

# 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.'

Dear Parents and Guardians

At school I have been talking with the children about how we can make Jesus real at school, in our homes and in our community. We have been concentrating on filling our buckets with goodness and I know the students are familiar of the Making Jesus Real (MJR) terminology as St. Francis School has been doing MJR for some time. The terminology of bucket filling means we look to fill ourselves with generosity, kindness, being grateful, cheerful, encouraging etc, etc. Every time we fill our bucket with these qualities we make ourselves better people. We make ourselves a Happy Chappy. On the flip side, every time we take from our bucket by being nasty or unkind we empty it. We make ourselves a Nasty Pastie.

I would encourage Parents and Guardians to use this terminology at home and encourage your child to have a positive attitude towards life. Having a positive attitude will take you everywhere. Your attitude to life and to others is similar to a motor in a car. If you have a good motor it will take you places in life. If your motor is in neutral (don't care) or reverse (negative attitude) you won't go far. The late Steve Irwin was a classic example (both in what he said and his body language) and there are people in your school and in your life who also provide examples of how a positive attitude to life takes you places.

Simple things you can do to show a positive attitude are

- Encourage and compliment
- Smile a lot
- Include others
- Be cheerful and obedient
- Greet, treat and speak
- Be able to say sorry
- Be resilient and take the good with the bad

Have a great week everyone!  
God bless



Paul Corcoran

For God & Australia

### 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.

## What's happening this week?

<b>Monday 15th-21st May</b>	National Families Week: Stronger Families, stronger communities'.
<b>Wednesday 24th May:</b>	National Simultaneous Story Telling
<b>Thursday 25th May:</b>	<b><u>NEW DATE: Small Schools Athletics Carnival at St. Francis Xavier School</u></b>
<b>Friday 26th May:</b>	National Sorry Day—20th Anniversary
<b>Saturday 27th May:</b>	50th Anniversary of Referendum
<b>Tuesday 30th May:</b>	ICAS Science Exam Yr. 3/4/5/6
<b>Wednesday 31st May:</b>	Reconciliation Celebrations at SFX 10am to 2pm
<b>Thursday 1st June:</b>	Mass at 10.30am; Kindy Assembly: Dads in School K—Yr 2

**Attached is a school calendar highlighting what is on for the rest of the term.**

### **SMALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL has been postponed until next Thursday**

**25th May** at the St Francis Xavier school oval. The children have been entered in all events. The carnival will commence at 9:15am with a march past. All students should attend school as normal and wear their full school sports uniform.

Come along and support your children.

**K-2 Theatre Excursion to Griffith** The Year K-2 students had a great day travelling to the Griffith Regional Theatre last Friday to experience the show 'A Diary of a Wombat.' All the students had a wonderful time and enjoyed the week long diary of the very hungry and bossy wombat. Congratulations to all the students for their beautiful behavior and thank you to Mrs. Morris, Miss Sharon and Mr. Corcoran for looking after the students.



**Walk Safely to School Day** will be on Friday 19th May. Until they're ten, children must hold an adult's hand when crossing the road. If you would like more information regarding this event visit **walk.com.au**



Have a great day!



### **Mother's Day Raffle Results.**

**1st Prize (Framed Photograph donated by Craig Cromelin)**

**Mick Macquire**

**2nd Prize ( Envy Jewellery)**

**George Tyack**

**3rd Prize (Bottle of Wine & Painted planter pots donated by Sharon Thorpe): Denesse Phillips**

**Thank you everyone who donated prizes and supported the raffle by buying and selling tickets. A special thanks to Shane Phillips for selling tickets down the street.**

## CWA Public Speaking-Condobolin

Congratulations to Lachlan, Bailey, Leah and Hamish for competing in the CWA Public Speaking competition on Tuesday in Condobolin. I heard you all competed exceptionally well and did St. Francis Xavier school very proud.

**Pie Drive:** The Fundraising Committee are running a Pie Drive again this year. An Order Form is attached to the newsletter.

