



Newsletter Term 3 Week 5

Important Dates

Whole School
Assembly 2pm in
the Church
Wednesday 30 August

Father's Day Stall
Wednesday 30 August

SAPSASA Year 4-6
District Athletics
Carnival
Thursday 31 August

Happy Father's Day
Sunday 3 September

SACPSSA Year 3-6
Touch Carnival
Thursday 7 September

Year 5/6 Road
Monitor
Thursday 28 September

Year 3 Excursion to
the Zoo
Wednesday 6 September

24.08.23

From the Acting Principal

Dear Star of the Sea Families

Book Week Parade

Yesterday we celebrated the Book Week, the theme this year is "Read, Grow, Inspire". As a whole school we celebrated with a Book Week Parade on the MDC Courts.

Not only did students, families and staff enjoy a wonderful sunny morning together we also got to see all children from Little Stars through to Year 6 join the parade.

A very special thank you to all students who participated and to all families for assisting children in organising their costumes.

Book Week also reminds us about the joy of learning through reading and the important role of reading in developing vocabulary and comprehension.

Thank you God for Books

For the places they show us and the people we meet

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

For fascinating facts and interesting information.

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

For creepy tales and funny stories

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

For illustrations and cartoons.

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

For things to do on a rainy day.

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

For all the titles I've yet to read.

We say 'Thank You God for books.'

AMEN



Student Safety

Each day teachers across the school provide active yard duty supervision to promote student safety before and after school and during play times.

A reminder that teacher supervision is provided each morning from 8.20am - 8.50am and each afternoon from 3.05 - 3.25pm.

Parking in the Mornings

We would like to remind parents that in the mornings and afternoons there are designated 'No Parking Zones' on Military Road and Seaview Road, during the hours of 8:00am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 4:00pm on school day. These are to be used as 'Kiss and Drop' areas for school drops offs and pick up. Please do not park and leave your car in these 'No Parking Zones' as this stops the flow of traffic and can potentially make these areas unsafe for students.

As progress of the building continues it is anticipated that the number of constructors on site will impact parking. We appreciate your understanding and flexibility during the months of the build.

Wishing you and your families a peaceful week ahead.

Kind regards

Gemma D'Angelo
Acting Principal

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24.08.23

From the Acting Deputy Principal

As you would be aware, I am working in the role of Acting Deputy Principal for the remainder of the term. It certainly has been a great week so far, with Book Week being the highlight. I am looking forward to being a part of the many other event that we have planned for the remainder of Term 3.

Student Library Monitors

As part of our Book Week celebrations yesterday, we were introduced to our new Student Library Monitors. These are a group of students who will be assisting in the library during the week with various jobs such as scanning, returning and reshelving books. At the end of yesterday's parade, Ms D'Angelo presented these students with their certificates and badges. We would like to say a thank you to these students for their help in the library. These students are:

- Nathan Taylor
- Aurelia Richardson
- Amelie Almond
- Bodhi Bowden
- Sophie Reid
- Monica Tronccone



SAPSASSA Soccer

Thank you to the following students who participated this week in the SAPSASSA, congratulations to:

Boys Team

- Frankie Pedler (Year 6)

Girls Team

- Grace Burton (Year 5)
- Sophia Tambakis (Year 5)
- Zoe Kupeckyj (Year 6)
- Jacinta Sepe (Year 6)

Thank you to Kristen Victory, Geordi Caridi and Kopano Shephard for actively supporting this wonderful opportunity for our students.

Whole School Prayer Assembly

A reminder that next Wednesday, 30th August at 2pm we will have our Term 3 Whole School Prayer Assembly at the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church. The first part of this Assembly will introduce and congratulate our students who will soon be receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The second part of the assembly will have a sustainability focus, looking at the results of our recent waste audit and ways in which we, at Star of the Sea School can be more sustainable. All families are warmly invited to attend.

Enjoy the rest of your week.

Sheena Pattinson

Acting DePuty Principal

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Assistant Principal Learning and Wellbeing

Matilda's Grit

It would be remiss of me to not mention the phenomenal effort of our Women's National Soccer team during the recent World Cup! Growing up in a

soccer household, my appreciation and understanding of the game has always been close to my heart, however how these inspiring women captured the heart of a nation was something extraordinarily inspiring to witness. I recently watched a Ted talk about an educator who was working in New York City public schools that left teaching to pursue psychology. Her main field of study centred around studying children and adults in all kinds of challenging settings to find out 'who was successful here and why?' Her research team worked with military academies, participants in National Spelling Bee competitions, private companies and schools. In all those different contexts, one characteristic continued to emerge as the significant predictor of success and it wasn't social intelligence, IQ, family background, wealth or physical health. It was GRIT.

