Welcome back for another year. It was very exciting to see everyone again last week. I thank you for the way that you prepared your children to begin school, making it a very smooth start.

Each year we choose a relevant focus to help us live out our mission of ‘Daring to Step out and make a difference, just like Jesus. This year the focus is ‘Love Your Neighbour’. This was chosen because it is very relevant globally at the moment and is the central theme of Caritas, the Catholic relief organization. You will hear more about this throughout the year as we explore the theme and relate it to what we do at Stella. Next week we will send out the yearly calendar for families as the weekly newsletter.

Student Representative Council
At Assembly on Monday, we presented the SRC with their badges. We look forward to working with these student leaders and congratulate them for being elected.
Taso Bookarof, Hayden Vanderploeg, Tanner Armstrong, India Hay, Finn Peach, Joel Cooper, Isabelle Murchie, Sophie Kelly, Annie Chapman and Owen Casey-Smith.
School Captains for the first half of the year are: Shyaam Thirukkumaram and Zoe Drane

Monday 20th February
Grades 3 – 6 Assembly run by Grade 3

Thursday 23rd February
Parent Teacher Evening
3.30pm to 8.00pm

Tuesday 28th February
P&F Welcome to all families and Pancake Night
6.00pm – 8.00pm

Wednesday 1st March
Ash Wednesday

Stella Stars Playgroup
Playgroup session for 0 - 4 year olds commences on Wednesday 15th March and will be held every Wednesday from 9:00am - 10:30am on a weekly basis.

Gold Coin Donation
All Welcome
Dear Parents / Guardians,

In our school, as in the wider community, there are a growing number of students who are severely allergic to nuts and/or eggs. This could result in a student experiencing anaphylaxis which is a sudden, severe allergic reaction that requires immediate medical treatment and is potentially fatal.

As you know – we strongly believe that we have a shared responsibility for all of our students so we all have our part to play. I would like to let you know what is already in place and ask that you assist where you can.

**THE PARENTS** of children affected by food allergies have met with first aid officers and teachers prior to the commencement of school. They have developed an action plan with their Doctor and worked with us on how we can realistically implement this plan at school. These parents have also been working with their children to understand their allergies and have taught them habits to minimise the danger.

**THE SCHOOL** has organized meetings prior to school starting, to prepare a school plan for each student. Teachers receive regular training for awareness and responding to life threatening illnesses. Systems are in place to make sure all staff members are aware of students who have life threatening allergies. The school canteen does not serve peanut butter or nut products.

**THE WIDER SCHOOL COMMUNITY.** Whilst the children affected are being taught to care for themselves at an age appropriate level, and staff are vigilant in their actions, we are asking that our Stella family assist us with the following guidelines:

- Please talk through this issue with your child / children.
- We ask that no peanut butter or nutella sandwiches, bags of nuts, nut bars, or other nut products be brought to school.

As the only way to manage a food allergy is avoidance, the school has implemented strategies to help prevent a severe allergic reaction. We can never totally eliminate the risk but we can all do things that will lessen the risk. Please consider the children with food allergies when packing lunch boxes or when sending in food for any occasion, including school excursions.

Classes that have children with very specific or very severe allergies (including non food based) will receive a class note with more specific requests.

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation in this matter.

Yours Sincerely

Julia Kramer
Parent/Teacher Meetings
To help enhance the shared responsibility of the children, we always have Parent/Teacher meetings early in the year. I strongly encourage you to come in, meet the teacher and tell them about your child. We believe that home and school should work together for the benefit of our children. Our first Parent/Teacher meeting for this year will be on Thursday 23rd February between 3.30pm & 8.00pm. Please phone or email the office to arrange a suitable appointment time.

Life Education Van
The Life Education van will be at our school for the week of Wednesday 1st March to Tuesday 7th March. Each class will attend a session where they participate in memorable and engaging activities. These age appropriate modules aim to empower the children to make safer and healthier choices through education. The program consists of 11 curriculum based modules. Focusing on issues around food and nutrition, personal safety, physical activity, cyber safety, safety with medicine and legal drugs; tobacco, alcohol and caffeine. The specially trained educator ensures all messages are age appropriate, relevant and enhance and support the messages taught in Australian schools.
Parents are invited to visit the van and find out more on Thursday 2nd March and Monday 6th March at 2:15pm.

Scholastic Book Club
As advised in late 2016 Scholastic Book Club orders will be done online this year. To do your online order, go to www.scholastic.com.au and search “Book Clubs LOOP” in the “Shopping” tab of the website. If you require assistance or do not have internet access at home, our Librarian, Mrs Tanya Boon is happy to assist. The first flyers for the year will be distributed this week.
Thank you.

Kookaburra Club Accounts
CDF Tasmania will no longer be able to provide students with School Banking Accounts.
1. CDF Tas must not open any new Private Account/s on or from 1 January 2017, and
2. All existing Private Accounts must be closed by 31 December 2017.
Students can continue to deposit into any existing accounts they hold with us until December 2017, and will receive a letter over the course of the next few months detailing how to close their account and transfer funds to another financial institution.
INVITATION FROM THE P&F ASSOCIATION

Come along and help us
celebrate Shrove Tuesday

This is a night to welcome all families, new and existing, for a night of fun together

28th February from 6.00 pm
Gold Coin Donation

One of our favourite activities during the night is to slide down the hill. Only cardboard is allowed for obvious safety reasons. We ask that you either take your cardboard home at the end of the night or place it in the bins provided.

GRADE FOUR BUDDING ENGINEERS

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Dare To Step Out And Make A Difference
Just Like Jesus

STELLA MARIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
CANTEEN MENU 2017

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Fillings cost:
1 for $1.00
2 for $ 1.50
3 or more $ 2.00

Example:
Hot Roll $2.50 + 2 fillings $1.50=$4.00

BREAD:
White, Wholemeal, Multigrain, Gluten Free

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MONDAY & TUESDAY ONLY:
Noodles in a cup Chicken--$3.50

WEDNESDAY ONLY:
Nachos--$4.50
(Salsa, cheese, kidney beans, carrot)
Hot Dogs--$4.50

DRINKS:
Water--$2.50
Big M (Chocolate or Strawberry)--$3.50
Nippy 250ml (Choc, Straw or Honey))--$3.50
Nippy 375ml (Choc or Honeycombe)--$4.00

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OVER THE COUNTER ONLY
(These items only available over the counter not to be ordered with lunch orders)

**HOME MADE PRODUCTS:**
- Muffins (fruit)——$1.20
  ![Muffin](image1)
- Pikelets———$0.50
- Anzac slice——$0.50
  ![Pikelet](image2)
- Popcorn (plain) GF——$0.50
  ![Popcorn](image3)
- Ham & cheese savoury on muffin base———$1.20
  ![Ham & Cheese](image4)
- Hot Chocolates——$1.60
  ![Hot Chocolate](image5)
- Fresh fruit (seasonal)——$0.20 to $1.00
  ![Fruit](image6)
- Slinky apples———$1.00
  ![Slinkey Apple](image7)

**Crackers-GF——$1.20**
- Potato Gems-GF——7 for ——$1.00

**ICE CREAMS:**
- Quelch—GF——$1.20
- Vanilla cup——GF——$1.50
- Frozen yoghurt (Raspberry)——$2.20

**(GF- Gluten Free)**