. |
ICT NEWS
As part of our ICT curriculum, staff would occasionally like to email children’s work home. If you have an email address or have updated your email address from last year please provide it below.

Thanks,
Sarah Strybosch

Email Address

Child’s name: …………………………………………………

Parent/carer's name: ………………………………………………………………………

Parent/carer's email address: ………………………………………………………………………

(Please use capital letters.)

WELCOME BARBECUE
Please keep next Tuesday evening the 9th February free so you can attend a barbecue night for all families at Annunciation. The BBQ will go from 6:00pm until 7:30pm and in the last 20 minutes we will ask the parents to come inside for the Parents and Friends AGM.

The BBQ is free! We will be providing beef sausages, beefburgers, some vegie burgers and an icy pole for the children.

This is a chance for staff, parents and children to meet up with new and old friends.

Could you please complete the reply slip as soon as possible for catering purposes.

Return Slip - Welcome Barbecue - Tues Feb 9th.

Name……………………………………………………………

Our family (will / will not) be attending the Welcome Barbecue on Tuesday 9th at 6pm.

No. of Adults _______ No. of children _______.

Signed……………………………………………………………………
EMMANUEL COLLEGE
Information Morning
On Saturday 6 February, Emmanuel College will be holding an Information Morning for parents of prospective students of the College, starting at 9.00 am at the Notre Dame Campus and 10.30 am at the St Paul’s Campus.

This provides a wonderful opportunity to hear from the Principal, see the College first hand and meet senior staff members, students and other parents.

If you are unable to attend this morning, you may wish to join our monthly tours of the College at either campus.

For further information Contact Michael Pichner, Leader of Community Relations or Donna Grech, Registrar on 8325 5100.