**IMPORTANT DATES**

**July**
- 26th: Grade Prep, 1/2 Nutrition Incursion
- 29th: NMFC Footy Program

**August**
- 1st: Grade 5/6 Excursion to Melbourne Museum
- 2nd: Parents & Friends Meeting @ 6pm
- 3rd: St Aloysius School Production
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**Our Father, which art in heaven,**

**Hallowed be thy Name.**

**Thy Kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done in earth,**

**As it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**As we forgive them that trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**But deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**The power, and the glory,**

**For ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

Matthew 6:9-13
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children,

In this newsletter I need to bring to your attention the issue of the Internet, ‘Social Media’ and the way in which some of our students are using it.

The internet and social media has now become an important part of all our all lives and the way in which we communicate with both family and friends. It can be a wonderful tool to use for all different purposes if we use it responsibly, unfortunately this is not always the case. Allowing our children access to the internet always poses challenges for both parents and teachers and it is important that we as the adults are aware of what access our children have and how they are using it.

Sadly over the past couple of weeks we have had a couple of instances where children have had unsupervised access to sites such as Face-book, Instagram and Snapshot and have been exposed to inappropriate comments and material. It is important to note that most of these sites have an age limit of 13 years, meaning that children under 13 are legally not allowed to have access. This access happened in their own home and usually late at night when parents thought they were asleep.

I believe the important thing to note here is that even though we believe our children are using the internet responsibly and are ‘tech savvy’, as parents we still need to ensure they are being safe when using any of their devices.

Therefore I strongly encourage you as parents to have a discussion with your children about what access they have to the internet, what sites they are using, who they are talking to and what they are posting. I would strongly urge you to ensure your children do not have access to their devices and the internet away from your supervision. I cannot see any need for children to have a device such as a mobile phone, laptop or ipad in their bedrooms at night. I ask you to think about having a family rule that all devices are placed in a central spot before they go to bed, therefore enabling them to go to bed and get a good night’s sleep.

Parents can go to www.esafety.gov.au for more information for support in keeping your children safe online where they talk about 3 key strategies:

1. Communicate openly with your children
2. Use Technology tools to keep children safe
3. Encourage safe and responsible behaviour

St Michael’s will continue to educate our children on safe and responsible use of the internet and we know that you as parents will support us in this task by ensuring your children are safe and responsible users of the internet while at home.

Prep Readiness Forum

On Wednesday 10th August we will be having a evening gathering where we will have a Prep Readiness Information Night with guest speakers who specialise in Early Years Education. If you or any friends have a Prep child beginning in 2017 or even in 2018, this is a great opportunity to hear from the experts about how we can recognise the signs and also help our children in their preparation for school. This forum is open to families who will be attending St Michael’s in 2017 as well as families who will be attending other schools. This is a community event so please let your friends, family and neighbours know about.

Child Safety

Catholic Education has a commitment to provide a safe and nurturing culture for all children in our Catholic schools and has a universal expectation for the protection of our children within our schools. All schools, Catholic, Government and Independent are required to have a Child Safety Policy that speaks to the child safety standards as addressed by the Victorian Government Ministerial Order No 870. As of August 1st our Child Policy will be available on our website and at our office for parents who wish to have a paper copy. Along with this policy we are also putting in place a Code of Conduct for all people who work and assist in our school. This policy we are also putting in place a Code of Conduct for all people who work and assist in our school. Using these within our school community. If you have any questions please come and see me.

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The child safety standards are:

- Standard 1: Organisational Culture of Child Safety
- Standard 2: Child Safety Policy
- Standard 3: Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Standard 4: Human Resources Practices to Ensure Child Safety
- Standard 5: Responding to Allegations of Child Abuse
- Standard 6: Child Safety Risk Management strategies
- Standard 7: Participation and Empowerment of Children

**Mass times**

The children will now be attending mass on a Friday morning at 9am rather than a Thursday. Please remember you are always welcome to join us.

**School Uniform**

I thank you for your support in making sure our children are in their correct uniform and wearing it with pride. It certainly sends a message to all the community that we are proud to belong to St Michael’s.

**Car Parking**

Unfortunately over the past couple of days some families have received parking fines for parking illegally before and after school. Again I stress that for your own financial benefit you park legally and if need be walk a short distance to collect your children. The school cannot prevent parking officers from issuing fines so again I urge you to park legally and safely.

