Dear St John’s School Community,

Swimming concludes this week for all students in Years 1-6. Recent trends indicate an increase in drowning in children between 5 and 14 years of age in Victoria. A knowledge of swimming and water safety can reduce a child’s drowning risk and provide them with skills that may one day save a life. In addition, swimming and water safety skills have demonstrated benefits on child health in terms of social, psychological and physical well-being. Well done to all students for participating in this program.

Congratulations to all students involved in the House Athletics Carnival last Friday. Your endeavour, enthusiasm and willingness to encourage each other throughout the day was great to see. Parkes won the day in another close contest. Once again we had a dedicated group of parents who assisted throughout the day to ensure that the day ran smoothly. Thanks to all our staff and especially to Mr Tkaczuk for coordinating this event.

At our Parent information evening we outlined the process for contacting teachers. If parents have a concern about their child, the first point of contact is their classroom teacher. If the teacher feels that the child needs extra assistance, they may refer onto either the Coordinators, Junior Coordinator, Prep – Year 2 (Mrs Pelchen), Senior Coordinator, Years 3-6 (Mr Tkaczuk) or Mrs McLean our Wellbeing Coordinator.

I wish to inform the School Community that Miss Charlene Grieger has been granted 12 months leave from the end of the first week of Term 2, 2016.

I am pleased to announce that we have appointed Miss Maddison Brown to take over the teaching role in the Prep 2 classroom for the rest of 2016. Miss Brown is currently completing a contract position in Year 1 at Westgrove Primary School, Werribee. As a recent graduate, Miss Brown has already shown herself to be an incredibly passionate, organised and enthusiastic team member who contributes actively to all school activities. Miss Brown is very excited to be part of the St John’s School Community. To enhance a successful transition we have arranged for Miss Brown to attend our School on Friday March 18 and Monday March 21, to enable her to attend the Parent Teacher interviews with Miss Grieger and officially meet all Prep 2 parents and students beforehand.

For the first week of Term 2, Miss Grieger and Miss Brown will both be in attendance to share teaching duties.

Our enthusiastic Fete Committee and their helpers are gathering momentum. This is an important whole School Community event and we look for forward to another successful day. Please refer to the newsletter for fete information and how you can assist.

But even though he was God’s Son, he learnt through his sufferings to be obedient. Hebrews 5:8

Comment -: It looks like even the best of us will cop a flogging now and then. Persevere with what is right and you will win!

With God’s Blessings,
Brian Schultz, Head of School

Term 1 Week 6 10th March 2016

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**ABSENCES:**
If your Child is to be absent from School, please inform the School Office by 9.30am, either by phone 5221 5221, email admin@stjohns.vic.edu.au or by using the SMS service “0418712263”. Please note this number will only send and receive SMS messages - it will not receive telephone calls.

Reminder: Term 1 concludes on Thursday March 24th at 2.30pm for School Students, Kindergarten will finish at normal time.

Term 2 commences on Monday 11th April for Kindergarten students and Tuesday 12th April for School Students.
Happy birthday to the following students who will be celebrating in the coming week.

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Devotional Thought

Luke 19 verse 35-38

The chapel Bible reading this week tells the story of the entry into Jerusalem by Jesus on a donkey.

“Then they led the donkey to Jesus. They put some of their clothes on its back and helped Jesus get on. And as he rode along, the people spread clothes on the road in front of him.

When Jesus was starting down the Mount of Olives, his large crowd of disciples were happy and praised God because of all the miracles they had seen. They shouted, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory to God.”

The choice of a donkey was an unusual one for Jesus to use as a mode pf transport. A donkey is a beast of burden used to carrying heavy loads over difficult terrain. It is usually connected to lowly, unimportant poor people and the work they do carrying heavy loads.

But this story recounts Jesus riding on a donkey as a king, with crowds of people cheering and shouting praise and adoration. As we reflect on this event in the Lenten season we see that Jesus came to carry the burden of the sin of the world, that it was indeed a heavy burden and very difficult terrain to travel in the week following, culminating in the events of Good Friday and Easter. How thankful we can be that he chose to be a humble, gentle king willing to carry out his task which resulted in ultimate triumph for him and for us. May we be willing to carry the message of the saving work of Jesus to our cities, schools and families.

