

St John Vianney's Primary School



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Walking with *families* in faith and *knowledge*

School Prayer

Loving God, you sent your son Jesus to be with us.

As a family at St John Vianney's school, we ask for your continued blessing on us all.

Be with us as we endeavour to do our best in all our learning.

Guide us in all our play.

Help us to be kind and considerate to others.

When things get tough or go wrong, help us to remember that you are with us.

Send us your spirit to be active in our lives.

Teach us to pray, to believe, to hope, to be patient, to forgive and to love.

May we strive to be your face, hands and heart.

St John Vianney, pray for us.

Amen

About St John Vianney's Primary School

Welcome,

St John Vianney's School was established in 1960. Springvale North became a parish in its own right in 1964. The Oblate Fathers took over the parish at that time and serve the community to this present day. As the area grew and developed, so did St John Vianney's School. Enrolments peaked at 840 students in the late 1970s. The school had grown from a single church/classroom block into a multi-classroom facility.



The renewal of the site continued in 2010 with the building of a Contemporary Learning Centre as part of the Building Education Revolution. The next stage of our Building Program concluded in March, 2015 with the building of the Brigidine Learning Centre for students in Years 3-6 as well as a Performing Arts Space.

The new Administration Block was completed in 2019. We are blessed and privileged to have such beautiful and contemporary learning spaces. At the beginning of 2023, we installed artificial turf to our basketball court. This has continued to beautify our school and engage our students.

St John Vianney's school has a very strong reputation in the educational community. It is a school of first choice with a current enrolment of 422 students the school enjoys a long standing tradition of being a close community school enjoying positive relationships with our parish.

The school population is diverse, with over forty nationalities represented in the school. The school celebrates this diversity as it greatly enriches our school.

Religious Education is central to the school curriculum and Catholic Christian principles are strongly reflected in programs, policies and social justice actions. The school curriculum is based on the Victorian curriculum.



The playing area is expansive. It consists of asphalted areas and a large well-grassed oval. Adventure playgrounds are situated at each end of the oval. Basketball and netball courts add to the diversity of the playing/sporting opportunities the school offers to students.

About St John Vianney's Primary School

At St John Vianney's Mulgrave we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our school. Our commitment is drawn from and inherent in the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. (CECV Commitment Statement to Child Safety).



Student attendance at school is crucial for children's learning and wellbeing. Students are expected to attend school during normal school hours every day, unless there is an approved exemption.

St John Vianney's aims to provide a high quality education based on the Victorian Curriculum. Student learning is greatly enhanced by a dedicated and professional teaching staff. The strong focus on student wellbeing is evident in the different programs that are implemented to cater for the needs of all students at school. A strong student leadership program (SRC) allows for our student body to be well represented in the life of the school.

At St John Vianney's students have the opportunity to develop digital literacy skills and enhance their learning across all curriculum areas. Students at all levels have experience in using coding programs such as Scratch and Scratch junior. The students use a range of hardware (including iPads, laptops, desktops, Chromebooks and Interactive white Boards) which are used extensively as tools to enhance learning. Students have access to a wide variety of software to support teaching and learning. The **Seesaw application** is used by students to share their learning with their families in an effort to strengthen the relationship between school and home.

St John Vianney's is recognised as an **eSmart** school. Programs related to cybersafety are implemented across all levels. We aim to develop skills and understandings which will enable students to become safe, responsible and respectful digital citizens.

Other impressive features of St John Vianney's include a well co-ordinated **Intervention and Individual Needs Program** where support and enrichment programs are offered to students. The school offers a specialist Physical Education, Library, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Indonesian and Digi-Tech program. All students Foundation —Year 6 participate in a swimming program.

School Hours

School commences at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm.

8.30 am	Music to indicate move from playground to classrooms
8.40 am	First Bell, students should be inside ready to begin
8.45 am	Second bell, Admin and prayer time
9.00 am	Lessons commence
11.00 am	Lunch
12.00 pm	Lessons Commence
2.00 pm	Recess
2.30 pm	Lessons Commence
3.15pm	End of school day

Teachers are in their classrooms at 8.30am. Students who arrive before this time are not supervised. Students need to be at school no earlier than 8.30am for the start of the school day at 8.45am

A Typical Day in Foundation...

