



Resurrection Catholic Primary School



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Our Vision: At Resurrection Catholic Primary School, we learn passionately, we serve joyfully, we care.

Prayer: Readings: Genesis 22: 1–2, 9–13, 15–18

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, 'Abraham!' 'Here I am!' he replied. Then God said: 'Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you.' When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, 'Abraham, Abraham!' 'Here I am!' he answered. 'Do not lay your hand on the boy,' said the messenger. 'Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son.'

In this reading, God asks Abraham to offer up his son in sacrifice. In ancient times, human sacrifice was not unknown in some cultures but was not part of Hebrew belief. Abraham had waited a long time for his son and to be asked to give up not just his first-born son but his only beloved son was an agonising decision for him to make. The first-born son was a sign of the continuation of a man's lineage, his name, his family line, his identity. Abraham is a figure of faith and trust who, although he doesn't understand God's directive, does as God requests.

Thursday 1st March, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS - FEBRUARY			
Middle School Camp	Wednesday	February 28 th – March 1 st	Students travelling to Sovereign Hill Ballarat
UPCOMING EVENTS – MARCH			
Prep 2019 Parent Information Night	Tuesday	March 6 th	7pm in the school hall
Parish Meeting Night	Wednesday	March 7 th	7:15pm
Sacramental Journey	Thursday	March 8 th	7pm Prayer service for year 3, 4 and 6 families.
School Closure	Friday	March 9 th	Teacher first aide training – No school for children
Labour Day	Monday	March 12 th	No school for children
Palm Sunday	Sat/Sun	March 24 th /25 th	Mass at 6:00pm/8:30am & 10:30 am
Athletics Sports	Monday	March 26 th	
Holy Thursday	Thursday	March 29 th	Last day of Term I – students finish at 1:45pm

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

March Calendar

The March calendar has been added to this week's newsletter. Please take some time to look over this.

Enrolments for Prep 2019 It is amazing that we need to start talking about next year's enrolments at the beginning of March. To begin Prep in 2019, a child must turn 5yrs old by 30th April 2019. If you have a youngster at home, or know of a family with who has, please come along to our Prep 2019 Information Night, next week, Tuesday March 6th at 7:00pm in the school hall. We will be having School Tours on Wednesday 14th March and Friday 16th March at 9:15am.

School Photo Day

This year's school photos will be on Wednesday 14th March. All children are to wear full summer uniform to school on this day. More information will follow shortly. School photo order forms will be sent home today.

Catholic Education Formation Program During 2017, I applied to attend a formation program offered this year in Ireland, "Reflect, Refresh, Renew" at the Mt St Anne's Retreat Centre, Portarlington, Co Laios. I found out last week that my application was successful. I depart on Friday 16th March, spending St Patrick's Day in Dublin before heading to the retreat centre for four weeks of study. In my absence, during the last two weeks of term, Mr Freeman will be acting principal.

May God bless you,
John Connors
PRINCIPAL

On Psych Counselling Service at Resurrection

Do you find that your child is displaying emotional or behavioural issues? OnPsych are a team of fully qualified and registered psychologists who specialise in child and adolescent services working in primary and secondary schools in both individual and group settings. Services are performed at NO COST to the school, student or parent through Medicare bulk billing. We are now lucky to have an OnPsych start up again at Resurrection Primary.

onPsych staff are passionate psychologists and Mental Health Social Workers who support both children and adolescents experiencing a range of psychological issues such as anxiety and mood disorders, Autism Spectrum Disorders, interpersonal, learning and behavioural disorders, exam stress, self harming and adjustment difficulties (social & situational). onPsych employs psychological techniques such as Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, client-centred and solution-focused therapy with psycho-education. onPsych firmly believe that a collaborative approach will produce the most successful outcomes for a child. If you believe that this might benefit your child, please contact (Well being Leader Helen Belden) for further instructions.



Reading *with* your child and reading *to* your child

In the early years of schooling your child will be bringing books home. The reading practice they get by reading school books every night is invaluable to reading progress. When reading the books with your child, also take the time to talk about the book. Discuss the cover, talk about the pictures and predict with your child what might happen next.