So we pray:
Thank you for coming as a gentle king. May we always praise and worship you. We pray for the whole human race, that all may come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Amen

Jesus riding his donkey through the crowds. Will as Jesus, Hugo, Brayden, Georgie and Priya as disciples and the crowd cheering and singing Hosanna.

Mrs Deidre Prieckennow, J1 Classroom Teacher

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Monday 21st March from 2pm. School will finish at 1pm on this day. Bookings for the Interviews will need to be made online, booking information has been sent with previous newsletters. Bookings will close at 9am on March 21st. If you have any queries please see Office Staff.

The Library will be open with supervision by our Librarian Lynn Lytzki, from 2pm until 8pm, during Parent Teacher Interview times. Children may attend the Library but must be dropped off and collected by a parent or carer. They must not leave the Library until they are collected.

Scholastic Bookclub

The Book Club (Issue 2) has been distributed this week. Orders close tonight, March 10th at Midnight. All book orders will need to be done online. Therefore, cash or cheques will no longer be accepted at School.

Lynn Lytzki, Librarian.

News from our Sponsored child - Alem

We have received recently some letters of progress from Alem:

“How are you? My family and I are in good health. I hope you are in good health along with your family. I spent the last 6 months performing different activities. I spent most of my time attending my education and some of my time is spent helping my family.

I am attending my education in Grade 9 properly. I take 11 subjects in this grade level. I took tests on the subjects and I scored passing results except in geography and history. I am working in order to improve my performance. As part of this plan I am attending tutorial classes facilitated by the project.

I have received the card you sent me wishing me happy New Year and merry Christmas. Thank you very much. I like the picture on the card very much. Until the next letter, good bye,

Alem.”
Congratulations

Congratulations to Melinda Looker who married Chris Lyons last Saturday 5\textsuperscript{th} March. We wish them all the best for their future together.

Sports News

Cross Country
On Friday 26\textsuperscript{th} February, students participated in our School Cross Country event which was held at Eastern Park. The day was glorious and the students arrived full of enthusiasm. 3km seemed like a marathon for the first of the runners, but their willingness and determination proved that it could be accomplished if they put their minds to it. Following the first few races, house spirits were high. The junior students arrived ready and raring to run! Cheers, laughter as well as a ‘have a go’ attitude got the competitors across the finish line with smiles of achievement on the faces of many! The day finished with the much anticipated Prep run including the Year 6 students running alongside them providing words of encouragement.

We would like to again thank everybody involved in the preparation of the day as well as all of the parents who volunteered their time to make the day run smoothly. Congratulations to Barton on winning this event!

Library News

In Library, the students have been busy colouring “mindfulness” sheep as part of our display of “belonging to God’s flock”. We have been celebrating our individual selves and appreciate that we belong despite our differences.

The Preps have produced wonderful self-portraits and also displays in the Library. Please call in for a visit and to view the displays and our shared stories of diversity.

We will be celebrating Harmony and Diversity Day on Friday 18\textsuperscript{th} March. We have shared stories in Library relating to accepting differences. Some of these shared stories include:

- **The Elephant Man** written by Mariangela Di. Fiore, illustrated by Hilde Hodnefjeld, translated by Rosie Hedger.
  “The unforgettable tale about being different, finding happiness in even the hardest circumstances and discovering the beauty inside everyone.”


- **Big Al** written by Andrew Clements, illustrated by Yoshi.
  “A very kind and friendly fish but looks scary so has no friends. One day, Big Al gets the chance to prove what a wonderful friend he can be”.

- **We Can Get Along/ A Child’s book of Choices** written by Lauren Murphy Payne illustrations by Claudia Rohling
  “How to get along in different situations like at school, in the neighbourhood, or in the playground. It is honest in saying that sometimes we get along and sometimes we don’t”

- **Whoever You Are** written by Mem Fox, illustrated by Leslie Staub.
  “We are all the same no matter what language we speak”.

