



Dear Families,

It was so wonderful yesterday to come together as a school to pray and celebrate student achievement. Our children responded to the new format so beautifully, joining in our Welcome to Country, Hymn and Prayer. Our prayer was focused on the intention of peace in our world and how our small actions begin to sow those seeds of peace, love, pardon, faith, hope, light and joy. In sharing in this prayer, I was reminded of the work of our Year 3 students at last week's Reconciliation workshop where our children spoke of the need for unconditional love and forgiveness in our lives. Our children reflected on how forgiveness is renewed chance. They also described what forgiveness and by default making peace sounds like.... kind, friendship going around, inclusive, loving, laughter, cheerful, connected. We need more peacemakers like our children in the world.

Our Teacher Awards are clearly focused on student learning, positive relationships and our school wide expectations of RESPONSIBLE, RESPECTFUL AND SAFE. Thank you to our Kitchen Angels Janet and Sarah (our ESO team) for spoiling parents with morning tea. It was a lovely way to say welcome back, celebrate being together and saying a small thank you for your support during 2021. It was also wonderful to see so many parents at assembly, I hope the 9am time supported parents in sharing this with us.

We have begun our student leadership interviews. These interviews are an important part of the appointment process as they allow for a conversation between potential leaders and the school leadership team. Unfortunately, this process has been delayed as Donna, Phil and I have been required in classrooms while we navigate teacher shortages. We have acknowledged this with our candidates and shared with them our desire to respect their application and provide the time required to speak with them about their aspirations. We commend our Year Six students on their maturity and contribution to these conversations.

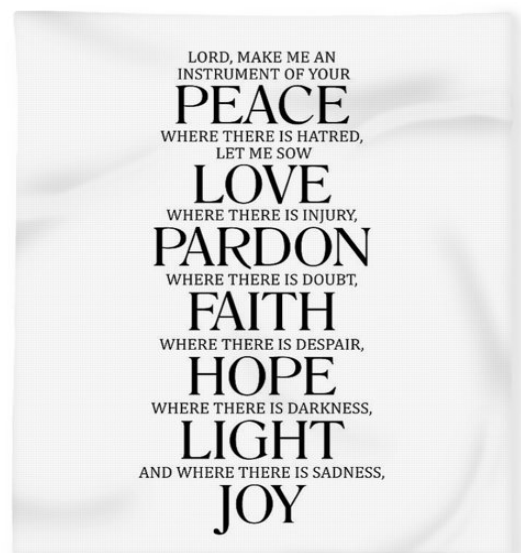
Congratulations to our Divisional Swimmers, who once again represented our school with a great sense of pride and enthusiasm. Thank you to Spencer, Xanthe, Chloe, Gracie, Jasmine and Donna Synan and our parents for supporting our children at this level of competition.

Exciting news! We have appointed Michelle Whittaker as our new PE teacher. Michelle brings with her a passion for supporting children's physical and social-emotional wellbeing as well an interest in many sports. Students will meet Michelle tomorrow and she will commence with weekly classes next Wednesday. I'm sure you all join with us in warmly welcoming Michelle to the St James' community.

Have a great week, Kind regards,

Bec Kollaris

principal@stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au





IMPORTANT INFORMATION – COVID19

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COVID 19 At School

What happens if COVID-19 is at School?

The school will tell you if there is a case in your child's class.

What do you do?

Use a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) on your child.

If they are well and a negative test has been received, they can come to school.

What do I do if my child tests positive?

Notify the school on 5942 5404 or email office@stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au

Isolate at home for 7 days



FACE MASKS

With continued restrictions, we remind parents that students are required to bring their own Face Masks to school.

Students in Year 3 and above **must** wear a face mask whilst indoors at school.

Students in Foundation to Year 2 are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask whilst indoors at school

Students over the age of 8 years old must wear a face mask when travelling to and from school on the School Bus.

If your child has an exemption from wearing a mask please email office@stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au



2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Commitment Mass

6pm - Saturday 26 February – St James, Nar Nar Goon

Parent/Child Workshop

7.00pm – Tuesday 1 March – St James, Nar Nar Goon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

7.00pm – Tuesday 22 March - St James, Nar Nar Goon

NAPLAN

NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5 will take place in the weeks of May 10-20. In preparation for this, Year 3 and 5 students will participate in the school readiness test next week. This is not a test of student's ability but rather a test of our technical equipment and internet speed and does not impact NAPLAN results for students. This is applicable for all schools in the lead up to NAPLAN.

School Fees

School Fee statements have been emailed out to families (please check your spam/junk email). **Please be aware that Camp Fees for Year 3 – 6 students are not being billed at this stage, until booking confirmations are in place, once COVID restrictions have eased.**

For families that are paying their account via Direct Debit, the camp fee will still be incorporated in the calculations as we anticipate the camps will be proceeding this year.

If you have already made payment towards your 2022 Fees, please be aware that this will not appear on this statement, however, will be credited against your account prior to the next statement being issued.

If you hold a Pension or Health Care Card please contact the school office to obtain relevant paperwork to be completed and returned. Eligibility will then be assessed and an application for assistance to reduce your school fees will be applied for.





Division Swimming Wrap Up

Facing the challenge of swimming a 50-metre length pool alongside several schools was met by five of our impressive Year 5/6 students this week. Despite a few nerves Spencer, Chloe, Xanthe, Jasmine and Gracie eagerly participated in their events, demonstrating that they gave their all to compete and proudly represented our school. We are grateful for their fabulous efforts and thank their parents who attended the day to cheer and support each of them. Congratulations to the swimming team - Gracie, Jasmine, Chloe, Spencer and Xanthe. You all did so well!
Mrs Synan



School Photos

Annual school photos will be taken on **Wednesday 23 March 2022**.

