

## Friday, 15th March 2024

Inspired by the life of Jesus, we at St. Charles Borromeo aspire to be loving, respectful and inclusive of all through our learning and faith community.

We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and community. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures.



#### Pope Francis' prayer intention for March: For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

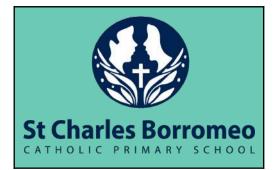
Dear St Charles families,

St. Patrick's Day is most known for its Christian roots. The holiday celebrates Saint Patrick, who brought Christianity to Ireland and built its first cathedral in 444 A.D., per the *University of Notre Dame*. Catholics who celebrate the holiday appreciate the remembrance of Saint Patrick's faith, which may encourage them to renew their own.

Today Mrs Abbey, our year 6 leaders and I attended that St Patrick's Day mass at the Cathedral. This special celebration marks the end of Catholic Education week, with both Primary and Secondary schools across Victoria coming together in prayer.

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Congratulations to all our students on the amazing effort they have made with their learning this term. During parent/teacher/student interviews on Tuesday all our students shone as they shared their learning achievements with their families. Well done to all the amazing teachers, LSOs and leaders who make learning at St Charles focussed and purposeful for all learners.



## Dates

|          | 2024 TERM DATES  |
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| 26th Mar | Easter Raffle and Easter<br>Bonnet Parade  |
| 27th Mar | Interschool Sports- Year 5/6<br>9:00-3:00 pm<br>Principal Morning Tea-<br>9:00-10:00 am<br>Last Day of Term 1 3:15pm<br>finish |
| 15th Apr | Term 2 Begins  |
| 19th Apr | District Tennis Years 3-6<br>9:00-3:00 pm  |
| 24th Apr | ANZAC Day liturgy- 2:45 pm   |
| 25th Apr | ANZAC Day Holiday- No<br>School  |
| 26th Apr | School Closure Day- Staff<br>Time in Lieu Day  |
| 8th May  | Confirmation Retreat Day-<br>St Kevin's Church 10:00-2:00<br>pm  |

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If you have visited The Pines lately you may have noticed that we currently have a temporary advertising space. This has certainly been a great way to promote our school and has resulted in many school tours. Thank you to Ellen and Cathy who keep topping up the stand with balloons and flyers (and to Ellen's daughter's who have volunteered their time). A big thank you to Rania and Theresa who have also spent time up at The Pines promoting our school.

This week I met again with my Regional Manager and Regional Leadership Consultant to discuss marketing of our school. I will be working closely with a marketing consultant from MACS over the coming weeks. There are many exciting and positive things happening at our school and these are being showcased with the wider community. Thank you to all our parent community for your ongoing support. Please reach out if you have any questions.

As of this week we are offering a story and craft time at St Charles. This will run from 10:00-11:00 am in our Discovery Centre. If you know anyone with little ones please invite them to contact the school and come along (there is no cost).

In my last newsletter I mentioned that as of next week Cathy will be working at St Kevin's on a Monday and Tuesday. For the remainder of this term Lisa (who is our intervention LSO) will be working in the office. As of Term 2 we welcome Rania (who is Sabatian's mum in year 3 and a member of our School Advisory Council) into our office on Mondays. Rania is looking forward to this opportunity and we are excited to have her onboard. On behalf of the SCBT I welcome Rania.

| 9th May        | Mother's Day Stall  |
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| 10th May       | Mother's Day Breakfast<br>9:00-10:00 am                               |
| 16th May       |   |
| 19th Mav       | Confirmation 3:00-4:00 pm   |
|                | Hot Food Day for Students   |
| <b>_</b>       | District Cross Country Year<br>3-6 students                           |
| 4th June       | Cross Country Years 3-6   |
| 13th June      | Interschool Sports Year 5/6   |
| 26th June      | Whole School ABC Music<br>Performance                                 |
| 27th June      | Last Day of Term 2 3:15 pm<br>finish                                  |
| 15th July      | Term 3 begins   |
| 19th July      | Footsteps Dance   |
|                | Performing Arts lessons<br>begin (each Friday in Term<br>3)           |
| 1st Aug        | St Charles hosting Eastern<br>Region Learning and<br>Teaching Network |
| 20th Aug       | Book Week Author visit<br>Hot Food Day for students                   |
| 29th Aug       | Father's Day Stall  |
| 30th Aug       | Father's Day Breakfast<br>9:00-10:00 am                               |
| 2nd-4th<br>Sep | Year 5/6 Camp   |
| 4th Sep        | Little Chompers Dental<br>Program- Foundation, Year<br>1 and Year 2   |
| 11th Sep       | District Athletics- Years 3 to<br>6                                   |
| 17th Sep       | Footy Day and Hot Food Day<br>for Students                            |
| 19th Sep       | Footsteps Dance<br>Performance  |
|                | Last Day Term 3 3:15 pm<br>finish                                     |
| 7th Oct        | First Day Term 4  |
| 10th Oct       | Whole School Athletics<br>Carnival                                    |
| 17th Oct       | Multicultural Day   |
| 4th Nov        | School Closure Day- Time in<br>lieu                                   |
| 5th Nov        | Melbourne Cup Holiday-<br>School Closure Day                          |



