

St Andrew's Catholic Primary School 60 Victorsen Parade, Clarkson WA 6030 Phone: (08) 6206 4100 Fax: (08) 6206 4101

**Companions on the Journey** 

## NEWSLETTER NO 35 2020 19 November 2020

#### Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

As we venerate the glorious memory of the most Holy Virgin Mary, grant, we pray, O Lord, through her intercession, that we, too, may merit to receive from the fullness of your grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**Dear Parents** 

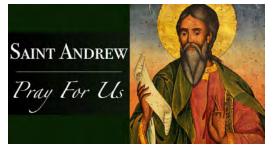
A sincere thank you to the wonderful and dedicated parents and staff who attended Wednesday's AGM's. It is good to see the commitment of so many people, who make the St Andrew's community so vibrant.



Both the School Board and P&F Association of the school are very innovative, energetic, and always consider the needs of the children. I eagerly look forward to working with them all again next year.

Our association with Irene McCormack Catholic College is a strong and cooperative one whereby with the generosity of the college, a discount is offered to students who attend both Irene McCormack and have a sibling attending St Andrew's School, through a discount of Irene McCormack school fees.

#### SPECIAL PARISH MASS – ST ANDREW'S DAY



All students are invited to attend **9.00am Mass on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November** to celebrate St Andrew's Day with the Parish. Students are encouraged to wear school uniforms and students from the other two parish schools will be in their uniforms as well. Some jobs will be given out on the day. Please try to come along and support this very significant occasion in the life of our parish. There will be a

sausage sizzle on afterwards and all families are welcome to join in. Please note that this is a parish event and parents will need to remain at the Mass and supervise their own children. Hopefully, you can attend!

### MUSIC TUITION NOTE

All children in Years 2-5 have been provided with a Music Tuition Note for re-enrolment or alternatively commencing the learning of a new musical instrument for 2021. Please read the note carefully, sign and return if you are interested and if you have any questions, please speak directly with Mrs Mulholland.



Children who participate in the school's Music tuition program will be given priority when joining the School Band, Performing Arts, and the School's Music Gala.



**ENROLLING YOUR CHILD AT ST ANDREW'S** *Parents who have younger children (0 - 3) are encouraged to book their children in for future years, as places are limited.* (There is a small fee associated with placing your name on this list.) We can only enrol your child if the school has the appropriate forms on file. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

## **2021 KINDY ORIENTATION**

Last week we had our **2021** *Kindergarten Orientation*. It was wonderful to meet the new families once again and welcome them into the St Andrew's school community. They are eager to become involved and are really looking forward to the educational journey with their children.

## **2021 PRE-PRIMARY ORIENTATION**

On Tuesday afternoon the current Kindergarten parents were invited to the 2021 Pre-Primary Parent Orientation afternoon. There was a lot of relevant information and it was wonderful to see the bonds that have been created between the parents from Kindy. Orientation was productive and very informative.



# ST VINCENT DE PAUL HAMPERS - GIVE A GIFT AT CHRISTMAS

A sincere thank you is extended to those very generous families who have donated to the St Vincent de Paul Hampers. I was overwhelmed when I saw all the goodies in the Library.

## NATIVITY NIGHT – ALL INVITED

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December you are invited to the Nativity Night. The **Nativity Night** commences at approximately 5:00pm with a bring-your-own picnic tea. We have decided to proceed with the picnic tea so long as families understand that there are still state government regulations in force with regards to gatherings. The venue is on the school oval, weather permitting. Otherwise, if there is inclement weather this event will be held in the School Hall, rescheduled, or postponed. *Families are expected to observe social distancing requirements.* 

At approximately 6:00pm, the Kindergarten children will be acting the Christmas Story and some Year 5 students will narrate. **ALL OTHER STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL ARE INVITED** and will also be inside the stage area performing Christmas Carols, with the school choir.



All class groups are requested to wear a Christmas t-shirt and jeans or shorts. (Please keep it VERY SIMPLE!!!!! – no large hats which block the vision of other children).

