

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S SCHOOL

*"Lake Alive with Dreamtime Knowledge, Waves of Learning,
Sailing into the Future"*

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Our mission is

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is 'to work in an environment of mutual respect for cultures and backgrounds and celebrating the Gospel principles in order to achieve quality education for all.'

A Big Welcome Back to school for all our children, parents and teachers. I hope the holidays provided you with the opportunity to spend some time as a family and to relax. It has been a real pleasure to see our students come back to school so eager to learn and ready to accept all the challenges that lay ahead this year.

A very big WELCOME to our school the 2018 Kindergarten children. It has been wonderful to see Lochie, Marley, Wayne, Belle, Elizabeth, Stephen, Macayla and Elijah rejoin our school and become a special part of our school family. I apologise for no photos being published yet in our newsletter but as soon as permission notes are returned we will share some of the special moments of the first week for 2018!

During 2018 our main educational focus will be to improve our students' Literacy and Numeracy abilities— staff, students and families working together so all our students achieve at least 12 months growth.



BEGINNING OF SCHOOL NOTES

Please sign and return the permission notes sent home as soon as possible—THANK YOU!

- Use of your child's photo and or work in the various publications
- Walking to and taking part in local excursions
- Use of sunscreen at break times and sporting and other excursions
- Local bus travel to Murrin Bridge Mass each term
- Acceptable use Agreement
- Swimming Notes (for students in Year 3-6— this was sent home earlier in the week
- Canteen volunteer note

FRUIT BREAK—10.00am each day: We are continuing this year with the fruit break at 10.00am each day. For new parents, each class has a fruit break at approximately 10am each day. The children can bring their own fruit to have or **there will be a small variety of fruit to purchase at school for \$1.00. These need to be purchased before school time (before 9.00am)** We found from last year the children benefited from this small break.

HOT WEATHER: As the weather has been extremely hot please make sure that you send plenty of water to school with your children. All children are allowed a water bottle in the classroom at all times.

OPENING MASS: All families and friends are invited to join the school for our **Open Mass next Wednesday 14th February** as we celebrate the beginning of the new school year. The 2018 school leaders will be presented with their leader badges after they have been blessed by Fr Emil.

SPORTS DAY FOR TERM 1 for all classes is every Friday. Children can wear their sports uniform and joggers on this day.

Tomorrow, students in Year 3-6 will be having sport at the pool to collect times for the Western Region Swimming Carnival that is being held next Friday 16th. All students should have returned their permission note and will need to bring \$2.60 entry fee (unless they have a season ticket), swimmers, towel and sunscreen.

PLEASE NOTE that school Masses this year will be most Wednesdays at 10.30am—except for next week when Mass for Ash Wednesday will be at 2.00pm. Assemblies have also changed to Wednesdays—please note the dates of these on the Calendar.

LIBRARY - Library lessons will be every Thursday morning with the first lesson tomorrow—children will need a library bag to take books home.

*School Prayer
Lord, bless our school.
May it always be a place
where we are reminded of
your great love for us.
As we work and play together,
help us to follow the
example of St Francis Xavier,
who spent his life telling
people the Good News of
your love.
May this love be shown in
our families, in our care for
one another and in the joy
of our classrooms.
Amen.*

We acknowledge that St Francis Xavier School is built upon the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri nation and walked upon by the Ngiyampaa and Barkindji peoples. We pay our respects to Elders, past and present and ask for their guidance as we work towards improving outcomes for future generations.

The following are dates on our school calendar which involve our families.

Thursday 8th Feb	Breakfast with Lana - parent and carers are most welcome! Swimming for Sport—Year 3-6
Tuesday 13th Feb	Anniversary of the National Apology Pancake Tuesday - Pancakes for sale at Recess - \$1 each - Money to go to Project compassion
Wed 14th Feb	Ash Wednesday Mass—2pm - Beginning of Lent SCHOOL OPENING MASS— 10.30am - ALL WELCOME Year 3/4/5/6 Assembly
Fri 16th Feb	WR Swimming Carnival at Lake Cargelligo
Wednesday 21st Feb	Community Council Meeting—AGM—6.00pm Staffroom
Mon 5th to Fri 9th March	CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
Wednesday 7th March	Year 1/2 Assembly Catholic Schools Week Open Day ~ Families welcome
Wednesday 14th March	Publication Celebration and Books in Home Assembly
Thursday 22nd March	Circus Challenge
Wednesday 28th March	Kinder Assembly
Sunday 1st April	Easter Sunday - Friday 30th March and Monday 2nd April Public Holidays
Wednesday 4th April	Cross Country Carnival

ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL
UNIFORM PRICE LIST

SUMMER UNIFORM

Polo Shirts (Girls & Boys)	\$20
Navy Skorts (Girls)	\$22
Navy Shorts (Boys)	\$18
School Hats	\$15
School Dresses	\$35

SPORT UNIFORMS

Sport Shorts	\$15
Sport Polo Shirts	\$20
Track pants	\$28
Jackets	\$40

Sports uniforms will be discussed at the next Community Council Meeting

WINTER UNIFORMS

Navy Blue Trousers (Boys)	\$25
Navy Blue Slacks (Girls)	\$25
Blue LS Shirts	\$25
School Ties	\$10
Polar Fleece Jumpers	\$30
Beanies	\$10
Scarves	\$ 5
Head Bands	\$ 3
Scrunchies	\$ 2

HOME READING PROGRAM

We will be again aiming to encourage reading for all our students. Research has shown that the more children read the better they are at all areas of school and in turn better able to achieve success when they leave school.

To assist in encouraging reading all students will receive a Home Reading Log to complete at home to record any book they read (or parents read with them). Children will be rewarded for each total of 10 books they read and additional rewards for each 25 books they read.

Please help us to assist our students become better readers.

Please note if you wish to borrow books for your children to read at home our school is extremely well resourced and we will lend books to any family or student wishing for more books (or different choices of books) at home.

Remember to Read with your children every day—10minutes a day makes the world of difference for their learning.

**The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you'll go.**

-Dr.Seuss



CANTEEN WILL BE HELD THIS FRIDAY.

Canteen this Friday for recess and for lunch orders. Jenny from Fisho's has offered to operate the lunch time orders for this week. **Children will be able to purchase home cooking, chips and Zooper Doopers for 50c each for this week. A possible price increase for home cooking will be discussed at the Community Council Meeting on Wednesday, 21st February. Discussions will also be held next week with Jenny and at the School Community Council meeting regarding the operation of canteen for the year.** So if you have any ideas regarding canteen lunches please come along to this meeting or see one of the staff or Community Council members.

There will be no canteen next week because of the Western Region Swimming Carnival.
Price list for this week orders on the back of the newsletter.

PLEASE PUT THE EXACT MONEY FOR THE ORDER IN A BAG. ORDERS WILL BE PICKED UP BY FISHO'S STAFF. OUR STAFF WILL NOT BE GIVING CHANGE. FRUIT BOXES TO BE PURCHASED AT RECESS OR LUNCH. DO NOT PUT FRUIT BOX MONEY IN THE BAG. FRUIT BOX \$1.50

SFX COMMUNITY COUNCIL—Annual General Meeting This is the first meeting of the year and is an Annual General Meeting. All parents, carers and interested persons are most welcome to come along. Please show your support for your children and your school. The meeting will be held in the Staffroom on Wednesday 21st February at 6.00pm. Items on the agenda include Canteen, Sports Uniform, Fundraising for the Year and 2018 school goals. If you would like to add any items to the agenda or become a committee member please let Sue, Jacinta or Rebecca Keeley (Secretary) know. Thank you and looking forward to working with you all.

Reminder:- Phones, iPads or iPods sent to school with children should be sent to the office in the morning - NOT LEFT IN CHILDREN'S BAGS.

STAFFING for 2018 Mrs Amy Golding is our Kindergarten Teacher, and she will also teach Year 1/2 on Fridays.

Mrs Rachael Morris, our Year 1/2 teacher, will work Monday to Thursday. Mrs Morris is also the Religious Education Coordinator.

Mrs Marilyn Shaw is our Year 3/4/5/6 teacher.

Ms Alison Wheeler will work Wednesdays to Fridays and will focus on Literacy and Numeracy with Kinder /1/2.

Miss Sharon Thorpe, Miss Joy Kelly and Miss Georgina Kelly will work with all classes but with a focus on Kinder/1/2.

