



Companions on the Journey

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PENTECOST

*The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world.
It holds all things together and knows every
word spoken by people.*

Alleluia

*God our Father, Let the Spirit you sent on to
your church
to begin the teaching of the Gospel.
Continue to work in the world through the
hearts of all those who believe.
Amen.*



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The *liturgical season of Pentecost* commences this Sunday. We remember when the Apostles were given the power of the Holy Spirit. This celebration of the Holy Spirit is a reminder to us that the Holy Spirit enters our lives, especially through prayer.

We hope that all mothers and grandmothers of students from St Andrew's School had a wonderful Mother's Day last Sunday. I also wanted to acknowledge all of the work and effort that went into the Mother's Day Breakfast and Raffle by the staff and P&F. We are so fortunate to have such giving and caring people as a part of our community. A special thank you is extended to Mrs Young and Mrs Holden for co-ordinating the Mother's Day Breakfast and ensuring its success.



SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)

As the children prepare to receive this Sacrament, please note the following dates:

Friday, 24th May
Sunday, 9th June

Eucharist Retreat (School Hall – students only)
Sacrament of Eucharist – 11am (Church)

Please refer to the notes sent home or contact your child’s classroom teacher if you require any further clarification.

CONSTABLE CARE INCURSION

Today our students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 attended an interactive and informative presentation by the Constable Care Team. Pre-Primary to Year 3 learnt how to identify an emergency, the correct phone numbers to use in a range of situations, and how they can play a role in keeping their friends, family, and communities safe.

Years 4, 5 and 6 watched Trending, which explores the potential dangers of social media, helping students understand the importance of respect and consent, as well as learning strategies on how to safely use social media. It was a fantastic incursion and I thank Mrs Young for coordinating this incursion.



SCHOOL DISCO

All Students are invited to attend our annual school disco which has been kindly organised by our P&F. This is a FREE event and will be held tomorrow, Friday, 17th May. The evening will be separated into three discos:

Kindy, Pre-Primary & Year 1	3:45 – 4:30pm
Year 2 & 3	4:45 – 5:45pm
Year 4, 5 & 6	6:00 – 7:15pm



A note has been sent home with all the details and a copy can be found at the end of this newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there!

INTERSCHOOL WINTER LIGHTNING CARNIVAL

Next Monday, 20th May has been set aside for the Winter Interschool Lightning Carnival for our Year 6 children (and some of our Year 5 children). Mr Kelly has sent a note home with all of the details and if you have any questions, please direct them to him.



SIMULTANEOUS READING MORNING



Next Wednesday, 22nd May we will be holding our simultaneous reading session. This is where all of the schools within Australia read the same book to every child within their schools at approximately the same time. It is a great initiative and I thank Mrs Baldock for ensuring that our school continues to be involved and participate. This year's book is called the *Bowerbird Blues* by Aura Parker.

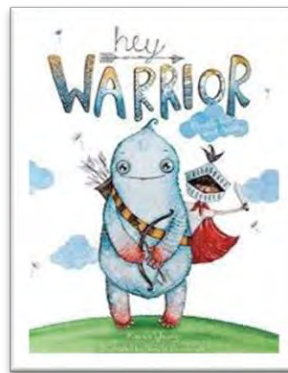
SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our annual school cross country carnival for years 2 to 6 is scheduled for Friday, 31st May. A note has been sent home earlier this week with all of the details and a copy can be found at the end of this newsletter.



KAREN YOUNG, PSYCHOLOGIST

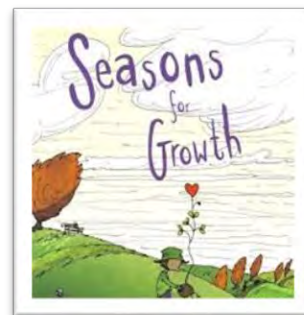
As part of our ongoing efforts to support and nurture the wellbeing and development of our children, St Andrew's Catholic Primary School is delighted to extend an invitation to a special parent talk hosted by psychologist, Karen Young. Karen is a world-renowned psychologist and has a particular emphasis on strengthening the mental wellness of children. This talk will be held **in our school Hall on Thursday, 18th July 2024 commencing at 6pm.** A "save the date" note has been sent home with all the details and a copy can be found at the end of this newsletter. We will provide you with details soon on how to secure your FREE ticket.