## THE PLAYGROUND IS OUT OF BOUNDS ON THIS NIGHT!

This will prove to be a very rewarding night for those families, who wish to commence the season of Advent in this way. If parents require any other clarification, they are welcome to contact Mrs Mulholland directly. <u>IT IS HOPED THAT ALL CHILDREN IN THE</u> <u>SCHOOL WILL ATTEND THIS EVENT!</u>

### SCHOOL FEES ARE VERY IMPORTANT



Thank you to the families who have already met their fee commitments for the 2020 school year. The deadline for 2020 school fees is Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Fees can be paid by cash, credit card, direct debit or B Pay. As you can imagine schools operate on sizeable budgets and the paying of school fees has a determining factor in meeting expenses.

#### **EXISTING FAMILIES NOT RETURNING IN 2021**

We never like to lose people from our school community but fully understand that this occurs from time to time and for a variety of reasons. Should your child not be returning to St Andrew's in 2021, could you please place this in writing, urgently. In your letter please detail your child's class, their full name, the departure date, where they will be going to school in 2021 and a change of address if applicable. We appreciate your support.



#### STATE T-BALL TEAM

Congratulations are extended to the following students who tried out last weekend and made the *state T-ball team. Declan M, Emily H, Rory S, Alexander H, Noah B, Benji H, Danika B, Rachel H and Logan F.* We wish them every success in their future competitions.



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 communion.

## SCHOOL NEWS



Happy birthday to Meisha C, Samantha V, Rory M

#### BANKING

We will be closing reward orders next Tuesday from the bank. Items have been taking a while to arrive from the bank so please get in ASAP and please be patient. Please note if you have unused tokens from 2020, you make not be able to choose the same items in 2021. The Commonwealth Bank may have a new range of goodies.



On Tuesdays at lunchtime Mr Redding facilitates the <u>Numero Club</u> for Years 4, 5 and 6. Numero is a card game with the unique ability to build on the Number and Algebra strand of Mathematics while developing social and game-related skills. It is also a fun way of improving accuracy and speed with mental mathematics. There is a winner's chart to add an edge of competitiveness!









All students in Year 3 enjoyed participating in the Aussie Optimism program this term. Mrs Caroline Quintal attended several days of professional development at the Health Sciences department of Curtin University to facilitate the program. In the *'Feelings and Friends'* program the students were guided through some very important social /emotional strategies.

Recognising feelings, basic emotional vocabulary, recognising 'body clues', improving relationships, developing social networks, learning coping strategies and managing conflicts. The students created a *Toolkit* of strategies they can use when faced with challenging situations. Each session concluded with some quiet guided meditation.



## **ENRICHMENT NEWS – CODING AND FLYING DRONES!**

This year, the Year 6 cohort have had the opportunity to experience flying Parrot Mambo Drones. Using a coding application on their school i-Pad's, they have been able to fly the drones in the undercover area both manually and using coding. They completed simple flights and obstacle courses with the drones. Well done Year 6 students!



#### **INDONESIAN DAY LUNCH – YEAR 1 - 6**

Just a reminder that Indonesian teacher, Ibu Natalie, will be organising a day of Indonesian food and activities for students in Years 1 to 6 to be held on Thursday 26 November.

The day will feature cultural activities during the students' normal lesson time as well as a catered Indonesian style lunch. During their lunch break, students will also have the opportunity to fly kites, a popular Balinese past time, and play sepak takraw, a popular sport in Indonesia.

Students are to wear their normal school uniform but are invited to wear something red or white for the day (the colours of the Indonesian flag) such as a hat, glasses, scarf, wig,



ribbon, or bow.

Finally, there will be an Indonesian themed trivia competition for students with three different age categories – Year 1-2, Year 3-4, and Year 5-6. A prize will be awarded to the first correct entry drawn in each category. Competition entry forms will be sent home with students this week. Students are requested to place their completed entry forms in the labelled boxes located in the front office.

