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Companions on the Journey

**NEWSLETTER NO 34 2020**  
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Lord God,  
You grant the gift of holiness to all who will accept it.  
Inspire us by the example and prayers of your saints  
to live the Gospel in our daily lives.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.  
Amen.

*We will remember them*

“They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
We will remember them.”



Dear Parents

Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18) on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

The Ode of Remembrance, from which the above reflection is taken, is from Laurence Binyon's poem, "For the Fallen", which was first published in September 1914. Originally written in honour of those who died in the horrific battles of the Western Front, it has over time come to be claimed as a tribute to all casualties of war.

As you would be aware, each year Australians observe a one-minute silence at 11.00am on 11 November, in memory of those who have died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

## **ATTENTION CURRENT KINDERGARTEN PARENTS – PRE-PRIMARY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

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 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **YEAR 5 AND 6 ENRICHMENT STUDENTS SCIENCE FAIR**

Last Thursday, we were amazed and challenged by our Years 5 and 6 Enrichment students as they presented their science fair experiments. The work completed was amazing and their scientific processing skills in finding out and testing hypotheses was incredible. All the other children, within the school also attended the fair and talked to children about their experiments and the results that they achieved. Congratulations to all involved and to Mrs Kenny for her assistance and coordinating the event.



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

This important school community meeting will occur on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 book lists are easy to read, and provide all of the information for parents and guardians to ensure that the children turn up 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **MATHS OLYMPIAD**

Nineteen 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 5 tests throughout the year. All students were presented with Certificates of Achievement at last week's Assembly. In addition, Special Achievement Medallions were presented to the five students who achieved the highest scores. I am delighted to announce to the community that these students were Brianna N, Finn M, Shanley H, Jacob P and Livinia B. Congratulations to all year 6 students who participated.



### **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.

### **LEGO MASTERS INCURSION**

This week we have been completing our Lego incursion whereby the children have been given a variety of different and interesting activities to complete through the medium of Lego. An enjoyable and educational time was had by all.

### **FOOTSTEPS DANCE**

This activity commenced this week for PP-Year 6 students. Children are reminded that they are welcome to wear their sports uniform on Mondays.

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.**



**Happy birthday to  
Mahnoor A, Eleanor B, Noah B, Joshua C**



## SCHOOL NEWS

### INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM - 2021



At St Andrew's we offer music tuition for a variety of instruments to students from Year 2 upwards, depending on the chosen instrument. The instruments offered are fife, flute, clarinet, saxophone, guitar, piano and drums.

Children who participate in the school's music tuition program may be invited to join the school band, attend the Performing Arts Festival, and participate in the school's annual Music Gala.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the instrumental program, please collect a form from the school office.

**Also, if your child would like to continue with music lessons next year, please collect and complete a new application form for 2021.**

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs. Mulholland.  
**MRS CLARE MULHOLLAND – MUSIC TEACHER**

### INDONESIAN DAY LUNCH – YEAR 1 - 6

**Please remember to return your Indonesian Day lunch order forms by Thursday 19 November. Place order in an envelope or zip lock bag with the correct change. Order forms are to be given to your classroom teacher.**



## STEM INCURSIONS - YEAR 3 TO 6

This week, our Years 3 to 6 children participated in an exciting STEM incursion. The children used Lego bricks to engage in hands-on lessons related to many curriculum objectives. They were challenged to use both coding and written directions to achieve specific outcomes. In particular, an emphasis on using problem solving skills and teamwork was required. It was an exciting and enjoyable experience for all children involved!



## 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](mailto:standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com)

## PARISH NEWS

# St Andrew's

## Catholic Church

Clarkson



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

[www.standrewsclarkson.com](http://www.standrewsclarkson.com)

## COMMUNITY

### TRINITY COLLEGE OPEN MORNING – THURSDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2020

Discover Trinity College at our Open Morning on **Thursday, 19 November 2020** to learn more about the unique TC Spirit and the vast curricular and co-curricular opportunities that the College has to offer. The Open Morning begins with a welcome address, followed by a student-guided tour and finishes with refreshments and Q&A with the admissions team and teaching staff. We look forward to meeting you! Please note that your son is welcome to attend the Open Morning. You can register directly via our website <https://www.trinity.wa.edu.au/enrolments/tour-trinity/open-day>. You can also email [registrar@trinity.wa.edu.au](mailto:registrar@trinity.wa.edu.au) or call 9223 8120.

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

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7/8 NOV Week 5	9 NOVEMBER	10 NOVEMBER	11 NOVEMBER	12 NOVEMBER	13 NOVEMBER STEM – Lego Incursion & Coding Year 5
14/15 NOV Week 6	16 NOVEMBER <b>Footsteps Dance</b> 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	17 NOVEMBER Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Academic All Stars @ St James School <b>2021 Pre-Primary Orientation Afternoon Meeting 2:00pm</b>	18 NOVEMBER <b>P &amp; F and School Board AGM</b> 6:00pm School Hall	19 NOVEMBER	20 NOVEMBER Years 4B & 4W Assembly
21/22 NOV Week 7	23 NOVEMBER <b>Footsteps Dance</b> 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  Indonesian Day.	26 NOVEMBER	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	30 NOVEMBER <b>Footsteps Dance</b> 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 <b>Last day Kindy - Year 6 Nativity / Carols Night 5:00 Picnic 6:00 Nativity / Carols</b> School choir to lead singing	2 DECEMBER  <b>Christmas Mass-</b> (whole school) Host 3B / 3W School choir to lead singing <b>8:50am</b>	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 <b>Kindy – Fun Day</b>  Kindy Christmas Party  <b>KINDY LAST DAY</b> Santa Visit  Choir singing at Clarkson Library  No Staff Meeting	9 DECEMBER <b>LAST DAY YEAR 6</b>  Free Dress Day Theme – Holidays Gold coin donation  <b>Year 6 Graduation Mass 6:00pm Church Year 6 Classes Graduation Ceremony School Hall (straight after Mass)</b>	10 DECEMBER <b>Final Assembly</b> School choir to lead singing 3 carols only <b>2021 Class Orientation Years PP - 6 10.40am – 11.30am Class Lists on display</b>  Children will participate in transition session	11 DECEMBER  <b>Last day of Term 4 for students PP – Year 5</b>
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\***