



# Saint Helena's Catholic Primary School

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Something Beautiful for God

## Important Dates

Thursday	27 August	Faction Sports Day
Friday	28 August	Dress up Day Parade 8.30am
Thursday	3 September	Assembly (Dingos) 2pm
Tuesday	15 September	Edu-Dance Concert Yr2-7 2.00pm

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Unfortunately Mr Saulsman is away this week so he is unable to provide his usual messages.

### Welcome back

We would like to welcome back Mrs Basell who has returned after having a wonderful time overseas for the first five weeks of this term. We are all very envious!

### How are Roman Catholic Saints made?

When the custom of making Roman Catholic saints began, it was the common people themselves who chose them. Since the process was quite ad hoc, some of the stories of these saints were over-inflated by legend, while some did not exist at all. Therefore, the Church slowly took over the authorization and approval of choosing Roman Catholic Saints. By the 10th century this process came to be known as canonization. It was as recently as 1983, however, that Pope John Paul II made the canonization procedure more precise, defining three clear steps in the procedure: 1) Proclaimed venerable; 2) Beatification; and 3) Sainthood.

### Saint Bartholomew



The Feast Day of Saint Bartholomew is August 24. He was one of the twelve Apostles and a close friend of Saint Philip. Bartholomew's name is always mentioned in the Gospels in connection with Philip, and it was Philip who brought Bartholomew to Jesus. He may have written a gospel, now lost, which is mentioned in other writings of the time. He was thought to have preached in Asia Minor, Ethiopia, India and Armenia, as some one did, leaving behind assorted writings. Local tradition says it was Bartholomew the martyr.

**Uniform Shop - Open** every morning from 8.20am to 8.45am or orders can be taken. The new track pants have now arrived and are available for purchase. If you put in an order for them, please pick it up from the office. They cost \$30.00

### Head Lice

A note will be sent home today regarding head lice. These little critters are not harmful but are very annoying. Please check all of your children's hair (even children who aren't yet at school). If you find any signs of eggs or lice, treat appropriately. It is a good idea to vacuum or wipe over a lounge suite, bean bags etc that your child was sitting in immediately prior to you checking their hair, as there may be live lice present. Checking of hair should become a weekly event. Whilst it is time consuming exercise, it is

## ST HELENA'S CATHOLIC PARISH, ELLENBROOK

### Parish Priest - Father Francis Huy Nguyen

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**Pastoral Assistant – Rev. Ivan Sands** (0439 919 585)  
masses

### MASS TIMES

Sat 8am & 6.00pm, Sun 8am & 9.30am

Weekdays Mon-Fri 7.30am

Reconciliation prior to all weekend

the only way to keep the occurrence of lice to a minimum. If everyone does it, it should control the problem.

**Helping Hands** - Helping Hands is held on Tuesday mornings after drop off. Nothing too difficult and no experience is needed. Children are welcome, so come along and have a cuppa and a chat. It is held in the staffroom. For more information, please contact Maria Pradhan on 0432 845 060 or Geraldine Nolan on 0419 964 268.

### **Library Book Week Information**

This week is **BOOK WEEK** - Mon 24 August - Thursday 27 August. The theme for 2009 is "Book Safari".

**Our DRESS UP DAY PARADE will be on Friday 28 August - 8.30am.**

On Friday we encourage the children to come dressed as part of the theme "Book Safari".

**WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT COSTUMES ARE CREATED FROM CLOTHING YOU ALREADY HAVE AT HOME & NO MONEY IS SPENT UNNECESSARILY ON HIRING OR BUYING**

**BOOK FAIR 2009** - As an extension of our BOOK WEEK activities we are holding a **BOOK FAIR** in the library. Books from the BOOK FAIR may be purchased (eftpos facilities will be available but cash/cheque is preferred) before school from:

8.00 - 8.30 or after school from 2.30 - 3.15 from Monday 24 August - Thursday before school only.

**After School Sport** - After school sport participants are involved in a 1.5million sporting passes challenge this Wednesday afternoon. They are also trying to do bonus passes at home from 19 August to 28 August. How many passes can you do at home? How many different sporting passes can you think of? Go outside today and have a go!

**Faction Athletics Carnival - 27 August 2009:** We still need parents to help out at the carnival. If you are able to help with ball games, fun games and move around with the teams, please give me a call. Help us make the carnival a great success. Katrina Bennett. 0438 314 742

### **Year 6/7 Graduation Dinner**

Just a reminder to the parents of these students about sending in the \$20.00 for payment towards the dinner. Thank you to the parents who have already sent in their money.

**Communion Photos** - The photos of the Holy Communion candidates are still available in the school office for your perusal or you can go online at [www.midlandphotos.com.au](http://www.midlandphotos.com.au)

**School Canteen** - The canteen will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please remember to put separate money into each order bag or see Mrs Gregory at the canteen.

