Dear Parents and Carers

Adults Approaching Students on the Playground
Under no circumstances should adults approach students on the playground. While children are at school and in our care, it is necessary that adults register their presence on site through the front office. If children are not getting along, please contact your child’s teacher. Parents seeking out children on the playground to discuss relationships always ends in tears!

School Web Site
The notes tab on the school site is a most important point of contact for you. Notes handed out/emails to parents are uploaded onto our site for future reference.

Building Fund
Every now and again, I like to explain the use of the Building Levy fund at St Jude’s. The school does not retain the Building Levy amount included in your school fees. It is forwarded on to the Catholic Education Office and placed in a pool containing all systemic schools Building Levy funds. This fund pays for the maintenance of all systemic Catholic schools in Canberra. Over the last few years, more than $250,000 has been spent at St Jude’s. This money is unrelated to the refurbishment recently completed.

Mulleygrub Café
Kim Hekimian is doing a wonderful job in our canteen. Half of the school must line up to buy treats at lunch time on most Fridays. Kim continues to be supported by Scott Hamilton, Kylee Rainey and Jo Whalen on a regular basis and other volunteers. Please consider giving some time to help out in the canteen, as I know you will enjoy the experience.

Principal’s Retreat
I will be away from school from Wednesday to Friday of this week to attend the annual Archdiocesan Principal’s Retreat at Bowral. Archbishop Prowse will lead the retreat, as he did last year, so once again I am very confident that I will be fortunate to have this time out in reflection during this Lent.

Wishing you well

Peter Galvin
Principal
Fete Date 2016—As most of us know, the fete is the Community Council’s biggest fundraiser each year and its success depends upon the efforts of many. Our fete will be on Saturday 19 March. To run a fete is a big deal, so please consider where you might be able to assist. Class groups should nominate early if they have a desire to organise and run a particular stall – get in early! Please keep your eye out for further information and assist where you can. It is a great day and a lovely opportunity to contribute and get to know all of the fantastic members of our school community.

Medical Action Plans—If your child has a medical action plan for allergies and/or asthma, could you please ensure the front office has an up to date copy.

Skoolbag—Please subscribe to Skoolbag! Skoolbag keeps you up to date with the latest information from school. The school uses SKOOLBAG as one way of communicating with you, the parents and carers. We encourage you to download the app appropriate for your device and install it onto your phone or tablet. You can view the school calendar for upcoming events, record sick notes and other absences for your child, and importantly, subscribe for alerts relevant to the grade your child or children are in.

Instructions for downloading the app are located on the Skoolbag tab on the school website. Once downloaded you must also configure the app to receive alerts. You may choose to receive alerts for all grades and classes, or just those grades that are relevant to your children. You can subscribe to various alert grades by tapping on “more” then “setup” in the app. Alternatively, you can provide an email address to receive alerts that way. Please go to the school website, click the Skoolbag tab for more information.

Found—a baby’s bunny rug has been found on the school grounds. If you are missing a bunny rug, please see the front office.

Congratulations—We would like to congratulate Angela and Bob on the birth of their baby girl, Kristal. A new sister for Antonio (4M) and Francesco (KC).

Happy birthday wishes to: Abigail E, Katelyn E, Tayla B, William M, Kaeden A, Seumas C and Rafael F.

ELC News

Happy Birthday Cyrano and Jett

The children all enjoyed coming to school in plain clothes this week. Thank you for all your wonderful donations for our ‘Little Kids Corner’ fete stall. We had a visit from Larry Brandy, an Aboriginal story-teller who shared his stories, role play, and music. This sparked the Joey’s interest in learning some Aboriginal songs and looking at the Aboriginal flag. The Wombats also enjoyed building a volcano in the sandpit and playing with dinosaurs. They joined with Kinder for morning prayers and have enjoyed going out for lunch under the trees. The Echidnas have been talking about healthy eating and are making some funny food faces. They have tried their hand at gardening in preparation for their visit to the markets next week.

Excursions—The children are will be enjoying some new experiences in the next few weeks. The Wombats and Joeys will be participating in an Intergenerational Playgroup. The Wombats and Echidnas will be visiting the Fyshwick Markets and the Joeys will be visiting the Boundless Playground. Please check your notes pockets and return permission notes as soon as possible.

Boxes for Craft—We are collecting recycled boxes and items that can be used for craft and construction. Please send them into the ELC.

St Jude’s Fete—Saturday 19 March. It is always a wonderful, social day and a great opportunity to get involved and get to know lots of other St Jude’s families. Please get involved in whatever way you can.

