



Newsletter

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Reflection



Being a Spirit-filled person

Jesus said “It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.” John 6:63

The Holy Spirit is sent by Jesus to remind the world of what Jesus taught and did.

Pentecost was the first time anyone had ever had God’s Spirit inside them instead of just on them or with them. The first time the Holy Spirit came to live inside people was wildly obvious, but the Holy Spirit wasn’t just for the first disciples.

He is in every single person who follows Jesus. He doesn’t normally come in flames and wind, but he lives inside you, as the Helper Jesus promised to send.



Acts 2:1-11 -

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. ‘Surely’ they said ‘all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.’

The Word of the Lord.

Let us pray

Loving and caring Father,
May we be led and guided by your Spirit of love as we prepare for Confirmation; and may we grow ever closer in service to Jesus, your son, our friend and brother.
Amen.

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Principal’s Message

Next weekend, on Sunday June 19, the children in Year 6 will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at the parish 9:30am mass and the 11:30am mass. This is a very special time in the children’s faith development as they make the decision to undertake this sacrament and confirm the baptismal promises made on their behalf by their parents and godparents. It was great to see so many parents attend the Confirmation Information Evening held last week at the school. The weekend masses were also well attended by Year 6 families and their Prep buddy families in support of the children’s preparation for this sacrament.

Bishop Terry together with Fr. Tony will confirm the children and we ask for the community to keep the children in your prayers as they prepare for this significant event in their faith journey.



LEARNING CONFERENCES

As you may have heard in the media recently many schools have been impacted by a variety of illnesses including COVID, flu and gastro. Our school is no exception to this but fortunately we have been able to manage staff so that classes can continue for the children. We appreciate that parents are keeping their children at home when they are unwell to help reduce the spread of any illnesses. We encourage you to continue to do this. With Learning Conferences coming up in the last week of school we are conscious that having the children in the hall together for an extended period of time whilst the conferences take place may increase the spread of these illnesses. Therefore, we are asking parents who are able, to collect their children at 1:00pm on June 21. We understand this is relatively short notice but we are responding to the situation that has developed recently with these illnesses.

If parents are unable to arrange to collect their children, the children will be supervised in the hall, as has been the situation in previous years.

So that the teachers know who will be remaining at school, we ask **parents who are unable to pick up their children at 1:00pm** to complete the Google form linked [here](#) by 12:00pm Monday June 20.

We thank you for your understanding and support of these arrangements in advance as we endeavour to continue to provide a safe environment for the school community.

REPORTS

This week the school has had significant technical issues with the computer network. This has caused delays to our reporting schedule and the collection of assessment data. As a result the student reports will become available for parents to access from **1pm on Monday June 20**.

Originally reports were due to be available on Thursday June 16.

DROP OFF/ PICK UP & PARKING

Thank you to those families who are following the drop off and pick up arrangements and protocols which operate in Woodland Street and Rosebank Avenue. The vast majority of parents/grandparents/carers are following the practice of not leaving cars unattended in the pink zones and pulling up within the clearly marked bays. Unfortunately, we do have some families who do not believe the parking laws apply to them by dropping off/picking up in areas near but not within the allocated zones. This creates a danger to everyone.

Last week one of the crossing supervisors was abused by a family when they were asked to move their vehicle because it presented a hazard to others. The school and the crossing supervisors will not compromise the children’s safety for the convenience of a few families in our community who chose to ignore to follow the expectations everyone else is fulfilling.

Council have been taking photos of cars breaching the parking laws and issuing fines in the mail. Please, for the safety of all in our community, abide by the traffic laws which operate around the school.

PARENT HELPER WORKSHOP

Last week Jo Power and Nicole Kaso facilitated the Parent Helper Workshop for those parents who want to help out in the classroom and support the children. Thank you to those parents who attended the workshop and were so enthusiastic in the different activities they were involved in. Over the coming weeks teachers will be communicating with parents about your availability to help in the classroom.

