



**ST MICHAEL'S NEWSLETTER**  
**Term 3 Number 22 - Friday, 14th August, 2020**

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*"Taken up into  
heaven, Mary  
shows us  
the way  
to God, the way  
to heaven, the  
way to life."*

*-St. Pope John Paul II*

***Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary***  
***Saturday, 15th August, 2020***

***All students attending St Michael's Primary School have the right to feel safe. The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school.***

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From the Principal.....

### **PARENT/CHILD/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

## **Parent Teacher Interviews Book Now**

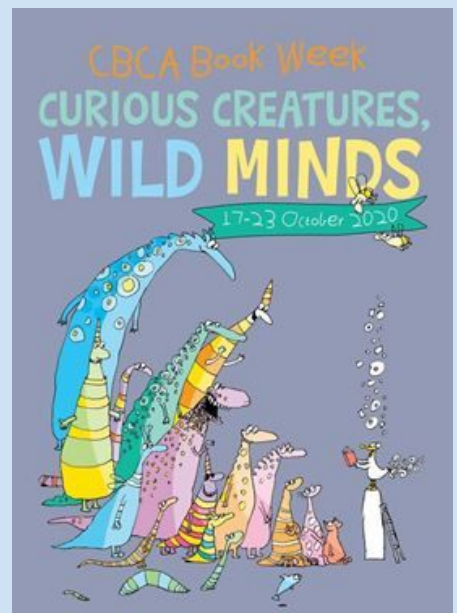
A reminder to all families that Parent/Child/Teacher Interviews will be held on **THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.**

Please access the link on our Skoolbag App or Dojo to book your interview time. All interviews will be held via Zoom or by telephone between the hours of 8.45am-4pm. Your child will need to be seated with you during the interview so that they can also participate. If you require any assistance to make your booking please contact your child's teacher or the school office on Monday 17th August.

### **BOOK WEEK**

The Children's Book Council of Australia has decided to postpone the 2020 Book Week until October. It is normally celebrated in August but due to our current climate the celebration has been moved to **17th-23rd October.**

We have decided to also move our St Michael's Book Week Celebrations until then as well.



### **WELLBEING WEDNESDAY**

Please find below a link to a very interesting youtube clip from John Spencer, a well respected educationalist who speaks about Distance Learning, we call it Remote Learning, and the need to support each other and to show grace, understanding, care and kindness to each other. I really enjoyed it, I hope you do as well.

**THERE'S NO SINGLE RIGHT WAY TO DO DISTANCE LEARNING**

**[There's No Single Right Way to Do Distance Learning](#)**

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## WELLBEING WEDNESDAY



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Thursday, August 13th, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. As you are well aware Covid-19 is having a huge impact on our day to day lives and this may be our 'new normal' for quite some time. St. Michael's acknowledges the pressure ongoing restrictions and remote learning is having on our students, families, ourselves and our own families.

Our number one priority is keeping each other safe and healthy, physically and emotionally. As a staff we agree it is essential to address the needs of all individuals within our community during this uncertain time.

As of next Wednesday St. Michael's will be introducing a 'Wellbeing Wednesday.' This is a day for our students and parents to stop and prioritise their own self care in a fun and engaging manner. The teachers will be introducing this day to the students in the days leading up to our first 'Wellbeing Wednesday' on August, 19th. This special Wellbeing day will run until the end of term.

We have developed a Virtual Wellbeing Hub that your children can access during the day and on the hub you will find;

- Weekly Wellbeing challenges specifically designed to engage the students in non-screen based activities.
- A Virtual Wellbeing Hub filled with Covid-19 safety tips, opportunities to practise mindfulness, Google Games, Mojo Lessons and more.

As well as accessing the Virtual Wellbeing Hub your child will be invited to fill out a morning check-in once per week. It will be a quick and simple Google Form that will allow your child to check in with their teacher.

Please note, on this day your child is expected to attend their morning Zoom session only as no targeted teaching groups will be held on this day. If your child has been having a Zoom session with their teacher on Wednesday, this will be rescheduled on another day throughout the week.