SEASONS FOR GROWTH

Seasons for Growth supports connection with others going through similar circumstances, fostering emotional literacy and resilience as a pathway to improved social and emotional wellbeing. If your child has or is experiencing any of the following, the Seasons for Growth program may assist them:

- change and loss
- friendship changes
- family separation
- loss or death of someone they care about
- loss of a pet
- relocation and forced migration
- living away in out of home care
- physical or mental illness
- impacts of war, terrorism, or pandemics.



Specifically, the program provides a safe learning environment for children and young people to:

- Acknowledge their experiences and recognise they are 'not the only one'
- Understand that their feelings and other behavioural reactions are normal
- Develop skills for coping, positive choices, goal setting and decision making
- Build a peer support network and a felt sense of belonging and connection
- Help restore self-confidence, self-esteem and self-respect.

(source Season for Growth website)

St Andrew's Catholic Primary School has participated in this successful programme for many years. You are invited to consider this opportunity for your child. Sessions will be commencing soon. Sr Wendy will 'companion' a small group of students during school hours. All that is shared in the group is confidential. Please speak to your child's teacher or collect a permission form from the Administration office. Contact Sr Wendy on either Tuesday or Wednesday at the school if you wish to seek more information about the programme.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Conduct Statement 3

3. You act in accordance with the values of the Gospel as defined in the Code of Ethical Conduct.

Guidelines

1. You are mindful that your decisions and behaviour are opportunities for students and others to see Gospel values in action and how faith integrates with life. Therefore, you are responsible for educating yourself and anyone you lead on the content of those values, and their practical application in your decision making.
2. You acknowledge that as a member of a Catholic school community, you are required to strive to develop and live out your relationships with all people in a manner that is based on Gospel values as defined in the CECWA Code of Ethical Conduct.
3. You accept that as a member of a Catholic school community, your conduct reflects on Catholic Education and the Church, and therefore you must strive to uphold the letter and spirit of the Code of Ethical Conduct.
4. You are called upon by the Code of Ethical Conduct act in a manner that is:
 - Based on Christian ethics
 - Professional
 - Timely
 - Contextually appropriate
5. The Code of Ethical Conduct requires you to take an ethical approach based on the living out of Gospel values which find expression in:
 - Respect for the dignity of each person
 - Acknowledgment of the giftedness of each person
 - Commitment to building positive relationships
 - Confidentiality
 - Accountability
6. Respecting dignity is based on:
 - A conscious appreciation of the sacredness of the individual's creation
 - A sensitivity to the fact that each individual has emotions, fears, hopes and an innate goodness which flows from creation in the image of God
7. Recognising the giftedness of others involves:
 - Discerning these gifts
 - Naming and acknowledging these gifts
 - Empowering individuals and groups to use their gifts
8. Fostering positive relationships which flow from being:
 - Welcoming and open
 - Honest and loyal
 - Trusting and trustworthy
 - Willing to share knowledge, skills, resources and insights



9. Committing to appropriate confidentiality based on:

- Respect for others
- Professionalism

10. Committing to:

- The Mandate of the Bishops of Western Australia
- The acceptance of responsibility for any action or initiative at a personal and professional level.

May God Bless You All,

Alison Campbell
A/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
Chelsea M, Danika C, Angok N, Sienna S, Laura F, Roland P,
Amelia W, James B, Alana L, Ayla K and Josiah V
We hope you have a wonderful day!**

P&F NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners of the Mother's Day Raffle:

Ashton B, Grace K, Kai T, Henry W, Ralph H, Florence M, Archie R, Jude F, Zahli S, Dafney C, Bryce W, Nicole C, Lani C, Lucas B, Chase M, Mrs Holden, Mrs Parata, Cruz M, Carter G, Emily W, Olivia B, Cian M, Lilliani M, Benji H, Eva G, Anthony C, Charlotte G, Penelope R, Rosie W, Krisha P, Nathan M, Ivy W, Travis G, Evelyn W, Corey D, Aubri N, Chiara V, Tejveer G, Lucas N, Mrs Kilgallon, Sean O, Kahn F, Jamilah U, Ethan W, Charlotte W, Olivia B, Meera R, Peter W, Mrs Baldock, Angela M, Ania L, Charlie G, Amber P, Aleksander P and Rajanprince D.