Mrs Elwin's teaching load will consist of - Library lessons on Wednesdays to all students, teaching Music/dance and Religion to Year 3/4/5/6. Mrs Elwin will also work with Yr 3/4/5/6 in some Literacy and Numeracy lessons assisting Mrs Shaw.

If there are any concerns regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact the school at any time. We wish to work with families to provide the best possible learning environment for all students.

SPECIAL DAYS: LIBRARY DAY - all students is THURSDAYS

The library will be open on Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes for students.

SPORT DAY for all students is FRIDAY

MASS is on most Wednesdays at 10.30am

ADMINISTRATION

REMINDERS

Bus Travel

Bus Travel is available for students. Applications online

Change of address / phone number

The School Office should be notified of any change of address or phone number immediately. If intending to transfer to another school the Principal should be notified.

School Hours

Teachers are responsible for supervision of students from 8.30am until all children have left the school grounds. Special permission needs to be sought if children are going to be on School grounds outside these hours, as teachers are not available to supervise.

Office Hours

The front office hours are from 8.30am until 4.00pm Monday to Friday. At times the phone may be unattended but messages can be left on the answering machine at any time. Should a parent or carer telephone a teacher or student during class time a message will be passed on or a more convenient time to call will be suggested to call back.

Next week's newsletter will have information regarding School Attendance, Homework and the Pastoral Care Policy.

Safe On Social Media Presentation

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW NOW

Concerned about your children's safety on social media? Looking for the answers but not sure where to turn? The Safe on Social Media face-to-face presentation and Q&A session delivers real life case studies and strategies to help parents support their children. Topics covered but not limited to:

- Using social media with awareness
- Keeping personal information private
- Online grooming
- Posting photos and sexting
- Safe social networking
- Cyber-bullying
- Privacy settings
- What your posts say about you
- Identity theft
- Legal responsibility
- Gaming dangers
- Learning to read tween/teenager behavior online
- Managing digital footprints
- Strategies to build resistance and resilience

"You not only opened my eyes up to how I can keep my kids safe, you helped keep me safe too. More importantly, your style helped me come home and create a safe conversation with my kids about what we'll do moving forward rather than disconnecting the electricity and beginning to churn our own butter"

Stacey - Banora Point - NSW

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PIZZA

SMALL CHEESE AND BACON PIZZA	\$3.50
SMALL CHEESE, HAM AND PINEAPPLE PIZZA	\$3.50

SANDWICH OR ROLL OF YOUR CHOICE

HAM, CHICKEN, ROAST BEEF, SILVERSIDE, EGG, CHEESE, VEGEMITE	\$3.00
ADD SALAD IF REQUIRED eg: MEAT & SALAD lettuce, tomato, beetroot and cheese	\$4.00

WRAP

CHICKEN, LETTUCE, CHEESE AND MAYO.	\$5.00
ADD EXTRA SALAD IF REQUIRED	\$6.00

WHITE, WHOLEMEAL OR GRAIN BREAD IS AVAILABLE

HOT FOOD

CHICKEN AND CORN ROLL (not fried)	\$3.50
3 X Yummie drummies (not fried)	\$3.50
6 X CHICKEN NUGGETS (not fried)	\$3.00
4 X CHICKEN BREAST WEDGES (not fried)	\$3.00
6 x CHICKEN GOUJONS (not fried)	\$3.00
HOT DOG (tom sauce)	\$3.50
PLAIN PIE	\$3.50
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$2.50
4 X FISH COCTAILS	\$3.50

Date: 14th February 2018

Time: 4:00 – 5:30pm

Venue: Wade High School Hall

safeonsocial.com



Safe On Social Media
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW NOW

Volunteers Needed—thanks!

Name _____

Please circle your response and return to school if you can assist. Thank you!

Canteen cooking for recess - I am able to cook 1 / 2 times a term

Some suggestions for cooking – cakes, slices, biscuits, fruit

I can assist by making 2 platters of sandwiches for the

Interagency Meetings held once a month.

Once / Twice this year

Yes / No

Mass Times this week for Our Lady of Lourdes Church

SUNDAY 11th Feb: 9.30am

**WEDNESDAY 14th Feb:
Ash Wednesday and School Open
Mass 10.30am**

HOLY HOUR 2–3pm



For God & Australia