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NEWSLETTER 1: Term 1, Week 1

	<h3>Got our App?</h3> <p>This free App is available through the App Store/Google - the developer is Franyework. It links directly from our website is in a terrific resource.</p> <p>We would encourage all parents and families to download the app and have the notifications settings on.</p> <p>We would welcome any feedback on how we can enhance our use of this communication tool</p>
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Dear Family and Friends,

Welcome to 2019 ! A special welcome is extended to everyone who has joined us this year, our new students, families and staff. The biggest and most exciting welcome goes to our 16 new prep students. We wish them every success for their time with us during their primary years. We also welcome all new families across the school as well as new staff members Cathy Colaciello, Janelle Szkwarek, Elly Smith, Lauren Wilson, Jess Hutchinson and Joanna Watson. Can I also take this opportunity to inform the school community that at the end of last year we were advised that Mrs. Wade would not be returning this year after taking leave in the second semester of 2018. We thank Josephine for her contributions to our school, and we wish her well for the future.

As the school year begins to our staff I say thank you for the effort and time they have put into preparing for the arrival of our students. We would like to say thank you to our families for your excellent attendance at our assessment interviews during this week. These are a very useful tool for classroom teachers as we develop tailored teaching and learning programs across the school.

I'm conscious of trying not to bombard families with a ridiculous amount of information so early in the year in our first newsletter, but in an effort to maintain excellent communication habits between school and home I have included our regular term calendar as well as updating the school website, and by effect the Smartphone App linked to the website. I have no way of tracking online traffic through the App so I would appreciate people letting me know if they are using it. Please take time to add our school events to your family/home/work diaries. We will add further details of events on the school website and the school's Facebook page - if you find you require further information please let me know as I'm sure that same information would be useful as well for other families.

The start of the year is a great time to check that your children have the correct, and well fitted, uniforms. At the end of last year I asked for your support in making sure our students were in the correct school shoes. We are very fortunate to have the PnF group offer to coordinate the Uniform Shop and we remind families to take advantage of this facility that offers both new and quality used items. The range of second hand uniforms is fantastic and all at very reasonable prices. If you have any items that you would like to donate they can be dropped off to my office.

As a Dad I'm still getting my head around my own kids timetables and sports days so I thought it useful to place all our room's timetables in one spot. I can certainly appreciate the challenge of remembering all this especially when you have a handful of kids. Free feel to cut this out for your fridge.

Specialist Classes	LIBRARY Mrs.Wilson	LOTE-Italian Mrs.Colaciello	Visual Arts Mrs.Colaciello	Music Mrs.Szkwarek	Phys Ed Mrs.Yeates
Prep	MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
Year 1	MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	MONDAY
Year 2/3	MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY
Year 3/4	MONDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	MONDAY
Year 5/6	MONDAY	THURSDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY

Additional to the students having their weekly Phys Ed lesson with Mrs.Yeates, the classes will have other days during the week that they are required to wear their sports uniform. These days are listed below, while during the year different 'Sporting Schools' coaches may be taking classes and therefore students will again be asked to wear their sports uniform.

Sports Uniform	Year Prep	Year 1	Year 2/3	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
DAY 1	FRIDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
DAY 2	THURSDAY				

Finally, with higher expectations implemented by the State Government regarding the monitoring of student attendance I am asking parents to make contact with the school when your child is absent. Classroom teachers are faced with higher expectations of following up when each child is absent so to reduce the amount of time spent doing this administrative task it is easier if families use the school app, ring or email the school telling us your child is away.

As always, my door is always open to meet with families if you have questions, concerns or suggestions to improve our great school. Our collective focus is to offer our students a high quality, comprehensive, Catholic education and I'm sure you agree with my belief that this can only be achieved by building upon the relationships between students, families, staff and school leadership.

I'm very much looking forward to sharing the year with you all. Wishing you and your family a terrific year.

Yours,

Dave Cooper

TERM 1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please monitor the newsletter and website each week for additions & modifications

Event	Day	Date	Time
Week 1			
School Office opens	Tuesday	29/1	9am
Assessment Interviews	Wednesday - Thursday	30-31/1	As advised
Classes begin Prep - Yr.6	Friday	1/2	8.35am
Week 2			
Prep Rest Day	Wednesday	6/2	No School
Start of Year Mass: Whole School	Thursday	7/2	9am
Assembly	Friday	9/2	2pm
Week 3			
Prep Rest Day	Wednesday	13/2	No School
District Swimming - Churchill Leisure	Wednesday	13/2	12pm-2.30 pm
NO Mass	Thursday	14/2	NA
Assembly	Friday	16/2	2pm
Week 4			
Prep Rest Day	Wednesday	20/2	No School
Class Mass	Thursday	21/2	9am
Assembly	Friday	22/2	2pm
Eucharist Commitment Masses	Sat 23rd Feb 6pm	Or Sunday 24/2 9am	
Week 5			
Prep Rest Day	Wednesday	27/2	No School
Division Swimming - TBC	Wednesday	27/2	TBC
First Eucharist Workshop 1	Wednesday	27/2	
NO MASS	Thursday	28/2	NA
Assembly	Friday	1/3	2pm
Week 6			
TBC Family Breakfast Shrove (Pancake) Tuesday	Tuesday	5/3	

