15th September 2015

NEWSLETTER

Reflection

Christ in the World

Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no feet but yours;
Yours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion is to look out to the world;
Yours are the feet through which he is to go about doing good;
Yours are the hands through which he is to bless us now.

Take heart.
We are the light of the world.
In this hour of illumination
Let us shine into the broken places
With our very own Christ-light
Take Heart.

We can be the peace,
We can be the healing,
We can be the Christ.
Trailing clouds of glory, we have come
From the brightness of God.

Take heart.
Our power to love will
Overshadow our love of power.
In this luminous hour we will see
What we must see, and we will shine
Because of what we have seen.

From Seven Sacred Pauses by Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr

Dear Parents/Carer’s,

We had a good number of dads and grand-dads come along with children to our sausage sizzle and magic show last Friday night. Thank you for making the effort and I hope that the shared experience was one that gave you a lot to talk about.

The most important part of the Parent/Child relationship is the communication between the two. Always take every opportunity to share experiences and build communication. As your child grows, work hard at your communication and the trust between you will continue to grow. This will be a great support to your child as they encounter the challenges that lie ahead.
**Cultural Dinner** – To finish our term off, this **Thursday evening September 17th**, we invite all families to come along to celebrate the multi-cultural community of Annunciation School. This will be held at school at 6.00pm.

We are asking that families bring along some food from their country of origin, so that all family members can have a very small portion. Last year a number of people also wore national dress, which added a great deal to the evening. If you are able to wear national dress, please do.

**END OF TERM**
The school term ends this Friday at 1:00p.m. There will be a short assembly at 12:45p.m. if any parents would like to attend.

We hope that all families enjoy the break from school and hopefully we all get some warmer weather so that we feel like getting outside more and enjoying

**SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT OPTIONS**
Just a friendly reminder. As Term 3 is nearing the end, could you please bring your schools fees up to date. If you have any problems with these, could you please see either Connie or Barry to discuss the situation and other payment options.

Payment options are as follows:
Weekly – agreed amount
Direct debit from your nominated bank account (weekly, fortnightly or monthly)
Payment direct into school’s bank account (you will need to see Connie at the office to get these details).

**WE ARE STILL TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR ALL CLASSES FOR 2016**
If anyone knows of a family that wishes to enrol their child, or come and have a look at Annunciation, please encourage them to make contact. We are always very eager to welcome new families into the Annunciation community.

Parents, your voice is very powerful – please tell your friends about the benefits your family enjoys at Annunciation.

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE**
The program operates between 3:30pm and 6:00pm on each day that school is open, except on the last day of each term.

**SWIMMING PERMISSION**
Together with the swimming permission slips sent home recently, there was a questionnaire from Paul Sadler Swimming School, who will be conducting our swimming sessions. It is important that this form be returned to school. A reminder was sent home to all families who had not as yet returned their forms. If you are one of these families could you please return this form to school by tomorrow. The first swimming lesson will commence in Week 1 of Term 4 on Wednesday 7th October.
OUTSIDE IN CONCLUDES

The final Installation / Presentation of Outside In took place on the evening of Friday September 4th. There was a very good attendance of school families and other guests. It was wonderful to see the Kinder transformed with the displays of much of the children’s work.

I hope that parents were able to appreciate the efforts of the children, and also of the artists, who gave the children an experience of the Arts that most children never get. Our children have really enjoyed the project and we hope that they have a much greater appreciation of some areas of the Arts, because of that experience.

I am delighted that Annunciation was able to give the Year 4,5 and 6 children this wonderful experience. Who knows what interest or talent the project has triggered in our children. I like this reflection and replace ‘theatre’ with ‘The Arts’.

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**Term Three**

| Thurs 17th | Family Cultural Dinner – 6p.m. start |
| Fri 18th  | Jeans for Genes Day (Gold Coin Donation) |
|           | End of Term 3. School finishes at 1.00pm. |

**Term Four**

**Week 1**

| Mon 5th Oct | School resumes for Term Four |
| Wed 7th     | Swimming commences for all children |
| Sat 10th    | School Open Day – (2p.m. – 5p.m.) - 50th Anniversary Celebration |

**Week 2**

| Tues 13th | Yrs 4/5/6 Public Transport Incursion |
| Wed 14th  | Swimming continues (lesson 2) |

**Week 3**

| Mon 19th  | 7p.m. – Parents and Friends meeting in staffroom |
| Wed 21st  | Swimming (lesson 3) |
| Sat 24th  | Brooklyn Party – more details early next term. |

**Dates for the Calendar**

| Mon 2nd Nov | Pupil-Free Day – Report Writing Day |
| Tues 3rd   | Melbourne Cup holiday |
| Fri 6th    | Movie Night for children |
| Thurs 19th | Children’s Music Concert – 6pm – 7p.m. |
| Fri 4th Dec| Children’s Christmas Concert – 6:30p.m. |
| Tues 15th  | End of Year Picnic Day |
|            | Yr 6 Graduation Mass – 7p.m. |
| Wed 16th   | Final day for children – Dismissal at 1:00p.m. |

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2015

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school.

We're now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem.
So this week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they may be stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

Please return all sticker sheets or stickers by Friday 18th September.

**MSJ Open Mornings – 9.30am – 10.30am (Thursday)**
12th November 2015

**MSJ Open Day 2015**
Sunday 11th October, 11.00am – 2.00pm

Limited places are available for 2016. Further information can be found at our website [www.msj.vic.edu.au](http://www.msj.vic.edu.au) or by contacting the College Registrar at registrar@msj.vic.edu.au or Ph: 8398 2007.

Enrolment period is currently open for Year 7, 2017 enrolments. Application closing date 26th February 2016.

**Basketball Clinic!**
Date: Thursday Sep. 24th
Location: Whitten Oval Basketball Courts, 417 Barkly Street, West Footscray
Session 1 (novice): 10:00am-12:00pm
Session 2 (advanced): 12:30pm-2:30pm
Ages: Both sessions for kids born in 2000-2009
Price: $20 per session or both for $30
To register, contact carissa.allen@live.vu.edu.au or 0452 189 173 or go to [http://bit.do/vubasketball](http://bit.do/vubasketball)

Join the VU men’s basketball team for a school holiday skills clinic to take your game to the next level! Open to ballers of any ability, learn from players from the state, national, NCAA Div I and international level who are competing at the Australian University Games soon!
Annunciation Catholic Primary School
Brooklyn

Established 1965 by the
Sisters of St Joseph

Celebrating 50 Years

All members of the Annunciation family – students, parents, priests, staff members - past and present, are invited to an –

Open Day
Saturday October 10th 2015
2:00p.m. – 5:00p.m.

Contributions of memorabilia for display on the day, would be greatly appreciated. All care will be taken to ensure their safe return. Please contact the school on 93146271 or principal@asbrooklyn.catholic.edu.au.