So, what is grit? Grit is passion and perseverance for very long-term goals. Grit is having stamina, grit is sticking to your future, day in day out, not for a week, not for a month but for years on end and working hard to make that a reality. I connected that to the Matilda's as I watched and listened to the media coverage surrounding the women's commitment to their sport but more importantly the back story as to how many of them got to where they are today. Grit isn't just talent – yes, these athletes can play, but surely it relates to their mindset. A belief that they can improve, grow, develop and succeed due to their effort, their determination, their commitment – their grit.

I shared this with my son, as he watched the Matilda's play. Although he is a passionate and avid basketballer, I used this opportunity to talk about grit, and redirected his regular dialogue and perceived limitation of his height as he is not 'a tall' on the court as he is yet to have had his growth spurt. I reminded him that he still has plenty of time to grow in height, but it was the growth of his mindset, his grittiness to commit to his passion, that is far more important!

Enjoy the weekend ahead!

Go well,

Kelly Manera

Assistant Principal Learning and Wellbeing

From the APRIM

Dear Families

This week our teachers engaged in Professional Learning on refining our Religious Education Scope and Sequence. As part of this learning, the teachers used the Crossways Curriculum to map out a yearly overview of the content they are covering and engaged in designing units of work from the Crossways Curriculum.

The Crossways Religious Education Curriculum is an expression of the wider partnership which exists between parents, parish and school, as together they work toward enlivening the mission of the Church. Religious Education is the curriculum area at the heart of a Catholic school, it is a specific teaching area that is planned, taught, and assessed with the same rigour as other curriculum areas.

The Crossways Curriculum is a contemporary expression of Church teaching which is informed by the Catholic Tradition and is shaped around the following 5 areas of knowledge:

- God, Us and Faith
- Sacred Texts
- Moral Life
- Church for the World
- Sacramentality and Prayer

Acquisition of knowledge is not the only goal for this Religious Education Curriculum; It also supports students in developing important skills and dispositions through the Wisdom strand:

- Dialogue and respect
- Interpretation and seeking truth
- Discernment and engagement
- Spiritual and religious self-awareness.

The Crossways Curriculum provides opportunities for all students to engage in rich learning and dialogue about the Catholic faith and its integration with their lives and contemporary culture.

Here is a sample of the some of the learning that is happening across our school this term in Religious Education:

Reception

We are learning about the Sacrament of Baptism.

Year 1

We are learning about how the parables in the Bible teach us about making choices.

Year 2

We are learning about how the Bible is made up of different books.

Year 3

We are learning about the Bible and the Ten Commandments.

Year 4

We are learning about the Seven Sacraments with the focus being on Confirmation and Saints.

Year 5

We are learning about Moral Decision Making.

Year 6

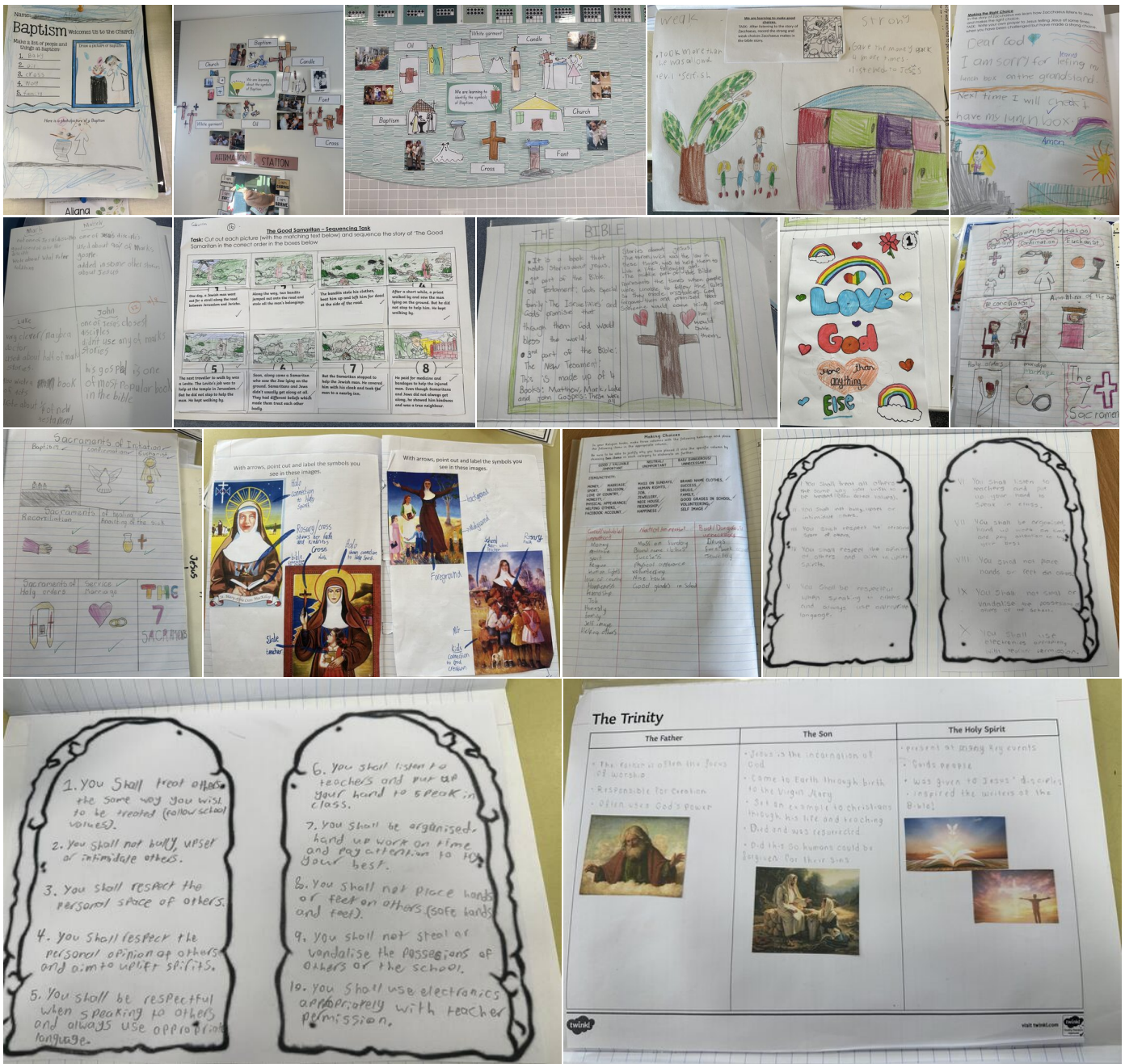
We are learning about the Holy Trinity.

