

NEWSLETTER NO.7

13th March 2025

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our school stands

Dear SFX families,

Hope you all feel rested and energized after the Long Weekend. It is always a good circuit breaker to recharge for the last four weeks of Term 1....and in true SFX ways, there's lots happening.

CONGRATULATIONS SFX SWIMMERS

Congratulations to all the students who competed at Division Championships last Wednesday. They all did very well giving their best on the day and showing great sportspersonship. The 12 year Girls Medley team of Mila, Poppie, Anna and Livia will continue to Regional Championships. Also Kye M, Caelen C, Poppy B will continue on to Regional Championships in individual events. This is a fantastic effort.

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

Key Dates:

Friday 4th April - Choir to perform 1 song at the Easter Tableau 10.15 in the Church

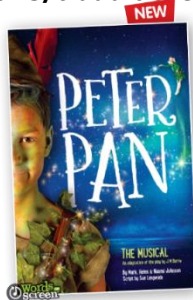
Tuesday 29th April (Week 2 Term 2) Year 5/6 auditions

We will be staging 'Peter Pan' for our school musical this September. The performance involves students in dance, drama, singing and music activities. The project will require commitment and active participation of all involved. It will enable all our students to collaborate in rehearsing, refining and finally staging an important Performing Arts event. There are important learning outcomes not just in the arts but in growth of self-esteem, confidence and teamwork. We hope you will support this important school project which will be a celebration of the arts at our school.

Auditions Year 5 and 6

The Year 5 and 6 will have the spoken parts in the production this year. Audition letters have been sent out this week to those who would like to try for spoken roles. Please return your slips if you wish to be included by 28/03/25. An audition timetable will be displayed on the Performing Arts door in Week 10. Students who cannot attend the Term 2 audition date, please see Miss Beamont and you will need to be auditioned before the Term One break.

Auditions will be held on **Tuesday 29th April** with Miss Beamont and Miss Diaz our Musical Choreographer.



Parent help with Props/Costumes etc

The costumes and props are a very important part of the visual appeal of our shows. We are hoping to stage a really colourful production.

Miss Beamont will meet with the Prop, Costume and Accessories Committee at the start of Term 2 to outline jobs. For the committee we are looking for helpers who may be able to help in a variety of ways:

Designers Carpenters Painters Artists
Sewers Program designers Just happy to help paint
Transporting props – provide access to truck/ute
Collecting/borrowing items from second hand shops or community groups

If you would like to be on the prop committee or assist with any sewing/designing of costumes, please contact Miss Beamont at: abeamont@sfxmontmorency.catholic.edu.au

CYLINDER CARDBOARD TUBE REQUEST

If anyone has any spare cylinder cardboard postal tubes at home please donate to them to the Performing Arts Program.



2025 PARENT HELPER/CHILD SAFETY SESSIONS

We had a fantastic attendance at the three Parent Helper/Child Safety sessions that were held over the past two weeks.

Session #1 attendances – 63

Session #2 attendances – 90

Session #3 attendances – 53

Total = 206

There will be no further sessions in 2025 as we now have the vast majority of our parents who can help in the classroom and around the school. Thank you to SFX Child Safety Officer Patrizia Rinaldo and to the many parents who gave up their time to attend the sessions.

Spirit of Jesus Awards

Term One, Week Six, 2025

Class	Student	Reason
PBM	Chloe L	For working hard in class, taking on new learning, looking out for her peers and showing resilience. Well done, Chloe!

2025 - GROWING INTO GREATNESS

PJV	Lucas B	For always showing respect to his teachers and classmates by listening and following instructions. Your kindness to others by always including is amazing. Thankyou for being such a great member of Prep JV
PRJ	Mila A	For the caring and kind way that she treats others. Your helpful nature allows others to feel welcomed, happy and respected. Thanks and well done Mila!
1CM	Asher N	For consistently sharing fantastic ideas in class discussions every day. Great job!
1KH	Lucy F	For always being a responsible learner and giving your best effort. Keep it up!
1LC	William B	For showing fantastic listening skills by following directions quickly and focusing on your work until tasks are finished. Your great work ethic makes you a wonderful role model in 1LC!
2SK	Isaac B	for the growing confidence you are showing to share your ideas in class. Great resilience Isaac, keep it up!
2SM	Isabella K	For always being respectful and kind to everyone and always using beautiful manners. Keep it up Bella!
3DH	Aggie K	You have shown excellent resilience upon your return to school last week. Well done for always seeking feedback and approaching tasks with a growth mindset. Keep it up!
3HS	Amalia B	For showing our school value of resilience in the mornings and helping set up our classroom every day. Great work!
4DO	Reid M	For being a focused and eager learner who listens attentively and applies new skills effectively. Keep up the high standard Reid!
4MA	Jay S	For taking ownership of your learning and always trying your best. Keep it up Jay!
5EG	Liliana D	For always being kind to her peers and teachers.
5SN	Isla D	For going above and beyond in her maths homework and seeking further challenges to help extend herself at home. Fantastic initiative!
6AH	Emmabelle A	For taking pride in the presentation of your work. The kind way in which you treat your fellow classmates. You listen carefully to

