

St Theresa's Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the school year I wish to inform you about important information regarding our school in 2018.

Next year we welcome 49 new students (39 Preps) and 28 new families to the school. We hope that their time with us will be rewarding and enjoyable.

Next year we welcome Mrs Rosie Grech back to our school as a new part time teacher and we also welcome Jessica Mamisvalov back from maternity leave. There may also be some further staff changes in relation to our Teacher Aides.

LEADERSHIP ROLES

I wish to take this opportunity to again outline positions of responsibility and leadership among the staff.

Deputy Principal & Student/Community Well Being - Marie Gamwell

Religious Education Leader - Doriana Cooper

Learning & Teaching Leader - John Kremers

Special Education/ Additional Learning Needs - Kathryn Pulis

Literacy Leader - Helen Cozmescu

ICT & Number Intervention – Marry Madden

Senior School Leader- Frank Stosic.

STAFFING & CLASS ARRANGEMENTS

In 2018 there will be some changes to staffing arrangements and class groupings. 2018 arrangements are as follows:

Prep S - Sharon Flanagan

Prep/1 CE - Carla Pullen & Erin Panagiotou

Gr 1/2 L - Larissa Scavo

Gr I /2 K - Kathryn Pulis

Gr 2/3 D - Doriana Cooper

Gr 3 /4F - Frank Stosic

Gr 3 /4 B - Brigid Wisniewski

Gr 5 /6 TM -Tenielle-Marie Pereira

Gr 5/6 P - Patrick Gamwell.

Other programs and staff positions are as follows:

Art - Judy Foulds

LOTE Italian - Sandra Fazio

Performing Arts - Jane Cahill

Phys Ed – Jessica Mamisvalov

Reading Recovery - Dot Chats

Levelled Literacy Intervention – Dot Chats

Good Start – Junior Support- Rosie Grech

Classroom Support - Angie Condon

Classroom Support – Laurie Krepps

Number Intervention - Mary Madden

Literacy Intervention (English as an Additional Language - EAL) Jennifer Perrone

School Counsellor - Peter Folidis

Family School Partnership Convenor - Greg Woolford

Learning Support Officer (Teacher Aide) - Samantha Restall

LSO - Pam Hughes

LSO/ Library - Genevieve Dorman

LSO – Jacquie Broeckx

LSO - Lauren Listro

LSO - Chiara Pizzo

LSO (Admin) - Sally Patkin

LSO (Admin) - Vivien Taylor

SSO (cleaning) - Frances Bugeja

Literacy Leader – Helen Cozmescu

Leader of Learning & Teaching - John Kremers

Deputy Principal - Marie Gamwell

Principal - Robert Macklin.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before and after school care will continue to be available for families.

With the availability of before and after school care parents are requested not to send children to school before 8.30 a.m. School staff need to be completing preparations for the day rather than supervising children who arrive too early.

Parents using OSHclub before or after school care are asked to drop off or pick up children via the outside door of the multi-purpose room which can be accessed via the pedestrian gate in Adelaide Street.

SCHOOL FEES

Our school's current fees are among the lowest in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. This along with changes to Federal Government Funding and increasing costs means that our financial viability is at risk unless we increase fees by 9.96% in 2018. Therefore, next year the Family Fee will be \$925.00 for the year. The per Student Levy will be \$350.00 which includes fees for swimming (Gr P-4) and part of the costs for the Grade 5/6 Camp. The School is also applying a Capital Levy of \$50.00 to help cover the costs of maintenance and building improvements. Quarterly accounts will be sent home and payments will be due on the 25th of the first month of each term. As has been the current practice families may choose to pay weekly, fortnightly, monthly or as a lump sum. The most convenient payment method for families can be arranged with our School Administrative Officers Sally Patkin and Vivien Taylor. Anyone facing difficulty paying school fees should speak with me.

I'm looking forward to another great year and hope it is wonderful for all us.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Macklin

Principal.