16 February 2017

From the Principal - Brendan O’Reilly

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your involvement in the parent information evening last Thursday. Special thanks to Danette Horscroft who organised the catering on the night.

Our year six students had the pleasure of listening to Mrs Taylor and Mrs Imhoff last Friday. The ladies shared their memories of St Francis De Sales and our leaders now have plenty of interesting information to share with our guests on the 19th of March. Thanks to both of these ladies for spending the time enriching our understanding of the history of the school.

On Sunday the 19th March we would love all students to attend the Family Mass organised for our schools centenary celebration. All students will be required to wear their formal school uniform for this occasion. The Mass will take place at 9am. After the Mass the students will take part in an assembly at school which will be followed by cutting of the cake. The students are going to perform one song and then they are free to spend time with their families to enjoy the fun activities provided.

Pat Tickner will formally retire as of the end of this week. We thank Pat for her many years of hard work and dedication to the school. Our new learning support teacher, Heidi Phillips, will commence her position as of next Tuesday.

FAMILY SUNDAY MASS
Our first Family Sunday Mass will be held on 26th February at 5pm. Notes have been sent home today.

St Francis De Sales, Clifton, celebrating 100 years
St Francis de Sales School Centenary is fast approaching, and preparations are well under way for celebrating the occasion. On Saturday 18th March, the “Celebrating a Centenary Dinner” will commence at 7pm at the FE Logan Hall. Sunday’s celebrations will include a Family Mass at 9am followed by BBQ lunch, games and entertainment at the school. There will also be a display of memorabilia and the sale of the Centenary Book and souvenirs. Tickets for the dinner can be purchased through the school or the local newsagent from the 1st February.

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**Dates To Remember**

**Semester One 2017**

**FEBRUARY**
- 17th, 18th and 19th Feb - Clifton Show
- 26th Feb - Family Sunday Mass 5pm
- 27th Feb - School Photographs

**MARCH**
- 1st March - Ash Wednesday Liturgy 9am in the church
- 18th and 19th March - School Centenary
- 30th March - Holy Week Liturgy 2:30pm
- 31st March - SFDS Cross Country at Allora

**APRIL**
- 18th April - Term 2 Commences
- 25th April - ANZAC Day

**MAY**
- 1st to 4th May - Parent/teacher interviews
- 19th May - Gala Day Allora
- 26th May - Gala Day Allora

**JUNE**
- 7th June - Field events SFDS (half day)
- 9th June - SFDS track carnival
- 23rd June - Term 2 ends

**Representative Sport Dates for Term One 2017**

Please keep an eye on dates as they are subject to change.

Southern Downs Swimming, Friday 17th Feb
Southern Downs Aussie Rules, Friday 22nd Feb
Southern Downs Basketball, Friday 23rd Feb
Central Downs Tennis, Friday 24th Feb
Central Downs Netball, Friday 3rd March
CD Rugby League, Friday 3rd March
Central Downs Soccer, Friday 3rd March
Triathlon, Friday 10th March
Southern Downs Netball, Friday 17 March
SD Rugby League, Friday 17 March
Southern Downs Soccer, Friday 17 March
Southern Downs Hockey, Friday 17 March

**School Photos**

School photo Day is fast approaching. **(Monday, 27th February 2017)**. Photo envelopes have been sent home. *Please return your child’s photo envelopes to school.*

Sibling Photo order envelopes are available in the office and you may include payment for all children in one envelope. *Please return all forms even if you are not purchasing any photos.*

**School Fees:**

School Fees for **Term 1** have been sent home. The date for the payment of Term 1 Fees is **Friday, 09th March, 2017.**

We do recommend the setting-up of a direct debit facility to pay regular amounts into the school account. This alleviates overdue bills.

I would ask that any parents who would like to discuss any matters to do with the payment of school fees to make an appointment to see me.

**Mass Times**

Clifton: 1st Sunday – 7:30am
2nd, 3rd & 5th Saturday – 7pm
4th Sunday – Family Sunday Mass at 5pm

**This Week’s Mass Roster**

Sunday: 18th Feb - Sat 7:00 PM

**Welcoming:** J Cleary
**POF/OH:** H Gillam
**Readers:** A & H Gillam & B Lack
**Offertory:** R & G Imhoff
**Eucharistic Ministers:** P Dalton & D Lyons

**God Bless**

Brendan O’Reilly
Principal
P&F NEWS:

A special thanks to all who participated in the Bunnings sausage sizzle fund raiser. Emma and her team did a sterling job on one of the hottest days in recent times. They made over $1,770.00. Job well done to the whole team.

Don’t forget our fund raiser this weekend is The Chip Van at the Clifton Show. We will be manning this over both days Saturday and Sunday the 18th and 19th Feb. If you are not on this crew and would like to help please contact our class 2/3 teacher Angela Skillington via the school Facebook page.

Don’t forget to follow us on the school Facebook and watch the school Newsletter for further fund raisers later in the year.

Regards Danny

Tuckshop
Please see the term 1 menu below

You can order lunches by sending in with your child a brown paper bag with their name, class and order on it, and the money inside. Our first tuckshop for the year is tomorrow. Just a reminder to parents, and to let new parents know, that tuckshop orders need to be placed on Friday for the following Friday. For example:

Friday Week 4 (17/2) Place Order for Friday Week 4 (24/2)

St Francis De Sales
Term 1, 2017

Tuckshop Menu

First Break
Dino Snacks $1.20 for 3
Mini Pies $1.10
Mini Sausage rolls $1.10
Mini Hot dogs $1.10

Second Break
Home bake, (same as in meal deal) $1.00
Tiny teddies 90c
Homemade popcorn, 1 cup 50c
Frozen yoghurt (on a stick) $1.50
Plain chips, small packet $1.30
Water ice block 50c

Drinks
Apple or orange juice $1.50
Choc or strawberry popper $1.70

Meal deals - $6.00
17th – 2 x Mini Hot Dogs with cheese and tomato sauce juice, 2 x choc chip cookies.
24th – Mini Pizza, Hawaiian or Meatlovers, Juice and 1 cup of popcorn.
3rd March – 1 Cheese Burger, juice and brownie.
10th - Mac and Cheese, juice, scone with jam.
17th – Spaghetti Bolognaise with garlic bread, juice and a cupcake.
24th – Dino Burger, tiny teddies and juice.
31st – No Tuckshop- Last Day of Term 1.
Leadership ceremony
St Francis De Sales
CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

To help promote and support this exciting community event, the Clifton Courier will publish a full colour 4 page feature on 1 March 2017, to allow local families and businesses to congratulate the School on reaching this significant milestone.

The Courier has some great value advertising options on offer for business houses, but of particular note to families (past and present), we have also created a ‘St Frannies Family Wall of Well Wishes’, where for just $55 (inc GST), a space of 50mm high x 84mm wide can be filled with either candid photographs and/or congratulatory messages.

To take up any of these advertising options, or, if you have any questions, please contact:

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