



Companions on the Journey

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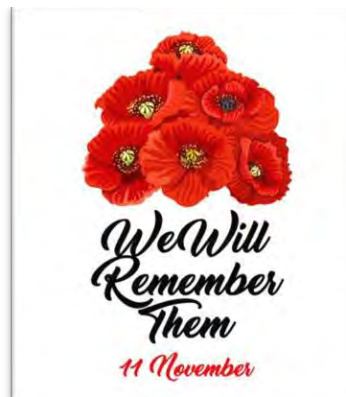
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Lord God,
You grant the gift of holiness to all who will accept it.
Inspire us by the example and prayers of your Saints
to live the Gospel in our daily lives.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the 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 and Guardians,

A reminder to all CURRENT KINDERGARTEN PARENTS that next Tuesday, 14th November is a Pupil Free Day. Kindy students do not attend school on this day.

On Tuesday, 14th November, we will be holding our Annual *Kindergarten Orientation Meeting* for children and families joining our community in 2024.

The logo for 'Kindergarten Orientation' features the word 'Kindergarten' in a colorful, bubbly font with a small pink heart to its left. Below it, the word 'Orientation' is written in a similar colorful, bubbly font.

ATTENTION: CURRENT KINDERGARTEN PARENTS:
PRE-PRIMARY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – TUESDAY, 21st NOVEMBER at 1:45pm

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 1:45pm on Tuesday, 21st 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.



SCHOOL FEES ARE VERY IMPORTANT



Thank you to the families who have already met their fee commitments for the 2023 school year. The deadline for 2023 school fees is Thursday, 24th 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSESSMENT

The Religious Education Assessment Reports for our Years 3 and 5 students went home earlier this week. Overall, in both grades, we performed well above the average. We congratulate all of the students and the teachers involved.

EXISTING FAMILIES NOT RETURNING IN 2024

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 2024, 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 2024 and a change of address if applicable. We appreciate your support.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING OF BOTH THE P&F AND PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL



These important school community meetings will occur on Wednesday, 15th November in the school hall. The ACM of the School Advisory Council starts at 6.00pm and the ACM 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.

2024 BOOKLISTS

Previous newsletters have provided all families with clear directions about ordering the 2024 Booklist. The booklists provide all of the information for parents and guardians to ensure that ***children turn up to school with all of the equipment that they require for a successful start to the 2024 school year.*** **ALL ORDERING IS COMPLETED ONLINE AND DELIVERY IS DIRECTLY TO YOUR HOME.** If you are unsure, please speak to Mrs Champion.

UNIFORMS

Please note that Perm-A-Pleat will close on 20th December 2023 and reopen for the New Year on 10th January 2024. Please note the following important dates:

- The last delivery to St Andrew's is Friday, 8th December.
- The last date for home deliveries for orders received by Friday, 15th December is Tuesday, 19th December.
- Orders received from Monday, 18th December 2023 will be delivered from Monday, 17th January 2024.



WELCOME

We welcome Adeng D to our Year 4 class who started this week. Please make her feel welcome!

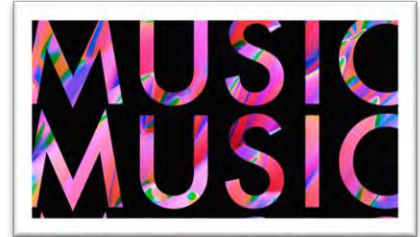
THE MUSIC GALA

On Monday, 20th November your child may be performing in the Music Gala in the school hall. The Music Gala is an informal event, which gives the students involved in the St. Andrew's school instrumental program an opportunity to perform and showcase their talents. A real highlight is to see the development and progression of the children's talents year after year. There are over 80 students participating and ***parents and friends are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you all there.***

The morning will commence at approximately 8:45am. There is no definite concluding time or performance times. We apologise but with so many components to this day, it would be impossible to give set times. We thank you for understanding and look forward to seeing you all there!

OUTLINE (Times are approximate only) – all events are held in the School Hall

8:45am Music Gala
10:15am Go to classes for Sip N Crunch
10:20am Sip N Crunch
10:25am Recess
10:45am Back to Hall – Music Gala part 2. (if required)



**God Bless,
Sam Fontaine
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.

SCHOOL NEWS



**Happy Birthday to
Patrick C, Bryce W, Lani D, Sophie M, Chloe B, Wesley H,
Edward F, Georgia C and Bea M**

We hope you have a wonderful day!

