Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our Art Show Arty-Facts: Art through Time was a great night at St Francis Xavier School. Our Deputy Mayor Victor Attwood commented on the great community spirit which is very obvious in both our parent and student groups. The art on display was impressive and our students very much enjoyed sharing their work with their parents. I would like to thank our P&F who catered on the night, our staff who generously gave of their time and you, our parents and caregivers who supported the event.

We are planning an Open Morning on Friday 19 April from 8.40am till 10.40am. We invite prospective/existing parents to visit our classrooms so that they can observe firsthand the excellent teaching and learning taking place at St Francis Xavier. We will commence with our normal assembly (5 Red will be presenting) in McAuley Centre, to which all parents are invited. You will then be given the opportunity to move around classrooms until 10.40am. I would ask that if you are aware of any families who are considering enrolment at St Francis Xavier that you make them aware of this opportunity.

I would like to remind you that students are not permitted to bring cans/bottles of soft drink to school. This rule aligns with our school having an important role in promoting healthy eating and physical activity to students and providing an environment that supports a healthy lifestyle. A healthy diet can improve behaviours critical to educational success and performance at school. Effective school-based nutrition and health interventions can also help improve academic performance. Tuckshops are an important part of the school environment; they can model healthy food and drink choices that are tasty, interesting and affordable, and provide the means to put into practice nutrition messages taught in the classroom.

Off Street Parking: After consultation with police we have received information about parking in the vicinity of the school. The police have indicated that parking is not permitted on the vacant block and footpaths. Parking on footpaths creates a danger for pedestrians and reduce visibility for oncoming traffic. Please also be mindful of council parking signs. For further inquiries please contact the Goodna Police Station.

Best wishes for the coming week

Veronica Lawson, Principal

Enrolments for Prep 2014 at St Francis Xavier School

All families with children to commence either Prep or Year One in 2014 are invited to collect an Enrolment Application Form from the School Office or contact the Office on 3818 0100 to have one posted out. If you know of anyone in the wider community who may be interested in enrolling their child in our school, please ask them to contact the School Office on 3818 0100 for information or for Enrolment Forms. Remember the school website www.stfrancisxavier.qld.edu.au.

Children ready for Prep in 2014 must be born between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009.
**RE NEWS Mrs Natalie Tugliach APRE** Next week we celebrate **Holy Week**. Holy Week is the last week of Lent, the week immediately preceding Easter Sunday. It is observed in many Christian churches as a time to commemorate and enact the suffering (Passion) and death of Jesus. Throughout next week we will focus specifically on the events of the last week of Jesus’ life. **On Monday, 1W will present the Palm Sunday story.** On Wednesday, 3W will present the story of the Last Supper, including washing of the feet. **On Thursday, 5B and 5R will present the Stations of the Cross.**

In Catholic tradition, the conclusion to the week is called the Easter Triduum. The Easter Triduum begins Thursday evening of Holy Week with Eucharist and concludes with evening prayers Easter Sunday. All families are welcome to stay each morning next week to celebrate Holy Week with us. We will begin at 8.45am in McAuley hall.

**Harmony Day** – a note went home on Wednesday about Harmony Day celebrations. We will be celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday March 26. Students are asked to wear **ORANGE or TRADITIONAL DRESS**. They are also asked to bring a plate of food from their cultural background to share with their class.

Thank you to our school community for the support throughout the term for **Project Compassion**. There have been whole school activities and individual class activities which have helped to raise a substantial amount of money for Caritas. Tomorrow is the last assembly for the term. Mr Seguna and Mini Vinnies will be drawing more staff names out of the hat to ride the bike or scooter. Some class will continue to fundraise into next week so we will announce our final tally early in term 2.

**7B** are presenting assembly prayer tomorrow. **Take care and God bless** Natalie

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**FROM THE DESK OF THE APA Mrs Michaela Lewis APA**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

“**An artist cannot fail; it is a success to be one.**” (Charles, Horton Cooley)

**Arty-facts: Art through time:** A sincere thank you to all involved in making this year’s Art Show a success. The children enjoyed sharing their talent and it was a great community building event.

**Term 2 Planning:** Over the coming weeks, I will be working with staff on planning units for Term 2. Teachers are released from class and will work in teams to review Term 1 and plan the unit outlines for the second term. This is a great opportunity for professional conversation and also helps ensure that we are offering a **quality curriculum** to the students. When out at planning sessions, teachers leave a detailed plan for the relieving staff to ensure the day runs ‘as usual’ for the class.

**Photos, Friday, 22nd March:** Order envelopes for school photos were sent home with the children last week. In last week’s newsletter, the ordering process was outlined. On photo day, please ensure that the children bring their order envelope, unless you have ordered online, and wear their **formal** uniform.

Thanking you for your interest and support,

Wishing you a great week Michaela

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**School Photos: 22nd March, 2013**

Our school photographer this year is Studio Kirby. Students are to wear **formal uniform** on the day.

This year Studio Kirby have two methods of ordering photography packs. The first is to order online via their website or alternatively you can order through the Pre-Paid School Photography envelope. Please find below further details regarding these two methods.

**ONLINE:** Orders can be placed via their website [www.studiokirby.com.au](http://www.studiokirby.com.au) where you can receive special offers. Once on the website it is a simple process of clicking on the ‘School Order Form’ circle in the top right hand corner of the screen. Once in the next screen click on ‘Studio Kirby School Photography Order Form’ on the left hand side of the screen which will then take you to a page where you can select your packages, type in your details and pay online.

**PRE-PAID SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY ENVELOPES:** Orders can be placed in the Pre-Paid School Photography envelope, which outlines the ordering process and contains information about the different packages available for purchase. As outlined on the pack, any parents wishing to purchase class photographs are asked to determine the package that best suits their requirements, complete the front of this information by clearly printing their child’s full name and class, marking the box for their desired package and completing the payment section either by filling in the credit card details or by enclosing cash or a cheque.

Once completed, the students are asked to bring the envelope on or prior to photo day, Friday, 22nd March, 2013, for **Collection**

**Year 7 only:** Studio Kirby is happy to take a photo of the three Year 7 classes as one big group, in addition to their class photos. The cost of this photo is **$17**. If parents wish to order a whole group **Year 7 photo**, they need to write this additional order on the bottom of the envelope and add the **$17** into the total cost. Please write: **Whole group Year 7 Photo: 1 copy**.

As this is not a standard photo, it is not printed on the generic order envelope and cannot be ordered via the online system. Additional envelopes are available at the school office.
Sports News – Michael Thomson –

Congratulations to Savannah Paz on her selection in the Central District Soccer Team. I would like to wish her luck at the Met West Trials in May. It would like to thank all those parents and friends that made the effort to support our students at last week’s Cross Country. It is fantastic to see so many people here to add to the atmosphere. For those students that qualified for the school Cross Country Team, you will need to make the effort to come to training on a Tuesday and Thursday at 8am. A letter will be going home this week with details of the Central District Carnival where our school team will be competing.

SFX Cross Squad 2013 u/13: Gwenge Deng, Nathan Murray, Leo Anthony, Melissa Da Costa Couto

u/12 Tang Tang, Yohana Wal, Quentin Vaaau, Arop Anguiik, Tavu Taione, Isaiah Asiata, Savannah Paz, Mia Luafutu, Kaitlin Ryan, Michelle Lam, Men Tran, Abuk Majak

u/11 Mawien Gout, Jonathan Graham, Issak Malish, Nick Rumpf, Patrick Morton, Daniel Majok, Erica Da Costa Couto, Brittany Higgins, Kiana Ferris, Raeanna Johnson, Athing Deng, Maninoh Leota

u/10 Deng Deng, Thon Thon, Noah Weihrach, Jack McKay, Jaydn Kinder, Billy Mason, Kyrah Taurino, Zaria Fetteineai, Mary Deng, Chloe Johnson, Matilda Shipway, Elijah Ventayen

Arty– Facts Art Show Unclaimed Raffle prize winners!

Railway Workshop Museum family pass - Scott Trudgett 4R,


THE ARTS Sue Vassella

Congratulations to all the students who performed on Monday night at the Art Show. The energy level and skill of the dance groups were fantastic, and the choirs sang with great gusto. It was exciting to see the drama students in action, and the puppet show was a big hit. Thankyou to the teachers who assisted in rehearsals, and parents for having your children promptly here on the night. Thankyou to Mr Harding and Mr Seguna for sound and I.T.

SCHOOL FEES NOW DUE. A reminder that school fees were due last week. Please settle all outstanding accounts as soon as possible. Your urgent attention to this matter is requested

St Peter Claver College

We would like to urge parents who seek enrolment for 2014 to lodge their applications by 3 May 2013 as applications received by that date will be considered first and we generally receive more applications than places available.

Enrolment applications will still be taken after that date, however priority will be given to applications received by 3 May 2013.


PLEASE NOTE DUE TO GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY TUCKSHOP WILL BE OPEN THURSDAY 28/03/13 ALL ORDERS TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY 27/03/13

TUCKSHOP Anna Timu, Tuckshop Convenor (Phone 3818 0033) Parents are reminded if your child is ordering via a Brown Bag, that all orders are to be into the office on Thursday morning. Having difficulties with registering on Flexischools? Just ring 1300 361 769 and Flexischools will assist you with the process. We still need volunteers to help in the tuckshop so if you feel that you’re up for the challenge, come in and see me in Tuckshop or leave your details in the office and I will contact you. Volunteers for Friday 22/03/2013 are: Megan Low, Megan Kinder, Shona Schick, Chrissy Peters, Rachael Grant, Ina Salapo, Jacinta Anae, Louise Mason, Maria Adam and Volunteers for 28/03/2013 are Shona Schick, Megan Kinder, Chrissy Peters, Ina Salapo, Jacinta Anae, Maria Adam and Danielle Bosse, Sally Warner, Megan Low

Thank you.
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