

Parent Newsletter

Monday, 21st October 2019



We nurture and inspire all academically, spiritually and personally.

Welcome to Fair Week!

Thank you to all our families for a calm beginning to Term 4. Our children arrived last Monday ready for learning and ready to reconnect with their friends and classes.

For our Year 6 students and their families this time will go very quickly. This Term will be filled with many exciting times for all our Year 6 students; we know some will be feeling really excited about high school next year, some will be feeling worried about it and some will have a feeling of both. All these feelings are OK and normal. As a staff we hope our Year 6 students have an amazing last Term at St Finn Barr's. We talk with the children about how they want to be remembered at our school, what legacy they wish to leave behind, and challenge them to be their best selves right up until the very last day.

If you are a parent of a Year 6 student there are many events and happenings this Term. Please although busy keep up to date by reading all the communications that are shared. This way ensures that children don't miss out on events and you know when the events are being held.

This last Term will pass quickly for us all. We hope it is a positive Term filled with lots of learning, play, fun and friendship and that during this Term we remember as well to focus on those who are not as fortunate as we are. There will be information shared about our Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal. We hope you can help out in some way.

Well done to our Year 3 and 4 students who represented St Finn Barrs's last weekend in the Basketball Tournament. Both teams finished 2nd in their Pool. Thanks to Josh Newman and Chris

Down who coached the boys and Mrs Clayton who coached the girls. Thanks also to Harrison who helped out and those who helped with the bench- especially Maxx, Oliver and Maddison.

Next weekend we have four Year 5 and 6 teams participating - we hope they have a great weekend.

This Friday night is our Fair- this is a fantastic Community Event and we look forward to seeing many of our families from 5:00 pm. Please see information from the P and F in the newsletter.

Have a great week and I look forward to seeing many of you on Friday night.

Liz :)

What is the NAP – Civics and Citizenship Sample Assessment?

The NAP – Civics and Citizenship (NAP–CC) sample assessment is a national assessment of the achievement of Year 6 and Year 10 students in civics and citizenship education. The NAP–CC sample assessment supports the goal of Australian schooling for students to become active and informed citizens.

In doing this, the assessment collects information about students' civics and citizenship-related knowledge and understanding, attitudes, beliefs and behaviours. The purpose of the online assessment is to inform schools, education ministers and the community about the levels of student achievement in civics and citizenship education among Year 6 and Year 10 students across Australia. The assessment has been designed to measure the range of students' performance against a proficiency standard.

Around 12,800 Year 6 and Year 10 students from approximately 640 government, Catholic and independent schools in metropolitan, rural and remote locations will participate in the sample assessment. Students will be selected by drawing a random sample of schools in each state and territory across Australia. A sample of St Finn Barr's Year 6 students have been selected to complete the assessment. This assessment will occur this week in our school. It uses the same platform as NAPLAN tests.

The online assessment is intended to test your child's level of knowledge and understanding of civics and citizenship matters. Your child is not expected to study for this assessment, and last-minute preparation is unnecessary.

Andrew Chinn

On Wednesday, 6th November, Australian religious songwriter and singer, Andrew Chinn, will be visiting our school to share his songs with our children. Andrew's songs, such as "These Hands", "Rainbow", "An African Blessing" and "Rise Up!" are used in classrooms and liturgies around Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada.

Parents/Parishioners are warmly invited to be part of the celebration of faith and fun. There is no charge for adults. The concert will take place in St Finn Barr's School Hall at 1:40 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there.

Swimming Program

**All children should have brought home information regarding our 2019 Swimming Program.
Please promptly return the required information to your child's teacher ASAP.**

**If you are a Prep to Year 2 Parent and have a WWVP and are able to help please contact your
child's teacher.**



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National Redress Scheme

If you experienced institutional sexual abuse as a child you are likely to be eligible under the National Redress Scheme for survivors of institutional child sexual abuse. The Sexual Assault Support Service (SASS) offers a free and confidential support service for people who are seeking information on, or wanting to apply to, the National Redress Scheme. To find out more you can contact SASS on (03) 6231 0044, or go to our website <https://www.sass.org.au/redress-scheme-support-service>.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club each Tuesday and Thursday.

Come along for some Milo and Toast and a chat with friends.

8:15 am in the Undercover area.

All welcome and we hope to see you there.



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Primary School Basketball Tournament



Year 5/6 October 26th and 27th

Training after school this Tuesday 3:00-4:00, Uniforms will also be distributed

Please ensure you have paid at the office and registered online.

Thank you.

Emergency Practice

Within the next 6 weeks whilst at recess or lunch, we will hold an unannounced emergency practice with staff & students, to test our response to a potential scenario that staff identify as a threat warranting the school go into lockdown (opposite to evacuation).

Like for fire evacuation drills, we recognised the worth to test this process.

We have plans in place to make this practice as least disruptive as possible.

If you have queries please call our Safety Officer, Simon Natoli on 0400 105 476

Supervision of Students Before the Fair Starts

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Fair on Friday October 25th. The Fair will commence at 5:00 pm. Our staff will be busy making final preparations for stalls and activities and will not be available to supervise students.

Therefore, these are the only options after school on Fair Day:

1. Students will go home as usual after school and return for the start of the Fair at 5:00 pm with their parents.

OR

2. Children whose parents are already at school setting up for the Fair may remain at school, however, they will need to be under the supervision of their parents until the Fair commences at 5:00 pm.