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY/SCHOOL FETE

Please see the information provided by the Fete Committee and attached to today’s Parents Association newsletter. This explains what the children are requested to bring on the Casual Clothes Day on June 17 to support our fete.

Shane Byrne
PRINCIPAL

Term 2, 2022 Learning Conferences



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents,

Learning Conferences will be held on **Tuesday 21st June** and **between 1:30-6:00pm** and on **Wednesday 22nd June** between **3:40pm-5:30pm** in your child's classroom.

You can now book interviews for the times that suit **YOUR FAMILY**. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow the simple instructions.

BOOKINGS WILL OPEN on Monday 6th June at 9am
BOOKINGS CLOSE on Monday 20th June at 10am

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Enter THIS school event code,

bynu3

Then follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click **finish**, your meeting time will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.



Please note:
Students in Years 3-6 must be present at the Learning Conference. The students in Year Prep, 1 and 2 are also expected to attend the Learning Conferences with their parents, however the teacher will be facilitating the Conference rather than the students.

Learning Conferences are strictly 10mins. If you require more time, please contact the teacher directly and make alternative arrangements.

Term 2, 2022 School Fees

A reminder that Term 2 school fees were due on **Friday 27th May**.
If you have any concerns about your financial situation and are experiencing hardship, please contact Mr Shane Byrne (principal@svstrathmore.catholic.edu.au), so that a confidential financial arrangement can be discussed.

School Choir

We are delighted to have the return of our school choir each Thursday for part of lunch time. We thank Marg Cronin for her time spent leading the children in singing songs to God. The choir are encouraged to attend sacraments throughout the year including our upcoming Confirmation on Sunday 19th June at 9:30am and 11:30am. The children will sit at the front of the church to sing with the church choir at these masses.



Sports Update

CROSS COUNTRY:
Congratulations to the seven students **Asha Hale (Yr 4)**, **Bodhi Ciantar (Yr 4)**, **Marina Trevisiol (Yr 5)**, **Charlie Metcalfe (Yr 5)**, **Mia Hale (Yr 6)**, **Adam Torcaso (Yr 6)** and **William Morgan (Yr 6)** who competed in the Divisional Cross Country event at Brimbank Park yesterday (Wednesday the 8th of June). All of the students finished in the top 20 in the Moonee Ponds division - a great effort over 2km or 3kms.

Congratulations to **Bodhi Ciantar (Yr 4)** who finished 8th and **Marina Trevisiol (Yr 5)** who finished 9th in their races and will now compete in the Regional Cross Country event on Thursday the 16th of June. Good Luck to Bodhi and Marina.



STATE U/12 TEAM TRIALS:
A number of Year 6 students have been trying out for the **U/12 STATE Teams** in Netball, Basketball, Soccer and Football during this term. Many of them are still in the trial process and have progressed to the Western Region trials being held this week and next.

Good luck to these students.

Year 6 Confirmation Retreat

On Wednesday 8th June, the Year 6 students and teachers, along with Mr Byrne and Mrs Petrie attended the Confirmation Retreat Day at the Moonee Ponds Bowls.

The day began with prayer to ask the Holy Spirit to be with us as we spent the day focused on preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Terry Curtin spoke with the students, along with Fr. Tony Doran and Fr. Andrew Choi, to further explore the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit and ways that the students can be of service to others by using their gifts and fruits.

The retreat day concluded with the students reading letters from their parents, who shared their thoughts on how their children demonstrate the gifts and fruits and also words of praise and encouragement for their future.

A wonderful day was had by all involved.



Reconciliation Week

May 27th to June 3rd was Reconciliation Week. Reconciliation Week allows us to celebrate Indigenous history and culture and foster reconciliation discussion and activities. This year's theme is 'Be Brave. Make Change' and some of the Year 3 students explored this during a Wellbeing lesson.