We again thank all of our amazing businesses for donating to our annual Mother's Day raffle!

Please join the P&F St Andrew's Facebook
standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com

PARISH NEWS

St Andrew's
Catholic Church
Clarkson



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

clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL DISCO FRIDAY 17th May 2024



Disco TIME with *DJ Bop till you Drop*

*All St Andrew's CPS Students are invited to attend this **FREE** event coordinated by the P&F.*

The evening will be separated into three discos:

Kindy, Pre-Primary & Year 1 3:45 – 4:30pm

Year 2 & 3 4:45 – 5:45pm

Year 4, 5 & 6 6:00 – 7:15pm

- **A reminder to parents that children must be escorted to and from the undercover area on the night – PLEASE REMEMBER TO abide by the rules for the event.**
- Drop off at the door near the year 6 classrooms & pick-up from the Southern door on the hall's side of the undercover area.
- Parents are invited to stay for the Kindy/PP/Year 1 disco. The other two discos will be drop off only.
- Please note that only younger siblings are permitted at the Kindy, PP and Year 1 disco and no other siblings (younger or older) will be allowed at the other discos.
- No student or siblings from other years will be able to attend a disco that is not allocated for them.
- Siblings will also not be allowed to play anywhere else on the school grounds.
- **Any children who are on school grounds unsupervised during sibling discos will be asked to leave.**
- ***Discos are for current St Andrew's Catholic Primary School students only.***
- Parents please note: If you are staying for the Kindy/ PP/Year 1 Disco, we remind you, as per our school and CEWA policy, to refrain from videoing or photographing children other than your own child at the disco.
- No phones or devices are permitted into the disco. If you consider that your child requires a phone on the night, it can be signed in when you drop them off and will be looked after by the volunteers during the disco.
- The discos are free dress but please ensure that **students are dressed appropriately for the night.**
- Children are welcome to bring a labelled water bottle and they will also have access to the water fountains.
- **A Big Thank You in advance to all the parents who have volunteered to assist on the night - without you, the event would not be possible.**
- All parent volunteers must attend the office prior to the Disco (not on the night of the Disco) to complete the required documentation.
- ***NO CONFETTI OR FOOD PLEASE***
- Thank you again for your support.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our School Cross Country Carnival is scheduled for Friday, 31st May. Parents are welcome to attend the events. We will commence our day at 8:45am. Please note that we will endeavour to run our **Year 2 to Year 5 events before recess** (recess will commence at 10:25am). **Our Year 6 events will be held after recess** (recess will conclude at 10:40am). **Please note that these times are an approximate guide only and may change on the day.** In every year group, the girls will run first, followed by the boys. The event details are:

- Year 2 1000m
- Year 3 1500m
- Year 4 2000m
- Year 5 2500m
- Year 6 2500m

Please note the following additional information:

- Presentation of medals and the Cross-Country faction shield will immediately occur after the Year 6 events (**before the lunch break**). The presentations will occur in the Hall and all parents are welcome to attend.
- The 5 fastest boys and girls from each year level selected will be notified in writing of their qualification for the Inter-school Cross-Country. Selection is based on times ***recorded in sport lessons, running club times and the Cross-Country Carnival***. Selected students will be encouraged to attend future running club sessions. Other students, not selected, are welcome to continue participating at running club on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:40am - 8:05am, in preparation for the Athletics Carnival in Term 3.
- Please note that we are planning on having a coffee van at our Cross-Country Carnival.
- Children **can wear their faction-coloured T shirt for the day**.
- Please, **no coloured hair or coloured zinc** for this event.
- Whilst we want every child to have an opportunity to compete, once they start walking substantially, they will be exited from the race (as we have limited time for each race).
- Please consider bringing a water bottle, towel and a change of shoes / clothes.
- The **CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN** for food requirements.
- Parents are invited and should stay on the bank of the oval and not visit the children in the faction tents.
- **IF LIGHT SHOWERS ARE FORECAST, THEN WE PLAN TO RUN RACES BETWEEN THE SHOWERS.** Therefore, our schedule of events and times will be altered to reflect this. The carnival will be held with modified rules. Simply, each grade will come out to the oval, at a selected time, and complete their cross-country laps. They will then return to class.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards,
Ben Kelly
Physical Education Teacher



