Sing out your joy to all the earth

VISION
A vibrant Catholic learning community of peace, justice, respect and excellence.

TREE PLANTING CEREMONY
Friday, November 4th
2.45pm
Mackillop Piazza
Arthur & his wife Lynda are donating an Illawarra Flame tree to St Francis school community. The Flame tree will always remind us of the passion and love that Arthur had for families and staff here at SFA. It will also keep us cool on those hot, summer days. We invite families to attend our tree planting ceremony.

We pray for Joe, great uncle to Angelo (Yr 5) Sienna (Yr 4) & Sebastian (Prep) and for Dean, grandfather of Alanah (Yr 4) & Josh (Yr 3) - who are both struggling with illness at this time.

PREP ORIENTATION 2017
Monday 24th October
We look forward to welcoming next year’s Prep children and their parents/carers for their first formal session of learning.

The children will work with our teaching staff while parents/carers will meet with the leaders.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS are being held over the coming weeks. Parents/Carers of Prep-Yr 6 children should use the event code 3ne58 to make a booking with your child’s teacher online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au. It is important for all families to make a time to have a Learning Conversation with the teachers. Children are to attend these meetings. Elizabeth will be contacting families who she is able to support as an interpreter to make a booking over the phone. If you need support to make the booking please contact the school office: 9731 6004.

Yr 5/6 Parent & Child workshop
TONIGHT
7PM
This session is an important component of our personal development program. We look forward to welcoming all families who accepted the invitation to attend.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM
Community meetings are being held on Friday 21st October 10.00-11.00am This is for the Sudanese Community who require Dinka translation.

Wednesday 2nd November
9.30-10.30am & 7.30-8.30pm
Come to one of the above sessions to renew your commitment to the life of the parish.
Make me a channel of your peace;
Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.

OPEN DAY
This Sunday, October 23, 2016
1.00p—4.00pm

Year 5 Parent Information Night
Thursday, November 3rd
7.00pm—8.30pm

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Operates every Thursday from 3pm—4pm.

Special Uniform Day
Saturday, November 26, 2016

Congratulations to Achouth Aguang (Yr 5) who represented Wyndham Division in the School Sport Victoria Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Carnival at Keilor on Tuesday, 11th October.
Achouth competed in the 9/10 Boys 100m and 200m events following his outstanding results at District and Divisional levels. He ran strongly, finishing 6th in his 100m heat and 5th in his 200m heat, narrowly missing out on a place in the finals. Achouth is the first student from SFA to make it to this level in athletics and he should be very proud of competing as one of the sixteen fastest sprinters from our region in each of these events.

ST JAMES’ PARISH FETE was a great success. Many families accepted the invitation to come along and the weather was so kind to us. There was a positive community feel. Many thanks for the range of ways you supported this major fund raising activity of the parish. The funds raised will support the vital work of the parish.

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS
Monday, October 31st & Tuesday, November 1st
Monday: staff will be preparing for the Parent-Student -Teacher Conversations (reporting).
Tuesday: Melbourne Cup Day.

CELEBRATING ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS’ DAYS
November 1st & 2nd
During the month of November we remember our loved ones who have died and have joined with the saints in eternal life.
We invite families who have lost a loved one over the past 12 months to write their name in our St Francis Remembrance Book so that the whole community can pray for them during this month of remembrance.

You will find the book on the prayer table in the Pace Plaza.
We begin the month with whole school prayer on Wednesday, 2nd November at 9.15am.
Children are invited to bring a flower to place in our sacred space.