If you have any questions about 'Wellbeing Wednesday', feel free to email me on [erin.jenkins@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:erin.jenkins@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au)

Be safe, be well.

Erin

Wellbeing & Diversity Leader

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From the Principal.....

### OFFICE HOURS

A special thank you to all families who are continuing to support our school in keeping our community safe. Due to this we have been able to greatly reduce the number of staff onsite, therefore reducing the possibility of spreading this virus within our community.

We have also decreased the amount of time our office staff, Kylie and Adriana, are present on site at school, therefore our office are now as follows:

**Monday: 8.45am-3pm**

**Tuesday: 8.45am-3pm**

**Wednesday: OFFICE CLOSED**

**Thursday: 8.45am-3pm**

**Friday: OFFICE CLOSED**



If you require any urgent assistance on the days the office is closed please contact Steven or myself via email:

[steven.hubbard@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:steven.hubbard@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au)

[denise.hussey@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:denise.hussey@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au)

*The most simple thing I can do is to be good today but better tomorrow*

Denise Hussey (Principal)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event
Thursday, 20th August	Parent/Child/Teacher Interviews (School Closure Day)
Friday, 18th September	End of Term 3

## BIRTHDAYS

*Birthdays.... We are wishing Adher, Daniel N, Edward, Guer, Audrey, Gabriela and Adrienne a very special day as they celebrate their birthday with family and friends. Enjoy all the fun! Happy Birthday!*



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## GENERAL NEWS



This school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, one of Australia's most trusted sources of parenting education and support. As part of St Michael's membership, all parents in this school community can access some fantastic webinars and articles in 2020 at no cost. Enjoy this exclusive benefit by redeeming online today.

[www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/parent-webinars](http://www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/parent-webinars)

\*Please note the webinar for Parenting in the Age of Disruption has expired. We do have a number of other webinars available. If you have difficulty accessing the vouchers, please contact Erin on [erin.jenkins@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:erin.jenkins@smnthmelbourne.catholic.edu.au)

### 2020 Webinar Programs

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| 9/8   | Teaching Young People About Healthy Relationships |
| 11/11 | Parenting Like A Cat and Dog                      |

This weeks' Michael Grose article is titled  
[insights-encourage-kids-to-occupy-themselves.pdf](#)

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Dear Principal

I wish to advise that the third edition of *Catholic Education Today* for 2020 is now available on the Catholic Education Melbourne website [www.cem.edu.au](http://www.cem.edu.au) under *News and Events* / [Catholic Education Today](#).

The Term 3 edition focuses on 'stepping up' with articles that explore school transitions and how to support your child through changes at all levels of school from beginning in Foundation to leaving secondary.

This issue explores how a school changed its language offering and involved the whole community. It also contains guidance to help families build resilience, looks at how our students are building connections with the vulnerable through the Letter Project, and celebrates events around the Archdiocese.

As always, I am grateful for your assistance in sharing the magazine with your school community. As this edition has not been printed please add a link to the [online version](#) on your website or download this [advertisement](#) to include in your school newsletter.

Yours sincerely

Jim Miles

Executive Director

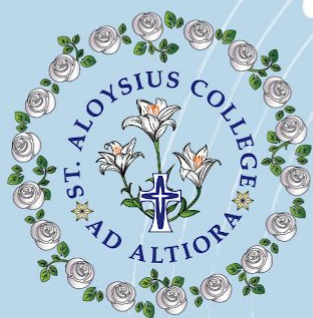
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# TALK & Tour

## Visit us Virtually!

We invite families to connect with us for a virtual tour of our College. Conducted online, families can receive information from our College Principal, take a virtual tour of the College grounds and ask questions about what we offer.

Register at [www.aloysius.vic.edu.au](http://www.aloysius.vic.edu.au) or contact [mcleodj@alloysius.vic.edu.au](mailto:mcleodj@alloysius.vic.edu.au) to schedule a telephone conversation.



