



ST MARTIN DE PORRES SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 1

COMING EVENTS:

Wednesday 1st August Music is Fun Band 1.40pm

Thursday 2nd August Community Prayer 9.00am Primary - Hosts 3CH

Friday 3rd August SCHOOL PHOTOS

Monday 6th August P&F Meeting 7.00pm

Wednesday 8th August Whole School Mass 12.00pm

Friday 10th August Assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 14th August Board Meeting 7.00pm

Wednesday 15th August Whole School Mass 12.00pm

Thursday 16th August Community Prayer 9.00am Early Years - Hosts 2JR

Friday 17th August Principal's Tour 9.30am

Saturday 18th August QUIZ NIGHT!!! 6.30PM

Monday 20th August Book Week Parade 9.15am

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We acknowledge that St Martin de Porres School is built on the land of the Kaurna People

FROM LEADERSHIP

Dear Parents,

QUIZ NIGHT QUIZ NIGHT QUIZ NIGHT QUIZ NIGHT.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE SCHOOL'S MAJOR FUNDRAISER IN ANY WAY YOU CAN. SPONSORS AND AUCTION ITEMS URGENTLY NEEDED.

As we begin our second semester of learning there are 5 important dispositions that contribute to overall student success and contentedness at school. These skills are part developmental and part environmental. That is, kids will naturally develop many of them as they mature but the skills also need to be nurtured environmentally. They need to be **recognised**, **encouraged**, **taught and modelled** by adults who children and teenagers respect and admire. That makes parents and teachers 'Very Important People' in the process of acquiring them.

1. Friendship skills

The ability to get along with others is hugely important for children and teenagers. Those students with a strong set of friendship skills are easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with. The skills they possess include knowing how to win and lose well, how to approach others to join in a group and how to lead rather than boss.

2. Organisational skills

The ability to organise your time, your space, your items and other aspects of your life is a plus for any student. The best way to help children who are organisationally challenged is to introduce them to systems and processes to help them organise themselves. These processes include the use of visual reminders and the mapping out of activities. It is also useful for them to learn from the consequences of their organisational failings.

3. Optimism skills

Optimism can be taught. Our Positive Ed Program – "flourishing and character strengths" is one part of helping children understand that they are capable of developing an optimistic approach to their lives. The skills of optimism include being aware of self-talk, reframing negative events into positive events and the practice of perspective-taking.

26th July 2018

4. Coping skills

Kids will generally face a number of challenges during the course of their school lives including overcoming the disappointment of not being picked on a team, working their way through difficult learning situations and dealing with rejection. The impact of these challenges will depend on each kid's own spirit, the support they receive and their coping skills. The good news is that coping skills can be taught or, at the very least, encouraged, if adults know what to focus on. Coping strategies include parking problems for a while, normalising difficult situations, and accepting and moving on. Some kids will use coping strategies quite naturally, while others need parental and teacher input to help them cope with even seemingly minor challenges.

5. Relaxation skills

The ability to relax and get away from it all is vital for the maintenance of mental health, which in turn affects a student's ability to perform. Many of today's kids live with pressure. That pressure needs to be released through relaxation and play, otherwise it can lead to anxiety and other mental illnesses. The ability to relax and unwind is paramount to your child's school success. Relaxation techniques include mindfulness and meditation, participating in hobbies and enjoying creative pursuits.

Working together to build these skills is an important part of our collaboration together.

The **building project** is going ahead well and is on time. The children have been great in their acceptance of interruptions to their play space. A big thankyou to all families for their care and patience in the process of drop off and pick up. This will need to be a major focus for the rest of the year. Staff will continue to park off site, so as to provide plenty of access by families to the school. Many families are also using the paddock space and walking into school.

With this in mind: PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT DRIVING SPEEDS ARE ADHERED TO. I WOULD ALSO REQUEST THAT WE ALL DRIVE MUCH SLOWER ON BERRIMA ROAD.

Significant events in the next few weeks are :

- School Photos Friday, 3 August.
- Saint Mary Mackillop and St Dominic Feast Day Mass 12:00pm on Wednesday, 8 August.
- Cross Country Carnival Thursday, 9 August.
- Walk a Mile in My Boots Friday, 10 August.
- Quiz Night Saturday, 18 August. URGENT NEED FOR AUCTION ITEMS
- Book Week Parade Monday, 20 August.