An example of a typical day in a foundation classroom :

8.30 am	Students arrive at school and move into the classroom to unpack their bag and prepare for the day.
8.45 am	Start of the School Day The classroom teacher will take attendance and the students will participate in class prayer
9.00 am	Students will participate in a 2 hour literacy block focusing on reading, writing and oral language. Students will participate in whole group, small group and independent activities.
11.00 am	Lunch Time Students will have 10 minutes of eating time within their classroom and 50 minutes of outside play time.
12.00 pm	Students will participate in a numeracy lesson. Students will participate in whole group, small group and independent activities.
1:00 pm	Students will participate in one of the following lessons dependent upon the day: Inquiry, Religious Education or Specialist Class
2.00 pm	Recess Students will have 5 minutes of eating time with their classroom and 25 minutes if outside play time.
2.30 pm	Students will participate in one of the following lessons dependent upon the day: Inquiry, Religious Education or Specialist Class
3.15pm	End of school day Students will be brought to the front basketball court by their classroom teacher to meet their parents.

Behaviour Code

At St John Vianney's we are a Catholic community where:

- **People feel safe**

SJV Foundation Students move safely around the classroom and respect each others personal space.

- **Teachers can teach**

SJV Foundation students follow the instructions of the teacher.

- **Students can learn**

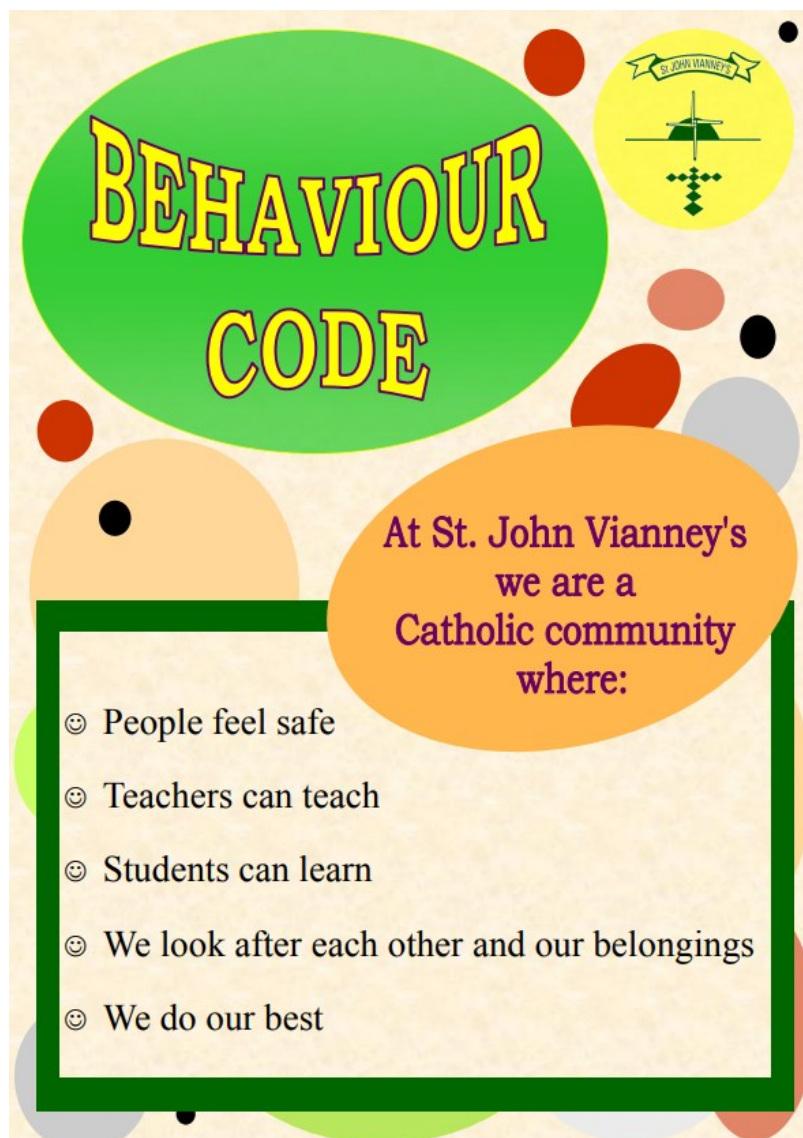
SJV Foundation students participate cooperatively in a wide variety of learning activities.

- **We look after each other and our belongings**

SJV Foundation Students display kindness towards each other and take care of their own belongings and school resources.

- **We do our best**

SJV Foundation students always try their best!



School Drop Off and Pick Ups

School commences at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm each day.

