



Companions on the Journey

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**Our Lady Help of Christians, chosen patron, of this fair Australian land,  
You have shown a way to follow, true to all that God has planned.**

**May our lives like yours be faithful, may our loving be as true,  
Till we see our God for ever, Who has done great things for you.  
Amen**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tomorrow, we celebrate the significant feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, the Patron Saint of Australia. On this feast day, we thank our heavenly Father for Mary, who provides us with the perfect model of love, understanding and compassion. The prayer above is a simple, yet meaningful, prayer that can be said with the whole family.

**A reminder to all families that Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June is a Public Holiday. Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June and Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June are Pupil Free Days.**

## INTERSCHOOL CARNIVAL

This week, our Year 6 and selected Year 5 students participated in the Winter Lightning Carnival. We extend our congratulations to all the children for their participation in the Carnival. They should all be very proud of their efforts.

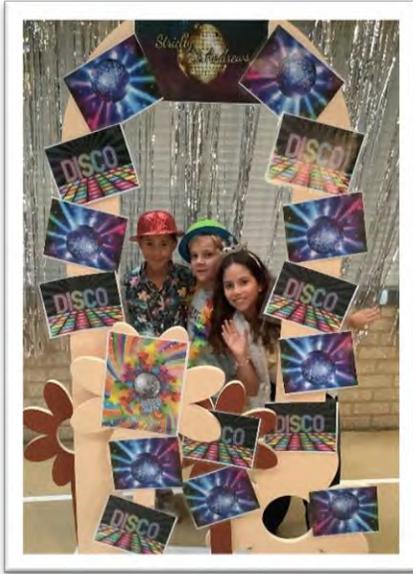
We have had our best year to date in terms of placings! We would especially like to congratulate both of our soccer teams as well as the AFL team. These teams were successful in reaching AND winning their Grand Finals. These are fantastic achievements!

I also thank Mr Kelly for his coordination of this event as well as the staff who attended and supported the children.



## **SCHOOL DISCO THANK YOU**

A sincere thank you is extended to our P&F for the wonderful disco that was held last Friday night. The children had a great time!



## **DISCO REPORT - YEAR 6 CULTURAL MINISTRY**

We all had a great time at our disco this year. The D.J. – ‘Bop till u Drop’ was really good. We enjoyed all of the songs, games and dances that we had and it was so much fun! We would really like to thank the P&F and teachers for organising such a fun event.

*Year 6 Cultural Ministry*

## **SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)**

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

**Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **CROSS COUNTRY FACTION CAPTAINS**

Sincere congratulations are extended to the following students, who were elected by their peers, as the 2024 School Faction Cross-Country Captains. They were presented with their badges at our Assembly last Friday.

**Amalfi:** Benjamin H & Ruby M  
**Galilee:** Gabriel M & Ivy W  
**Patras:** Benjamin W & Ava S



## **MINI VINNIES**

Last Friday our Mini Vinnies were presented with their badges at the Assembly. Mini Vinnies is a program which empowers students to become advocates within their school and local community by putting their values into action as well as enhancing their leadership skills. In 2024, the students will meet on a weekly basis to discuss and raise awareness of social justice issues and organise ways to help others in need within the school. We congratulate these students for their commitment and participation with this program.



## **SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

Our annual school cross country carnival for years 2 to 6 is scheduled for Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May. A note has been sent home with all of the details and a copy can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please note that Run Club will be on Tuesday of next week only. There will be **no Run Club on Thursday** as we prepare for the Cross Country Carnival.



## **BEING COMMUNITY MINDED**

I remind all parents / guardians that we are surrounded by housing on three school boundaries. Our driving and parking habits do impact our neighbour's, especially when we park in inappropriate places and block roads at pick up time (2.30pm - 3.00pm) each day. Please consider:

1. Parking in the many car bays located around the school.
2. Staggering your arrival so that the Kiss N Ride flows.

## **NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK**

National Reconciliation Week is time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving Reconciliation in Australia. National Reconciliation Week begins on 27<sup>th</sup> May and runs through to 3<sup>rd</sup> June. This year's theme is ***"Now More Than Ever"***.

This week, in particular, provides an opportunity for our children to continue to respect and reflect on the history and culture of Aboriginal people, including their unique values, languages, and spirituality.



## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Our school photo day has been scheduled for Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> June. Students will be required to wear their full Winter School Uniform. Detailed information will be sent home soon in a separate note. A flyer from Kapture Photography can be found at the end of the newsletter which will provide families with some preliminary information regarding photo day.



## 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, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 commencing at 6pm. A "save the date" note has been sent home with all the details. We will provide you with details soon on how to secure your FREE ticket. *Please note this is NOT Mrs Karen Young, our Year 3 Teacher and Assistant Principal.* 😊



## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We are currently conducting uniform checks to ensure that all students are wearing the correct uniforms on their allotted days. We appreciate your support in this matter.



## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

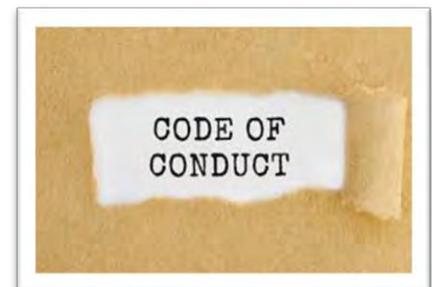
### **Conduct Statement 4**

- **You conduct yourself in accordance with laws, agreements, policies and standards relevant to your relationship with the school community.**

### **Guidelines**

1. Your relationship with other members of the school community is defined by whatever written or verbal agreement has given rise to that relationship. If you are a member of staff, it is your employment agreement. If you are a parent or acting in a parental capacity, it is the student's enrolment agreement. If you are a member of the school board, it is your school board constitution. If you are a visitor, it is in accordance with the permission of the Principal to be on school grounds on condition that you act safely and competently.
2. If you witness the unlawful or unsafe conduct of any other member of the school community, or breaches of policy or this Code, whether in teaching, administration, school support services, or while engaging with students in person or via digital or other media, you have both a responsibility and an obligation to notify such conduct to the Principal or an appropriate authority and take other action as necessary to protect students.
3. Where you notify the Principal or a delegate of unsafe conduct, including breaches of this Code, and that notification fails to produce an appropriate response in the circumstances, you may take the matter to an appropriate external authority.
4. You respect both the person and property of students and their families, and of other members of the school community, and the property and finances of the school.
5. You use school property and resources responsibly and for the purposes of the school.

**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  
Levi T, Ivy H, Willow H, Chloe R, Oliver G, Ethan H,  
Ava S, Elly G, Aubree C, Ethan M, Benjamin H  
and Solea D**

**We hope you have a wonderful day!**



## SPORT NEWS

# FACTION CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

Our School Cross Country Carnival is scheduled for Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> 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**



# SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Dear Parents,

Your school photo day is coming! Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a personalised flyer to bring home from Kapture Photography containing your child's unique codes for ordering school photos online.

## **KEEP YOUR FLYER SECURE!**

*The unique codes contained on the flyer will be issued only once.*

### **Order EARLY for sibling photography**

Sibling photos can ONLY be ordered online. Once you receive the personalised flyers for your children, it is imperative that you order your sibling photo early to avoid missing out! There is a physical limit in the school schedule to how many sibling photos can be taken. Once the maximum capacity of sibling orders has been reached, no more sibling orders can be placed.

If maximum capacity is not reached, sibling orders **close 12pm midday sharp, one business day prior** to the first photo day.

*The school or the photographers cannot accept late orders for sibling photography. Please do not ask as your request simply cannot be accommodated.*

### **Order EARLY for discount photo day prices**

Order your photos within 10 calendar days of photo day to receive discount photo day prices. Late orders are handled separately to the school delivery and incur a \$30 custom service charge.

### **Other information**

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please check the FAQ's on the Kapture website.

Students who are unable to attend school photo day can book a studio appointment at our Malaga office to be photographed during school holidays.

Your school will notify you in a few weeks when **team and special group photos** are available to view and purchase on the Kapture website. Please note; class, individual and sibling portraits are not available to view online prior to purchase.

***All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group presentation available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.***



## P&F NEWS

Please join the P&F St Andrew's Facebook  
[standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsparentsandfriends@gmail.com)

## PARISH NEWS



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

[clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au](http://clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au)

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

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
					24 MAY <b>Eucharist Retreat– Hall</b>
25/26 MAY Week 7 9am <b>Parish Mass May Flower Celebration Years PP, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, &amp; 6 (SFOA) FREE Sausage sizzle after 9:00am Mass</b>	27 MAY	28 MAY Staff Prayer  <b>Run Club</b>  Staff Meeting	29 MAY   Advisory Council Meeting	30 MAY  <b>NO RUN CLUB</b>	31 MAY  <b>School Cross Country Years 2 – 6</b>
1/2 JUNE Week 8	<b>3 JUNE PUBLIC HOLIDAY Western Australia Day</b>	<b>4 JUNE PUPIL FREE DAY</b>	5 JUNE <b>Year 4 Taster Day at IMCC</b>	6 JUNE <b>Run Club Eucharist Rehearsals / Reconciliation (Year 4) Church</b>	7 JUNE <b>Merit Assembly</b>
8/9 JUNE Week 9  <b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL Sacrament of Eucharist 11:00am</b>	10 JUNE  Year 6 Excursion (Parliament House)	11 JUNE Staff Prayer <b>Run Club</b>  Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	12 JUNE	13 JUNE  <b>NO RUN CLUB</b>  <b>SCHOOL PHOTOS whole school K – 6</b>	14 JUNE  <b>Merit Assembly</b>
15/16 JUNE Week 10	17 JUNE	18 JUNE Staff Prayer <b>Last day of Run Club for Term 2</b>  Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall <b>Family Life Talk Year 6 - 6pm (Parents &amp; Students)</b>  Staff Meeting	19 JUNE	20 JUNE  <b>MINI VINNIES PIZZA DAY</b>	21 JUNE  <b>Reports available on SEQTA (After school)</b>  <b>Regional Cross Country (Mawson Park) Yrs 2 – 6</b>
22/23 JUNE Week 11	24 JUNE  NAIDOC WEEK  St Andrew's Speak Up – 8:45am - Hall	25 JUNE Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall  Staff Meeting	26 JUNE  NAIDOC WEEK	27 JUNE NAIDOC WEEK <b>Better Beginnings Incursion – Kindy</b>  Free Dress Day Theme – Pyjamas Gold coin donation	<b>28 JUNE Pupil Free Day Reporting</b>