*St Andrew's Catholic Primary School invites
you to an information session with*

Karen Young, Psychologist

"Strengthening Young People Against Anxiety"

As part of our ongoing efforts to support and nurture the wellbeing and development of our children, St Andrew's Catholic Primary School is delighted to extend an invitation to a special parent talk hosted by renowned psychologist, **Karen Young.**

Karen is a world-renowned psychologist and has a particular emphasis on strengthening the mental wellness of children and adolescents. She is known for her insightful and practical approach and will be sharing valuable strategies and guidance on fostering resilience, managing anxiety at school, promoting positive mental health in children and fostering the social-emotional development and learning potential of all children. For more information on Karen Young, please visit her website: <https://www.heysigmund.com>.

Places will be limited. We will let you know soon how to secure your ticket. Please note that this parent talk will be FREE and will be held in our school Hall on Thursday, 18th July 2024 commencing at 6pm.

We look forward to welcoming you to this enriching parent talk and continuing our journey together in supporting the wellbeing of our children.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Thursday, 18th July 2024
6pm - 7:30pm**

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 2, PLANNER 2024 – PARENTS (11 week term)

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
					17 MAY URSTRONG Assembly SCHOOL DISCO
18/19 MAY Week 6	20 MAY WINTER Interschool Lightning Carnival	21 MAY Staff Prayer Run Club Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	22 MAY National Stimulus Australia Wide Reading session	23 MAY Run Club Science Incursion (Year 1 & 3)	24 MAY Eucharist Retreat- school hall
25/26 MAY Week 7 9am Parish Mass May Flower Celebration Years PP, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6 (SFOA) FREE Sausage sizzle after 9:00am Mass	27 MAY	28 MAY Staff Prayer Run Club Staff Meeting	29 MAY Advisory Council Meeting	30 MAY NO RUN CLUB	31 MAY School Cross Country Years 2 – 6
1/2 JUNE Week 8	3 JUNE PUBLIC HOLIDAY Western Australia Day	4 JUNE PUPIL FREE DAY	5 JUNE Year 4 Taster Day at IMCC	6 JUNE Run Club Eucharist Rehearsals / Reconciliation (Year 4) Church	7 JUNE Merit Assembly
8/9 JUNE Week 9 Sunday 9th ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL Sacrament of Eucharist 11:00am	10 JUNE Year 6 Excursion (Parliament House)	11 JUNE Staff Prayer Run Club Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	12 JUNE	13 JUNE NO RUN CLUB SCHOOL PHOTOS whole school K – 6	14 JUNE Merit Assembly
15/16 JUNE Week 10	17 JUNE	18 JUNE Staff Prayer Last day of Run Club for Term 2 Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Family Life Talk Year 6 - 6pm (Parents & Students) Staff Meeting	19 JUNE	20 JUNE MINI VINNIES PIZZA DAY	21 JUNE Reports available on SEQTA (After school) Regional Cross Country (Mawson Park) Yrs 2 – 6

<p>22/23 JUNE</p> <p>Week 11</p>	<p>24 JUNE</p> <p>NAIDOC WEEK</p> <p>St Andrew's Speak Up – 8:45am - Hall</p>	<p>25 JUNE</p> <p>Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall</p> <p>Staff Meeting</p>	<p>26 JUNE</p> <p>NAIDOC WEEK</p>	<p>27 JUNE</p> <p>NAIDOC WEEK</p> <p>Better Beginnings Incursion - Kindy</p> <p>Free Dress Day Theme – Pyjamas Gold coin donation</p>	<p>28 JUNE</p> <p>Pupil Free Day Reporting</p>
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