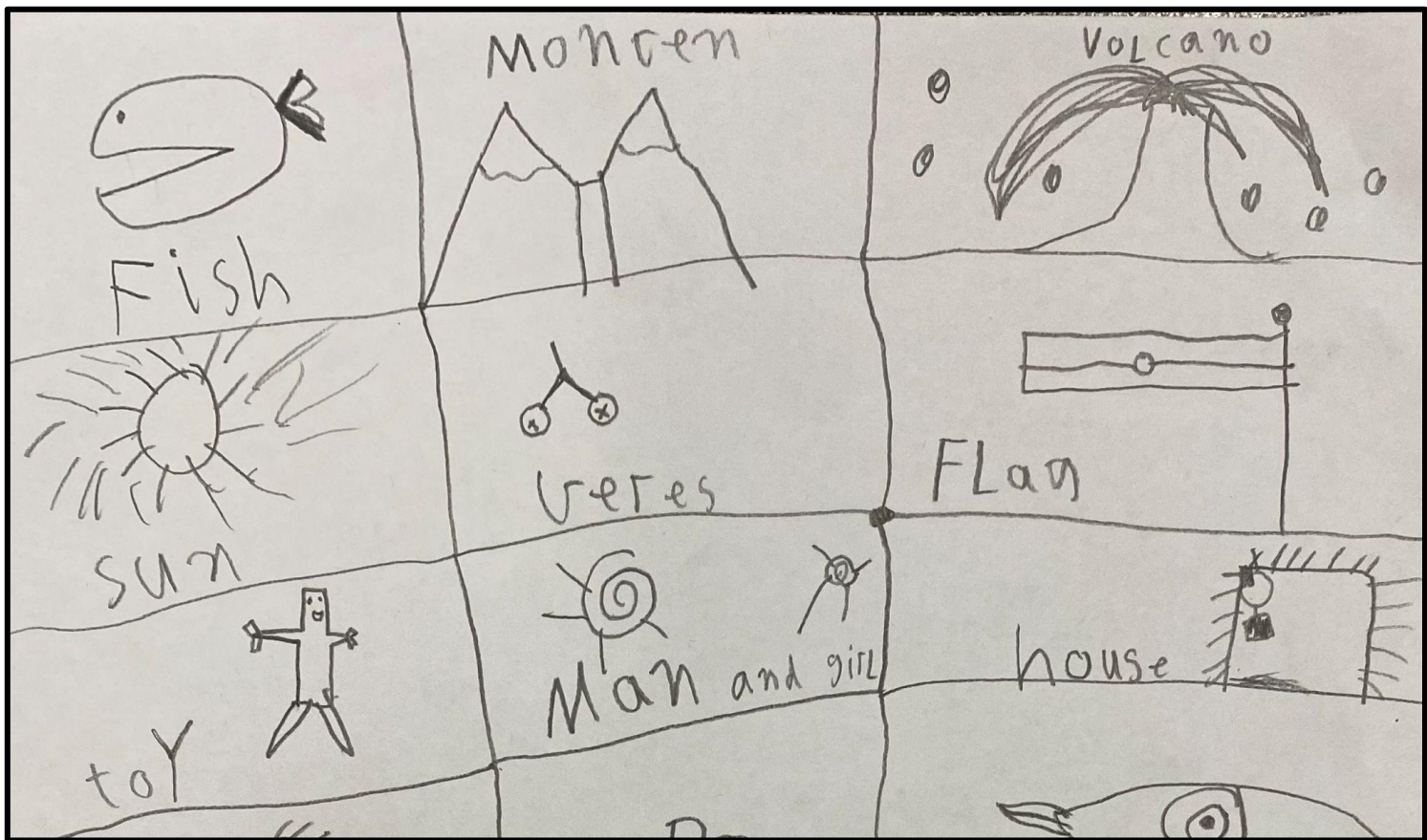
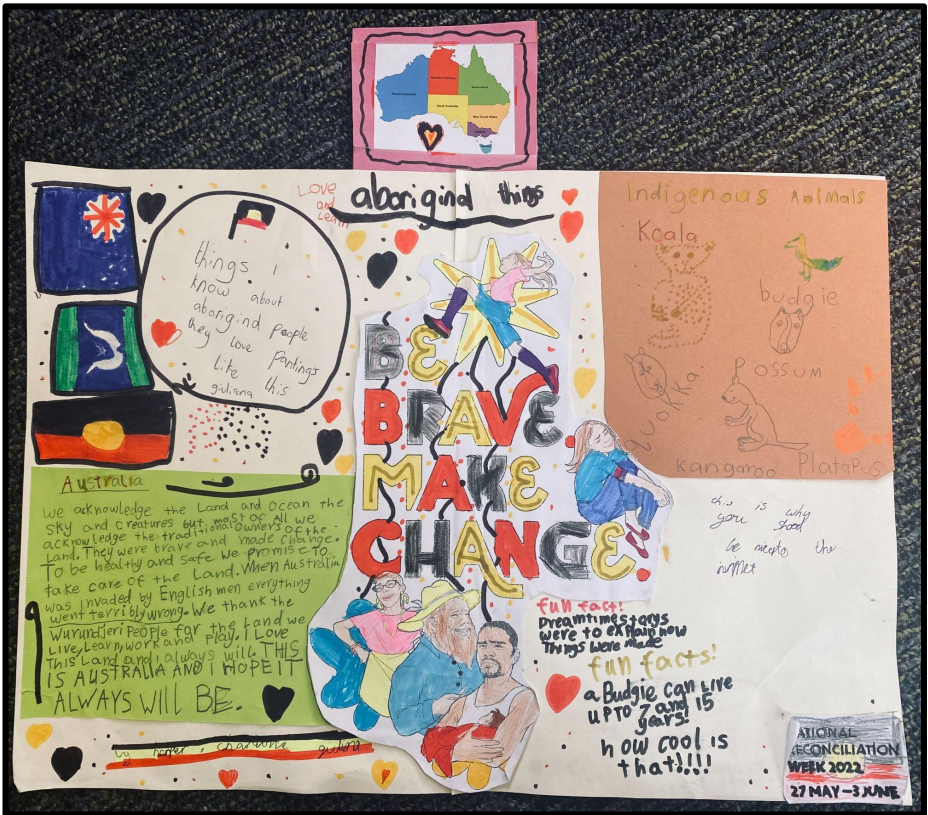
The theme challenges all Australians to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can Make Change for the benefit of all Australians.