Along with reading *with* your child, it is also good practice to read *to* your child. Bedtime stories where a book or part of a book is read each night is a way to encourage children to engage with books and build vocabulary and language skills. Talking about the stories also develops meaningful interactions between parent and child

Studies have shown that the types of interactions between parent and child can result in a more than 30 million words gap between children by the time they are three years old.

<https://www.aft.org/sites/default/files/periodicals/TheEarlyCatastrophe.pdf>

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships Classroom Program

The Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships Classroom Program is informed by a strong evidence base that highlights social and emotional learning.

This program is provided for
Foundation
Years 1-2
Years 3-4
Years 5-6

At all these levels, the classroom program is structured to address 8 key topic areas.

The first 6 focus on developing key social and emotional learning skills.

Topic 1: Emotional Learning

Topic 2: Personal Strengths

Topic 3: Positive coping

Topic 4 Problem-solving

Topic 5: Stress management

Topic 6: Help Seeking

Term 1

Topics 1

Emotional Literacy

Is the ability to understand ourselves and other people. It includes the ability to understand, express and manage our own emotions, build empathy, and to respond appropriately to the emotions of others. Building a large vocabulary for emotions helps to increase emotional literacy and build self-awareness and empathy for others

Topic 2

Personal strengths

Children and young people need a vocabulary to help them recognise and understand strengths and positive qualities in themselves and others. This topic provides learning activities to build this vocabulary and to use it when discussing personal, social and ethical challenges.

Social and emotional learning programs which use strength- based approaches promote student wellbeing, positive behaviour and academic achievement.

Sacramental Journey Prayer Service

Dear Parents,

To begin our year in preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation, please attend, with your family, the prayer service celebration on Thursday March 8th at 7pm in the church. Your child also received a note last week explaining the importance of the celebration. This is also a great opportunity to meet Fr Gerard, our new Parish Priest and say hello to other parents who are also preparing their child for one of the above sacraments.

First Communion and Confirmation Dates:

Notification of the dates for the sacraments were sent out two weeks ago. If you have not seen the note, please request the note from your child.

Below are the sacramental dates:

First Communion Dates

Rm 17	Mrs Zakic	Sunday 3 rd June
Rm 15	Mrs Krajinovic/Ms Joy	Sunday 17 th June
Rm 16	Miss Carreon	Sunday 24 th June

Confirmation Dates

Friday 31 st August	Rm 19 Ms Sison, Rm 20 Mr Bremner, Rm 23 Miss Barrie
Friday 7 th September	Rm 18 Mrs Mammarella, Rm 21 Ms Sara, Rm 22 Mr Anstey

CSEF

If there are any NEW families to the school that hold a current Health Care Card, or any family could you please come into the school office ASAP to complete a CSEF form.

SCHOOL FEES 2018

FAMILY SCHOOL FEES: \$760.00 per family/per annum (Per Term \$190)
STUDENT LEVY \$220.00 per student/per annum
I.T \$ 50.00 per student/per annum

CAMP: YRS 1 & 2 (Level 2) \$ 30.00 per student
YRS 3 & 4 (Level 3) \$150.00 per student
YRS 5 & 6 (Level 4) \$200.00 per student

SWIMMING: YRS P – 2 \$ 80.00 per student

How is funding for Victorian Catholic schools allocated by Government?

Both the Australian and Victorian Governments are important providers of funding for Catholic schools along with families who contribute to the costs of Catholic education through **fees and fundraising**. Catholic schools like ours are resourced at almost 25% less than government schools. On average, the income per student in Catholic schools is lower (\$9,243) than in government schools (\$12,348).

What do our school fees (\$760.00) go towards?

School fees pay the running costs of the school. The bills you receive at home (power, water, gas, insurance, cleaning costs, loan repayments, plumbers, electricians, telephone, maintenance items, etc.) are the same bills we receive however ours are much higher in dollar value, e.g. our insurance bill is \$45,000 per year, our electricity bill per month on average is \$1,200 (solar panels installed) etc. The school fees help pay some of these costs.

What do our \$220 levies go towards?

The levies pay for the items used by your child within the school year.

