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END OF TERM 3: TODAY NO SCHOOL TOMORROW!
Wishing all families a happy and safe holiday over the next two weeks. The children and teachers have worked very hard this term to provide a great term of learning and engagement at school. We enter our first day of term 4, celebrating our feast day. May St Francis continue to be an inspiration to us, so that we can look beyond ourselves, to love those who are without love and like St Francis, thank God for the many blessings that we all enjoy in our school community and in our families.

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SUMMER UNIFORM should be worn as children return to school. All children need to wear the school hat while in the playground during term 4.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Tuesday October 11
All students are required to wear summer uniform on the day. Packages for Individual photographs start at $29 and family packages are from $19. The information package will be sent home on the first day of Term 4. Please see attached flyer for general information.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4
Mass: 9.30am
Come dressed in cultural dress or colours
We will be celebrating the different cultures that make up our community.

51 families are providing a sweet to share: this will provide one sample taste for each child—Thankyou!

Send children with their usual playlunch and lunch as well.

We pray for Kevin, godfather of Crystal and Carlos (Yr 2) who died recently after a long illness; and Dominic, father-in-law of Jackie, whose funeral is tomorrow. We keep Kevin and his family in out thoughts and prayers. We also pray for families who have loved ones in the troubled country of Ethiopia.

We congratulate Nicole who is expecting her first child at the end of January. Nicole plans to work until the end of the year.

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Technology Notice

We are aware that some Yr 3-6 students are accessing Apps and online games that are not age appropriate. Recently we shared concerns around Hotel Hideaway and this week we have come across some students accessing Roblox. The App is aged 12+ but after reading reviews this game is certainly not appropriate for our students. Students are also accessing Roblox through its online platform and this game is not recommended for children under the age of 17. While these games appear to be aimed at children and they could be using it appropriately, it is the interaction with random older children that could result in exposure to unsafe behaviour and issues. If you are choosing to let your child play these games then it should be only under adult supervision. We are asking parents to be aware of what their children are accessing online through websites and Apps at home to ensure they are being kept safe. We will continue to work with the students around cybersafety and the reason around why there are recommended ages applied to Apps and online games. We are pleased that students don’t seem to be accessing these games at school during learning time but using them at home. Please refer to the information sheet that is being sent home with this newsletter for extra support on managing the Apps your child is downloading. We have also added extra information and support on the Digital Technologies at SFA page of the school website under the Learning and Teaching menu.

YOU CAN DO IT

Attached to today’s newsletter are some reflections from our students about our social/emotional learning program.

Premiers’ Reading Challenge 2016

Congratulations to the 49 students who have successfully completed this year’s challenge. Your certificates will arrive at school next term.

GROUND DEVELOPMENT: During the holidays we hope to have concreting works done to create a plaza outside the MacKillop Centre. The current mud and weed area will be transformed! Plants & seating will be added during the term. At the same time, we are creating an additional pedestrian gate at the front of the school. This will be positioned close to the school crossing and will be the only gate used by pedestrians at the end of the school day. Hopefully this will create safer road crossing behaviours for our community.