God Bless Craig.

Sacramental Program

Congratulations to the 26 children who completed their full initiation in to the Catholic Church by celebrating their First Holy Communion at the end of last term. The children and their families celebrated a beautiful ceremony for their First Holy Communion fully receiving the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ in Eucharist.

This term children in Year 4 will begin their sacramental preparation for Reconciliation. If you haven't returned your registration forms, can you please do so ASAP.

We have three children in our school who have made the significant life decision to be baptised in to the Catholic Church. Next Wednesday morning, Ethan and Kallen (Year 4) and Alyssa (Reception) will celebrate their baptism in front of friends, family and their classmates. This is a big moment in their faith lives and we wish them all the best in their journey. All are invited to attend the celebration starting at 9:15am.

Made In The Image Of God (MITIOG)

We believe sexuality education is an essential aspect of a Catholic education. Sexuality education at SMDPS encompasses education about all aspects of sexuality – physical, emotional, social and moral. It communicates Catholic Church beliefs about the human person and about human sexuality.

We recognise the key role of parents in providing sexuality education for their children. We acknowledge that the role of the Catholic school is to support parents in this area.

Made in the Image of God is a human sexuality program that has been developed for use in South Australian Catholic Schools by the Catholic Education Office to support parents in educating their children in this area. This term you will receive a letter outlining the content to be taught in your child's year level in the Being Sexual strand. If you have any questions regarding the content, I ask you to speak firstly with your child's teacher. If you have further questions, then I am always happy to speak with parents.

PARENTING IDEAS

FREE UPCOMING WEBINAR

"WIN KIDS' COOPERATION WITHOUT FEARS, TEARS AND CAULIFLOWER EARS" Tuesday, 14 August 2018 - 7.30pm

SEE SKOOLBAG NOTIFICATION FOR FULL DETAILS

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SHOULD YOUR BUSINESS WANT TO SPONSOR OR DONATE TO THE QUIZ NIGHT PLEASE CONTACT THE P&F AT <u>smdpspandf@smdps.catholic.edu.au</u> FOR MORE INFORMATION

FUNDS RAISED WILL CONTRIBUTE TO EXTERNAL WORKS INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS TO SPORTS COURTS, PLAYGROUND AND SHADE COVERS

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QUIZ NIGHTS NEWS: blue air blue air THE SMDPS P&F COMMITTEE AND BLUE AIR SOLUTIONS PROUDLY PRESENT THE 2018 find your treasure quiz night **Quiz Night Donations Friendly Reminder** Preparations for the 2018 "Find Your Treasure" Quiz Night (Presented by the SMDPS P&F Committee and Blue Air Solutions) on Saturday, 18 August 2018 are well under way. Funds raised from the Quiz Night will contribute to external works including improvements to the sports courts, playground and shade covers. We are seeking donations for items to be used as auction and raffle items at the Quiz Night and need the support of all students in our school community. Donations can be delivered to either the class teacher or to the office at any point during Week 1 & 2. Year Level **Donation** Reception & Year 1 Wine Year 2 Anything Kmart (Homewares etc.) Year 3 Non Perishable South Australian Foods Year 4 & Year 5 New Toys (Girls and Boys) or Sporting Equipment Should you have any queries please feel free to either contact the office on 8321 8300 or email the P&F Committee smdpspandf@smdps.catholic.edu.au.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Kind Regards

SMDPS P&F Committee

PRINCIPAL'S TOUR FRIDAY, 17 AUGUST | 9:30AM - 11:00AM

call, email or register online now to secure your seat



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Condice Domino

Catholic Schools Music Festival

We're hitting the stage for our 30th year!

Across four nights, 2000 students from over 80 Catholic schools will present outstanding performances encompassing a 400-voice choir, instrumental ensembles, vocal groups, and remarkable solo artists.

