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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,

Lent is well and truly with us and you should be asking the questions - What have I done or what am I intending to do for Lent? It can be a very powerful time for renewal and alms giving. (Helping others without expecting anything in return). Maybe you could consider something because anything is better than nothing.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY & PUPIL FREE DAY – THIS MONDAY AND TUESDAY

A reminder that Monday, 4th of March is a Public Holiday and Tuesday, 5th March is a Pupil Free Day.

URSTRONG FRIEND-O-METER



The friend-o-metre is a visual tool that helps children to think about the difference between healthy and unhealthy friendships. Students are taught about the importance of spending time with friendships in the healthy zone.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Today was the last day of in-school swimming lessons and I thank Mr Kelly, and all of the staff, for their efforts in coordinating the event to ensure its success.



SCHOOL FEES

All first billing cycle fee accounts should have been settled by now. If any family is having difficulties in paying their school fees, they should book an appointment with Mr Fontaine immediately.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

On Thursday evening, 7th March, the children will be making their First Reconciliation. The service will commence at **6:00pm promptly** in the Parish Church.



SUMMER EXTREME LIGHTNING CARNIVAL

The children in Year 6 (and some in Year 5) have been selected to participate in the Summer Extreme Lightning Carnival which will be held next Thursday, 7th March at the Kingsway Reserve. The sports played include soft crosse, ultimate frisbee, cricket and basketball. A special thank you to Mr Kelly for co-ordinating the carnival and encouraging the students to play these different sports.

URSTRONG ONLINE WORKSHOP

We invite you to attend an **online URSTRONG workshop** on Thursday evening, **21st March from 6pm to 7:15pm**. This workshop gives children, parents and teachers a common "language" for talking about friendships. Through interactive parent-child activities, parents will learn strategies to support their child in fostering healthy, feel-good friendships. **To attend this workshop, you are required to register at the following address:** www.urstrong/events

Please note that St Andrew's will pay for the cost of this workshop and therefore tickets are FREE for parents.

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations to Taj and Chase who recently competed in the Rottnest Channel Swim. Both students achieved a result in the top 10! This is a fantastic achievement and they should be very proud of their efforts.

**May God Bless You All,
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.



**Happy Birthday to Conor M, Thomas W,
Penelope R and Perth A**

We hope you have a wonderful day!



Creating a kinder world by
empowering kids with **friendship skills**

URSTRONG's whole-school friendship strategy has improved the social climate in schools around the world, connecting over a million kids, parents, & teachers with a common language of friendship.



THE LANGUAGE OF

FRIENDSHIP!



YOU ARE INVITED!

THURSDAY 21 MARCH

6.00pm to 7.15pm

in the

URSTRONG CLASSROOM ONLINE



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Tickets are generously paid for by your school.

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ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 1, PLANNER 2024 – Parent (9 week term)

SAT/SUN 24/25 FEB	MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY	TUESDAY 27 FEBRUARY	WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY	THURSDAY 29 FEBRUARY	FRIDAY 1 MARCH
				Swimming Lessons Years 1 – 5 Last Lesson	MERIT ASSEMBLY
2/3 MAR Week 6	4 MARCH LABOR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	5 MARCH PUPIL FREE DAY <i>Staff Professional</i> <i>Development Day</i>	6 MARCH	7 MARCH Year 3 Reconciliation Retreat Extreme Lightning Carnival Year 6 (Kingsway Res) (Year 5 to top up) 6:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation St Andrew's Church	8 MARCH URSTRONG Assembly
9/10 MAR Week 7	11 MARCH	12 MARCH Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30-10:30 Hall Staff meeting	13 MARCH NAPLAN Commences Year 6 Camp @ Ern Halliday Camp	14 MARCH NAPLAN Year 6 Camp @ Ern Halliday Camp	15 MARCH NAPLAN Year 6 Camp @ Ern Halliday Camp Saint Patrick's Day Classroom Prayer
16/17 MAR Week 8	18 MARCH NAPLAN	19 MARCH Staff Prayer NAPLAN Playgroup 8:30-10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	20 MARCH NAPLAN	21 MARCH NAPLAN Years 4, 5 & 6 Reconciliation 11:00am Church URSTRONG online workshop (Parent/child) 6pm-7:15pm	22 MARCH NAPLAN

<p>23/24 MAR</p> <p>Week 9</p>	<p>25 MARCH</p> <p>NAPLAN Last Day</p>	<p>26 MARCH</p> <p>Staff Prayer</p> <p>Playgroup 8:30-10:30 Hall</p> <p>Staff meeting</p>	<p>27 MARCH</p>	<p>28 MARCH</p> <p>Free Dress Gold Coin donation (Project Compassion) "When I grow up, I want to be"</p> <p>BURSARY – IMMCC Due to Mr Fontaine</p> <p><i>Easter Assembly EB Visit after assembly (Sam)</i></p> <p>1:30pm Last Supper / Religious Play Host: Year 5B</p> <p>SCHOOL FINISHES LAST DAY OF TERM</p>	<p>29 MARCH</p> <p>GOOD FRIDAY</p>
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