**Review**

Monday sees the beginning of our review process. I will be meeting with our external Reviewer to begin the discussions around the successes and challenges of past four of St Michael’s and planning our direction for the next four years. Again I will keep you informed as this process continues.

**Before and After School Program**

This week we sent out an ‘expression of interest’ letter regarding the provision of Holiday Care program. If you are interested in using this service it is important you return this note or contact the office as soon as possible. This would be a valuable service that would be provided to not only children from St Michael’s but from other schools. This would be a great opportunity for children to get together with friends and meet new ones for a relatively low cost.

**School/Family Communication**

Do you have the Skoolbag app yet?

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**Learning Together! Achieving Together**

Denise Hussey

Principal

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100 Days of Prep

On Friday the 22nd July 2016, our Prep students celebrated their first 100 days of school. We have been marking off the days on our special 100 poster all year and finally the 100th day arrived! Yahoo!! The day was celebrated with the students designing their '100 Day' crown and then participating in a range of literacy and numeracy activities which focused on the number 100 with their buddies.

The students had lots of fun blowing 100 bubbles outside and clapping 100 times before eating cupcakes. A special thanks to Mel (Levi’s Mum) for taking the time to bake 100 cup cakes especially for the celebration!
Art News

Students in Grades Prep, One and Two have their threads and textile work on display near the office and the front door. This includes their weaving, wool collage and cloth characters. Come and check them out!

Annie

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Classroom Bean Bags

The parents & Friend have kindly donated bean bags in all class room from Grade 3-6.

Dear Parents and Friends,

Thank you for the wonderful bean bags for our classrooms. We really enjoy having them for resting, working and relaxing.

“I like it when I am on a bean bag”, Enjion, Year 4

“I like to read books on the bean bag”, Alex, Year 3

“I enjoy sitting on them while I am drawing”, Acel, Year 4

“The bean bags are big enough for 3 people”, Sienn, Year 4

“I enjoy relaxing on the bean bags” Christine, Year 3

“I really like to do my work on the bean bags”, Matty, Year 3

The bean bags make our rooms look colourful and fun places to learn.

Thank you very much.

The Year 3/4 students

Dear Parents and Friends,

Thank you so much for the bean bags. We feel so happy that we got beanbags since we really wanted to have them. We appreciate your generosity to our school and I know our school will take care of the bean bags. We can’t thank you enough for everything you have done for us, we are grateful for your decisions that makes our school a better place for us, other students and teachers.

Thank you,

Chantelle 5/6J

Dear Parents and Friends,

Thank you for the amazing wonderful beanbags. We really enjoy them. We can’t thank you enough. You have supported our school for a while and we really appreciate what you do for our school.

The beanbags are very comfortable and help us with our learning. We all know that the beanbags are expensive and we know how hard it is for our teachers and principal to afford them so I just want to say THANK YOU.

From: Ethar Adem 5/6 MP

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Grade Prep & Grade 1/2R Healthy Eating Incursion

The Grade Preps & 1/2R took part in an incursion to learn about healthy food choice, how much fruit and vegetable you need to eat per day for a healthy body, and how healthy food helps our muscles and bones. The children got to make healthy art with fresh fruit and vegetable. They then got to eat their creations.

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Second Hand Uniform

If you have any uniform that your child does not fit into any more, our second hand uniform shop is accepting donations. Our uniform shop offers items from $2.00 and is a great way to recycle and pick up extra items of uniform you may need. Thank-you

A New Arrival...

Our congratulations and a very warm welcome to Ibrahim into the Khursheed family and our community. A brother for Muhammad.

Canteen Volunteer Reply Slip

Name:________________________________________________________________________

Phone No. _______________________________________

I am available on: (please circle)

MONDAY                        THURSDAY
11:30-1:40PM                   12:30PM-1:30PM

□ Weekly                       □ Fortnightly               □ Monthly

Parking Regulations

We ask parents to adhere to parking regulations in and around the streets which surround St Michael’s School. Please remember that the area directly in front of the school in Brougham Street is a no standing zone while flags are displayed at the beginning and end of the school day. It is not ok to park your car and come into the school if you are parking in this area.

Birthdays ...