The breakdown on **\$220** levies is as follows:

Literacy classroom resources	\$45.00
Library	\$10.00
Excursions/Incursions	\$60.00
Classroom stationery, art materials and books	\$20.00
Performing Arts resources	\$20.00
Religious Education resources	\$15.00
Mathematics resources	\$40.00
Computer software licenses and materials	\$20.00
Physical education equipment	\$20.00
Italian resources	\$10.00
Total Cost	\$260 (The school will put in the extra \$40 per child through other income sources.)

What does our \$50 ICT (computer/digital devices) levy go towards?

The levies raised go towards our total ICT costs. The levies collected will cover minimal costs associated with our ICT expenditure.

If you have any difficulties with payment of fees please see Mr Connors so that an arrangement can be worked out. We are able to assist families in need!

Please note: Independent auditors review our financial records to ensure money has been spent appropriately and according to the guidelines. To date our auditors reports have always found correct procedures and disbursements are in place of all financial transactions.

Easter Celebrations

The fundraising committee have organised an Easter Raffle.

We ask that families donate Easter chocolates on **Monday 26th of March**. We would appreciate parent helpers on **Tuesday 27th March** to prepare the Easter raffle hampers at 9am in the Community Centre.

The Easter Raffle will be drawn on **Wednesday 28th March**. We would appreciate parent helpers to deliver to the classrooms the hampers to the prize winners after recess.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

Dear Parents,


The catalogues for book club will not arrive until next week. If you wish to order books prior to next week please follow the step below.

1. Go to www.scholastic.com.au
2. Select the Bookclub dropdown box on right hand side and view or download Issue 2
3. Next to each book is a number which you will need for LOOP
4. The Due date for Issue 2 is the 16th of March

AFTER-SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

ENROL NOW FOR TERM 2
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Term 1 Enrolments **NOW CLOSED**


CONTACT 

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- Practical Learning
- All Grades Welcome!

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ERC....

Classes & Returns for 2018!



ERC Classes

By now all students will have attended 1 Library session in the ERC. During this session the children have been reintroduced to the Library as a resource for leisure reading and reading for educational research. Those students who still had books checked out in their names from 2016/2017 spent a short while trying to locate these books on the shelves, happily some located them...for those who didn't find them, we will continue to look for them as I hope you will at home, as well.

Most Parents have returned their signed notes regarding these misplaced books, and I'd like to **thank you** very much for your searches at home. Those books have now been place into a lost file until the end of the year, at which time they will be deleted, they are not deleted immediately as lost books **do** have a tendency to turn up.

If you have not returned your child's signed note please do so as early as possible please, it assists us in our record keeping.

Borrowing ~

Students have started borrowing, and below is a list of when lessons are timetabled for each class and when the children's books will need to be returned.

Odd Weeks (1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11)

Tuesday	Year 1 Rooms 1 & 4	Year 4 Rooms 15 & 16
Wednesday	Year 5/6 Rooms 21 & 23	Year 1 Room 2 & 3
Thursday	Year 5/6 Room 22	Year 4 Room 17



Even Weeks (2, 4, 6, 8, 10)

Tuesday	Year 2 Room 6	Year 3 Rooms 13 & 14	
Wednesday	Year 5/6 Rooms 19 & 20	Year 2 Room 5 & 7	Year Prep Room 9
Thursday	Year Prep Rooms 8 & 9	Year 5/6 Room 18	Year 3 Room 11

Borrowing Expectations....Children will borrow.....

1. **Providing** they have returned their books.
2. They have a Library bag...this may be either material or plastic.

Returning ~

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	Year Prep Rooms 8, 9 & 10	Year 5/6 Room 18
	Year 3 Room 11	

Returning Expectations....

1. Books are returned on the correct day (preferably, if not students will borrow at a lunchtime opening)
2. Students have their Library bag so they can borrow again.

ERC/Library Opening Times....

The Library will be open for the students to use on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunchtime (11.05 ~ 11.25). In this time they can read quietly, borrow (if their books are returned), research, or browse quietly.

Parish News



Lenten Reflection

Every Monday night during Lent an opportunity exists for parishioners to listen, learn & discuss the following Sunday's Gospel. Lent is the opportunity to "go deeper", to go beyond your present comfort zone, to listen to Jesus. Everyone is welcome to meet in the Mackillop room at 7.00pm.