Sharing challenging discussions with the students enables us to educate them in a safe, structured and supportive environment.

Lynn Lytzki, Librarian
Chess Lessons

We are able to offer Chess lessons for Term 2 with a professional chess teacher, if enough interest is shown. Lessons will be held at the School during Thursday lunchtimes.

The cost depends on how many students attend – approximately $10 each lesson if it is a small group of about 10 students. The cost will be confirmed when numbers are finalised. Fees for the lessons will need to be paid in full directly to the chess teacher.

A commitment is needed to participate for the full term and chess lessons will only go ahead if there are enough students interested in participating. Please collect an expression of interest form from the School Office and return to the School Office.

I must have confirmed numbers by Tuesday 22nd March.

Lynn Lytzki, Librarian.

Anzac Day Service

We will be holding an ANZAC service at St John’s on Friday 22nd April. Classrooms will be open for display at 2pm with the Service to start at 2.40pm. All are welcome to attend.

Student Wellbeing News

Harmony Day

The day will begin with a costume parade on the oval at 9am – all parents are welcome to stay and see the students dressed in either cultural costume, colours of their culture or orange. Then during the day there will be discussions around diversity, exploring and celebrating our similarities and differences. In the lead up to the day there will also be discussions about bullying as Friday March 18 is also the National Day against Bullying and Violence.

Thank you to the families who are putting together a display for Harmony Day. There will be an amazing variety of countries including South Sudan/Ethiopia, South Africa, Nigeria, Brazil, India, Sri Lanka, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Switzerland, Holland, Italy and of course Australia. If you would like to come and visit with your child the classes are visiting at the following times – Prep/Year 6 1.50 – 2.00, Junior 2.00 – 2.15, Middle 2.15 – 2.30 and Year 5 2.30 – 2.45. The assembly will then be held at 2.45 with dance and music performances and an appearance of the amazing School Choir.

BOUNCE RESILIENCE PROGRAM

Next Thursday the Years 5 & 6 students will be involved in a program that will explore resilience. This is being presented by Batforce (Barwon and Adolescent Taskforce) and is a part of the wellbeing opportunities at school. In the evening all parents for Middle and Senior Students are invited to be a part of an interaction session aimed to enhance your parenting journey. If you want to know how to build RESILIENCE in your emerging tween and teens then please make the time to come along on Thursday March 17 at 7pm – 9pm.

Angela McLean, Wellbeing Coordinator

Art Awards

This week’s Art awards go to:

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<td>For an extra great effort in Art</td>
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<td>Finn M2</td>
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<td>Adea M2</td>
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The Kaisercraft Gift voucher goes to: Lewis (S2)

Mrs Robyn Kerdel, Art Teacher

Canteen

Canteen will resume again next week. Orders need to be in on Tuesday for lunch delivery on Wednesday.

Canteen Roster

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**Playgroup News**

There will be no Monday Mingle next week, 14th March due to the Public Holiday.

Monday 21st March will be our last session for this term, and we’ll be having a special Easter celebration. Come up to the hall after school drop off, as per usual, where we’ll have our regular play things set up, but at 9.15am we’ll be going to the school library, where Mrs Lytski will share an Easter story with us. We’ll also have an Easter egg hunt in the yard (shh, don’t tell the littlies!). After all the excitement we’ll return to the hall for our snack, Easter craft and some more playing time. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Callie & Vicky

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**Singing Lessons**

Singing tuition returns to St John’s in Term 2. Learn a range of skills from breathing technique, improve vocal agility, basic music theory as well as singing many different genres of music from Musical theatre to Disney, country and pop. Vacancies available for Junior students (not Preps) and limited positions for Middle and Senior students. Further details and enquiries to Heidi.

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**Parents & Friends News**

**Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser**

We are raising funds for some more IPADS for the classrooms. Order Forms have been sent home to every family. Please return Order forms and payment to the School Office by Wednesday March 16th with the delivery of Hot Cross Buns from Baker’s Delight on Wednesday March 23rd.

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**Fete News**

The Fete organisation is coming along nicely so far. All the main items are booked and we now have started to organise the smaller details.