Yesterday we celebrated International Maths Day. At St Charles we love maths and in the words of Mrs Pearson we give things 'a red hot go!' Thank you to all the families who were able to make it up for our maths afternoon and to Rania and Theresa for getting into the maths spirit!

Principal's morning teas are back in 2024. Please come along to have a chat about our school or just even to catch up. The next Principal's morning tea will be:

#### Wednesday 27th March- 9:00-10:00 am

Any families who are unable to make it to a Principal Morning Tea are more than welcome to share their topic of discussion in the following google form:

https://forms.gle/nfsWTJDa4f1GuGgG6

If you would like to join me for a chat and morning tea, please send me an email.

(principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au)

For any families who would like to follow our school on facebook, please use the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/scbtemplestowe

At St Charles we have a private school Instagram account (only our school community is permitted access). If you would like to follow St Charles on Instagram search for **stcha\_rles**. Please send me an email with your username (principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au). Until I receive your email I will not accept your request.

Wishing all our St Charles families a happy Term 1 filled with

| St Charles Feast Day                                  |
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| Remembrance Day Liturgy<br>2:30 pm                    |
| Hot Food Day for Students                             |
| School Closure Day-<br>Planning for 2025              |
| Year 6 Graduation                                     |
| Year 6 Big Day Out                                    |
| Last Day Year 6 students<br>Whole school mass 2:00 pm |
| Transition Day- First Day<br>2025 classes             |
| Term 4 ends 3:15 pm finish                            |
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new learning.

Please remember I am always here to support your family.

Kind regards,

#### Miranda Zuzic

Principal principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au

## <u>Meditation Mondays</u>

Each Monday morning in Term 2 we will be holding 'Meditation Mondays' sessions. Families are warmly invited into classrooms to participate in our daily Christian meditation sessions with your children. The session will run promptly from 8:50am -9am. During this time, it is important that our classrooms are settled, quiet and still in order to create a calm, contemplative space for Christian meditation and prayer. Please feel free to attend whenever you are able, as the classrooms will always be open to families on a Monday morning. We hope to see you there and that you will also enjoy the opportunity to find stillness and peace in the presence of our loving saviour.



The important aim in Christian meditation is to allow God's mysterious and silent presence within us to become more and more not only a reality but the reality which gives meaning, shape and purpose to everything we do, everything we are.

> — John Main — AZQUOTES

#### **USEFUL WEB LINKS:**



#### Staff Email Addresses

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#### Harry's Cafe (Lunch orders)

<u>Click here</u> to view the menu and for instructions on how to place a lunch order for your child.



#### Caritas Australia

Click here to view Caritas Australia's website.

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In the spirit of reconciliation, we at St Charles Borromeo acknowledge the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which our school stands and recognise the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respects to Wurundjeri Elders past and present, and to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.

## **CHILD SAFE STANDARDS**

#### Child Safe Standard 2

Child Safe Standard 2 focuses on developing a child-safe culture and implementing strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children. It aims to ensure that children's voices are heard, respected and taken into account in all matters that affect them. This standard emphasises the importance of creating a safe and inclusive environment where children feel comfortable expressing themselves and raising concerns.



### What this looks like in practice at St Charles Borromeo Primary School;

- Awards that promote the Gospel Values Love, Respect and Inclusion presented to students at assemblies
  - A Code of Conduct provides guidelines for staff and volunteers on expected behavioural standards and responsibilities.
- Risk management strategies focus on preventing, identifying and mitigating risks to children
  and young people
- Designated Child Safety Officer (Student Wellbeing Leader) within the school leadership team
- Promote the school's child safety policies in assemblies, meetings, welcome packs, newsletters and other regular communications.
- Create child-friendly versions of the Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct with student input, and make these versions publicly available.

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## **Mathematics at St Charles**

## Teaching for Impact Maths Series

Since the beginning of 2024, St Charles has been fortunate to be part of the Teaching in Mathematics Series. All of our Maths lessons now begin with a 'Daily Review'. A Daily Review enhances students' grasp of key concepts that reinforces prerequisite skills for the day's lessons. The Daily Review is structured and boosts students' confidence.