Ash Wednesday Mass	Wednesday	6/3	9am
Prep Rest Day	Wednesday	6/3	No School
TBC Lumen Christi Athletics Day	Friday	8/3	TBC
Week 7			
LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Monday	11/3	No school
Preps start school FULL TIME	Tuesday	12/3	8.35am
District Cross Country	Wednesday	13/3	
Parent-Teacher Interviews	Wednesday	13/3	TBC
Parent-Teacher Interviews	Thursday	14/3	TBC
First Eucharist Workshop 2	Thursday	14/3	
Class Mass: Year 5&6	Thursday	14/3	9am
Assembly	Friday	15/3	2pm
Week 8			
District Cross Country BACK UP DAY	Wednesday	20/3	
Class Mass Year 2/3 & 3/4	Thursday	21/3	9am
Yinnar District Athletics (P-6)	Thursday	21/3	TBC
Assembly	Friday	22/3	2pm
Week 9			
Tennis Lessons -Years 3 to 6	Monday	25/3	11am-1pm
NO MASS	Thursday	28/3	9am
District Sports Day - Yinnar (P-6)	Thursday	28/3	
Assembly	Friday	29/3	2pm
First Eucharist	Sunday	31/3	9am
Week 10			
Tennis Lessons -Years 3 to 6	Monday	1/4	11am-1pm
TBC End of Term School Picnic	Tuesday	2/4	TBC
Easter Pageant (instead of Mass)	Thursday	4/4	9am
School Finishes	Friday	5/4	12.30pm
FURTHER EVENTS			

FEES, TUITION & CAMP FEES: Invoices will be sent home early next week. Direct Debit options were sent to all families in December 2018. Please contact the school office if you need any further information.

Levies and fees are as below:

Family Fee : \$1105
Capital Fee (per family) : \$ 140

Tuition Levies: (per student)
Prep to Gr 1 : \$350
Yr 2 : \$405 (inc Technology Levy)
Yr 3 - 6 : \$430 (inc Technology Levy)
Yr 3 & 4 camp : \$170
Yr 5 & 6 camp : \$200

If you have applied for the Camp, Sport & Excursion Fund (CSEF) and have a valid health care card, your fees are reduced to \$520 per annum. A direct debit of \$20 per fortnight must be set up!

CAMP, SPORT AND EXCURSION FUND (CSEF):

Families that hold a valid concession card may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities. The amount of \$125 per primary school student can be deducted from your Curriculum Levy (which includes swimming and excursion costs).

If you are eligible for this funding, your fees and levies are reduced to \$520 per family for the 2019 year.

Information and forms were sent home to all families in December 2018. Please return your application forms to the school office.

COMMUNITY CORNER

If your community group would like to contribute please contact Mr.Cooper




COUGARS 2019

WE'RE BACK LOOKING FOR BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS FOR U/8'S, 10'S, 12'S, 14'S & 16'S

Rego Day: Sunday 3rd Feb 2019
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Place: Gaskin Park


**Come meet our coaches, grab a free snag & drink.
Meet our friendly committee
& go into the draw for some awesome prizes.**

**Need more info go to our facebook page
or email us at cjfcjuniors@outlook.com**



JUNIOR TRAINING

Thursday 31st January
4:30pm
U6-U16.



Training will continue every Tuesday & Thursday

SMY@L – St.Michael's Youth @ Latitude

ST.MICHAEL'S PARISH YOUTH GROUP
FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN YEAR 5 – LOWER SECONDARY

First night back for 2019 is....

FRIDAY 15th FEBRUARY, 2019
(The annual) MESSY & GROSS GAMES NIGHT!

*Don't let your friends miss this one!!
Wear old clothes or bring a spare set & a towel!
Warning! You WILL get messy!*

*Meet at St.Michael's Mackillop Hall, Cnr Kay & Church St, Traralgon.
6.30pm – 8.30pm*

SUPPAUT

Latrobe Region Parent/Family Support group for those who have kids with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

For more info or enquiries about the group Louise Varsaci 0414540296 varsaci@aussiebb.com.au or speak to Mr.Cooper

Join our group on Facebook - SuppAUT Autism

Cost \$3 - Lucky Door Prize
Contact Leah 0438811709 for info

*support group for families in Latrobe Valley,
Victoria*

ALL-ABILITY SPORTS

'All-ability' sports are about fun and participation for EVERYONE! The local All-ability groups are parent-run and driven, so cater directly to the needs of kids with special needs in the local area. During the sessions a variety of games and activities are played to learn and develop new skills. Activities are modified so that everyone can 'have a go!' Participants can also benefit socially by making new friends and feeling part of a team.

We currently run three sporting programs locally:

Term 1 – Tennis at Pax Hill Tennis Club

Term 2 & 3 – Footy at West end Junior Football Club

Term 4 – Cricket at Traralgon West Cricket Club.

Any further queries phone Louise Varsaci 0414540296 or email varsaci@aussiebb.com.au or via the facebook group All ability sports, Latrobe Valley or ask Mr.Cooper