The 2018 Catholic Schools Music Festival performs in Week 8 of Term 3

ST MARTIN DE PORRES SCHOOL TUESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER

Theatre, Adelaide Entertainment Centre, 7.30pm

Pre-release tickets are available to the Catholic school community from Monday July 30, 9am – Monday August 13, 9am (Tickets on sale to the public from midday, August 13)

A-Reserve: \$35.00 B-Reserve: \$30.00 School Card: Any seating at B-Reserve price

(Service & Handling Fees and Delivery Fees apply / No exchanges or refunds on purchased tickets)

Book at Ticketek outlets: call 13 28 49 or visit <u>www.ticketek.com.au</u>

For special needs bookings please contact Ticketek's Mobility Restricted line on 1300 665 915 or visit an agency.

For groups larger than 10, please book through Ticketek's dedicated groups department: 1300 364 001 or <u>groupbookings@ticketek.com.au</u> or visit an agency.

> "You perform to give your gift away. A listener comes because they don't do what you do. You complete them by performing and they complete you by listening." Bill Broughton, conductor I trombonist I producer I author

P& F NEWS:

P&F INVITATION

On behalf of the P&F Committee, we would like to personally invite you to attend *P&F Committee Meetings.*

> Monday, 6 August and Monday, 3 September at 6.45pm for 7.00pm start in the Staffroom.

This is a great opportunity to meet other families and be involved in our School Community.

Hope you can join us.

Denice Allen P&F Chairperson

SAVE THE DATES

Father's Day Stall Monday, 27 August 9.00am

Father's Day Breakfast Thursday, 30 August 7.30am

Look out for more information on Skoolbag next week





St Martin De Porres School is fundraising with the Entertainment Membership this year, and we'd appreciate your continued support.

Please support our School by purchasing the 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Membership from us today. Hundreds of great value offers are ready for your enjoyment, while also helping our fundraising!

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OSHC NEWS:

The new CCS (Child Care Subsidy) system started on $2^{\rm nd}$ July 2018

- If your allocated hours per fortnight are used at a higher ratio in the first week, you will receive less CCS in week two.
- If you don't use the service for eight weeks you may need to re-enrol online.
- Although we have submitted all enrolments, it is up to parents to monitor their CCS payments as we are experiencing delays from Centrelink with approvals and payments.
- Due to the software provider having to migrate information across there may be some issues with bookings/enrolments
- Any concerns please see staff at the OSHC office

For information, please go to:

https://www.education.gov.au/ChildCarePackage

Please remember to book term 3 care if you do not have a permanent booking. If children attend without a prior booking, an additional fee is applied but, this will now show on your invoices as individual charge per child and not as a higher set fee as before(there has been no increase in fees but separated to show standard fee as listed with CCS).

Surcharge BSC \$2 and ASC, Pupil Free, Early finish \$5.

- BSC Bookings need to be done by 6.00pm the night before.
- ASC Bookings need to be done by 1.00pm that day.

This is to allow us to staff appropriately, attendance after these times incur the surcharge.

Breakfast is only available during term (OSHC) until 8.00 am; if your children require breakfast please add their names to the breakfast sheet. It important that we finish serving breakfast by 8.00 am as our staff need time to tidy up the kitchen area so we can hand over to Playgroup and Canteen.

Please inform OSHC if your children are to be collected by someone other than yourself. Due to government regulations, it is mandatory that we meet the child and staff ratios so it is very important that parents notify OSHC if they are making extra bookings, have collected their children from school early or they are not attending on that day.

We would like to remind families that OSHC and Vacation Care are **NUT and Fish** free environments. This is to support the health needs of children that are at risk of severe Allergic reactions.

OSHC bookings and cancellations can be done via phone: **83218308** or Email: <u>OSHC@smdps.catholic.edu.au</u>.

Regards Pam Adams OSHC Director



COMMUNITY NEWS:

Last term the Band of the South Australia Police performed for our students.

They are always so pleased with the level of engagement from young audiences – how well they receive the safety messages and how much they enjoy the music.

The full **35 piece SAPOL concert band** is playing a **children's show** called **Cop Stars**! at the **Festival Centre** in Adelaide next weekend.

The show includes favourite hits from Moana, The Incredibles, Toy Story, Monsters University, and much more!

Please visit the website below for more information about this exciting event.

https://www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au/ events/sos-cop-stars/



Cop Stars!

Adelaide Festival Centre

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Fire up your dancing shoes and limber those vocal chords as the South Australian police concert band report for duty.