The Daily Review is divided into three sections:

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- fluency building
- a planned cycle of revision
- prerequisite skills for the day's lesson

Staff are provided with ongoing coaching and feedback on their teaching of Mathematics.

Here is a picture of Miss K and

**International Mathematics Day** 

Everyday is a great day for Maths. We loved sending home our Mathematical Showbags full of goodies to help our students thrive in Mathematics.









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# Mrs Poly actively engaged in the Professional Development day.





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- The use of a data wall to track and measure progress that the students are making
- Facilitated planning every week- during the facilitate planning we discuss intervention and extension opportunities that we can provide the students
- Promoting and encouraging students to engage with Mathematical tasks everyday through the use of Matific
- Whole school Maths Days eg International Day of Mathematics
- Mathematic Awards given out at assemblies that promote the consistent effort that students make
- Ensuring every classroom has access to the equipment needed to facilitate students learning

If you would like to discuss any of this further please come and have a chat.

Best wishes

Ellen Pearson



#### This year's Lenten Reconciliation Service will be held on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at St Gregory the Great Church, 71 Williamsons Road, Doncaster. All are welcome.

Recently the Parish has emailed all St Charles families, please check your inbox to see if you have received an email (it may have gone to your spam). If you did not receive an email please contact Tiziana DCosta( tiziana.dcosta@cam.org.au)

#### **Out of School Care**

OSHC enrolment forms can be collected from the Hall/OSHC Room. If you have questions please contact us at 0477 007 374.

## **Community News**

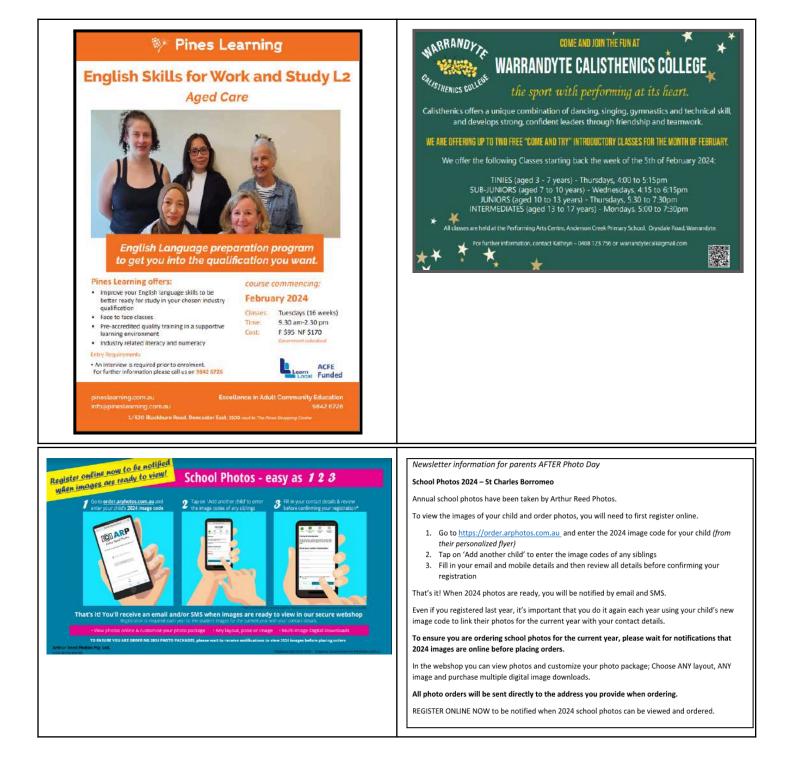
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## REMINDER TO PURCHASE EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS DRAWN ON TUESDAY 26TH MARCH 2024 MORE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE

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#### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM HERE AT YOUR SCHOOL

At ABC Music, we're passionate about nurturing well-rounded students, and our music program plays a key role in that mission. From learning to play the guitar to mastering the piano, our students are immersed in the wonderful world of music, and the benefits are truly remarkable. Research shows that music education can significantly enhance a child's cognitive development, academic performance, and overall well-being. When students engage with music, they sharpen their focus, improve their memory, and develop enhanced problem-solving skills - qualities that undoubtedly translate into academic success

## INSTRUMENTAL **MUSIC PROGRAM** FOR SCHOOLS

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- YES \*We can prepare students for AMEB Exams

We provide a range of musical instruments to learn, but this will differ from school to school. However, Keybou and Guitar lessons are offered in all the schools we teach.

 Students can enrol for group, paired or private lessons Lessons are 30 min long every week during the school term

We supply keyboards/guitars/drums for lessons

(other instruments to be supplied by the student)

- enrolment, the book will be delivered in class
- Enrolment is on a subscription basis, and fees are charged every 3 months (once per term) via direct debi

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