Dear Families and Friends,

At school this week we have been talking about traits of a saint. Students have been making decisions with their hearts and looking for ways to help others. All Saints Mass helped us all to think how we could do the ordinary things in an extra-ordinary way. The students were extremely reverent during Mass and the reading from our Colman class was impressive. We finished off the week with a nice prayer assembly led by our Xavier students.

Our Parent Managed Head Lice program continues this Monday 9 November. If you have not yet included your child in the program, please consider doing so, as it will assist us in staying on top of head lice.

We are very excited about the beginning of our Prep Orientation sessions beginning this week and continuing Tuesday 17, 24 November and Tuesday 1 December. Parents, please remember that all families are welcome to attend. We will have two teachers in our prep/one class next year along with an integration aide. We have prioritised the early years of primary school with the target of getting students off to a strong start in literacy and numeracy.

Remembrance Day will be commemorated here on Wednesday 11 November at 1.00 pm. Everybody is welcome to come along and join in.

The Orbost Secondary College transitions continue on Friday 13 November. Grade six students will attend the college all day. On Monday lunch times we are building billy cart with the grade five and six students. Thank you to John Welsh and Mick Kunsek who will be helping with the constructions. If you have a spare hour please drop in at 1.30pm.

Colman are looking forward to the Cape Conran camp for Grades 2/3/4. We again have a full itinerary with activities such as orienteering, canoeing and surfing. We will wind up the camp with a visit to Operation Unite at the football oval on Friday. If you wish to join us at any point during the camp, please contact me at the office. Please remember there is no assembly on Friday 20 November.

Take care,

Matthew Hamer
**Weekly Reminders:**

**Lunch orders:** are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**Brain Food:** please send along a piece of fruit or raw vegetables cut up for your child to eat at their 10am break.

**Sport:** with Mr Hamer on Wednesday

**St. Joseph’s Playgroup:** Thursday 9.15am to 11.30am

**Uniform Shop:** Maintained by Ms Marie Donchi – Orders can be placed at the office.

**Out of hours childcare/vacation care:**
For bookings phone Bev Cameron on 0409 953 175

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**Weekly Prayer**

Loving God, give me an insight into the motives for my actions. Let me recognise when I am acting for public approval and when I act under the gaze of your love. Led by your Spirit may I come to that integrity of heart that Jesus preaches. I ask this in his name confident that you will hear me. Amen.

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**This Week’s Mass Times**

Sun 8th
St Brendan’s, Lakes Entrance 9.00am
St Colman’s, Orbost 11.00am

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**Xavier Class – Weekly Snippets**

We have had yet another busy couple of weeks since our last Snippets. We all enjoyed our Science Day rotations last Wednesday and Mr Tim Bull, MP also came to visit on that day.

We will commemorate Remembrance Day on Wednesday 11 November – everyone is welcome to come along.

**Xavier** Grade 6 students have commenced their transition program to OSC. We had students travel to Bairnsdale for the Division Sports, playing basketball, and to Lakes Entrance for Kanga Cricket.

**Colman** have been out and about to visit residents at Lochiel House. They had a great time playing board games and cards and sharing stories and then morning tea. The visit was greatly enjoyed by both the students and residents. Last Friday, they had a sleepover at school, and by all accounts, everybody had a fantastic time, but maybe not enough sleep!

**MacKillop** have also had an exciting week. They have been busy making felt books with Christine Watts, visiting the residents at Waratah Lodge and learning more skills in their weekly swim lessons at Lakes Entrance.

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**Assembly Awards**

**MacKillop:**

Ramona Bady-Campbell: For excellent pattern work into the thousands in maths.

Douglas Cotter: For excellent independent writing with spaces and full stops.

**Colman:**

Lilly Westaway: For an amazing poem about diamonds.

Andrew Robinson: For confident reading at Mass. Well done!

**Xavier:**

Shona Brunt: For showing excellent creativity with her “Suspense Stories”.

Cy Cameron: For working hard in numeracy to develop his skills.

**Sport Awards:**

Lucas Shanahan: For displaying a range of skills appropriate to tennis.

Megan Achieng: For her excellent balance and tennis technique.

Jamielee Henderson: For displaying good technique in tennis lessons.

**School Leaders Award:**

Connor Brunt: For excellent reading in Mass. Well done!

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**St Joseph’s Playgroup**

Playgroup with Puppets & Play and Beat Boppers every Thursday.

Please spread the word that all pre-school aged children are welcome to come along, join in and enjoy the fun! Sessions are run every Thursday during school term, 9.15am to 11.30am.

All families are most welcome.
Breakfast Club Roster

Monday: Trish Preston
Tuesday: Joanne Robinson
Wednesday: Mel Findley and Raeleigh Phillips
Thursday: Michelle Ducksbury
Friday: Michelle Ducksbury
If you are unable to come on your rostered day could you please notify the school office

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Bank: NAB, Sale
BSB: 083-879
Account No: 69545 2766

Remember to include your surname and family code if possible – if you are unsure, just ask at the Office for assistance

Second Hand Uniform Items

We currently have the following second hand uniform items available in the Office. First in will get the goodies!

2 x size 6 summer dresses - $5.00 each
1 x size 6 shorts - $10.00

We have limited free tickets to give away for a game of Mini Golf, generously donated by the Footbridge Mini Golf and Lolly Shop. If anyone would like a ticket, please come into the office and see us! First in gets the goodies!! They are to be used by 18th December.

Around Our School

- Colman sleepover last Friday

Hope to see you at our working bee on Saturday. 8am – 12 noon. Lunch and drinks provided.