Michelle Parkes
Director
Year 5/6 Mass
This morning year 5 and 6 celebrated Mass with parishioners and Father Brannelly. Thank you to Mrs Hart, Ms Sallecchia and Mrs Stincic for preparing the children. Thank you Milly R, Sarah C and Chloe B for altar serving.

On Thursday 10 March year 2 will celebrate Mass together at 9.30am. All parents are welcome to join us.

Children’s Liturgy
On the 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month a children’s liturgy is held at the 9am Mass at St John Vianney Church. This is a wonderful time for children to come together to understand the gospel in words they can understand. All children are welcome.

St Vincent De Paul night patrol
Thank you so much to those families that have so generously donated to the night patrol. If you would like to do so, please bring your toiletries to the front office.

Mini Vinnies
Each year, the year 6 students volunteer their time to be a part of a Mini Vinnies group. They dedicate their efforts to raise awareness and money for the St Vincent de Paul society. We had a very productive meeting this week to start organising events to help the school with its mission of reaching out to others in need.

God Bless
Susan Chant
Religious Education Coordinator

Dates to remember:
- Thursday 10 March Year 2 class Mass, 9.30am
- Friday 18 March Palm Sunday liturgy, 2.15pm
- Thursday 24 March Holy Thursday and Good Friday Liturgy led by Year 6
- Friday 25 March Good Friday
- Sunday 27 March Easter Sunday

Sports News

Congratulations
- to Spencer B for making the South Weston U12 Boys Cricket team.
- to Caleb V for making the South Weston U12 Boys Softball team.

Reminders
- Matt Giteau Cup notes are due in tomorrow.
- Please continue to bring in your Catholic Schools Soccer Carnival notes and money.
- Save the Date—Friday 1 April is our Cross Country Carnival.
- Save the Date—Sunday 3 April is the Catholic Schools Soccer Carnival. Notes have been handed out this week and available in the ‘Notes’ section on the web.

Netball—St Jude’s children play for Saints Netball Club which participates in the Saturday morning winter competition starting 2 April at the Arawang Netball Courts in Stirling. Online registration closes 6 March. Visit http://anasaintsnc.act.netball.com.au/ to register, or contact the Junior Convenor, Grant Faulkner grantmfaulkner@gmail.com for more information.

Tim O’Brien
Sports Coordinator
### Library News

Stephanie Owen Reeder is our local “Author of the Week”. Some of her books in our Library are “Isaac and his amazing Asperger superpowers” and “All cats have Asperger syndrome”. A great new book that we have in the Library, that might be of interest to children with Aspergers (and parents) is called “Isaac and his amazing Asperger superpowers”. It is easy to read and full of positive messages and helps everyone to understand Aspergers simply. Also “All cats have Asperger syndrome” is fun!

See me if you would like to borrow or read them!

Happy reading!

Verna Comley
Librarian

### Mulleygrub Café

**Master Chef — Friday**

The **Hall Family** have made Honey Joys.

Ingredients are: cornflakes, butter, honey and sugar.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Some parents may have had some unhappy children last Friday 😞. I needed more help to prepare all the lunches in time for the bell at 11am. We (Jo Whalen) and I went as fast as we could, unfortunately a lot of children had to wait. We were asked by several children why their lunches were taking so long?

If anyone can offer a couple of hours in the morning on a Thursday or Friday, late lunches would be avoided. As our school grows, the demand on lunch orders does too. This service can not run without volunteers.

Kim Hekimian
Canteen Manager

### Canteen Roster

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Mulleyduds—Uniform Shop

Mulleyduds welcomes you all to the new school year!

Mulleyduds is OPEN from 3.00-3.30pm on the following days:

March 4 (Week 5)
March 18 (Week 7)
April 1 (Week 9)

A reminder that we gratefully accept donations of second hand uniforms which can be left at the front office. We will have all second hand uniforms for sale at very reasonable prices on our opening dates.

I hope to catch you in the shop.

Susana Lloyd (Mum of Rosie KC, Jacob 2L, Caleb 5/6S)

Registrations for the 2016 Season close Sunday 6 March


Saturday morning winter season starts 2 April 2016. Register online and pay fees by Sunday 6 March. Late registrations after this date are subject to acceptance and incur a $20 surcharge.

Would you like to be part of the action? We require Coaches, Umpires and Team Managers. Please indicate your willingness to help when completing registrations or contact the Junior Convenor.

For more information, or having trouble with online registration? - please contact the Saints Junior Convenor Grant Faulkner grantmfaulkner@gmail.com
St Jude's 'Spirit' Fete 2016

Thank you to those who have already contacted us and volunteered your time and generously donated goods for the fete. Muffin Day was a huge success, your generosity truly reflects this year’s community ‘spirit’ theme for our fete. The kids looked liked they had a lot of fun voting for their favourite teacher to kiss the Goat. There are only 6 votes separating the top 2 goat kissers. Voting will be every Tuesday morning under the Shelter Shed right up until fete day. $1 per vote and you can vote more than once. Who will the lucky kisser be???

