Thank you to 5/6TJ for sharing their learning at assembly this morning. It is always great to see so many parents in attendance. The assembly roster for the rest of the term is as follows:

**Week 4** - Monday 6 August – Year 3/4RF
**Week 6** - Monday 20 August – Year 3/4KC
**Week 8** - Monday 3 September – Year 1/2EB
**Week 10** - Monday 17 September – Extension Education

**Building Project Update**

The Project Control Group has its first meeting this week. Members of this group are - Jacqui Marshall, Fr Dispin John, Bianca Martino/Monica O’Shannassy, Kellie Cumming, Stephen Willis, Jamin Crawley, Robert Hale and Sean Stone (project manager)

The Control Group are the **eyes and ears** for the School Community on understanding what will be happening with this development.

The key aspects include:
- Provide feedback to the Design team on design outcomes and opinions for the greater ‘good’ of the school
- To understand any potential conflicts / shortcomings of the design with regards to cost and statutory compliance
- To support to the School Principal and Parish Priest in the overall decision making.

The group will provide a summary of the status of the project to be included in the newsletter after each meeting. The School Board will also play an active role with the project being a standing item on each agenda.

Have a good week,
Jacqui Marshall
Our Gospel Challenge this week is to: **be a leader and do the right thing!**

![Bible verse]

Wednesday 25th July marks the Feast Day of St James.

Son of Zebedee and Salome, James was born in Bethsaida, an ancient fishing village on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Along with his brother John, James left his life as a fisherman when Jesus called him to be a 'fisher of men'. He was chosen by Jesus to be one of the Twelve Apostles and was given the mission to spread the Gospel. After Jesus' death, James made a pilgrimage to the Iberian Peninsula, the area occupied by Spain and Portugal, to spread the word of Jesus. After establishing the Christian religion in the Spanish region now known as Galicia, he returned to Judaea where he was put to death for his Christian faith. He is considered the first apostle to be martyred. After his death, the body of St James was returned to Spain to be buried. He is the patron saint of Spain and of pilgrims. The scallop shell is one of the most recognised symbols of St James, as it is found on the shores of Galicia.

Over the weekend Bartek 3/4RF was welcomed into the Catholic Church at St John’s through the sacrament of Baptism.

Here is Bartek’s reflection of the day – “I am pleased to be welcomed into the Christian family. It was a very peaceful and special time for me.”

We have Parish Family mass this Sunday 29 July at 9:45am at St John’s Church.

**Important Dates to Remember:**

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Have a great week everyone!
FUTURE LEADERS

Last semester our Future Leaders discussed issues that had arisen in the school and made many actions. This program allowed these representatives to build their leadership qualities and skills, use creative thinking to put ideas into action and represent the needs of all our students.

We would like to thank all of our Future Leaders for their valuable participation in the program:

**Middle Future Leaders:**
Elisha Beh, Leah Pal, Aidan Puls and Zara La

**Junior Future Leaders:**
Lachlan Hanson, Sheridan Newberry, Evie Godfrey, Jarrod Fernandez, Lexie Bright and Harry Willis.

We would like to thank our Senior Future Leaders who also formed the Future Leaders Executive. As the Executive, Luke Marriner, Sophie Kroezen, Hamish Gill, Abbey Leyden, Thomas Kelly, Jack Iacuone, Isabel Wang and Gabriel Gonzalez led Future Leaders meetings with the Junior and Middle Future Leaders.

Here is what they most enjoyed about their experience as part of the Future Leaders Program:
Lachie - **Going to heaps of meetings and talking about the school.**
Sheridan - **Talking at meetings.**
Evie - **Keeping people safe.**
Harry - **Sharing my ideas about the new renovations for the school.**
Jarrod - **Being a great role model.**
Aidan - **Letting children have a say.**
Elisha - **Lead people to doing the right thing.**
Leah - **Helping people solve a problem and leading people the right way.**
Zara L - **Helping people do the right thing.**
Thomas - **Sharing the classes ideas at the meetings and telling our class what's happening at the school.**
Jack - **Changing the school in a good way so all kids can have fun and be safe.**
Isabel - **Listening to other people's ideas and sharing that with my class.**
Gabriel - **Making changes to the school to make everyone happier.**

We look forward to congratulating the new Future Leaders and presenting them with their badges at week 4 assembly.

Positive Behaviours

**Dojos and Good Sport Awards**

At St John’s we value the importance of recognising students who make good choices. One way we do this, is through our use of Class Dojos. As stated at the beginning of the year, the house (Coghlan, Durkin, Dillon, Lyons) with the highest number of dojos after each term will be awarded with a free dress day.

For Term 2, the house with the highest number of dojos was… **Lyons - Green Team!**
Great effort! All students from **Green Team** can wear **Free Dress** this **Thursday 26th July.**
Good Sport Awards

We love to recognise those students who demonstrate the qualities of a good sport by engaging in fair play. Congratulations to our most recent recipients of the Good Sport awards:

Lachlan Hanson
Alice Wall
Jack Iacuone

Please continue to encourage and remind your children on how to be a good sport!

