VISION

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

WELCOME to TERM 4!
As we strive to be a community of excellence both academically and holistically, we are called to care for and trust each other; and to dare to face our daily challenges – then as we work together as a team we will become who we strive to be: a vibrant Catholic school community of peace, justice, respect and excellence. This involves embracing our heritage, treasuring our diversity and living as one.

SUMMER UNIFORM
Children should now be wearing their summer/sports uniform (Girls have the option of the summer dress). All children need to wear the school hat while in the playground during term 4.

2017 LEADERSHIP NEWS
Mr Arthur Loughridge, Deputy Principal & Student Well Being Leader will be resigning from his position at St Francis at the end of this year.

Arthur has had significant impact on the culture building of this school and is a highly respected leader both here and in Catholic Education generally. We will miss him greatly. However, we look forward to the remainder of the year with Arthur—and wish him all the best in his retirement.

We are pleased to announce that Ms Lucy Vassallo and Ms Emily Conroy have been appointed as Deputy Principals 2017 while Mrs Andrea Wilberger will take on the role of Student Well Being Leader. We have great confidence in these staff to lead the school with Jan into our next phase of development.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Next Tuesday
October 11

All students are required to wear summer uniform on the day.
Please return your orders with payment in the envelopes sent home on Tuesday or complete your online orders.

Yr 5/6
Parent & Child workshop
Thursday 20th October
7.00pm
This session is an important component of our personal development program. All families are strongly encouraged to attend.

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STATUE OF OUR LADY
The month of October is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady and to praying the Rosary. Over the next week we have the statue of Our Lady from our parish, available to us. The children will have the opportunity to reflect on the life of Mary and the important role she had in the life of Jesus and in the life of the Church. We encourage all families to take time to pray the rosary during the month of October. Our Lady, pray for us.

We pray for Pat, grandmother of Charlotte (Yr 2) and Holly (Yr P) and Dean, grandfather of Joshua (Yr 3/4) and Alannah (Yr 3/4) who are sick at this time.

FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS!
What a wonderful day of celebration and recognition of our diversity was had on our feast day this year. Parents and children were vibrant in their national dress and colours of their culture. Many thanks to our families who were able to attend our mass in the morning and who were able to bring in a variety of international sweets for the school community to enjoy. We thank also our Year 6 RE/Social Justice leaders who prepared and led a variety of activities during the day for the children to enjoy and participate in. There was a strong sense of connection and community and we ask God to help us to always make an effort to create community together.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE WORKSHOP
Monday, October 10 OR
Wednesday, October 12
7.00pm at St James Church

Just a reminder for all Year 3 parents to make sure you have returned your reply slip for this important faith formation session for Year 3 parent/s and your child. You can download a copy of the parent note for this workshop from the school website.