The session started with an insightful discussion and then led to students completing their own independent inquiries. Some students decided to research more into Indigenous music and dance whilst others decided to explore the Acknowledgement of Country and what this means. Every student discussed the Aboriginal Flag and used the colours to decorate their own stick.



Some students decided to explore Indigenous symbols and create some of their own, whilst others created posters from the information they researched.

Embracing the Indigenous culture is an important part of what we do here at St Vincents and the empathy and compassion shown by the children is admirable. We look forward to exploring this topic further.



Awards

Please find listed below the names of those students receiving awards at the assembly on **FRIDAY 17th June.**



PREP BLUE	Luke Habib Isla Kuret	THREE BLUE	Marc Vacirca Sofia Haynes
PREP GOLD	Anthony Cannavo Mila Trevisiol	THREE GOLD	Ava Milinkovic Anthony Habib
PREP GREEN	Elena Mazza Tom Klavins	FOUR BLUE	Amelia Soccio Lucas Micevski
ONE BLUE	Lily Britton Keira Reardon	FOUR GOLD	Clodagh O’Carroll Freddie Metcalfe
ONE GOLD	Jude McCormick Collette Pettinella	FIVE BLUE	Evie Watson Marcus Zucchi
ONE GREEN	Saige Morrell Krishna Tadikamalla	FIVE GOLD	Claudia Cendo Jack Soper Oscar Tilovski
TWO BLUE	Valerie Smith Jaxon Waters	SIX BLUE	WINTER SPORTS
TWO GOLD	Eve Macheda Louie Howard	SIX GOLD	WINTER SPORTS
TWO GREEN	Jayden Liu Evie Anderson		

Autism Family Swim & Social Event

A reminder that the Windy Hill Autism Family Swim and Social event is coming up on Saturday 18th June. We'd love to see more new families at our all ages Swim/Social afternoon. The pool is closed to the public and open only to our autistic community.