24 Hours with the Lord

Pope Francis has asked that every parish celebrate "24 Hours with the Lord" during a weekend of Lent. Our parish will celebrate "24Hours with The Lord" from Friday evening 9th March commencing with Mass at 7.30pm. We will conclude our celebration on the Saturday 10th March with a prayer service finishing at 7.30pm.

Our church will be closed this year from 12am till 6am however prayers will still be led at home. For further information or if you are willing to lead a part please contact Maryann at the parish office. The final details will be completed early next week and posted on our Facebook page www.resurrectionkingspark.org.

18+ Dinner

If you are over 18 and under say 30 you might like to consider coming for dinner here in the parish on Wednesday 18th April. Everyone will meet in the community Centre.

The night will consist of a guest speaker and everyone is kindly asked to bring a plate to share. The next 18+ event (Colour Run Fundraiser) will also be discussed in this meeting

The hope is that these dinners will be a regular feature of our parish encouraging young adults to gather over a meal, then have a guest speak on contemporary issues leading into a discussion on "faith matters" and why faith matters.

For any interest please contact Hashani on 0425 121 387

A Big Thank You

A warm thank you goes out to everyone that attended the Social Groups gathering to Welcome Fr Gerard to Resurrection. Also, thank you to the 18+ group for taking the time to face paint and meet and greet our children.

Please look out for more social group gatherings, everyone is welcome to attend. This is a good time to get to know our parishioners; you just never know you might become good friends with one another.

Parish Meeting Night

Our next Parish Meeting night will be held on the 7th March commencing with a prayer service at 7.15pm. Supper will be supplied by the Finance & 55+ group.

Labour Day Public Holiday

There was a misprint in the big bulletin calendar.

Please note there will be no 6pm Mass on the Labour Day public holiday (12th March). Also the Parish Office will be closed this day.

The Anointing of the sick and senior parishioners Mass

A warm invitation is extended to all Senior Parishioners to attend the Mass and morning tea on Tuesday 27th March, commencing with Mass at 9.20am and refreshments at 10.00am. If you wish to attend please place your name on the sign up board in the Narthex for catering purposes. If you're able to help with catering please contact the parish office. Your assistance is welcomed and your support is valued.

HAPPY EASTER



To see Bunnings' amazing range of power tools go to www.bunnings.com.au/power tools

Name: Age: Telephone: Local Store:

Bunnings Group Ltd is giving you the chance to win a \$50 gift card or \$50 worth of products in our Easter colouring competition. There will be 3 winners of each store.

All you have to do is colour in the scene above & deliver it to your local warehouse by 6pm Monday 2nd April 2018. The winners will be notified on Tuesday 3rd April by phone.

- Competition is open to ages up to and including 17 years old.
- 1 entry limit per person.
- The judge's decision is final & no correspondence will be entered into.
- Bunnings Group Ltd employees, suppliers & their families are ineligible to enter.
- Personal information will only be used to contact the winners.

BUNNINGS

Join our Easter Family Night

FREE



Thursday 22nd March 6-8pm

Bring the family along
for a great night of fun!

- Easter D.I.Y. Workshops
- Visit from Easter Bunny
- Fun Easter egg hunt
- Easter activities for the whole family
- Light refreshments will be provided



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MARCH 2018

RESURRECTION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1 Junior swimming program	2 8:30am Mass Junior Swimming Program	3 6pm Mass	4 9am Mass 10:30 am Mass
5	6 7pm 2019 Prep parent information session	7	8 Sacramental Journey prayer service 7pm	9 School Closure Day—No school for children	10 6pm Mass	11 9am Mass 10:30 Mass
12 Labour Day No school for children	13	14 School photo day	15	16 8:30am Mass	17 6pm Mass	18 9am Mass 10:30 Mass
19	20	21	22	23 8:30am Mass	24 6pm Mass	25 – Palm Sunday 8:30am Mass 10:30 Mass
26 Athletics Sports	27	28	29 – Holy Thursday Last Day of Term I – children dismissed at 1:45pm	30 – Good Friday 8:30am Mass	31 6pm Mass	