We encourage all students to support this event at the school.

## **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 <u>standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com</u>

## PARISH NEWS



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

www.standrewsclarkson.com

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

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
14/15 NOV Week 6	16 NOVEMBER	17 NOVEMBER	18 NOVEMBER	19 NOVEMBER	20 NOVEMBER Years 4B & 4W Assembly
21/22 NOV Week 7	23 NOVEMBER Footsteps Dance 8:30 - 9:20-Yr 6 9:20 -9;50 - PP 9:50 -10:20-Yr 1 10:40 -11:30 - Yr 5 11:30 -12:20 - Yr 4 1:05 -1:55 - Yr 3 1:55 - 2:45 - Yr 2	24 NOVEMBER Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall STAFF MEETING	25 NOVEMBER	26 NOVEMBER Indonesian Day Lunch	27 NOVEMBER Saint Andrew's Day Mass and Celebration whole School (Host: 5B) Special student Baptisms P & F Celebration for St. Andrew's Day
28 /29NOV Week 8 Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov St Andrew's Parish Feast Day Mass 9:00am	30 NOVEMBER <i>Footsteps Dance</i> 8:30 – 9:20-Yr 6 9:20 -9;50 - PP 9:50 -10:20-Yr 1 10:40 -11:30 - Yr 5 11:30 -12:20 -Yr 4 1:05 -1:55 - Yr 3 1:55 - 2:45 - Yr 2	1 DECEMBER Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Last day Kindy - Year 6 Nativity / Carols Night 5:00 Picnic 6:00 Nativity / Carols School choir to lead singing	2 DECEMBER Christmas Mass- (whole school) Host 3B / 3W School choir to lead singing 8:50am	3 DECEMBER	4 DECEMBER Year 6 Graduation outing
5/6 DEC Week 9	7 DECEMBER Music Gala 8:45am- Whole School in Hall (Inc: Footsteps Dance performance)	8 DECEMBER Kindy – Fun Day Kindy Christmas Party KINDY LAST DAY Santa Visit Choir singing at Clarkson Library No Staff Meeting	9 DECEMBER LAST DAY YEAR 6 Free Dress Day Theme – Holidays Gold coin donation Year 6 Graduation Mass 6:00pm Church Year 6 Classes Graduation Ceremony School Hall (straight after Mass)	10 DECEMBER <b>Final Assembly</b> School choir to lead singing 3 carols only 2021 Class Orientation Years PP - 6 10.40am – 11.30am Class Lists on display Children will participate in transition session	11 DECEMBER Last day of Term 4 for students PP – Year 5
12/13 DEC Week 10	14 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed)	15 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed)	16 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed)	17 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed)	18 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed)

\*Activities Proposed dependent upon Government Restrictions\*

### IRENE MCCORMACK CATHOLIC COLLEGE STUDENT FEE DISCOUNT SCHEME



Irene McCormack Catholic College will provide a 10% discount on the full fee payable by a family for the oldest child at the College, if the family has one or more children at St Andrew's Catholic Primary School in 2021. The College provides significant discounts to families with more than one child enrolled at the College and to those families holding a means tested Health Care Card.

The details of these discounts can be viewed in the Fees Policy on the College website at <u>www.imcc.wa.edu.au/enrolments</u>. To make an application for the fee discount, please complete the form below and return it to the St Andrew's Primary School Office by 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Family Surname			
Parent First Name			
Child Surname	First Name	Year level	Catholic School Attending

#### Parent / Guardian Declaration

I declare that the above information is true and correct, and I will notify the school if this information changes.

Name: Parent / Guardian	Signature	Date	
St Andrew's Catholic Primary School Principal: Signature	Date		
Office Use Only			
Irene McCormack Catholic College	IRENE McCORMACK		
Authorised by School Fees Officer:	CATHOLIC COLLEGE Prayer Service Justice		
Signature			