Dear Parents and Children,

This week has been very learning focussed with a great deal of activity within the school. Our Year Twos have been learning about and creating simple machines, our Year Threes have been constructing playgrounds and our Year Sixes have finalised their central ideas and lines of inquiry for their Exhibition Unit. The Learning Conferences were an important opportunity for parents, teachers and students to discuss learning to date and to establish goals for the remainder of the academic year.

New Priests in the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

Tomorrow six new priests will be ordained in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. One of the new priests is a former student of St Bernard’s College. It is wonderful to see young man who is a product of our local Catholic secondary school commit his life to God and to the service of His people.

‘My name is Joel Peart and I am a deacon of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. I grew up in Gladstone Park, a blue-collar suburb in the northwest part of Melbourne. My secondary education was completed at St Bernard’s College in Essendon. I was an average student but enjoyed my time there very much, particularly when representing the college in sport. It was after college that I began to take my faith more seriously. I returned to the sacrament of confession after many years away and began to read and learn more about my Catholic faith. Over the years, the daily prayer and regular study of the program has certainly helped deepen my relationship with God. Please pray for me as I will you!’

The other young men to be ordained are: Patrick Bradford, Daryl Montecillo, Justel Callos, George Feliciouz and Joseph Dong Chau Tran. Please remember these young men in your prayers.

Use of Social Media

Many parents expressed concern during this week’s Learning Conferences regarding children’s use of social media, particularly Instagram. Concerns ranged from the amount of time children were spending on social media, the nature of the children’s posts, and the sending of inappropriate material and photo sharing. Here is some important information about Instagram.

- Instagram has strict terms of use and it is illegal for anyone under the age of thirteen to have an Instagram account.
- Access is via an app. The app needs to be downloaded onto devices through the iTunes store which requires a password-protected log on.
- Users control the privacy settings.
- The privacy of Instagram users cannot be 100% protected.
- Once photos/content are posted on Instagram (or other social media) they are there forever.
- Any digital media that is uploaded can be copied and shared by others.

At school the children do not have access to Instagram or social media. We have strict privacy restrictions in place. No child in our school is old enough to have access to Instagram. If any of our children have access this is because it is permitted in the home with the full knowledge of their parents. As they are under age I would strongly advise parents to remove children’s access to Instagram. I would hope that any responsible parent would not have Instagram on any devices at home in the first place.

As a school we do everything in our means to ensure students appropriate use of the internet. We cannot control what parents permit to occur within the home. It’s very difficult to close the gate after the horse has bolted!
Regional Athletics
A team on 19 students participated in the regional athletics on Tuesday. Once again the students represented their school with pride and the results of 13 of the children ensured that they progress to the next level of competition. Well done to all the children on their success.

Book Fair
Thanks to all those who supported this year’s book fair. The children enjoy the opportunity to purchase new books and we are most appreciative of parents willingness to provide the necessary finance! All profits go towards the Library’s book stock (which the children have a great deal of input into thus keeping the Book Depository in business!)

A reminder to all families that the opening of this year’s Art Show will be held next Wednesday evening from 5:30 – 8:00pm. The children have produced some amazing artwork this year and are looking forward to their families having the opportunity to view their work.

Next week is the last week in Term 3 and children will be dismissed at 1:30 pm on Friday. The whole school will be attending Mass at 9:15 and everyone is welcome to attend. There will be no newsletter next week.

Peace and all good,
Anne Doherty
P & F Meetings

Below are the Our Lady of the Nativity School Parents and Friends meeting dates for 2015:

Monday 12th September 7.30pm
Monday 19th October 7.30pm
Monday 16th November AGM

Meetings commence at 7.30pm and are held in the school staff room. All are welcome!

YMCA School Holiday Program – Book now!
The YMCA will be running Spring School Holiday Program in Niddrie Primary School, offering heaps of awesome activities, including Kemizo Entertainment Centre, Melbourne Zoo, Minecraft and more!


Thanks for your support,
YMCA Children’s Services

THE UNIFORM SHOP IS ONLINE!
Starting from 1st September 2015, families will have the opportunity to purchase uniform items online via the ouronlinecanteen website.

If you are already registered with an account, once you go in you can simply click on the Unifoms tab at the top of the page. There you can order your required items and the Uniform Shop will fill your order and deliver it to your child’s classroom the following Monday.

You can also access the website by using the UNIFORM ORDER button on the tiqbiz app. The price list is still available with the UNIFORM LIST button.

If you are not registered, just go to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au and follow the prompts to set up your own account…it’s super easy!

We are hoping this system will make it a quick and simple option for those who can’t get into school to make their purchases. As we will now be using this online system, we will no longer be taking orders through the office, however the Uniform Shop will still be trading as usual on Monday mornings.

Happy online Shopping!

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SUN SMART POLICY

Dear Parents,

As we are now in Spring and are enjoying some much needed warmer weather, we would also like to inform you that our Sun Smart policy is now in effect. This will mean that all children will be required to wear a hat when they are playing outside each afternoon. Any children without a hat, will be required to play in a shaded area or inside the after care room. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

We would also just like to make mention of our service operation hours, as there has been a little confusion as of late. Before School Care runs from 7.00am - 8.45am and After School Care runs from 3.30pm - 6.00pm each weekday. We would also like to mention that the service has two available phone numbers in which we can be contacted on - 9331 0326 or 0402 903 093.

Holly & Team.

Riverside Park draft design
Have your say

We are planning to refresh this special park and make it more enjoyable for all. Highlights of the draft design for this park include new play options, improved picnic areas and upgraded car parking.

Community information session
When: Saturday, 12 September 9am to 11am
Where: Riverside Park barbeque area, The Boulevard, Aberfeldie.

Please come along to ask questions about the project and give your feedback.

How to have your say
In addition to the community information session you can also send us your ideas by:
- emailing parkimprovements@mvcc.vic.gov.au
- calling our Urban Design team on 9243 8888
- mailing Urban Design, Moonee Valley City Council, PO Box 126, Moonee Ponds 3039

For more information and to view the draft design and feedback results visit mvcc.vic.gov.au/riversidepark
Please send us your ideas by Friday, 25 September.
THUR 24th & FRI 25th SEPT 2015 | 9.30am-3pm

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### Piety Stall—Open after each Sunday Mass

The piety stall is open with many religious items, images and icons, a range of cards available. Please make use of this!