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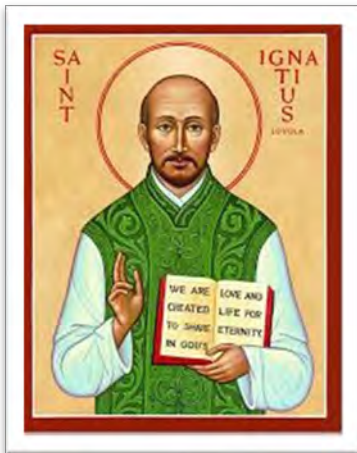
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Companions on the Journey

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Sunday is the feast day of St Ignatius of Loyola. Ignatius was born at Loyola (Spain) in 1491. He died in Rome on 31st July in 1556. He was a Spanish nobleman trained in diplomacy and the use of arms. Ignatius was wounded in battle against the French. The experience of conversion, while convalescing led him to write the Spiritual Exercises. Loyola then founded the now famous Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and became the first superior general. He is remembered for his loyalty to the Church and its renewal, his ministry to the marginal, his concern for education, and his dedication 'to the greater glory of God', the motto of the Jesuits.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

NAIDOC GUEST SPEAKER – DEREK NANNUP

Today we had the privilege of having Mr Derek Nannup attend our school, as a NAIDOC guest speaker. Derek is one of the environmental and education officers from Yanchep National Park. Derek played the didgeridoo and interacted with the children in a number of activities. It was a great way to learn more about Aboriginal culture. The children thoroughly enjoyed this incursion. I extend my thanks to Mrs Parata and Miss Vinciguerra for organising such an engaging incursion!



BRLA (BISHOPS RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT)
YEARS 3 & 5 – NEXT WEEK

We congratulate all of the children in years 3 & 5 who have been preparing very well for next week's BRLA assessments. I am sure that they will all do very well.

ST ANDREW'S SPEAK UP FINALS

The Speak Up Award programme endeavours to provide young students with the opportunity to learn, develop and practice public speaking skills. St Andrew's has participated in the Speak Up competition for the past 10 years. Last Thursday, the following students participated in the St Andrew's Speak Up Final: Chloe A, Elysia B, Emily H, Caleb H, Gabriel A, Summer M, Taya M, Jaison J, Alex L, Rudraksha B, Aaron P and Olivia W. Presenting from a wide range of topics, the students engaged their audience with clear, entertaining and informative speeches. We extend a huge congratulations to all the students that participated in our final. A special mention is given to our finalists: Aaron P, Rudraksha B and Olivia W. I also extend my thanks to Mr Redding who coordinated this event.



BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION

On the 14th of June, eight students took part in an engineering challenge hosted by Irene McCormack Catholic College. Students were involved in designing and constructing a bridge to support a heavy load. They used an array of materials to create a wide range of 'Truss Bridge' designs. We would like to thank Mr. Deurloo (Head of Design and Digital Technology) and IMCC for hosting such an engaging and meaningful educational experience for our students. At the Assembly last week, the students involved were presented with certificates and were able to "test" out their designs to see whether their design would support a heavy load. This proved to be an exciting and engaging show for all of the audience.



BOOK WEEK PARADE – WEEK 6 - 24 AUGUST

****REMINDER****

Just a reminder that Book Week Character Parade is on **Tuesday 24 August** in the School Hall at 8:50 a.m. The theme for the CBCA Book Week is Old Worlds, New Worlds, OTHER WORLDS.

Please come dressed as your favourite Book Character!



CONGRATULATIONS Rudraksha B (Year 6 Blue)

Congratulations is extended to Rudraksha B who has been awarded an academic scholarship to Perth Modern Secondary School for 2022. We wish Rudi every success in his future.

God bless you,

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.

**ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 3, PLANNER 2021 PARENTS (10 week term)**

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
24/25 JULY Week 2	26 JULY Student on-line BRLA System readiness Practice sometime this week. IMCC 3:30 – 4:30 Football Clinic Soccer Clinic	27 JULY Staff Prayer: Staff Meeting	28 JULY Years 3 & 5 BRLA System Test NSI Student Survey	29 JULY Years 3 & 5 BRLA System Test NSI Student Survey NAIDOC Guest Speaker morning 9:00 -10:15am Kindergarten Reptile incursion	30 JULY Merit Assembly Years 3 & 5 BRLA System Test NSI Student Survey P.A. School Guitar Ensemble
31 JULY/1 AUGUST Week 3	2 AUGUST NSI Student Survey P & F Meeting 8:30am at drop- off - Staffroom IMCC 3:30 – 4:30 Rock Climbing	3 AUGUST Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall NSI Student Survey Staff Meeting	4 AUGUST Bishops Literacy Assessment – Year 5 this Wed & Thurs NSI Student Survey	5 AUGUST Bishops Literacy Assessment – Year 5 this Wed & Thurs Bishops Literacy Assessment – Year 3 this Thurs & Fri NSI Student Survey	6 AUGUST School Mass Feast of Mary MacKillop Mass (4B) Bishops Literacy Assessment – Year 3 this Thurs & Fri NSI Student Survey
7/8 AUG Week 4 9:00am Parish Mary MacKillop Mass	9 AUGUST	10 AUGUST Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	11 AUGUST PP – Year 6 Road Safety Education	12 AUGUST PP – Year 6 Road Safety Education	13 AUGUST Year 2 Merit Assembly (Both Classes) Performing Arts – School Band



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ETHAN W, WILLIAM M, HAYLEY G, JAYMIE N,
ROISIN K, CHELSEA F, ALEXIS S AND AMELIA M**

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

PERTH ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Please support St Andrew's Catholic Primary School by purchasing a Perth Entertainment membership.

Memberships are valid for 12 months from the time of purchase



<http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/839r16>

Thank you for your support.

WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT



Tickets for the Wine and Cheese night on Friday the 20th of August have now sold out. Thank you to everyone who has purchased a ticket. We are looking forward to a great evening.

Our next meeting is Monday the 2nd of August at 8.30am in the staff room. All are welcome to attend and get involved.

PARISH NEWS



For all parish information please follow the following link.

clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au



ST ANDREW'S PARISH MASS INVITATION

All of our school community is invited to Mass on Sunday 8th August at 9:00am in our Parish Church to celebrate the feast of St Mary Mackillop. Children attending are asked to wear their school uniform and after Mass there will be a free sausage sizzle provided by St Andrew's School. We look forward to seeing you all there!

26 July 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you again for your support during the COVID-19 lockdown at the end of Term Two. As we commence a new school term, I trust community vaccination numbers will continue to increase and the likelihood of future lockdowns will diminish.

As you are aware, the COVID-19 pandemic has placed a range of additional demands on our system. The increased cost burden facing our schools was the subject of a recent meeting with our State's Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Sue Ellery.

We provided the Minister with our annual budget submission and reinforced our role as a significant contributor to not just to the education of your children, but the broader social and economic well-being of Western Australia.

Our budget submission seeks equity for our schools on a range of key funding measures, both in one-off grant programs and in recurrent funding structures.

Specifically, we have asked the State Government to:

- Provide recurrent indexed funding for an additional 50 school psychologists;
- Provide equitable funding under the new National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement to all government and non-government schools;
- Replace the current scheme of Low Interest Loans (LIL) for capital expenditure with capital grants, especially for remote and regional schools, to deliver world class education infrastructure and ease the debt burden on Catholic school communities;
- Review outstanding low interest capital funding loans to Catholic schools and refinance to provide fairer rates in line with current commercial debt finance options;
- Provide up front funding for education infrastructure to Catholic schools rather than staged payments to allow long term planning and contract awarding for infrastructure works;
- Ensure equitable distribution of funds for early years education to Catholic schools;
- Provide proportional recovery support funding to COVID-19 affected Catholic schools; and

- Allocate school funding for the achievement of wider State Government policy objectives equitably among government and non-government schools.

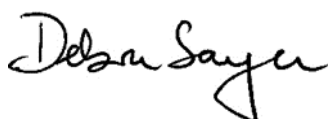
These measures would ensure students are treated fairly and given access to an equitable level of funding support. They would also ensure that as taxpayers, you see a fair investment from the State Government in your child's education.

My thanks go to those parent groups who have worked with their Principal and already organised or held meetings with their local Members of Parliament. It is important that schools organise a Meet Our Member forum in the weeks ahead. We continue to work closely with Catholic School Parents Western Australia who will provide guidance in preparation for any forums at your school.

This will ensure members of the McGowan Government are fully aware of the contribution we make as Western Australia's seventh biggest employer and that your local MP understands you are seeking a fair share when it comes to State Government funding, recognising the significant financial contribution you already make to your child's education.

We continue to work with you as providers of quality, Christ-centred and child-focused education enabling students to achieve their unique potential.

Yours sincerely



Dr Debra Sayce
Executive Director