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Father of Peace: We are joyful in your word, with your Son, Jesus Christ, who reconciles us to you. Let us hasten towards Easter with the eagerness of faith and love. Amen.



Dear Parents,



Parents are reminded that school will close on Friday, 8th April until, and including, Monday 25th April for the Easter Vacation period. The last school day for the students this term is Thursday, 7th April.

Children return to school on Tuesday, 26th April and can wear their school summer uniforms. Until the end of April, there will

be a phasing in period regarding the wearing of the winter school uniforms.

Monday 25th April is a Public Holiday. Please mark this date in your diary. There is no school on that day.

WELCOME

A warm welcome is extended to Mr Ciaran Mundow as he joins our staff as the Year 2 Education Assistant. The Year 2 children were very excited about meeting him last week. If you see Ciaran around the school grounds, please make him feel welcome.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

On Tuesday we held a ceremony in the school hall to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. It was a wonderful and reverent celebration. We congratulate our Year 3 students who received this Sacrament.









Loving God,

As we prepare to enter into a continual significant relationship with You May we be strengthened, as we learn that your love knows no bounds and that You are always willing to forgive and reconcile. Amen.



Last Friday, we celebrated the **National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.** The children all completed work in class. A special thank you to Mr Archer who coordinated the events for the day.

The children have been completing a number of activities within their classrooms as part of their Religious Education lessons.



Last Saturday was the Feast Day of St Joseph. This feast day has special significance in our school as Sr Wendy belongs to the order of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Scared Heart. The Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart continue God's mission by immersing themselves in the midst of life to empower others and bring hope. We all continue to pray for the Sisters of St Joseph and of course offer Sr Wendy our thoughts and prayers.

SWIMMING LESSONS



Swimming lessons are progressing well at the new venue. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation to ensure the success of the program. A special thanks is also extended to Mr Waddell who coordinates this program.

Children are welcome to wear their sport uniform everyday whilst participating in the swimming program. A reminder that lessons conclude next Thursday, 31st March.

YEAR 6 BURSARY

A reminder to all current Year 6 students that are applying for Bursaries to Irene McCormack Catholic College that they are due to Mr Fontaine by Friday 1st April.

FREE DRESS DAY -DONATION - "WHEN I GROW UP I WANT TO BE......

On Tuesday, 5th April, the children will be invited to wear free dress. Children are required

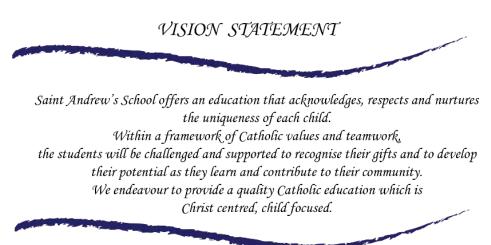
to bring a GOLD COIN DONATION which will go to Project Compassion. This year's theme will be "When I grow up I want to be?????? Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the day. Please note there is no need to hire any costumes. The Year 6 Spiritual and Leadership Ministries.

ALLERGY AWARE ENVIRONMENT

Thank you to those parents who continue to support the school in its stance on an allergy aware environment. This includes nut bars, nut snacks, Nutella, peanut butter etc. Please remember that our school remains an allergy aware environment to assist in the safety of our students who have severe nut allergies. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



May God Bless You All, Sam Fontaine Principal









STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Our Year 6 students recently conducted an educational session for the whole school regarding the St Andrew's Student Code of Conduct. These sessions were conducted interactively through Teams. During these sessions, our Year 6 leaders discussed student rights as well as student responsibilities at school. Our leaders explained what it means to feel respected and listened to at St Andrew's and they also highlighted how students can act appropriately and cooperatively. We value "student voice" at our school and this just one example of the St. Andrew's students exercising their voice.



<u>YEAR 1</u>

Our Year 1 students ventured into our Naturescape playground to explore our natural environment. Whilst exploring, they had an opportunity to develop some of their gross motor skills.









CONGRATULATIONS



Recently, Ivy competed at the state championships for under 9's. We congratulate Ivy on being awarded a gold medal for first place in the 60m hurdles. She also won a silver medal in a 70m race and a bronze medal in long jump. You are a star Ivy!





Happy birthday to Mijak N, Sarah H and Katrya (Ida) J We hope you have a wonderful day!

UNIFORM SHOP



The Uniform Shop have limited stock of the following items of clothing:

Winter long grey pants – Sizes 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 18 and 20; and Winter grey shorts – Sizes 4, 12 and 14

LOST PROPERTY

Various items of jewellery have been handed into the office. These include a gold oval pendant, a silver and green stone heart pendant, and a small ring. If any of these are yours, please come into the office and collect them.





"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child." –Dr. Seuss

P&F NEWS

Please join the P&F St Andrew's Facebook

standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com

P & F NEXT MEETING - POSTPONED

The meeting scheduled for Monday 28th has regrettably been postponed until Term 2.

But planning goes on! The executive continues to blow up their group chat with Easter and Mother's Day preparations along with ideas for projects around the school. We look forward to sharing the details on our Facebook page soon.



Stay happy and well!

PARISH NEWS



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

clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 1, PLANNER 2022 – PARENTS (10 week term)

UPDATED

19/20 MAR	21 MARCH	22 MARCH	23 MARCH	24 MARCH	25 MARCH
Week 8	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons
	(State Swim Joondalup)	Staff Prayer			
	Finance Meeting	Playgroup	Advisory Council		
	Advisory Council	8:30 – 10:30 Hall	Meeting Held online		
		STAFF MEETING			
		RECONCILIATION			
		11:00am SACPS			
		Children only to			
		attend (Cancelled at night)			
26/27 MAR	28 MARCH	29 MARCH	30 MARCH	31 MARCH	1 APRIL
	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming	
Week 9		Staff Prayer		Lessons LAST LESSON	Eucharist Retreat – all day – school hall (TBC)
	P & F Meeting 8:30am POSTPONED UNTIL TERM 2	STAFF MEETING			BURSARY – Irene McCormack Secondary College Due to Mr Fontaine
2/3 APRIL	4 APRIL	5 APRIL	6 APRIL	7 APRIL	8 APRIL
Week 10		Free Dress Gold Coin			
		donation (Project Compassion)		LAST DAY	PUPIL FREE
Palm Sunday is April 10 th		"When I grow up, I want to be"		OF TERM	DAY
				Easter Assembly Cancelled EB Visit after assembly (Sam) Cancelled	