We are learning about the Ten Commandments.

With Gratitude,

Domenique Laurendi

APRIM | Leader of Learning



School Board Members 2023

Dear Members of our Community

It is timely to present the elected members of Star of the Sea School. These are two year tenure and are elected at the AGM.

In Catholic Education School Board Members are advisory and consist of parents of our school community. In this way the school board ensure that parents are well represented and that adequate dialog is given to the various matters that are board priorities.

We hope you find these images of our new board members helpful if you would like to approach them.



AMY DIGGINS



EMMA MARSDEN



NATHAN FOULIS



KIRSTY MCCULLOCH



BRAD DINSTAN



DAVE SLOWINEC



LIZ SARRIS



KATERINA ANDRUSHENKO

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HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Each year we run a survey to get parent feedback about our school. Sadly, only about a dozen families respond to the survey. This survey helps us keep track of what we have been doing and helps us plan for what we should do in the future. This is your chance to share your thoughts. Please see flyer below regarding further information.

Parents go to...www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code SOTSLLLP

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Board

Talk

We have significant demand for our OSHC services with Tuesdays and Thursdays regularly booked out.

It will be very helpful if families could notify OSHC if children are not able to attend on the day they have booked in. As per OSHC policy, all cancellations for OSHC need to be advised by 12pm on the day to avoid being charged for the session. This practice also enables us to cater for families who are on the waitlist.