**Volunteers:** Yesterday we sent out volunteer forms asking parents if they could please let us know availability on the day to help out on stalls, bbq etc. This year we have decided to given each class/year level a particular stall to be in charge of and it is up to each class/year level to make sure this is filled.

**Plastic Shopping Bags:** If we could please start collecting these bags when we do our shopping and start dropping them into the Office that would be great. We need as many bags as possible for stalls on the day.

**Coffee Machine:** If anyone has any contacts within the coffee industry please let us know! In order to boost profits this year we are going to organise the coffee ourselves. We still need an industrial coffee machine to be donated to us.

**Butchers:** Again if anyone has any contacts with any butchers please let us know! Doing the bbq ourselves this year means if we could have meat donated/or we were able to purchase this a bit cheaper, it would help.

**Silent Auction:** Slowly items are starting to come in for the Silent Auction. This year we are hoping to get some bigger ticket items that we have an auctioneer coming in to auction off. Families with holiday homes, contacts with days spas, restaurants etc are asked if they can source donations. This is our main source of income for the day and this year we are hoping to make it bigger than ever!!

**Promotional Billboards:** We are seeking locations for our promotional billboards. If you or family members live or work on a prominent high exposure main road and would be happy to have a billboard at your property for the month prior to Fete please let Carrie know.

Sally, Sarah and Carrie

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**Sports Awards**

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<td>JULIET</td>
<td>For being a keen student and participating with enthusiasm.</td>
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<td>For having a confident approach to sporting activities and doing well each lesson</td>
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<td>Vedanshi</td>
<td>For always being cooperative and trying her best.</td>
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**Netball News**

**St John’s Lollipops**
The Lollipops played their last game of netball for the season last night. Well done on a good effort this season and we look forward to hearing later in the week whether we made the finals.

With the end of the season a couple of players who now need to move up to an older competition. Our thanks go to Elizabeth (Lizzy) and Rebekah (Bek) for their contribution to our team over the last season. We couldn’t have done it without you guys. We hope your netballing days continue and we wish you all the best.

With the loss of some members comes the introduction of a couple of new players. We welcome Ashmeet, Daisy and Mia to the Lollipops for next season. We look forward to playing with you!

Jeanette

**St John’s Swifts**
The Swifts netball team were out in force on Wednesday night up against the Montpellier Fireflies. The Swifts came out second best with the goal scoring but always come out in 1st place with team spirit, effort and of course, the team handshake. Semi Finals are next Wednesday - "GO SWIFTS"!

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR WINTER SEASON NETBALL**
The St Johns Swifts netball team are due to commence the Winter Season at the beginning of Term Two and will run till the end of Term 3. If any Year 5 & 6 boys or girls are keen to join, please contact Rachel

Kind Regards,

Rachel

**Professional Photography Service at the 2016 Cross Country & Athletics Events**

*Please note: Parents who have indicated on the Enrolment forms & Student Information Forms that they do not give permission for photographs of their child/children to be published, will not have their child/children on the website.*

Winkipop Media is proud to be providing a professional photography service of this year’s Cross Country & Athletics Events.

Owned and operated by Shaun and Emma Patterson, they will be photographing students participating and eligible for photographs.

To view and order the Cross Country photos complete the following steps

Visit: [http://winkipopmedia.photostockplus.com/event/2224387/](http://winkipopmedia.photostockplus.com/event/2224387/)

1. Enter your email address and the password:
2. Click on the events you wish to view, eg. Under 9 Boys
3. Click on the heart symbol under any photo you are interested in purchasing – this adds that photo to your favourites list.
4. From your favourites list you can select from a range of products (digital image, standard prints or posters) to purchase.

Photos for the Athletics Carnival will be available for purchase on Monday 7th March. To view and order the Athletics Carnival photos complete the following steps


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Photos will be available online until 30 April 2016

Fundraising opportunity for the P&F

Winkipop Media will be donating 10% of sales to the Parents’ & Friends so show your support.