Time: 4.00-6.00pm
Cost: \$10 per person including parents/carers/support workers (this can be claimed on NDIS depending on your plan). This gives you entry to the pool and a BBQ dinner.
Venue: Windy Hill Fitness Centre, 74-78 Napier Street, Essendon

You can book here at: <https://www.trybooking.com/BYLFP>

We also want to let you know that Different Journeys offers peer support to carers of families who attend our events. This gives you the opportunity to reach out as a parent or carer and we will help to direct you to appropriate supports, as well as the chance to meet other families in your area.

You can find all our events here on Trybooking.

Please reach out if you have any questions,
The Different Journeys Team

DIFFERENT JOURNEYS
IS VENTURING NORTH WEST!

Autism Family Swim
& Social Event

Join our private all ages event on selected Saturdays
Events may be claimed on NDIS plans if applicable
4pm-6pm with BBQ dinner included on entry
Swimming not necessary but having fun is!

Windy Hill Fitness Center
74 - 78 Napier St, Essendon

LIMITED

\$10 PP

Book Online
www.differentjourneysautism.com
/new-events/

Further Enquiries
differentjourneys@gmail.com
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www.differentjourneysautism.com

windy hill fitness centre

St Columba’s College Year 7 2024 Scholarships

Year 7 2024 Scholarships

Registration is now open
columba.vic.edu.au

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Our Academic Excellence Scholarship registration is now open for Grade 5 girls. Here are a few key points that may be of interest:

- 1. We do not limit the number of academic scholarships awarded, any student who achieves the necessary results will receive a scholarship.
- 2. Students may receive a 50% to 100% academic scholarship.
- 3. Academic scholarships received by Grade 5 students will be applied for the full 6 years of attendance at St Columba's College.