We understand it is an uncertain time, but we continue to provide information and support to families looking for a Secondary School for 2021 and beyond. We look forward to connecting with you.

St Aloysius College, North Melbourne | [www.aloysius.vic.edu.au](http://www.aloysius.vic.edu.au)



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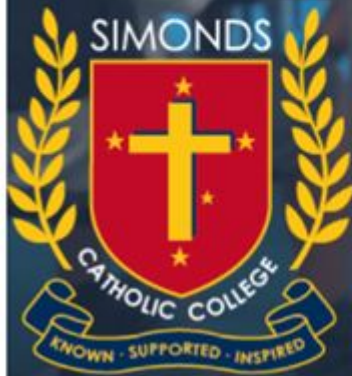
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CONTACT THE REGISTRAR ON 9321 9200 OR  
INFO@SCCMELB.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU  
TO BEGIN THE ENROLMENT PROCESS.

**LIMITED PLACES**  
FOR 2020 & 2021 ENTRY ARE  
CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT ALL YEAR LEVELS.



**YEAR 7**  
**2022**  
**APPLICATIONS**  
**OPEN**

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**21<sup>ST</sup>**  
AUGUST  
2020

Enrolment applications must be received at the College

**15<sup>TH</sup>**  
OCTOBER  
2020

Letters of offer will be sent to families by the College

**6<sup>TH</sup>**  
NOVEMBER  
2020

Families to accept the offer made by the College

# 2022 Enrolments

St Aloysius College invites families to submit an enrolment for the coming years. Limited enrolments for 2021 for all year levels are still available by contacting the College at [registrar@alloysius.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@alloysius.vic.edu.au)

Due to COVID-19 we understand that some families have not yet had the opportunity to visit the College. We will support you through the enrolment process and provide you with virtual tours and additional information as required. Feel free to make contact with us to have your questions answered.



[www.alloysius.vic.edu.au](http://www.alloysius.vic.edu.au)



## SIMONDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE



Simonds Catholic College is a small inner city, secondary boys school of approximately 430 students.

We are accepting Year 7 2021 and Year 7 2022 enrolments. Limited places are also available for Years 8 to 12.

Find out more about the Simonds Catholic College community, inspiring young men to become active, global citizens.

Tour bookings can be made online at [www.trybooking.com/BG10G](http://www.trybooking.com/BG10G) or contact our Registrar on 9321 9207 or [info@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au).

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# 5 Easy Steps to Staying Informed

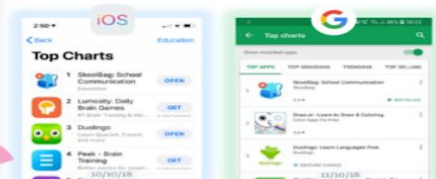
## SkoolBag

SkoolBag is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minute notices, newsletters and all your school's communications.

### 1. Download SkoolBag

Search SkoolBag in the Apple App or Google Play Store, download the FREE app:

SkoolBag: School Communication

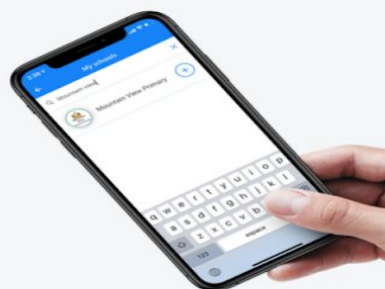


### 2. Create an Account

Follow the prompts to create your account in seconds.

### 3. Add your School

Type your school's name and press enter. Tap the plus icon to add.



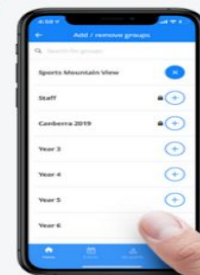
### 4. Allow Notifications

Ensure you Allow SkoolBag to send you push notifications when prompted.



### 5. Subscribe to Groups

Select Year Groups / Sports Teams to appear in your feed.



SkoolBag

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