We are wishing Essey (5/6J), Amy (5/6J), Kevin (3/4H), Declan (3/4H), Marhawi (3/4AD), Hayden (3/4AD), Athena (3/4AD), & Jonathan (3/4A) a very special day as they celebrate their birthdays with family and friends.

Enjoy all the fun! Happy Birthday!

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Congratulations Elshaddie (Prep D)) & Adrienne (Prep D) on completing their “I Spy Outside” record sheet. The children receive stickers for being safe, respectful, a learner or responsible during playtime and lunch time. When their chart is full they are rewarded with a lucky dip. The children then receive a new chart to practice our school wide positive behaviours.

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**Added or Amended Item**

School hours are:

8.30am (Gates open) supervision in the yard—9am School day begins

3.30pm—3.45pm supervision in the yard.

All children who arrive earlier than 8:30am will be sent to before are and children who have not been collected at 3:45pm will be sent to aftercare (Fees apply).
Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at St. Michaels Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from $16.20 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 3, 2016.

Interested parents should call Fiona during office hours on 9818 2333

Creative Music
www.creativemusic.com.au
ONLY $75 for the whole term at St Michael’s Primary School- North Melb

**Basketball**

Dribble, Pass, shoot hoops these are the skills you will learn to master.

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**AFL**

You will learn to become a master of PAss, Run, Mark and Kicking goals!

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**Dance**

Step to the beat in a number of sequences to learn a choreographed dance routine!

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Cost: $75 per program.

**Enrol Online:**

[WWW.BIG5SPORTS.COM.AU](http://www.big5sports.com.au)

Alternatively, Call the Office at 0422 043 853
JUNIOR CRICKET REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Cricket: Register online via KFJSC

If you have any concerns or questions regarding registration, please contact your sports' registration coordinator at the email address below:

Cricket: rfrazer@casey.vic.gov.au

REGISTRATION FEES

Fees for the 2016 season are as follows:

U9-16 Junior (Single): $230.00
U9-16 Junior (Family)*: $425.00
U9-16 Junior (Single) Concession: $155.00
U9-16 Junior (Family)* Concession: $285.00
U10 Cricket: $120.00 (Single)
MILO Cricket: $75.00 (Single)
Moonee Valley Cricket Club is fielding
Under 10, 12, 14 and 16 sides for Season 2016/17

We’re also running our Milo In2Cricket program

**JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY**

**Saturday 30th July 2016**

2.30pm-4.30pm Ormond Park, Pattison St Moonee Ponds

SEASON STARTS OCTOBER 2016 – training starts September 2016

Under 16: players born after 31/8/2000
Under 14: players born after 31/8/02
Under 12: players born after 31/8/04
Under 10: players born after 31/8/06

Fees: $250 per season – this includes all match day fees, balls, umpires, insurance, access to equipment, ground fees and coaching and each player gets a club match cap and MVCC shirt included in the registration fee.

Discounts available for siblings and eligible concession card holders

All matches are Friday evenings

Training:  U10s Monday afternoon, U12s and U14s Wednesday afternoon

CONTACT: Junior Co-ordinators: Leigh Holder 0497106191 alleigh@bigpond.net.au
Peter Pickering 0414800145 pjp@vicbar.com.au
Junior Coach:  Channa Da Silva 0402 833 592 channa@desilva.id.au

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JUNIOR CRICKET
REGISTRATION DAYS

DATE: Saturday 3RD & 10TH September 2016
TIME: 10:00am – 11:00am
LOCATION: Ryder Oval Pavilion and Nets

If you cannot make these days or wish to register online:

Please download the registration form and complete: http://www.ypcc.org.au/content.aspx?file=437|40738t

Email the form to the Junior Coordinator Sophie Newing: sophie.newing@gmail.com

FEE STRUCTURE:

Under 10s: $200
(Incl. cap, club training shirt, all costs. Excludes match day shirt which are available for $30)

Under 12s, U14s & U16s: $250
(Incl. cap, club training shirt, all costs. Excludes match day shirt which are available for $30)

Milo & T20 Blast:
Youlden Parkville Cricket Club will also run a Milo In2Cricket Program (Oct–Dec: $99) and T20Blast Program (Late Jan – March: $99) for 5–8 year olds.
To register for these programs click the below link and follow the registration process: