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Companions on the Journey

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*God our Father
Help us here.
Help us to work hard and enjoy learning.
Help us to play and enjoy having fun.
Help us to respect each other and enjoy friendships.
Help us all to make this school even better.
AMEN*

Dear Parents

On Friday of last week, we had the privilege of attending a special ceremony to recognise Mr Warren Smith for his 40 years of service to Catholic Education in Western Australia. Warren presented the acceptance speech on behalf of the recipients and he represented his family, his school, CEWA and himself so proudly. On behalf of the St Andrew's school Community we are also so proud of Warren and acknowledge his milestone of service to Catholic Education in Western Australia.



A sincere thank you is extended to both the Year 6 Student Council and St Andrew's P&F Committee for their on-going support and development of the school's bushland area. The students opted for a slightly different structure, being a performance area to continue to develop the "arts" within the school. They also wanted sensory items in the area as well. The generosity of our P&F has led to the fruition of this project and its design has led to a multi-sensory approach to the bushland. The cost was quite substantial and both the Year 6's and I feel that it was well worth it. Thank you!



We have held two very informative parent information sessions recently. They were the **2020 School Camp and the BYOD** Program. We thank you for attending and your support. Those parents who were unable to attend received the information via a separate note.

KINDERGARTEN 2021 / 2022

If any family, currently enrolled at our school, has not put in an application for their child to attend Kindergarten in 2021 / 2022, could they please do so urgently as places are filling rapidly. If you are unsure of your child's enrolment status, please contact Mrs O'Neil urgently.

You are all invited to attend the AGM of the School Board followed by the AGM of the P&F. These meetings will be held on Wednesday 18th November commencing at 6:00pm in the school hall.

2021 CLASSES - REQUESTS

A few parents have written to me with regards to classes in 2021. We are blessed at St Andrew's to have teachers of the highest calibre. No matter which class your child is placed into, I feel that they will be well catered for. Most classes work together collaboratively.

Parents should not assume that the current teachers will remain in their current grades for next year. No final decision as to which teacher is teaching which grade has been made.

Parents need to take into consideration that there are only 2 classes per grade and that children will be split from their previous year. Your current teacher has your child's best interests at heart and will attempt to place them into the best class for their needs.

Parents should also be aware that if a teacher is requested, then *your child may not be placed in the same class as their friends.* Also, it may be necessary that friendship groups be split for optimum learning to occur. (A conversation with your child's current teacher may be a good starting point.)

I will acknowledge your request and they will be taken into consideration. Unfortunately, I **cannot give any guarantee for requests** made. **All requests must be made in writing.** ***All requests should be finalised by end of the school day on Friday 30th October.***



REQUEST INFORMATION

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOS

Following our recent school photography by Kapture, you can now view and order any special photos taken this year. When visiting <https://www.kapture.com.au/event.asp> you will need to enter our school code under the Sports and Event tab to access the gallery: **CODE: M3ZZ87**

On Tuesday we celebrated our annual book week dress up parade. It was delayed this year due to COVID but we always think that it promotes the love of literature and reading so well to our students. The theme of CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS was very well represented by the costumes and the ingenuity of the children. Thank you to one and all for all the effort that was made and especially to Mrs Parody who co-ordinated the event.

God Bless



Mr. Sam Fontaine
Principal

VISION STATEMENT

**St Andrew's CPS offers an education that acknowledges, respects
and nurtures the uniqueness of each person.**

**Within a framework of Catholic values and teamwork,
the students will be challenged and supported to recognise their gifts
and develop their potential as they learn and contribute to their community**

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

2021 to be known as the

“Advisory Council”

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE
ST ANDREW’S SCHOOL BOARD
WEDNESDAY 18th NOVEMBER 6.00PM
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

If anyone wishes to nominate for the Advisory Council in 2021, they are requested to book an appointment with Mr Fontaine initially and then receive an information pack.

P & F NEWS

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING FOR THE P& F
WEDNESDAY 18th NOVEMBER 6.00pm
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

All positions on the P & F Committee are open for nomination for next year. Everyone is welcome to come on board and join our enthusiastic team of parents helping to improve the community spirit of St Andrew’s. As a result of the great teamwork this year, workloads have not been too heavy, and we have still managed to raise a tidy sum to assist in the improvement of our children’s education. Please consider joining the team and nominating for one of the following positions:

Brief “job descriptions” –

- **President:** (Chairs the meetings, liaises with the Principal and co-ordinates the sub-committees in charge of the different events).
- **Vice President:** (Chairs the meetings in the President’s absence and assists where required).
- **Secretary:** (Records the Minutes of each meeting and distributes them to each committee member).
- **Treasurer:** (Presents the financial report prepared for each meeting).
- **Committee Member:** (Comes up with fabulous ideas to keep the community / children entertained!).

I would like to nominate for the
position of for the 2021 committee.

Signed

Please return this nomination slip to Mrs O’Neil at the front office.

SCHOOL NEWS

2021 BOOKLISTS

2021 Booklists are being sent home today. Parents are reminded that completed booklists need to be ordered online by Friday **20th November**. I recommend that all parents use this service so that your child has the correct books to commence school with next year.

Parents are reminded to line out all items not required as several items carry over from year to year. (Please do not re-order items, which should have been retained from the previous year.) If you require any assistance with the book ordering, then you are more than welcome to ask directly at the front office or your child's classroom teacher. ***For those parents who order their children's books before the due date, there is a significant discount on the package /handling charges associated.***

There is a home delivery service associated with this booklist, so that this can also assist families from our school. (As well as a pickup from our school hall).