		feedback and are not afraid to give challenging learning tasks a go.
6DM	Owen B	For consistently challenging yourself in all facets of school life. You bring lots of energy and enthusiasm to our class which helps create a positive environment. Keep up the brilliant work superstar!

TERM ONE 2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday 14th March –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Saturday 15th March–SFX Parents Association Trivia Night 2025
Monday 17th March – Catholic Education Week 2025
Monday 17th March – SFX Book Fair begins
Tuesday 18th March –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Wednesday 19th March – School Advisory Committee 7pm
Thursday 20th March –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Friday 21st March – Harmony Day 2025
Friday 21st March–St. Patrick’s Day Mass @ St Pat’s Cathedral
Monday 24th March –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Wednesday 26th March –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Friday 28th March – SFX PA – Blokes Barefoot Bowls event
Sunday 30th March - SFX PA - Mums Barefoot Bowls event
Tuesday 1st April – Year 4 Sacrament of Reconciliation @ 7pm
Tuesday 1st April –School tour for prospective parents 11.30am
Thursday 3rd April – Year 3 – 6 Athletics Willinda Park Track
Friday 4th April – Term 1 concludes for students at 1pm
Monday 21st April – Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday 22nd April – School Review #1 – School Closed
Wednesday 23rd April – School Review #2 – School Closed
Thursday 24th April–Staff PD Day–Spelling/Maths – School closed
Friday 25th April – ANZAC Day Public Holiday – School closed
Monday 28th April–Term 2 commences for P-6 students @ 8.55am
Friday 4th July – Term 2 concludes at 1pm
Monday 21st July – Term 3 commences for P-6 students @ 8.55am
Friday 19th September – Term 3 concludes @ 1pm
Monday 6th October–Term 4 commences for P-6 students @ 8.55
Tuesday 16th December – Term 4 concludes @ 1pm

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2025 FIRE CARRIER COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

TUESDAY 18TH MARCH
AT MORNING ASSEMBLY (ON THE OVAL)

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE COMMISSION OUR
NEWLY ELECTED 2025 YEAR FIVE FIRE CARRIERS

*The aim of the FIRE Carrier Project is to promote respect, fairness and inclusion
for Aboriginal people in Catholic schools within Victoria.*



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

First Week of Lent

(Week beginning Monday 10 March)

This Lent at St Francis Xavier, we are invited to *Unite Against Poverty* with Project Compassion.

This year is especially significant as we celebrate the **Jubilee Year - a time of renewal and solidarity.**

Project Compassion 2025 shares three stories from around the world. **Toefuata'iga** is a young student who lives in Samoa and faced severe water shortages at her school. Thanks to Caritas Australia and the generosity of supporters, her school now has a 10,000-litre water tank improving hygiene and allowing the teachers to prioritise education. Let us be inspired by such powerful stories of resilience and strength, and learn the impact that our support can have on vulnerable communities around the world.

SFX students and families can donate to Project Compassion by placing money in the classroom donation boxes. Thank you for your support.



**UNITE 
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent

ZOOPER DOOPERS

THURSDAY 20th MARCH 2025

1 Zooper Dooper per child

All the money raised will go to our

Friendship School KADASIG in the

Philippines.

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SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW

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SAT 15 MAR
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GROWING GENTLE MEN

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SFX Parents' Association proudly presents

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Fri 28 March 6-9pm

GIRLS ON THE GREEN
Sun 30 March 12-3pm

Montmorency Bowls Club
RSL after bowls
Mountain View Rd (Petrie Park)
Tickets: \$25 (includes pizza)

Drinks available at bowls club prices.

For more information contact Ben McDonald 0422 992 244 or benmcdonald1974@gmail.com

Book by Wed 26 March at: trybooking.com/CYPSR