Drop Offs

- Students are to be dropped off at school between 8:30 - 8:45am each day.
- Teacher will open the classrooms at 8:30am each day, please note that teacher supervision of students begins at 8:30am each day.
- Students can be walked into the classroom at the beginning of the day by a parent or guardian.
- Families can park in the front carpark or drive through the Kiss & Drop in St. John Way at the back of the school.
- **Student that arrive to school after 8:45am are to be taken to the front office by their parent/guardian to be signed in and to receive a late pass.**

Pick-ups

- Teachers will walk the Foundation students out to meet their parents/guardians at 3:15pm each day.
- Parents/guardians are to wait outside the Scanlon Building.
- Students will wait with their teacher until they are picked up by a parent/guardians.
- Families can park in the front carpark or in the side streets behind the school and enter from the back gates. The school gates will open at approximately 3 pm each day for parents to enter the school grounds.

Before & After School Care

- Operates Monday to Friday from 6.30am—8.30am in the morning and 3.15pm—6.30pm in the afternoon in the Performing Arts area. (Brigidine Building)
- The program combines active games with planned and unplanned play, quiet time, homework time and a healthy snack.
- Bookings are essential.



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Parental Engagement

AT SJV we welcome and encourage our families to be involved. Our families are an integral part of our community. There are many ways you can be involved at SJV:

- Excursions/Incursions
- Parents and Friends Committee
- School Advisory Council
- Classroom Helpers (training required)
- Parent Information Nights/Seminars/Workshops
- School Festival
- Celebration of Learning Days
- Assemblies/Liturgies,/School Masses

Parents /Family members who volunteer in any school events are required to have a Working With Children Check available at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au

Classroom Helper Program

AT SJV encourage parents and grandparents to become classroom helpers. All parents and grandparents interested in becoming a classroom helper are required to attend a Classroom Helper Information Session and obtain a Working With Children Check. Classroom helpers support students and teachers with a range of literacy and numeracy activities.

Specific Roles of Parents

We value our partnership between school and home. Parents support their child and school by:

- Ensuring children are attending school regularly and punctually so that academic and social learning can effectively take place.
- Maintaining positive communication between home and school.
- Displaying interest in their child's school life.
- Encouraging and praising your child for individual progress and development.
- Promoting learning as an interesting, vital and desirable process.
- Becoming involved in classroom and school activities wherever possible.
- Working in a supportive partnership with teachers.
- Participating in parent—school –parish meetings and the life of the community.

Teaching and Learning

School Philosophy

Student learning is the core business of St. John Vianney's. We believe the total development of each child has a high priority and we are committed to an approach which allows the children to realise their full potential. Our policies and practices are child-centred and are designed to consider everyone's needs.

Student outcomes and ways to achieve the best possible outcome for each student is vital. While the academic areas of literacy and numeracy remain important areas of focus, St John Vianney's also recognises the importance of the social, emotional, physical and spiritual growth of students and strives to provide an environment which nurtures this.

Literacy

At SJV we follow a structured approach to the teaching of literacy, informed by the Science of Reading Research. The Science of Reading refers to a large body of research and evidence about how the brain learns to read and how educators should teach reading to ensure maximum outcomes for all students. Students participate in a daily 2 hour literacy block focusing on phonological awareness, phonics, fluency and language comprehension and writing.

The school recognises that for many of our students English is their additional language so appropriate teaching strategies are applied to support those students with their learning of English.

The school runs a Reading Intervention Program for students requiring additional support in reading. Intervention Programs are conducted in small groups with the Literacy Intervention Teacher.



Teaching and Learning

Numeracy

At St. John Vianney's we recognise that mathematics is an important part of everyday life. Number, Algebra, Measurement, Geometry, and Statistics & Probability are common aspects of most people's mathematical experience in everyday personal, study and work situations. At St John Vianney's we teach maths concepts explicitly.

Our main aims for essential learning in school mathematics are for students to:

- demonstrate useful mathematical and numeracy skills for successful functioning in society
- solve practical problems with mathematics
- develop specialist knowledge in mathematics that provides for further study in the discipline
- see mathematical connections and be able to apply mathematical concepts, skills and processes in posing and solving mathematical problems
- be confident in one's personal knowledge of mathematics
- to feel able both to apply it, and to acquire new knowledge and skills when needed
- be empowered through knowledge of mathematics to be a numerate citizen, able to apply this knowledge critically in societal and political contexts. Develop understanding of the role of mathematics in life, society and work .The school has a Maths intervention and extension program.

The school also offers intervention (LFIN) and extension programs (Maths Olympiads) in Mathematics

Wellbeing

At SJV student wellbeing is paramount. At SJV we will be using the Resilience Project. This program offers comprehensive lessons to support children with emotional literacy , positive coping, problem solving an stress management. Children learn about social and emotional learning. We offer a psychologist and counselling service for students. We strive to ensure a child safe culture.