Vacation Care

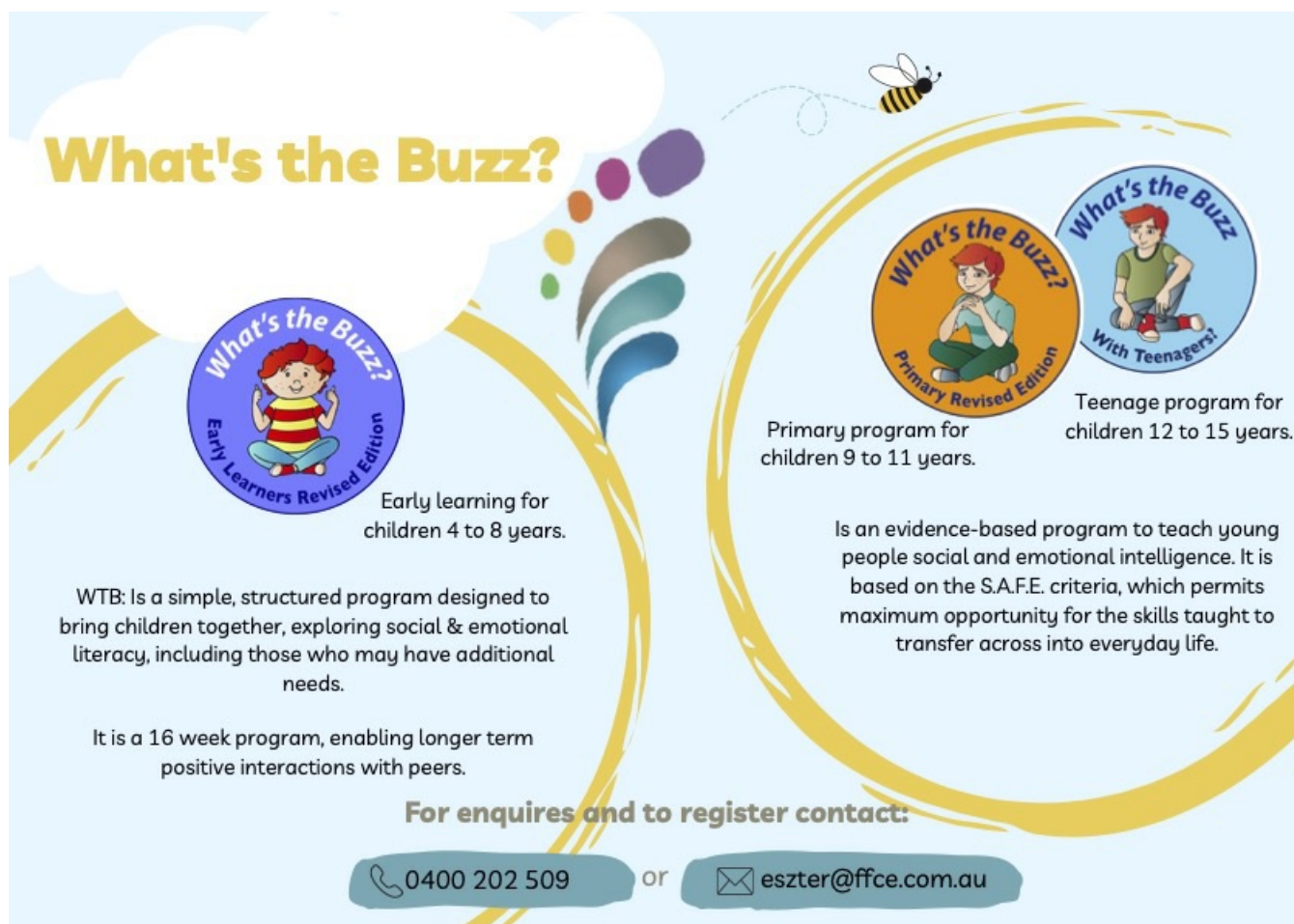
Our Vacation Care Program is made available at the end of week 6 every term. Please note Vacation Care is also open to families in the area, be aware to book in early to avoid disappointment.

Church Carpark

We have been informed once again about parking breaches within the Church carpark. It is so important that as a school community we respect the parking conditions and promote the safety of all accessing this area.


Please ensure the following:

- this is a short-term parking option
- ensure the supervision of young children as there are families with prams accessing this carpark
- please support good flow of traffic by avoiding double parking
- please note parking under cover is for Fr Manu only



The flyer features a light blue background with a large white thought bubble on the left containing the title "What's the Buzz?". To the right, a yellow bee flies above a large yellow swirl. Two circular logos are shown: one for the "Early Learners Revised Edition" featuring a girl, and another for the "Primary Revised Edition" featuring a boy. Below these are descriptions of the programs for different age groups and contact information.


What's the Buzz?




Early learning for children 4 to 8 years.

WTB: Is a simple, structured program designed to bring children together, exploring social & emotional literacy, including those who may have additional needs.

It is a 16 week program, enabling longer term positive interactions with peers.



Primary program for children 9 to 11 years.



Teenage program for children 12 to 15 years.

Is an evidence-based program to teach young people social and emotional intelligence. It is based on the S.A.F.E. criteria, which permits maximum opportunity for the skills taught to transfer across into everyday life.

For enquires and to register contact:

☎ 0400 202 509 or ✉ eszter@ffce.com.au



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What's the Buzz?

By Mark Le Messurier and Madhavi Nawana Parker



This lively, practical program targets everyday themes - how to greet, socially reference, make and keep friends, fit in, read one's own emotions, read the feelings of others, deal with competition and cope with worry, frustration, loss and disappointment more constructively. Teaching social and emotional literacy with the same commitment and vigour we have traditionally taught academic skills increases a young person's confidence and competence to get along with others and embrace life.



Develop friendships | Enhance social and emotional maturity | Support positive age appropriate behaviours

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Gala Ball

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FORMALLY INVITES YOU TO THE
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Gala

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JOHN HALBERT ROOM

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TICKETS ON QKR! (UNDER P&F EVENTS)

\$150.00 PER PERSON

DRESS TO IMPRESS



Reminder that enrolment applications Year 7, 2026 at St Michael's College are due no later than 1 December 2023. It is especially relevant to families with children currently in Year 4.

The application form and list of required documents are available at this [webpage](#).

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