Students are to be in full **summer** school uniform. As students will have PE on this day, please send runners/sport shoes in their bags.

PRE-ORDER ONLINE (orders close at 5.00pm Tuesday 22 March 2022). See the packages available and place your pre-order online.

To order Sibling and Individual photographs, click on the following link:

[School Photographs Order](#)

School Access Key: [VMBC6WT](#)

Sibling photos are available for families with multiple children attending the school. **Sibling photos** must be ordered online before 5pm the day prior.

** A complimentary family/sibling photograph is available for families who order an individual pack for 3 for more children at the same school. **To be eligible**, you must order all the individual packs first and then add the family photograph to the same shopping cart. The discount will be automatically applied.

If you place your order online before 5pm the day prior, you do not need to return any paperwork.

If you have any inquiries, please contact Darren Spargo Photos on (03) 5942 5234



School Lunches

School lunches will be provided by Nar Nar Goon Takeaway on a Wednesday and Friday.

Please place your child's Name, Class and Order on the front of a paper bag and secure payment inside.

2022 Menu is attached to this Newsletter.

2023 Enrolments Foundation to Year Six – Spread the Word

We are taking enrolments for 2023!

If you have a student commencing in Foundation in 2023 please email,
office@stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au.

If you have family or friends who may be considering St James next year, please get them to contact the school as soon as possible to avoid a potential wait list. Enrolment forms can be collected from the office.

Student Absences

To avoid having UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES, Parents/Guardians are reminded to inform the School by 9am. Notification can be completed via PAM, phone – 5942 5404 or email to office@stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au.

Please provide your child's name, date and the reason for absence.

Late Arrivals/Early Departures

If your child will be arriving late to school or you are collecting early you must visit the office and fill in the Sign In/Sign Out Register. Office staff will take your child through to their class to ensure minimal disruption is made to the classrooms.

E-Safety

When it comes to online safety, the [E Safety Commissioner Website](#) is there to help support parents and carers and ensure that together, we keep children safer online.

More advice and information is available at [Safety Parents](#).



PAM

Here is the link for the St James Parent Access (PAM).

<https://pam.stjamesnng.catholic.edu.au>

Your username is the email address that you have registered with the school. The first time you log in, we ask that you use the forgotten password feature to set your own password.

ALL parents must access PAM to receive up to date information and grant necessary permissions.

MEDICAL INFORMATION – When you update your child’s medical information in PAM – **PLEASE** ensure this is accurate. The school must have current up to date asthma, allergy, anaphylaxis or medical plans for those students identified with these conditions and any other medical conditions such as diabetes or epilepsy. This is to ensure we have relevant information to assist your child with the management of these medical conditions.

2022 School Closure Days

Term 2	
Tuesday	26 April
Friday	24 June
Term 3	
Monday	11 July
Term 4	
Monday	31 October
Monday	19 December
Tuesday	20 December



February Birthdays (to 18 March)	
Lachlan Brown	Indi-Rose Millar
Tom Dell’Oro	Tyler Kent



Calendar – Term 1

Week 8		
Mon	14	Labour Day Public Holiday
March		
Wed	16	Whole School Assembly
March		
Thurs	17	St Patrick's Day
March		
Friday	18	Parents & Friends AGM (2pm – 3.15pm)
March		
Week 9		
Tues	22	Sacrament of Reconciliation (St James) – 7pm – 8pm
March		
Wed	23	School Photos No Whole School Assembly
March		
Week 11		
Thurs	7	Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea (students only)
April		
Friday	8	Last Day of School
April		

Calendar – Term 2

Week 1		
Mon	25	Anzac Day
April		
Tues	26	School Closure Day
April		
Wed	27	Students return for Term 2
April		

2022 SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER MENU



PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

YOUR NAME:

YOUR CLASS:

SANDWICHES

(Made fresh)

Salad	\$5.50
Ham & cheese	\$5.50
Ham, cheese, tomato	\$5.90
Chicken, lettuce, mayo	\$6.50
Egg, lettuce, mayo	\$5.90
Vegemite & cheese	\$4.50
Fairy Bread	\$3.50

ROLLS

(Made fresh)

Salad	\$5.90
Ham & cheese	\$5.90
Ham, cheese, tomato	\$6.40
Ham, salad & mayo	\$6.50
Chicken, salad, mayo	\$6.90

HOT ITEMS

Pies	\$4.50
Sausage rolls	\$4.00
Skinless hot dog/sauce	\$4.50
Chicken breast nuggets (3)	\$3.00
Dim sim	\$1.20
Potato cakes	\$1.20
Hot chips	\$4.00

Chicken Burger \$6.90
(Lettuce, cheese, mayo)

Beef Burger \$7.50
(Cheese & sauce)

Souvlaki Jr \$8.50

HOT JAM DONUTS \$2.00



ICE CREAMS

Calippo	\$3.30
Zooper Dooper	\$1.00



DRINKS

Water \$2.00

Flavoured Milk \$2.80
(Chocolate, Strawberry)

Fruit Box \$2.50
(Orange, apple, tropical)

ADDRESS:

Nar Nar Goon Takeaway
1 Main Street Nar Nar Goon,
3812

PH: 59425042

PLEASE NOTE:

All orders must
be in by 9:30am