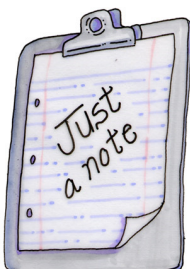




Student Departure

Parents please note that Junior School students and the adults collecting them are advised that Middle School students are still engaged in lessons from 3.00pm - 3.15pm. This means that all Junior School students and parents need to depart from the Junior School premises by walking past the Library, to the sides of the Middle School undercover area (especially if there is a PE lesson in process) and then safely out to the pedestrian crossing at the drop off zone. Under no circumstances should parents or students cross the road without using the pedestrian crossing.

Although this may be a longer walk for your child, it is the designated safest route. Departing the Junior School in this manner will also cause the least disruption to the Middle School students and their learning. Students will be alerted to follow this procedure and it will be greatly appreciated if you, as caregivers, could also assist us to keep all students safe in this learning environment.



Year 5 Camp

Year 5 Camp is fast approaching. Please return your consent forms as soon as possible.



Victorian Bushfire Appeal

Parent Morning Tea

A special morning tea is being held on Friday 27 February, immediately following assembly in the A Block, P & F Meeting Room. All parents and friends of the college are invited to attend. Choices on the day include:

- Tea/coffee and a selection of scrumptious home made goodies \$5.00
- Take-away plate of assorted goodies \$4.00

All money raised will be directed towards the Red Cross Appeal. Any further donations received on the day will also be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to help with organising or baking for this morning tea, please contact Dee Norris on 0439 538 355.

Student Chapel Offering

All money collected in the Junior School offering on Wednesday of this week, and next Wednesday 25 February, during Chapel will also go towards this special appeal. Thank you.



Engagement

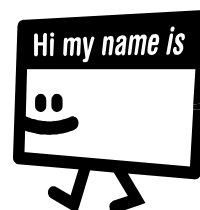
We are pleased to announce the engagement of one of our Year 1 Teachers, Fiona Karos. We wish Fiona and Adrian God's blessing and pray that their engagement is the beginning of a lifetime filled with love and happiness.

Congratulations!



Naming Items

Please ensure that if your child brings along sports equipment to school it has their name clearly marked on it. Use a permanent pen to write your child's name and class as it makes it easier for us to return the item to its rightful owner if it becomes lost.



Art Club

We started Art Club this week looking at the unique style of 'Modigliani'. Our budding artists copied his ideas with their own drawn portraits which we will paint next week. If your child hasn't already brought in a paint shirt, please make sure they have one for next week.



These shirts will stay in the art club classroom for the entire semester, therefore, need to be separate to the art smocks in your child's classroom.

Please note that due to popularity, the students have now been divided into two groups and will be advised accordingly.

Easter Eggs

The Community Service Committee is once again collecting mini Easter eggs for Easter baskets. All donations can be brought into the Junior School office.



These Easter gifts will be donated to local nursing homes, meals on wheels etc. Thank you for your support.

Why Music?

"Arts Education aids students in skills needed in the workplace: flexibility, the ability to solve problems and communicate; the ability to learn new skills, to be creative and innovative, and to strive for excellence."

(Source: Joseph M Calahan, Director of Corporate Communications, Xerox Corporation)



The musical journey for our students at Redeemer truly begins in Year 5. For the first time in their schooling, students have the opportunity to take instrumental music lessons on all instruments. Unlike our State School counterparts, students aren't expected to take compulsory group lessons.

At Redeemer, beginning students have access to expert tutors in a class of just two. Obviously, this more focussed tuition results in students with greater skills at the end of their first year of learning. Part of this learning includes the Junior Band program. Eventually, these young musicians will form the backbone of the Instrumental Music Program, playing in Senior Band, Orchestra and even as part of the school musicals.

Last year, the department purchased a new set of instruments specifically for Junior Band students and we are still looking for inspired young people to take up this exciting offer. In Year 5 music classes last week, Mr Law gave a demonstration on each of the band instruments – Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba and Percussion – and students were tested for physical suitability. This information was sent home to parents with great enthusiasm. The students were truly excited about the possibility of pursuing a band instrument and sharing this experience with their peers.

I urge you and your family to take a moment to consider the benefits of enrolling your students in the music program at Redeemer. Music is for life, so don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Mr David Law
Music Performance Coordinator

Student Activities:

Monday	23	Chess Club Drama Club (Year 1-2)
Tuesday	24	Art Club (Years 3 and 4DW)
Wednesday	25	Chapel
Thursday	26	College Choristers (Year 5) Junior Choir (Years 3-4)
Friday	27	Assembly Art Club (Year 5 and 4GA) Christian Dance (Years 2-3)

Coming Events: February/March

Wednesday	25	Prep Bible Presentation
Wednesday	4	Year 5 Camp departs
Friday	6	Year 5 Camp returns
Tuesday	10	Parent/Teacher Mtgs 3.15pm-6.30pm
Thursday	12	Tea and Tour 9.30-11.00am
Tuesday	17	How Do They Do That? Music Evening 7.00pm
Wednesday	25	Choristers/Junior Choir Performance Trinder Park 12.00pm
Thursday	26	Year 4 Camp departs
Friday	27	Year 4 Camp returns

Junior School Prayers

Each morning the Junior School staff meet for a short devotion. During this time we pray for the different Junior School children and their families. This week we have prayed for:

Jasmine Cohen (P)
Lily Call (1)
Maverick Christiansen-Danby (1)
Jasmine Chen (2)
Aaron Bradshaw (3)



Prep Bible Presentation

On Wednesday 25 February, some members from Our Saviour Congregation are joining us and following our normal Chapel service, they are presenting all our Prep students with their own Bible. This is an initiative of Our Saviour Lutheran Church and one they will continue to do each year for our Prep students as a means of connecting them with the Lord.

Prep parents are invited to stay for this presentation, which will be held in the Chapel and afterwards a brief morning tea will also be provided.