P&F NEWS

P&F FACEBOOK PAGE

Don't 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.



The ACM will be held on Wednesday, 15th 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 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.

<https://standrews.wa.edu.au/parents-and-friends/>

PARISH NEWS



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

clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

Parent Advisory Council

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING FOR THE
ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER AT 6.00PM
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

If anyone wishes to nominate for the Advisory Council in 2024, they are requested to book an appointment with Mr Fontaine initially and then receive an information pack.

P & F NEWS

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING FOR THE P& F
WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER AT 6.00pm
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

All positions on the P & F Committee are open for nomination for next year. Everyone is welcome to come on board and join our enthusiastic team of parents helping to improve the community spirit of St Andrew's. As a result of the great teamwork this year, workloads have not been too heavy, and we have still managed to raise a tidy sum to assist in the improvement of our children's education. Please consider joining the team and nominating for one of the following positions:

Brief "job descriptions" –

- **President:**
(Chairs the meetings, liaises with the Principal and co-ordinates the sub-committees in charge of the different events).
- **Vice President:** (Chairs the meetings in the President's absence and assists where required).
- **Secretary:** (Records the Minutes of each meeting and distributes them to each committee member.)
- **Treasurer:** (Presents the financial report prepared for each meeting).
- **Committee Member:** (Comes up with fabulous ideas to keep the community / children entertained!).

I would like to nominate for the
position of for the 2024 committee.

Signed

Please return this nomination slip to Mrs Champion at the front office

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 4 2023 – FAMILIES (9 week student term +1)

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
					10 NOVEMBER Remembrance Day Year 2 11:00am Year 6 Footsteps Lesson 1:30pm
11/12 NOV Week 6	13 NOVEMBER	14 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer NO PLAYGROUP CURRENT KINDY PUPIL FREE Kindy 2024 Orientation Meeting 9:00 -10:00am PARENTS ONLY Staff Meeting	15 NOVEMBER P & F and Advisory Council ACM 6:00pm School Hall	16 NOVEMBER	17 NOVEMBER MJR Assembly Year 6 Footsteps Lesson 1:30pm
18/19 NOV Week 7	20 NOVEMBER Music Gala 8:45am- Whole School in Hall	21 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer Playgroup 9:00 -11:00 Hall 2024 Pre-Primary Orientation Afternoon Meeting 1:45pm PARENTS ONLY Year 4 Excursion – WA Reptile Park Staff Meeting	22 NOVEMBER	23 NOVEMBER	24 NOVEMBER P & F Celebration for St. Andrew's Day CANTEEN CLOSED Kindy White classes as normal at school
25//26 NOV Week 8 Sun 26th Nov St Andrew's Parish Feast Day Mass 9:00am FREE Sausage sizzle after 9:00aam Mass	27 NOVEMBER	28 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer Playgroup 9:00 -11:00 Hall Last day Kindy - Year 6 Nativity / Carols Night 5:00 Picnic 6:00 Nativity / Carols School choir to lead singing	29 NOVEMBER Saint Andrew's Day, Christmas / Staff Farewell and Thanksgiving Mass 8:50am (Host: 3B)	30 NOVEMBER Kindy 2023 to Pre-Primary 2024 Orientation time	1 DECEMBER Year 6 Graduation Outing

<p>2/3 DEC</p> <p>Week 9</p>	<p>4 DECEMBER</p>	<p>5 DECEMBER Staff Prayer</p> <p>Kindy Christmas Party</p> <p>KINDY LAST DAY Early finish after party</p> <p>Year 6 Footsteps Lesson 11:00am</p> <p>Staff Meeting</p>	<p>6 DECEMBER</p> <p>Year 6 Graduation Mass 6.00pm Church</p> <p>School choir to lead singing</p> <p>Free Dress Day Theme – Holidays Gold coin donation</p>	<p>7 DECEMBER</p> <p>Final Assembly Start of school. School choir to lead singing 3 carols only</p> <p>2024 Class Orientation Years K - 6 10.40am – 11.30am Class Lists on display</p> <p>Children will participate in transition session</p>	<p>8 DECEMBER</p> <p>Last day of Term 4 for students</p> <p>Reports available on SEQTA</p>
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