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Companions on the Journey

NEWSLETTER NO 33 2020
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Almighty God,
We pray for those who were Confirmed last night.
May your high expectations, Lord, be matched by their faithfulness.
On this special occasion when their baptism is transformed into
confirmation by your grace and free will,
let St Andrew's rejoice and our school applaud.
May the Sacraments deepen their spiritual experience of you
and encourage them in the exploration of their faith.
Let us pledge ourselves to doing all that we can to
support these young adults in their commitment.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Dear Parents

Last night, our current Year 6 students celebrated the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. The ceremony was very reverent and was extremely well prepared. I congratulate all the Year 6 students who received the sacrament and have commenced their spiritual journey as adult members of the Catholic church. I would also like to thank Fr Dariusz, Fr Marian, Mrs Campbell, Mr Smith, Mr Waddell, and Mrs K for all of their work in preparing the children.



FOOTSTEPS DANCE COMMENCING - MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER

A reminder to all families that we will commence our Footsteps Dance Program on Monday 9th November. (NEXT MONDAY) All children in Years PP – Year 6 can wear sports uniform on Monday.

On Tuesday 10th November, we will be holding our Annual **Kindergarten Orientation Meeting** for children and families joining our community in 2021.

Kindergarten Orientation

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching and there is so much going on at school. To remain fully informed, please refer to the Term Planner, school newsletter and website.

Next week we are all geared up and excited as we will have our **Lego Masters Incursion** at the school.



ATTENTION CURRENT KINDERGARTEN PARENTS – PRE-PRIMARY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – TUESDAY 17th NOVEMBER at 2:00pm.

All parents with children who are currently in our Kindergarten Program are invited to a parent information session to prepare your child for their transition into Pre-Primary next year. This will be held at 2:00pm on Tuesday 17th November and will conclude at 2:30pm, in time for you to collect your Kindergarten child as normal. We hope to see all Kindergarten parents there for this important event.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BOTH THE P&F AND SCHOOL BOARD

These important school community meeting will occur on Wednesday 18th November in the school hall. The AGM of the School Board starts at 6.00pm and the AGM of the P & F is scheduled to start immediately after. I invite all parents to attend. Please consider joining the P & F Committee. We are always looking for people who wish to help coordinate or assist with the many activities which are held throughout the school year.

2021 BOOKLISTS

Previous newsletters have provided all families with clear direction's about ordering the 2021 Booklist. The booklists are easy to read, and provide all of the information for parents and guardians to ensure that the children turn up to school with all of the equipment that they require for a successful start to the 2021 school year. If you are unsure, please speak directly to Mrs O'Neil.



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 26th November. Fees can be paid by cash, credit card, and direct debit or B Pay if these options are in place. As you can imagine schools operate on sizeable budgets and the paying of school fees has a determining factor in meeting expenses.



Last Friday, I was fortunate to visit and cheer on our interschool athletics team as they participated in the Regional Athletics Nitro Interschool Carnival at Ridgewood Oval. Once again, I was impressed by the dedication of the children and the support that they provide for each other while competing in their events. We achieved some excellent results throughout the day. A special mention is made to Mr Waddell and all the staff who, supported and trained the children. Thank you one and all.

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.

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

St Andrew's Inter-School Athletic Carnival



Last Friday the 30th October, St Andrew's Catholic Primary School participated in the regional Inter-School Athletics/Nitro Carnival. It was a fantastic day and it was also wonderful to see all the students compete so well and support each other throughout the day.

All students that attended should be extremely proud of the way they represented St Andrew's and it was especially heart-warming to see the way the students cheered and encouraged their peers in all events.

We were also very pleased to see that we moved into 4th position overall for the carnival, and not far-off 3rd place in points (as last year we came 5th overall). Thank you to all the parents that attended and helped-out where possible.

A special thanks to Mrs Young, Mrs Jaschinsky, Mrs Allen, Miss Wilson and Mr Librizzi (our work practicum teachers) for helping all the students with their events.

Throughout the day there were several outstanding performances which lead to first, second and third place positions for St Andrew's students (see some of the ribbon winners below). It is evident that our school running club fitness training is working well, with many staff from other schools commenting on how well our students competed. Well done to all students involved, a magnificent effort in such very warm challenging conditions.



MR ZAC WADDELL- PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

KISS'N RIDE

A reminder to all parents that the Kiss 'n Ride is not for parking, even if you have children in Kindy. You need to park your car in a proper parking bay and collect your child.

This rule is in place to assist all parents in collecting students safely and to also assist community members and neighbours who suffer when congestion occurs in the Kiss 'n Ride.