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CCS is here! Changes have been made to your Government Subsidy.

Did you know that on Monday the 2nd of July the Government’s old fee assistance, CCR and CCB, were replaced with a single Child Care Subsidy (CCS). Great news is this new subsidy is available at all Camp Australia services!

CCS affects the amount of fee assistance each family receives. A few things that will determine a family’s level of Child Care Subsidy are:

- Annual income will determine the percentage of subsidy a family is eligible for,
- An activity test will determine how many hours of subsidised care families can access, and
- The type of child care service will determine the hourly rate cap

You must confirm your enrolment as soon as possible on the MyGov website: https://my.gov.au/ and confirm your personal details. This is what determines how much assistance you will receive.

Due to CCS being brand new, your details will not automatically roll over from previous years, so to prevent any complications please confirm your enrolment otherwise you may not receive any subsidy until you do so.

You can find more information at: https://www.education.gov.au/ChildCarePackage.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you soon,

Camp Australia

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Congratulations to our St John’s Football Team on their fantastic effort competing in the Whitehorse Division Sports Finals last Wednesday 18th July.

Students from grades 4, 5 and 6 competed against other winning schools from the various districts in our Whitehorse Division at Morton Park in Blackburn. We played three short matches in total during the day, unfortunately losing by close margins in all three. Our games were against Roberts McCubbin PS, Vermont PS and Wattle Park PS. The scores for our matches were as follows;

St John’s v Wattle Park - 1.0: 6 to 3.1 : 21
St John’s v Roberts McCubbin - 1.1: 7 to 1.3 : 9
St John’s v Vermont - 2.1 : 13 to 2.2: 14

From the results it is clear to see how competitive our side was in all three games and we were especially close to winning in the final two matches. Our students should be extremely proud of how hard they played and the way they represented our school. Well done to all involved! A special thanks to Scott Taylor for helping with goal umpiring and scoring during the day and to those parents who came along to support our players.
BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Astrid Harkin as she celebrates her birthday this week.

We hope you have a “Happy Birthday!”

MARATHON CLUB NEWS

There will be NO MARATHON CLUB for this week but it will resume in week three. Please make sure that you have downloaded the St John’s School App in order to receive notifications regarding Marathon Club as well as other activities happening at St John’s.

BOOKCLUB

If you would like to order any books from the recent Scholastic Bookclub brochure please do so by 3/8/18. No late orders can be processed. All rewards points earned from the sale of orders go towards buying classroom resources for each year level at school.

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Child Safety

Embedding the culture through leadership.
St John’s staff work in partnership with parents and students to embed the culture of Child Safety. Each semester staff revisit the child safety standards and this will include any updates to resources. Our student future leaders will engage in dialogue about what this means to them and parents on the school board will regularly review policies and procedures.

The Addams Family

Our Lady of Sion College proudly presents its musical production of The Addams Family, which will be held on the evenings of 9–11 August as well as a matinee show on 11 August. Bookings via www.trybooking.com/UQKS.

Talk and Tour mornings: 30 July, 6 August, 14 September (Flyer attached)
Our Lady of Sion College warmly invites prospective students and families to attend a Talk and Tour morning. Hear from our principal and take a tour with our Year 10 students to see our College in action. Tour mornings begin at 9.30 am; please allow enough time for parking. Register at info@sion.catholic.edu.au.

Enrolments
Enrolments for Year 7, 2020, at all Catholic secondary colleges close 17 August. We’d like to emphasise that students with older siblings at Our Lady of Sion are not automatically listed for Year 7 – a completed application form for each student must be received prior to 17 August to be eligible for enrolment.

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Thank you to everyone for your fundraising effort.

All money needs to be returned to the office!

Each box contains 50 products which are $1 each

If you have any queries please contact:
Maria Wallis (Chris 3/4RF)
On 0409 966 951 / wallis.maria@gmail.com or
Vickie Stutchbury (Oliver 3/4RF)
on 0408 417 017 / vtotino31@hotmail.com

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Tickets are:

$20pp if purchased prior to the 3rd August
$25pp if purchased after the 3rd August

This year you have the option of ordering platters/snacks for your table – just BYO drinks!

Platter order forms and tickets are available from the office.

Everyone is welcome, make up a table of 8-10 of your friends and family or get in touch with your class rep and they will coordinate a table with you.

Fabulous silent auction items, raffles, cash prizes and fun are all guaranteed!

If you have any queries please contact your class rep or get in touch with Courtney (Gracie 3/4RF, Isla 3/4KC and Declan 3/4 KC)  courtneylaffin@yahoo.com.au

Come along and help support our school and children at our annual major fundraiser...