Canteen Roster	
Wed 26 August	Donna Tedesco
Fri 28 August	Sharon D'Evelynes
Mon 31 August	Carol Weir
Wed 2 Sept	Amanda Sultana
Fri 4 Sept	Lisa Bos Cathy Muraszko
Mon 7 Sept	Bronwyn White

### **P&F News**

#### **Disco**

A wonderful night was had by all! Many of the children and even some parents showed some impressive moves. Even though it was a social event, the P&F were able to raise about \$600. Fantastic! I would like to thank all the parents who helped in preparation for the night and those who also helped on the night. Some of those people were Estelle Gibbons, Geraldine Nolan, Kylie Beaman, Lisa Walton, Phil Burke, Maria Pradhan, Antonella Simmonds, Carolyn May, Flora Thornbury, Andrew Thornbury, Andrea Milburn, Kelly Evett, Trish Salvo and Jill Walker. As you can see many hands make light work.

Frank Mallard, P&F President

#### **Sausage Sizzle Athletics Carnival**

On Thursday is the faction carnival and the P&F will be supplying a sausage sizzle for the students and families. We need helpers to make this successful. If you can help out for a short while, please see Frank Mallard on the day. He will be grateful for any help.

## Chocolates

There are still boxes of chocolates available if you wish to purchase one. (\$57.60 for the box).

## Swan Valley Vines Resort

We would like to thank the Novotel Resort for their generous donation of a dinner voucher to Muscats Restaurant. The Vines Resort has a number of different restaurants and accommodation packages. For more information, contact them on 9297 3000.

We will inform you soon as to how you can have a chance of winning this voucher.



## Fete News

A note was sent out yesterday with a list of the stalls which we will be operating on the day. If you would like to run another stall with a group of friends, please let me know. The more stalls we have, the more successful our fete will be. Some of our past students will also be running a stall for us - thank you.

Even though the fete is not until 29 November, we would like to have most of the stalls organized and volunteers by the end of the term. If you can help, please put your name down.

Just a reminder of some other items you can donate to the fete (especially if they are filling up your valuable storage space at home)-

- Books
- Toys
- Unwanted gifts
- Wool
- Beads

These are but a few of the items we can use for the fete.

There will also be a craft stall, so if you are handy with a sewing machine or knitting needles etc, you are most welcome to make some crafts to sell on the craft stall.

## Community News

### Migrant & Refugee Weekend - Sat 29 August and Sun 30 August

The parish will be holding their Migrant and Refugee weekend again this year. To celebrate this event the parish is selling international homemade meals prepared by our parishioners. All meals cost \$5.00.

- These include-
- Singaporean chicken rice
  - Asian noodles
  - Birujani & curry
  - Lasagna
  - Chicken & sweetcorn soup
  - Lamb curry & rice



If you would like to place an order, please contact Geraldine Nolan on 9297 3073.

### Ellenbrook Little Athletics Club

We will be holding a registration day on 5 September at Olympic Soccer Club, Kingsway, 9am-12pm and at The Shops, Ellenbrook on 12 September from 9am-12pm. For more information please phone Elaine on 0404 887 425.

### Ellenbrook Place Plan

To all people who live, play or work in the Ellenbrook Place area, you are invited to participate in a workshop with the City of Swan to address your community's needs and goals.

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| Agencies         | 26 August 9am  |
| Residents        | 28 August 11am |
|                  | 1 Sept 6pm     |
| Businesses       | 2 Sept 6pm     |
| Community Groups | 7 Sept 11am    |
| Sporting Groups  | 8 Sept 6pm     |

At the Ellenbrook Place Office, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 90 Main Street.

For more information contact Sian Wakeling on 9267 9374

### Uniforms for sale

3 x pairs of tracksuit pants (Size 6)

Excellent condition \$10 each or 3 for \$25

Contact: Justine

Ph 0411 141 492

COLLECTION POINT IN THE  
LIBRARY



# Kookaburras



*This term the Year 1 Kookaburras have been learning about a variety of different topics that we would like to share with you.*

*We have been learning about money in maths, we can count it. Toby*

*We have been learning about Aboriginal people. They have lived here for thousands of years and England were the first to discover Australia. John*

*We have been learning about blind people and how we can help them in Religion. Kane*

*We have been learning about THRASS and we go through our A, B, C's. Emma*

*In sport we have been learning how to do the sport carnival. We have been practicing running races and flag races. Jessica Bull*

*We have been learning about Rainbow fish and X-ray fish from the Dreamtime. Jordan*

*We have been learning about which line to begin our letters on. Skyla.*

*We have been practicing writing stories on dotted lines. Dylan*

*We are learning how to handwrite our letters on the dark lines to the dotted lines. Joshua*

*We have been learning about numbers and counting by 2's and 5's. Jeremy*

*We have been learning about literacy. We have learnt ch words, sh words and th words. Liam Duffy*

*We have been learning about books and learning to read books. Jarvis*