We are still looking for volunteers for stalls so if you haven’t done so already please volunteer just an hour of your day to help out one of the stalls. Go to the volunteer sign up register by clicking on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn’t work) to go to the signup sheet: https://www.volunteersignup.org/7D4MP or contact your class reps.

We would like to thank all the St Jude’s parents that have generously donated from their businesses and the local businesses and the local community for their generous donations, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

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Don’t forget to purchase your early bird rides pass on Qkr before fete day. A Rides Pass gets you unlimited side show alley and jumping castles as well as one ticket for ‘other’ activity, you choose which one!

Early Bird Rides Pass - $18
Fete Day Rides Pass - $20

Lastly, don’t forget to fill your zip bags (that came home with your children) for the tombola stall.

We look forward to seeing you at the fete.

Thanks
Fete Committee Organisers
Nicky Bourke, Sylvia Gallagher & Kerri Aragall
stjudesfete2016@gmail.com

### Fete Mate - Now on Sale

$6ea or $5ea for 4 or more
Comes with a sausage sandwich, fruit juice chips, Quelsch Ice Block, school lanyard and entry into the:

**Mates Only Hat**
1st Prize: Questacon Family Pass ($70)
2nd Prize: That Gelato Place $20 voucher
3rd Prize: That Gelato Place $20 voucher

See the school website Notes page for more information and order form.

**Pre-loved Clothing Stall**
Time for a clean out!
Please keep in mind the pre-loved clothing stall

**Fairy Floss Stall**
Volunteers needed...

**Garden Stall**
Do you have a green thumb, could you donate plants for the garden stall...
WHO WILL KISS THE GOAT?

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

Our brave teachers have agreed to KISS THE GOAT on fete day.

On Mufti Day, bring along $1 to vote for the teacher who you think would love to KISS THE GOAT. The teacher who has raised the most money by fete day will KISS THE GOAT on stage. The more money you bring, the more votes you get!
### Rides

What the kids can look forward to at the St Jude's fete

**Early Bird Rides Pass—$18** (pay on Qkr before fete day)
**Fete Day Rides Pass—$20**

A Rides Pass gets you unlimited fun on side show alley and the jumping castles, as well as one ticket for ‘other’ activity, you choose which one!

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WHAT’s HAPPENING AT THE FETE?

SHOWBAGS, SHOWBAGS, SHOWBAGS!

All showbags – only $7!

LASERTAG

Get Ready for Fun!

Tickets only $5 a game, or one free game included with your all day ride pass
Parents and Carers are invited to Bringing Up Great Kids—a parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation for Parents and Carers of children aged 2—10 years.

This course will give you insights and skills needed to:

- Promote positive and nurturing relationships between parents and children
- Explore the management of stress in your parenting role
- Encourage the development of your child’s positive self-identity
- Develop the ability to contain strong emotion and to think through the responses to your child, rather than give ‘knee-jerk’ reactions
- Overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be
- Create opportunities for positive exchanges with your children.

The course is offered 3 hours per week over a 4 week period.
DATES: 24th Feb, 2nd, 9th & 16th March
TIME: 6pm—9pm
VENUE: 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill
FEE: $100 (Concessions available)
Fee includes light supper & course materials

Bookings Essential
Contact
6162 6100
The Journey
THROUGH ADOLESCENCE

The Program is called The Resourceful Adolescent Program for Parents (RAP – P). This program is suitable for parents and carers of children attending primary school years 5 & 6 and secondary school students attending years 7—12.

RAP – P will help you:

• Help your teenager to develop a healthy self-esteem
• Help your teenager to gain independence while still feeling safe and part of the family
• Manage your stress so you can do your best job as a parent
• Prevent and manage conflict with you teenager
• Promote harmony in your family

The course is offered 3 hours per week over a 3 week period.

DATES: 23rd, 30th March & 6th April
TIME: 6pm—9pm
VENUE: 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill
FEE: $80 (Concessions available)
Fee includes light supper & course materials

Bookings Essential
Contact
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COUNSELLING & THERAPY SERVICES

Counselling Services
» Managing emotions
» Social skill development
» Managing worry and depression

Speech Therapy
» Speech sounds
» Swallowing
» Stuttering
» Receptive & expressive language skills

Behaviour Management
» Assess areas of need
» Develop program to manage the behaviour
» Provide training to parents/carers on implementing program

For more information or to book an appointment, please contact:
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