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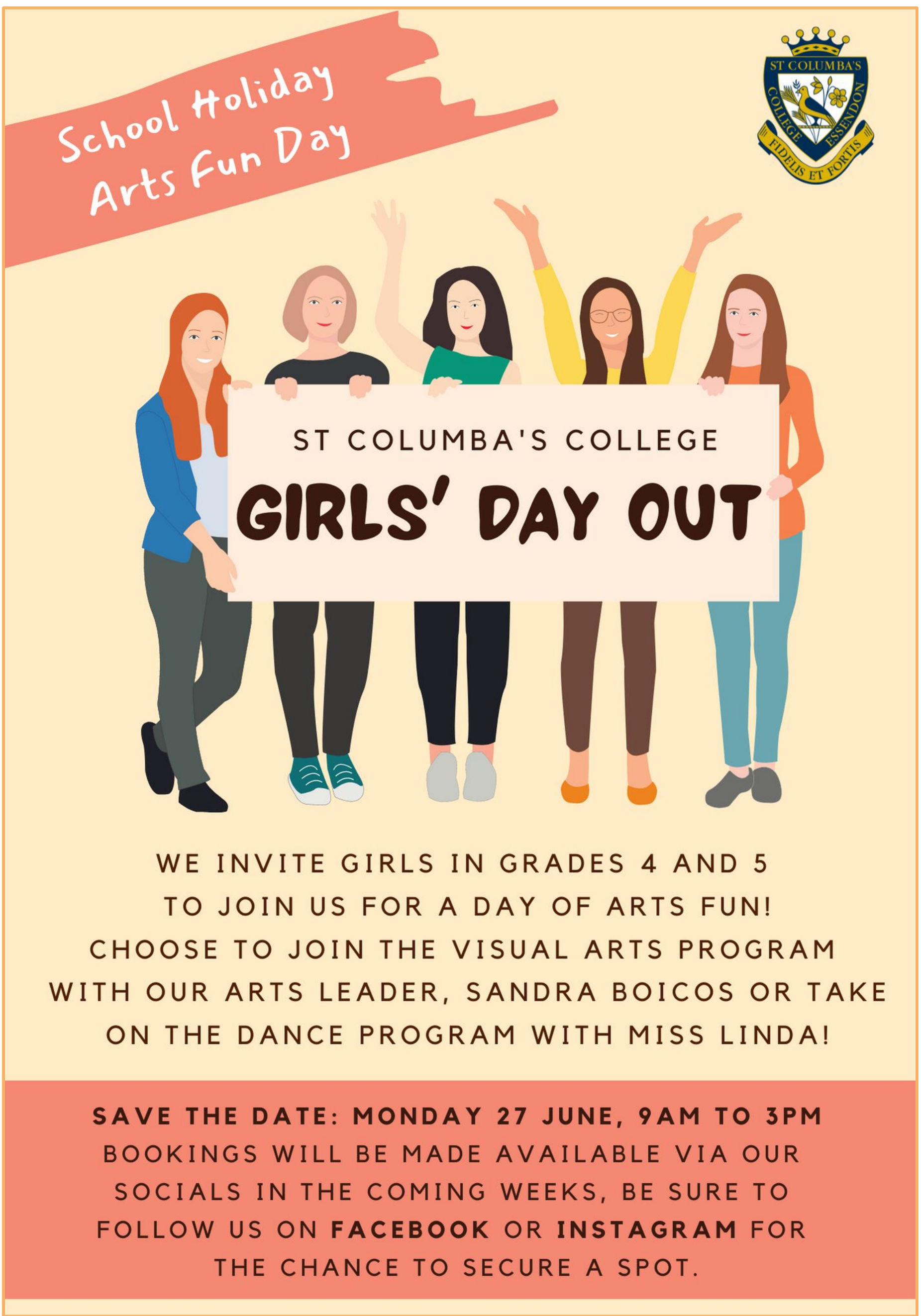
St Columba's College Tours

A poster for St Columba's College Tours. The background is a photograph of the college building with a large yellow cursive title 'St Columba's College Tours' overlaid. Below the title, text says 'Term 2 and 3 College Tours are now open. Visit columba.vic.edu.au/college-tours to book your place.' At the bottom left, a group of students in uniform are walking. At the bottom right is the St Columba's College crest and '125 YEARS GOING TO THE MARGINS'.

Ave Maria College - Year 7, 2024

A poster for Ave Maria College Year 7, 2024. It features two female students in maroon school uniforms standing outdoors. The text 'She Who Belongs. She Who Thrives.' is at the top. Below the students, it says 'Enrol now for Year 7 in 2024'. At the bottom, it states 'Applications close on Friday, 19 August 2022' and provides the website 'www.avemaria.vic.edu.au' and email 'registrar@avemaria.vic.edu.au'. The Ave Maria College logo is in the bottom right corner.

St Columba's College Girls' Day Out

A poster for St Columba's College Girls' Day Out. It features an illustration of five girls holding a large sign that says 'ST COLUMBA'S COLLEGE GIRLS' DAY OUT'. Above them is a red banner that says 'School Holiday Arts Fun Day'. The St Columba's College crest is in the top right corner. Below the illustration, text invites girls in grades 4 and 5 to join for a day of arts fun, choosing between a visual arts program with Sandra Boicos or a dance program with Miss Linda. At the bottom, it says 'SAVE THE DATE: MONDAY 27 JUNE, 9AM TO 3PM' and mentions that bookings will be available via social media.

Penola Catholic College - Tours

A poster for Penola Catholic College tours. It features the Penola Catholic College logo and text for two campuses: Glenroy Campus (Year 7-8, 35 William Street, Glenroy VIC 3046) and Broadmeadows Campus (Year 9-12, 29 Gibson Street, Broadmeadows VIC 3047). To the right, it says 'Book a Principal's Tour Today' and '02 TERM'. Below this is a table of tour dates and times. At the bottom, it says 'To register your attendance visit our College website WWW.PENOLA.VIC.EDU.AU' and features a photograph of students and a teacher in a library.

