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**Companions on the Journey** 

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#### **ALL SAINTS DAY**

(1 November)

Almighty God,

You know that we each have our special saints Whose lives and works mean a lot to us.

In a moment of silence, we remember them now.

Thank you, Lord, for who they were, what they did and what they still mean to us today.

Amen.

#### **Dear Parents**

I had a very enjoyable week of leave last week and I am eager to return to the fold. Thanks to all of the staff, but especially Mr Archer and Mrs Campbell as they took on an extra load in my absence.

#### YOU'RE INVITED



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, 17<sup>th</sup> November commencing at 6:00pm in the school hall.

#### **KINDERGARTEN 2022/2023**

If any family, currently enrolled at our school, has not put in an application for their child to attend *Kindergarten in 2022/2023*, could they please do so urgently as places are filling rapidly. If you are unsure of your child's enrolment status, please contact Mrs Champion urgently.



#### **2022 BOOK LISTS**

Last week, **2022 Book Lists** were sent home. Please read the instructions carefully and if you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Champion at the front office.

#### **2022 CLASSES - REQUESTS**

A few parents have written to me with regards to classes in 2022. We are blessed at St Andrew's to have teachers of the highest calibre and no matter which class your child is placed into, I feel that they will be well catered for. Most classes work collaboratively together.

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, but a large number of teachers will change grade next year.



Parents need to take into consideration that there are only 2 classes per grade and that children will be separated from their previous year. Your current teacher has your child's best interest 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.)

Parents should not request a teacher and then friendship groups. It is one, or the other, and if a request is put in for both, then it will be completely discounted.

I will acknowledge your request and they will be taken into consideration. Unfortunately, I <u>cannot give any guarantee for requests</u> made. <u>All requests must be made in writing.</u>

All requests should be finalised by the end of the school day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **ATTENTION YEAR 5 PARENTS**

A note was sent home earlier in the Term regarding *parent helpers at the Year 6 Camp in 2022*. If you are considering this, please ensure that you meet the following requirements, as well as registering your interest with Mr Fontaine or Mrs Campbell, as soon as possible.

- Both mums and / or dads are **possibly** required.
- Enjoy going to bed late and getting up very early.
- Can survive with limited sleep and enjoy participating in activities with children, other than your own.
- Happy to eat camp food.
- Okay with heights.
- Has a fearless mind set when participating in challenging activities? Able to push the boundaries
- Can cope with confined spaces. (Tunnels)
- Has a current Working with Children Card.
- Current First Aid Training.
- Be available from Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- Numbers are limited.



#### **Mathematical Olympiad Competition**

A number of students from our Year 6 classes have been involved in a Mathematical Olympiad competition that extended around Australia and New Zealand. The competition provides an opportunity for students to learn and apply mathematical problem-solving strategies and techniques. They were required to sit five tests throughout the year.

All students were presented with Certificates of Achievements at last week's Assembly. In addition, a trophy was presented to the student who achieved the highest score for St Andrew's. We are delighted to announce to the community that this student is Rudraksha B. Not only did Rudraksha achieve the highest score for St Andrew's, he was also in the top 10% of scores in the competition. This is an outstanding achievement. In addition, we extend our congratulations to both Joshua H and Nathan W who achieved scores in the top 25% of the competition. Congratulations to Rudi, Joshua, Nathan and all students who participated.





God bless you

Sam Fontaine Principal

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Saint Andrew's School offers an education that acknowledges, respects and nurtures the uniqueness of each child.

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

We endeavour to provide a quality Catholic education which is Christ centred, child focused.



# Happy Birthday to Jude F, Nathan W, Emily H, Elena L, Smriti K, Amity C, Dexter P, Charlotte L and Mikayla V

### ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 4 2021 – PARENTS (9 week student term +1)

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
23/24 OCT	25 OCTOBER	26 OCTOBER	27 OCTOBER	28 OCTOBER	29 OCTOBER
Week 3	P & F Meeting 8:30am at drop-off - Staffroom	Staff Prayer: : Playgroup 9:00 -11:00 Hall Staff Meeting	Finance Meeting Advisory Council Meeting	IMCC Swing Band Incursion 2:00pm	Interschool Athletics Carnival Years 3 -6 ALL EVENTS Ridgewood Reserve- TBC
30/31 OCT	1 NOVEMBER	2 NOVEMBER	3 NOVEMBER	4 NOVEMBER	5 NOVEMBER
Week 4	All Saints Mass 9:00am (Year 5B)	Staff Prayer  Playgroup 9:00 -11:00 Hall  Melbourne Cup  Staff Meeting		Year 2 Incursion  Year 3 Excursion  Lego Workshop  Clarkson Library pm	

6/7 NOV	8 NOVEMBER	9 NOVEMBER	10 NOVEMBER	11 NOVEMBER	12 NOVEMBER
Week 5	Lego Incursion Year 6	Staff Prayer: NO PLAYGROUP CURRENT KINDY PUPIL FREE	Lego Incursion Year 4	Remembrance Day Year 2 11:00am	Merit Assembly
		Kindy 2022 Orientation Meeting 9:00 -10:00am	CCC MEETING At St Andrews	Lego Incursion Year 3	
		Lego Incursion Year 5			

#### **LOST PROPERTY**

We have had a little silver charm and also a silver necklace (with a charm on it) handed into the office. Please contact the office if it is your child's.



#### **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

#### P & F AGM MEETING



The AGM will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> November in the school hall at 6:00pm. Elections will be held for the Executive at this meeting. All Executive positions may be vacated. Anyone who is interested in nominating for a position on the Executive is welcome to contact the P & F through the school. The job description can be found on the school website (link below) or hard copies are available in the office. Please note, these are guidelines only.

https://standrews.wa.edu.au/parents-and-friends/

If you would like further information regarding the P & F, please email: <a href="mailto:standrewspandf@yahoo.com.au">standrewspandf@yahoo.com.au</a> or check out the Facebook Page: <a href="mailto:St Andrew's Clarkson CPS P & F">St Andrew's Clarkson CPS P & F</a> Group.

#### **PARISH NEWS**



For all parish information please follow the following link.

# clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Do not forget to check out the <u>St Andrew's School Face Book Page</u>. Many events and great photos are available here for viewing.

https://www.facebook.com/standrewscps/



# **Advisory Council**

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 6.00PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL

If anyone wishes to nominate for the Advisory Council in 2022, 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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: children entertained!).	(Comes up with fabulous ideas to keep the community /
l		would like to nominate for the
positi	on of	for the 2022 committee.
Signe	ed	

Please return this nomination slip to Mrs Champion at the front office