P&F NEWS

P & F MEETING

The AGM will be held on the 18 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 Committee 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.

<http://www.standrews.wa.edu.au/files/executive%20roles%20p%20%20f.pdf>



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

PARISH NEWS



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

www.standrewsclarkson.com

COMMUNITY NEWS



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

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.

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

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 OCT /1 NOV Week 4	2 NOVEMBER	3 NOVEMBER	4 NOVEMBER	5 NOVEMBER	6 NOVEMBER Years 1B & 1W Assembly.
7/8 NOV Week 5	9 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	10 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer: Claire Morgan NO PLAYGROUP Kindy Orientation Meeting 9:00 -10:00am STEM – Lego Incursion & Coding Year 6	11 NOVEMBER Remembrance Day In classrooms 11:00am Year 4 STEM – Lego Incursion & Coding Year 4	12 NOVEMBER STEM – Lego Incursion & Coding Year 3	13 NOVEMBER STEM – Lego Incursion & Coding Year 5
14/15 NOV Week 6	16 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 Board Meeting 5:00pm Budget and School Fees	17 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer: Dani B Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Academic All Stars @ St James School 2021 Pre-Primary Orientation Afternoon Meeting 2:00pm No Staff Meeting - AGM	18 NOVEMBER P & F and School Board AGM 6:00pm School Hall	19 NOVEMBER	20 NOVEMBER Years 4B & 4W Assembly Reports due to Sam
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 Staff Prayer: Jacinta Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall STAFF MEETING	25 NOVEMBER Indonesian Day.	26 NOVEMBER IEP / CEWA Meetings	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 29th Nov St Andrew's Parish Feast Day Mass 9:00am	30 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	1 DECEMBER Staff Prayer: Sara H 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 Staff Prayer: Nikki Kindy – Fun Day Kindy Christmas Party KINDY LAST DAY Santa Visit 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 Final Assembly first thing 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 Reports SEQTA Engage
12/13 DEC Week 10	14 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed) STAFF PLANNING	15 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed) STAFF PLANNING	16 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed) CCC MEETING 2:00pm PLANNING	17 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed) STAFF PLANNING	18 DECEMBER PUPIL FREE DAY (To Be confirmed) STAFF PLANNING

Activities Proposed dependent upon Government Restrictions

Happy Birthday

**Happy birthday to
Ava C, Nicole C, Conor H, Marcus C,
Patrick C, Sid D, Lani D**



ST ANDREW'S
Catholic Primary School

Topic : Travel Exemptions
Date : 3 November 2020

Dear Parents

As the end of the year approaches, some families may choose to leave Western Australia to travel to interstate or overseas destinations.

As the COVID-19 pandemic is constantly evolving, sometimes rapidly, I encourage you to evaluate the necessity and impact of planned travel over the upcoming Christmas holiday break. For example, the Western Australian state government requires overseas travellers to undertake mandatory quarantine in a Perth hotel at their own expense.

Should you wish to travel, I ask that you consult the following websites and contact numbers to inform yourself about border restrictions, exemptions and quarantine requirements:

Entry to Australia

Website: [COVID-19: Entering Australia](#)

Phone: 1800 020 080

Entry to Western Australia

Website: [COVID-19: Entering Western Australia](#)

Phone: 13 26 843

TRAVEL EXEMPTION SUPPORT LETTERS: INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

Students who intend to travel to/from overseas destinations who are not listed in the Australian travel [exemption categories](#) will require two letters to support their applications to return to Australia:

1. A *confirmation of enrolment letter* from Lisa Rodgers, Director General of the Department of Education, Western Australia
2. A *travel support letter* from Dr Andrew Robertson, Chief Health Officer, Western Australia.

SUPPORT LETTER REQUEST PROCESS

Should you require support letters for your child:

1. Email Mr Sam Fontaine; admin@standrews.wa.edu.au and acknowledge that you are aware that your child may be required to quarantine for 14 days in a Perth COVID-19 hotel upon return to Australia at your own expense.
2. Please also provide your child's:
 - First name
 - Surname
 - Date of birth (e.g. 13 May 2002)
 - Full Australian address
 - Full overseas address
3. **Mr Sam Fontaine** will request the generation of the two letters and email both letters to you when received.
4. Attach both letters to your child's application to return to Australia.

Please note that the process for generation of support letters can take up to two weeks. This being the case, I ask that you attend to the abovementioned process no later than **27th November 2020**

Please direct enquiries regarding this process to Mr Sam Fontaine at admin@standrews.wa.edu.au or 6206 4100.

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sam Fontaine

Principal