Please support this great fundraiser as funds raised go towards improvements to the school and the purchase of resources for your children. Orders can be sent in to school.



## National Simultaneous Storytime

Kinder Year 1/2 have been invited to participate in the National Simultaneous Storytime at the Lake Cargelligo Library on Wednesday 24th May. National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual event that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Now in its 17th year it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using Australian Children's books that explore age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

### AWARDS WEEK 3 THURSDAY 11th MAY

<b><u>Kindergarten:</u></b>	<b><u>MJR Award</u> Margaret Kennedy</b>	<b><u>Merit Award</u> Marley Mitchell</b>
<b><u>Year 1/2:</u></b>	<b>Jade Mitchell</b>	<b>Max Keeley Leonie Dutton</b>
<b><u>Yr 3/4/5 &amp; 6:</u></b>	<b>Lachlan Middleton</b>	<b>Jamie Kirby Hamish Middleton</b>
<b><u>Principal's Award:</u></b>	<b>Bryanne King</b>	



### Yr. 3/4/5/6/ Class Assembly

Thank you to the Yr. 3/4/5/6 class for their wonderful assembly last Thursday. They performed an exciting readers theatre of 'Where the Wild Things Are' and a Shakira Dance. It was fabulous to see all the students engaged so brilliantly in the creative arts. Congratulations Yr. 3/4/5/6 and to Mrs Giemza and Mrs Shaw for organising the students.

Also congratulations to all our award winners for this assembly. Keep up the great work everyone!



**CANTEEN NEWS:** PLEASE MAKE SURE THE CORRECT MONEY FOR THE LUNCH ORDERS IS IN A BAG WITH THE CHILD'S NAME, YEAR AND ORDER. No late orders will be accepted after 9.20am

Children need to remember to get their orders out of their school bags first thing in the morning.

**CANTEEN THIS FRIDAY AS USUAL DUE TO ATHLETICS CARNIVAL BEING POSTPONED!**

**CANTEEN ROSTER for Term 2**

**Friday 19th May:** Kistin Morris, Kirsty McFadyen,  
**Friday 26th May:** Sharna Hayward, Shannon Nicholson  
**Friday 2nd June:** Lana Clarke, Georgina Kelly  
**Friday 9th June:** Sue MacRae, Anita Clarke  
**Friday 16th June:** Sharon Thorpe, Rachael Morris  
**Friday 23rd June:** Amy Golding, Shane Phillips  
**Friday 30th June:** Leanne Middleton, Kirsty McFadyen

**INTERAGENCY MEETING ROSTER**  
 ( 2nd Tuesday of each month)

**Sandwiches can be dropped at school by 10.15 am**  
**June 13th:** Therese Stenhouse  
**July 11th:** Kirsty McFadyen  
**August 8th:** Amy Golding  
**Sept 12th:** Tara Wallace  
**Oct 10th:** Sharna Hayward  
**Nov 14th:** Kirsty McFadyen

**Head lice:** If we detect a child who has head lice at school the parents will be contacted to come and pick their child up. Due to health and safety regulations your child can not come back to school until they have been treated for head lice. Girls are reminded to wear their hair tied up to prevent infection.

**Playground Supervision:**

I would like to remind all families and carers of morning supervision times begin at 8:30am. Students should not be on the school grounds until 8:30am as they can't be supervised.

**School Uniforms:**

I have noticed that students are not wearing the proper school winter uniform.

It is now Week 4 so **ALL** children should be coming to school in their winter uniform.

**Street Stall**

**The Parish will be holding a Street Stall on Wednesday the 21st June. Funds raised will go towards the maintenance of the church.**

**All donations welcome.**

**CANTEEN HELPERS REQUIRED**

Canteen helpers needed for Small School Athletics Carnival being held next Thursday 25th May . Please complete the following table if you are able to assist with the canteen on the day. The small school carnival is being held on the grounds at St. Frances Xavier School. Please return ASAP!

I can help from 9am 11am	I can help from 11am-1pm	I can help from 1pm-3pm