Assessment & Reporting

St. John Vianney's has a strong commitment to the assessment and reporting of student learning for every child. Internal and external assessments are consistently implemented which inform teachers on what each child can achieve and what each child needs to achieve. In Term 1 the school conducts Meet & Greet conversations with parents and carers. A formal mid year report is sent home at the end of Term 2. These are followed up with mid year interviews. A final end of year report is sent home in December.

At all times throughout the year parents are encouraged to contact the school regarding their child's progress. Regular Program Support Group Meetings are held for funded students. As part of these meetings a Personal Learning Plan is developed for the student.

School Uniform

Our school uniform is purchased at Belgravia Apparel. The uniform shop caters for online orders and will deliver straight to your door! Eftpos and Layby facilities are also available. Parents can book an appointment to organise a fitting for their child. Please see more details regarding Belgravia Apparel below;



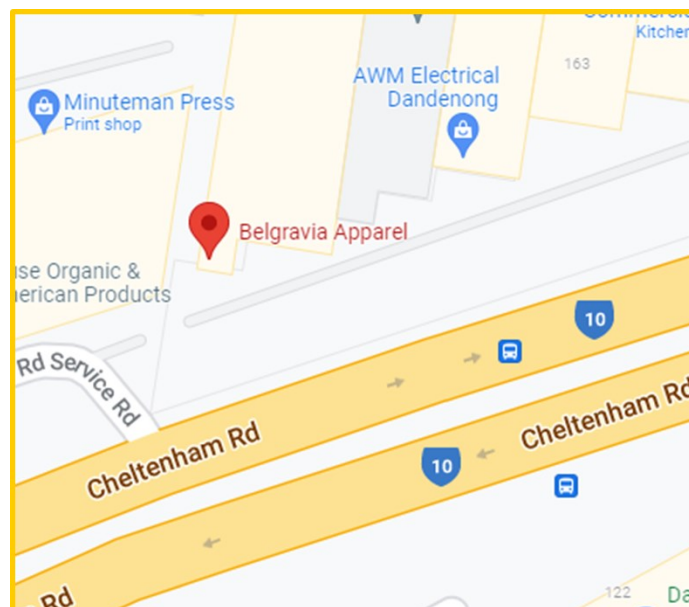
Address: 8/169 Cheltenham Road, Dandenong VIC 3715

Contact number: 03 9792 0424

Website: www.buxwear.com.au

Trading hours: Monday—Friday 9am—5pm

Saturday 9.30am—2pm



School Fees

The provision of programs and resources to provide the best possible education for your child at St John Vianney's is dependent on families' financial contributions through the payment of school fees and levies.

School Fee Accounts are emailed to all families at the beginning of each term. There are various options available to pay your fees and families are asked each year to nominate a method that best suits them.

School Fees & Levy Charges for 2024

Please note each year there is a small increase in fees

FEES

Family Fee	\$2010.00
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CHARGED ONCE PER FAMILY REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN EACH FAMILY

LEVIES

Prep—Year 2	\$340.00 Per Child
Year 3	\$350.00 Per Child
Year 4	\$340.00 Per Child
Year 5	\$350.00 Per Child
Year 6	\$380.00 Per Child

CHARGED FOR EACH CHILD WITHIN EACH FAMILY. COVERS ALL BOOKS, EXCURSIONS & INCURSIONS

CAMP FEE

Year 5	\$420.00 Per Child
Year 6	\$420.00 Per Child



Communicating with Parents



Publications

- Online School Newsletter is sent to families via email each Wednesday
- Online Level Newsletter (Distributed the beginning of each term via email)
- School Calendar can be assessed via the school website

Electronic

- WEBSITE: www.sjvmulgrave.catholic.edu.au
- TWITTER: @sjvmul
- INSTAGRAM: sjvmulgrave
- EMAIL: admin@sjvmulgrave.catholic.edu.au
- SMS: office will text you with important messages



Formal

- Meet & Greet conversations Semester 1
- Family teacher interviews, Semester 2
- Program Support Meetings
- Mid and End of year School Reports.



Online Platforms

- **Seesaw:** An interactive learning platform for families to engage in their child's learning and to communicate with the class teacher. Messages and reminders will also be sent through this platform. Families can download the Seesaw App for free and connect to their child's learning journal. An invitation to join this platform will be sent by the classroom teacher.
- **Operoo:** A secure online application for families to update medical information, respond to notices and digitally sign permission forms.



Should you have **ANY** questions please don't hesitate to contact the office on the details below;

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