Thurs	9 Jun	6pm	Glenroy
Tues	21 Jun	9am	Glenroy
Wed	22 Jun	6pm	Glenroy

Important Dates

JUNE 2022						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1 Year 3 Mass Parent Helper Workshop 9am	2 Confirmation Info Evening 7:30pm - Hall	3 Yr 5 and 6 Winter Sports Year 1 Assembly	4 Prep & Year 6 Family Mass 6pm	5 Prep & Year 6 Family Mass 9:30am
6	7	8 Year 6 Confirmation Retreat Day School Advisory Council Meeting	9	10 Yr 5 and 6 Winter Sports	11	12
13 Queens Birthday Public Holiday	14	15 Year 2 Mass	16 Hot Food Day	17 Casual Clothes Day Yr 5 and 6 Winter Sports Prep Assembly Trivia Night	18	19 Confirmation Masses 9:30am (6 Gold) 11:30am (6 Blue)
20 School Reports Available 1pm	21 Learning Conferences	22 Learning Conferences Year 1 Mass	23	24 Last Day of Term 2 1:30pm finish	25	26
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2022						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Term 3 Commences	12	13	14	15 Prep Parent's Night Out	16 Year 1 Parent's Night Out	17
18 PA Meeting 7:30pm	19	20	21 First Communion Info Evening 7:30pm	22	23 Year 4 Family Mass 6pm	24 Year 4 Family Mass 9:30am
25	26	27 School Advisory Council Meeting	28	29 School Disco	30	31

AUGUST 2022						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Hot Food Day	12	13 Holy Communion Mass 6pm	14 Holy Communion Mass 9:30am
15 PA Meeting 7:30pm	16	17	18	19	20 Holy Communion Mass 6pm	21 Holy Communion Mass 9:30am
22	23	24	25 School Closure Day	26 Book Week Parade	27	28
29	30 School Concert Night 1 - 7:30pm	31 Fathers Day Stall School Concert Night 2 - 7:30pm				



TheirCare

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KIDS MENU

Our weekly menu follows the Australian nutrition guidelines and is created based on the children's feedback. All cultural and dietary requirements are considered.

BSC MENU Breakfast consists of a selection of cereals, toast, fruit, and milk. **ASC MENU** Afternoon snacks consist of salad wraps, cheese and crackers, pasta, corn chips with melted cheese and salsa, pizza, rice cakes, wraps, toasties, pan cakes and selection of fruit and vegetable platters.

BOOKINGS As numbers this term are increasing very quickly of the children attending the service, we kindly ask that you book your child/children in as soon as practical so as we can roster staff and also to avoid a late booking fee.

Opening Hours

BSC: 7.00 am - 8.30am

ASC: 3.30 pm - 6.00 pm

Service Mobile: 0474007664

Head Office: 1300 072 410



HELLO EVERYONE

I firstly would like to say that I am very proud of the Prep children, they have been doing a fantastic job of walking themselves to after school care over the past fortnight.

I would also like to remind parents to book in their BSC & ASC sessions as soon as practical as our numbers for the mornings and afternoons are starting to increase dramatically. This will also assist with organising staffing accordingly. I would also like to mention if you are picking your child up from school and they are booked in for ASC please kindly send a text on the following number to notify staff - **0474 007 664.**

ONCE UPON A TIME HOLIDAY PROGRAM

I am excited to announce that TheirCare's annual holiday program is fast approaching, commencing on the 27th of June. St Vincent De Paul children are invited to attend at **Strathmore Primary School** on **Lloyd Street** as they are accepting external children. You can expect lots of fun activities such as going to the movies, being a magician for a day, creating your own mini basketball hoop and so much more. To enquire about the HP please call 0477 011 296 and they will be happy to answer any questions.