We appreciate your support with this matter.

Liz Illingworth



It's Fair Week !!!

Only 4 sleeps until the Fair!!!

A massive thanks to all the businesses who have donated and supported our fair.

You will receive a plate home this week for the **cake stall**. Please return this on Friday to the hall.

Raffle books need to be returned by Thursday (even if unsold). If you need another book to sell there are spares in the office. It will be drawn on Friday at 7 pm at the fair.

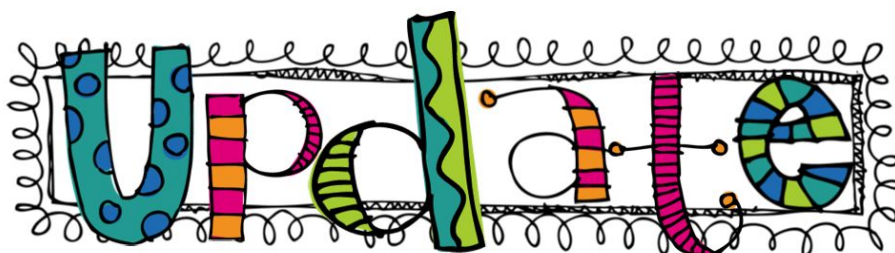
Can you spare 30 minutes?? Have you signed up to help your child's teacher?

Don't forget if you have any **second-hand items** you don't want please drop them on to the stage in the hall from Thursday for our trash and treasure stall.

Also, there are spare **flyers** in the office, if you could collect some and deliver them into a few letterboxes in your area that would be amazing.

Once again, a big thanks to all the families who have helped us in any and every way. The fair is a massive event and we cannot do it without all your support.

See you on Friday!!!

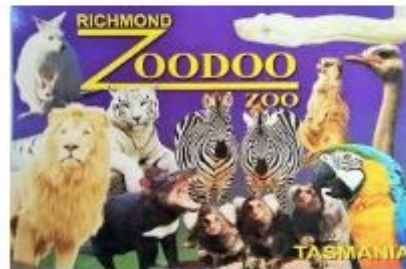




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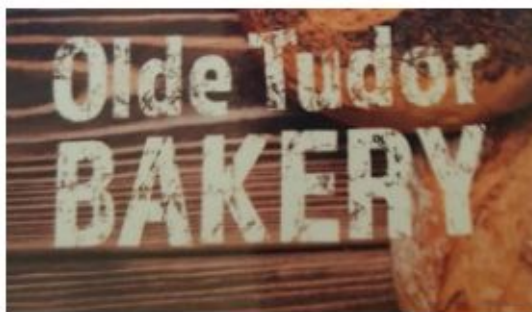
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ADVENTURE



MOWBRAV HOTEL



Historic
Richmond Gaol
Built in 1825



Thank You



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SCHOOL

FAIR

FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER

5:00 - 8:00 PM

FOOD | GAMES | TRASH & TREASURE | CAKE STALL
PLANTS | LUCKY JARS | BEES WAX WRAPS | FAIRY FLOSS
COLOURED HAIR SPRAY | HAUNTED HOUSE | BOOK STALL
JUMPING CASTLE | STICKS IN THE SAND | PETTING ZOO
BBQ | HOT SPUDS | SPRAY TATTOOS | HAIR BRAIDING
FACE PAINTING | AND MUCH MORE!!

Term Dates 2019

Term 4 Monday 14.10.19 to Tuesday 17.12.19

Community News

- **Submit Your Booking Requests for OSHC in 2020 with CatholicCare Children's Services**

To ensure your booking requests for Before and After School care in Term 1 are considered, please contact CatholicCare Children's Services on 1300 119 455 or ccs.admin@aohtas.org.au to obtain enrolment information.

All 2019 bookings will cease as of 20th December for families that have not finalised their current online enrolment forms. We ask that families please check and ensure their enrolment forms are completed and review their current bookings. All enrolments that are completed will roll over into 2020, if you are unsure whether your enrolment is complete, please contact admin to check to ensure there is no disruption to your child/ren's bookings. ****The Vacation Care Program will be available early December 2019****

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An invitation is extended to everyone who has lost a loved one, especially during the last year to come along to our annual **2 My'n_?Zk Zk UMIVZ'**. Relatives and friends are also invited to attend. You may wish to bring a photo or memento of your loved one and there will be an opportunity to place this at the altar during the Mass if you wish. You are also invited to stay for refreshments after Mass. All are welcome to join in this very special celebration of our faith. For further information, please contact the Parish Office on 6331 4377.



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JUNIOR CRICKET PROGRAMS 2019/20

CRICKET BLAST

Cricket Blast

- Junior Blaster: Thursday afternoons
- Master Blaster: Saturday mornings

HURRICANES JUNIOR LEAGUE

Junior Boys & Girls Teams

- U12's - U15 boys
- U14's & U17 girls

CONTACT

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 Female Development Officer
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BOY VS WILD

Get ready for an afternoon of jam packed games, activities and wild fun!

Sunday 27th October

2:30 - 5:30pm

For ages 6-12.

@The Tailrace Centre

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Kids have a lot of wild energy! Boy vs Wild is an event where kids can get involved in a number of fun team games and crazy activities and learn to use that wild energy for good.

Tickets:

\$20 for family pass members

\$25 for non pass members

To Book or find out more info, visit our website:

www.tailracecentre.com.au

or

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