If you intend visiting a Campion Retail Store in January, then please be advised of the following:

- **Not all textbooks WILL be available at the retail stores in January.** It is then up to parents to locate the textbooks that are unavailable and ensure that their child has them for the commencement of the 2021 school year.
- ***It is essential that all children have the correct textbooks from day one.***
- Some textbooks on the booklist are a special St Andrew's order, and will not be on the shelves.
- There may be VERY LONG delays in store at this time.

If you require any assistance with the book ordering, then you are more than welcome to ask directly at the front office.

SCHOOL HALL BOOK SHOP HOURS

Thursday 14th January 9:00am – 5:00pm

Friday 15th January 9:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday 16th January – am only 9:00am – 12:00 noon.

RECYCLE-REUSE-REDUCE

The Year 6 Environmental Ministry are very active around the school



collecting and recycling many items. Ring-Pull tops from aluminium cans are collected and delivered to Brother Ollie Pickett and his team of helpers at Wheelchairs for Kids. Lunch boxes are checked regularly to reward classes with the least wasteful packaging. Plastic lids from containers and old batteries are placed in collection bins located outside the library. All used paper and cardboard are placed in large



paper recycling bins. We thank the Environmental Ministry for their efficiency and dedication!

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 4 2020 – STAFF (9 Week Student Term +1)

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
17/18 OCT Week 2	19 OCTOBER	20 OCTOBER	21 OCTOBER	22 OCTOBER	23 OCTOBER MJR Assembly
24/25 OCT Week 3	26 OCTOBER Year 6 Incursion Electoral Centre Year1 Incursion - Commonwealth Bank Confirmation Workshop 1:30 - 2:30pm School Hall (Parents invited and welcome but not expected to attend)	27 OCTOBER Staff Prayer: Deb P : Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall COW Clarkson Library Better Beginnings Incursion kindy No staff Meeting	28 OCTOBER CCC Meeting – St Francis of Assisi	29 OCTOBER	30 OCTOBER Interschool Athletics Carnival Years 3 -6 ALL EVENTS Ridgewood Reserve- TBC (One Day Only)
31 OCT /1 NOV Week 4 1 st Nov All Saints Day	2 NOVEMBER All Souls Whole School Mass 9:00am Church (Yr 4W Host)	3 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer: Mary Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Melbourne Cup Staff Meeting	4 NOVEMBER Year PP Classes Liturgy of The Word 8:50am - Church Year 6 Confirmation Rehearsal (TBC) CONFIRMATION 6:00pm CHURCH	5 NOVEMBER	6 NOVEMBER Years 1B & 1W Assembly.

Happy birthday to
Kaylee F, Blake U, Leni T, Chase B,
Annabelle C,
Tighe W, Jude F, Nathan W



LIBRARY NEWS



Book Week



**Curious Creatures,
Wild Minds**

Book Week



A big THANK YOU to everyone for their excellent effort in dressing up for our Book Week Parade. All the children looked amazing and enjoyed the parade.

Thank you to the parents for helping their children participate in this annual event. Lastly, a HUGE shoutout to the staff for their enthusiastic involvement again this year.







P&F NEWS

Do not forget to check out the P&F Facebook Page to keep up to date with things going on at school or to get in touch with us. The page name is St Andrew's Clarkson CPS P&F Group. We can also be contacted on the email address standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK IS BACK!!

Entertainment Memberships are available for purchase. Memberships are all digital and expiry date is 12 months from purchase date. There are 3 Memberships to choose from, Single City, Multi City and Multi Plus. Click on the link to buy yours now and support our school. <https://www.entbook.com.au/839r16>

PARISH NEWS

St Andrew's
Catholic Church
Clarkson



For all Mass times and parish information please follow the following link.

www.standrewsclarkson.com

COMMUNITY NEWS



MATER DEI COLLEGE is very excited to announce that we will be starting a Basketball program next year. Contact www.mdc.wa.edu.au for further details.

Mater Dei College will be starting to interview all year 7 2023 enrolled families in February/March next year. To encourage your families to complete their paperwork on time, would you please consider also adding the below to your newsletter.

Is your child currently in Year 4? Mater Dei College will be interview Year 7 2023 families in February/March next year. For more information please contact our Enrolments Officer on enrolments@mdc.wa.edu.au or 9405 4777, thank you



VacSwim

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim swimming lessons during the summer school holidays.

VacSwim in January offers fun lessons at beach or pool locations during the long break. Not only are they a great school holiday activity, they teach valuable safety skills to help keep your child safe in the water.

Your children can start as young as five years old.

Do not wait! Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

IRENE McCORMACK CATHOLIC COLLEGE FOOTBALL & SOCCER ACADEMIES TRIALS



Irene McCormack Catholic College has well established Football and Soccer Academies for girls and boys for all Year levels 7 - 12. The Academy programs are based on scientifically supported training methodologies and curriculum. The Academies provide a culture of resilience, respect and achievement, as well as opportunities to network and experience the football and soccer industries. The Football Academy is supported by the West Perth Football Club.

Students are able to make application for entry to any year level.



FOOTBALL TRIALS ON 5TH NOVEMBER

SOCCER TRIALS ON 3RD & 5TH NOVEMBER



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