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SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN AND COURTESY IN THE CAR PARK
Please consider these important reminders on car park etiquette to ensure the steady flow of traffic and the safety of our children.

**Morning**
Donut and Front Drive through are for a quick drop off ONLY. Parents should not be getting out of their car. Please do all the hugs and kisses earlier, if you need to stop please park the car.

**Afternoon**
We continue to have issues in our carparks. We are well aware our carparks are difficult in the afternoons. They are congested, traffic is blocked and backed up, people are frustrated, etc. but there is not much else we can do about it! Over the years the school has tried a variety of options, met with the traffic authority, had discussions with police – and the best outcome each time continues to be the current arrangements! We ask that all parents and carers:

1. Be patient and understanding;
2. Park & Pick Up if that suits you;
3. Use Donut or Front Pick Up but don’t get out of the car – stop, door open, kids gets in and then you carefully drive off;
4. ONLY turn LEFT at the exit and go up and around the roundabout - this keeps the traffic flowing;
5. Stagger your arrival.

Staff are on duty until 3.30, so come a little later if needed to ease the congestion. Thank you for helping us keep all the children safe.

SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIME
A reminder to all families that school commences at 8.45am. We are having quite a few children arriving late after the bell, morning assembly or even as late as 9.30am. It is important that children arrive on time so they do not miss out on important notices or instructions to the first lesson of the day. If your child arrives after the 8.45am bell they will need to be signed in by you at the Front Office.

LEAVING ST CLARE OF ASSISI
If you anticipate that your child will leave St Clare of Assisi at the end of this year, could you please notify the Front Office or complete the slip attached and return it to school. We need to begin planning for staffing and class configurations for 2017. Thank you to those who have let us know already, this is very much appreciated. Naturally Year 6 parents need not respond to this request.

SICK STUDENTS
If your child is ill please keep them at home for their own benefit but also so as not to spread it to other students and staff. Please make sure that your emergency contacts are up-to-date so that we can contact you quickly if your child becomes ill or is injured at school. If your child requires medication at school you are required to complete a “Request to Dispense Medication” form which is available at the Front Office.

A reminder that students are not to self-administer medication. Medication should not be kept in children’s bags but kept in the Front Office area and Karen, Jo, Annette or Leisa will administer. All information is then noted in a medication book. Teachers will not administer or supervise the taking of medication. Please ask your child to take medications to the Front Office upon arrival at school.

We are looking forward to seeing all the grandparents and special friends on Friday morning
Have a good week.

Brad Gaynor
Principal
brad.gaynor@cg.catholic.edu.au
Grandparents

When God created grandparents,
the world was truly blessed
with all the special joys
that make a family happiest:

For grandparents know how to do the
little things that warm our heart...
they touch our lives with love and care
right from the very start...

They show that they believe in us
and all we’re dreaming of...
When God created grandparents,
he blessed our lives with love...

Class Mass this Friday 29th July:
5 Green and 1 Green
Friday 29th July

You are invited to

GRANDPARENTS DAY 2016!

WHEN: Friday 29th July, Week 2 Term 3.
WHERE: Our beautiful classrooms with your lovely grandchildren.
TIME: 9 – 10:50am classroom visits
10:50 – 11:25 Morning tea served under the hayshed.

We would appreciate if you could bring a plate to share for morning tea.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
Congratulations to the following Award Receipients

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White Cards are given out to the children on Friday morning at the 8.50am assembly.

### Canteen Roster

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Help is needed for GRANDPARENTS DAY this Friday 29th July in the canteen. If you are able to assist please contact Michelle.

