

## Beatitudes of a Woman

Happy is she who works with  
the young, the old, the lonely,  
For she has compassion.

Happy is she who greets the world with smiles, laughter, anticipation,  
For she has courage.

Happy is she who speaks gently, and lives humbly,  
For she has dignity.

Happy is she who extends her hands, listens and hears,  
For she has understanding.

Happy is she who lives simply, loves deeply,  
For she has sincerity.

Happy is she who lives intensely, and sings,  
For she has awareness.

Happy is she who has compassion, courage, freedom and dignity,  
understanding and awareness,  
For she is a woman.



Happy Mothers' Day to all our mums -  
and to those who are like mums to so many!

# St James Updates

Term 2 Week 3  
Tuesday 7 May 2019

*'St James School Community is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards.'*

Dear Families,

With **Family Week** commencing next Sunday, we are celebrating Mothers' Day with our Breakfast on Friday morning. Numbers are approximately 150 for the first sitting (7.00am - 7.40am) and approximately 250 for the second sitting (7.50am - 8.30am). We will supervise students in the library resource centre once parents depart the first session, so no need to worry about them! You may need to walk some distance after parking your car so please allow time for this. We will open the pedestrian gates early to help with access to the grounds.

With such large numbers please be patient in regards to service. We promise there will be enough food for everyone! Special thanks to all the men who have offered to help on the morning.

Our wonderful P & F have organised the **Mothers' Day stall** (thank you Angela Bruni and your team of helpers) for Friday morning (9am - 11am).

Next week we are trialling a new format to our lap a thon with a **Colour Fun Run**. Details regarding donations were sent home last week with all students. Funds raised from the Colour Run will be combined with our P & F funds to go towards the construction of our new front fence. Families who do not wish to register or donate online may send funds raised to the school office in a labelled envelope. Don't forget to hunt out a white tshirt/sunglasses as optional extras.

Our next **Working Bee** will be on **Sunday 19 May** 10.30am - 12.30pm followed by a sausage sizzle. The invitation is attached. All welcome! Please RSVP!

**Tomorrow evening** is our Parent Information Evening regarding our 'About Real Life' sexuality education program for students in Years four, five and six. The session runs from 7 - 8pm in the Reynolds' Community Centre.

**NAPLAN** is on next week for our Yr 3 and Yr 5 students (Tues, Wed, Thurs). Could yr 3 and yr 5 parents please check your child's mailbag for extra information.

## Entertainment Books

A printed copy of the Entertainment Book will be going home this Wednesday with the eldest child, so you can see the types of offers available. If you'd like to keep the book, payment can be made online, or by returning the payment slip that went home last week. \$14 from every book, goes towards our new front fence. If you would prefer a Digital Membership, simply return the printed copy and visit: [www.entbook.com.au/186265m](http://www.entbook.com.au/186265m) to purchase your digital copy. Please return any unwanted books in the envelopes provided.

## Achievements

Congratulations to Saithirie (6C) who has been selected for a special part in the Australian Girls' Choir winter showcase concert. Saithirie has completed 6 years in AGC and is currently training 2nd year in concert level. Saithirie also received an accelerated promotion in 2016 and progressed directly from Vivo Level to Avanti level. Well done Saithirie!

## LOOKING AHEAD:

### May

Wed 8 Real Life Parent Night 7pm

Thurs 9 First Eucharist Home Mass – Group 4

Fri 10 Mothers' Day Breakfast 7am – 7.40am or 7.50am – 8.30am (\$5 per head)

Mothers' Day stall

Food Day

Sun 12 Mothers' Day

Mon 13 Family Week

Tues 14 NAPLAN

Wed 15 NAPLAN

Colour Fun Run 2pm – 3pm

Thurs 16 NAPLAN

First Eucharist Parent Faith Formation Evening with Elio Capra 7pm at St John's Mitcham

Sun 19 Working Bee 10.30am – 12.30pm

# Working Bee

DATE **Sunday 19 May**  
TIME **10:30am -12:30pm**  
WHO **All Parents of St James**

ST JAMES  
INVITES ALL FAMILIES TO OUR  
SECOND WORKING BEE FOR  
2019

PLEASE FILL IN THIS FORM IF YOU CAN JOIN US!!!!

The tasks may include

- Planting
- Raking tanbark
- Sweeping paths
- Hammering nails in the quadrangle garden boxes
- Clearing garden beds along the driveway
- High pressure hose dirty path areas
- Clean out drains
- Spread mulch



Implements needed:

- wheelbarrows, brush cutters, gardening tools, gardening gloves, forks, rakes. whipper snippers, hand blowers, high pressure hoses.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Please help to share the workload and keep our grounds looking good. Children are welcome at our working bees and are often very good helpers.

Please return the reply slip by **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** **Or email the office**

[office@sjvermont.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@sjvermont.catholic.edu.au)

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FAMILY NAME: -----

NO. OF ADULTS -----

NO. OF CHILDREN -----

STAYING FOR BBQ    Adults    ----    Children    ----

I CAN HELP WITH THE BBQ    YES    ----    NO    ----