**Lost Property**

An excursion bag has gone missing that is clearly marked “Robert Please check to make sure that you haven’t inadvertently brought it home. It contains a towel and goggles. Please bring into the School Office if you find it. Thank you

**Open Day**

If you know of any families that have an interest in our School & Kindergarten, please let them know of our upcoming Open days and Twilight Tours

St John’s Lutheran School & Kindergarten

 Invite you to:

**TWILIGHT TOURS**
Tuesday 15th March 2016
5.00 – 7.00pm

**OPEN DAY**
Saturday 16th April
10.00am – 12.00pm

**OPEN MORNINGS**
Open each Tuesday morning during the school term from 9.30 am until 11.00 am

33 Aberdeen Street  NEWTOWN
Phone: 5221 5221
Email: admin@stjohns.vic.edu.au
Web: [www.stjohns.vic.edu.au](http://www.stjohns.vic.edu.au)
**Church Information**

**St John’s Lutheran Church**, 165 Yarra Street, Geelong. Sunday worship with Holy Communion 9am. Sunday school runs every week during school term. Office: 5221 5121. St John’s is currently in the process to call another pastor and lay readers and retired pastors are leading the services.


**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**, Mollers Lane, Leopold. Worship, 11am Every Sunday with Holy Communion

**Easter Holy Week Worship Services:**

- **Maundy Thursday - 24th March** - 2.30 pm with Holy Communion at ‘Our Redeemer’ North Geelong, followed by fellowship afternoon tea.
- **Maundy Thursday - 24th March** - 7.30 pm at ‘Our Redeemer’, North Geelong.
- **Good Friday - 25th March** - 9.30 pm with Holy Communion at ‘Our Redeemer’, North Geelong.
- **Combined (with St John’s) Easter Sunday dawn** - 27th March - 7.00 am at St John’s Lutheran School, Newtown.
- **Easter Sunday - 27th March** - 9.30 am with Holy Communion at ‘Our Redeemer’, North Geelong. All most welcome to come along!

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE**

You are invited to join us for an Easter Sunrise Service at 7am Easter Sunday, 27th March, in St. John’s Lutheran School grounds.

Hosted by the St. John’s and ‘Our Redeemer’ Lutheran communities.

Please enter via Pakington St. gate.

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**Extend After School Care News**

Welcome to week 6.
We had a lot of fun this week, expanding our knowledge whilst exploring Maths, Social development, Science and Food Technology. Children participated in a variety of ball games. The most popular ball activity was dodgeball on Thursday which students thoroughly enjoyed while also developing their gross motor skills. Food technology was quite refreshing. We combined blueberries, pineapples, mangos, and strawberries to make smoothies. This activity enhanced students understanding of nutrition in a fun, revitalising way.

Students designed Lego creations and an outdoor wall art creation with many creative and exciting designs and ideas being made. Scarecrow tiggy with a twist was a lot of fun with gross motor skills and hand–eye coordination being strengthened when monkey tails were incorporated into the game.

*Week 7 Program:*

| Monday: | PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Tuesday: | Balloon Volleyball and Fortress Tiggy |
| Wednesday: | Tail Spin Tiggy and Food Technology |
| Thursday: | Water Colour Art and Wax Painting and Outdoor Cricket |
| Friday: | Sandpit Archaeology |

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR EVERYONE: I WILL BE COLLECTING ALL ASC STUDENTS OUTSIDE NEAR THE PREP ROOM.**

If you have any questions regarding ASC please come over and introduce yourself. Traci

Bookings are now open for Early Release Day 21st of March due to Parent Teacher Interviews

If you haven’t already booked for Vacation Care, enrolments close 18th of March

**PARENT PORTAL:** extend.com.au

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**Community Noticeboard**

Have a look at the School Noticeboard for Community Notices and events.

You are invited to attend:

**The Melanie Jewson Foundation CD Launch - 17th April 2016**

To be held in the Function Room at the National Wool Museum Geelong.

The CD features fabulous local artists along with others who have generously donated their talent to produce this CD.

Free Admission includes complimentary drink and finger-food.

Book online or pre-order your CD at info@melaniejewsonfoundation.com.au

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**The Melanie Jewson Foundation**