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**STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO ST CLARE OF ASSISI IN 2017 (Not Year 6)**

- My child/children have an Enrolment Application pending at another school
- My child/children will not be returning to SCA in 2017

Child's Name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

Destination School: ________________________________________________________

Forwarding Address: ________________________________________________________

Parent’s Signature: ________________________________________________________

Lolly Day this Friday
SCA Coffee Club

No Coffee Club this Friday due to Grandparents Day

The Parent Network

St Clare of Assisi
Boorowa Touch & Netball Carnival
Friday 21st October 2016
Yr 2-6

It’s on again. On the first Friday of Term Four, the town of Boorowa plays host to the Boorowa Combined Primary Schools Touch & Netball Carnival. SCA will be nominating teams for both these sports for years 2-6. We see this as a fun opportunity for our children to compete against different schools and give our city kids a country experience.

The carnival is due to commence at 9am and conclude, depending on the draw, at approximately 3:30pm. We will be travelling by either private transport or by coach. The coach will be leaving the school at 6:15am and should arrive back at school by approximately 5:30pm. Children will need to take enough food and drinks for a whole day, especially water. A full canteen & BBQ will also be operating on the day.

Children will need to wear their full sports uniform, including school cap and suitable clothing for any weather conditions the day presents. Sunscreen is a must for all children.

Children are to nominate for either Touch or Netball. We require a parent to volunteer as coach and/or manager for each team that we enter. It is an easy and enjoyable job for the day. We will endeavour wherever possible to keep children in their weekend teams, though only if numbers allow.

We will be travelling to the Carnival by coach. Each child travelling by coach is asked to pay $30, which will contribute to the cost of entering teams as well as transport. Each family only need to pay for a maximum of two players. Children travelling by private transport will only need to pay $10.

Notes went home yesterday to those who were interested. All notes are on our school website under the parents note tab.

Catholic Netball Carnival

Please note that all notes and payment must be returned NO LATER than this Friday 29th July 2016.
National Science Week is being celebrated at our school during Week 5. We would love some family members to share their Science profession with us. If you work in a Science field or have a love of Science and would like to share your knowledge with our students and community on Thursday the 19th of July, please contact Sharon Cox, Mike Stoelinga or Belinda Breen via email at the school by Friday 29th July.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Belinda Breen
Science Coordinator

Poetry and Short Story Writing Competition 2016

Entry is NOW OPEN in the 2016 Schools Writing Competition! Students all over Australia are invited to enter their poems OR short stories, and battle it out for the great cash prizes on offer.

There is no theme!! Entrants are encouraged to let their imaginations run wild and get their creative juices flowing to write on ANY TOPIC and in ANY STYLE. Students from ALL GRADES are welcome to enter - Kindergarten to Grade 12.

Entry is FREE and all entries must be in by Wednesday 31st August 2016.

The Book
Poems and short stories entered into the competition will be considered for inclusion into our 2016 Write4fun anthology! Those selected will have the opportunity to purchase the edition at a discounted rate. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizewinners will receive a complimentary copy of the book.

For further information or to download an entry form go to: www.write4fun.net
Year 2 at the AIS!
Last Friday was our Beanie Day for St Vincent De Paul. Thank you for all your wonderful donations. We filled the Night Patrol Van with warm winter woollies. All food went to the Calwell Conference to be distributed to people in need.
The Babies of SCA
Karen's Craft Central

What will be available at this year's Craft Stall

- Handmade Tutus
- Handmade Aprons
- Handmade School Colour Hair Buttons
- Lavendar Sachets
- Framed Prints
- Handmade Handbags
- Jewellery and more ....

Watch this space for more updates and photos.

Contact stall coordinator
Karen Snowball 6294 1860 or karen.snowball@cg.catholic.edu.au

Baby Tutu's $10
available at this year's fete.
Beautifully modelled by Miss Zara Adams

The Cake Stall

Our Creative Cake Lady, Chris Lawson, would still love more Moccona Coffee Jars.

If you can assist we will happily recycle them for you. Drop them off at the Front Office.

Terracotta Pots

Do you have any old terracotta pots laying around gathering spiderwebs??
We would love to take them off your hands and paint them for the fete.
Any shape, any size, would be greatly appreciated. If you can assist please drop them off to the Front Office (...minus the spider & spiderwebs!!!)
Thank you

PLANT STALL

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