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*Almighty God,
May your grace enable us this day to dedicate ourselves to the causes of
justice, freedom and peace.
Give us the wisdom and strength to build a better world.
Let us pray to the Lord.
Comfort their hearts, uphold their faith and grant them peace. Amen*

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The month of May is devoted to Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Mary's participation in Christ's church in communion began at the Annunciation. Like Jesus, she obeyed the Father's will. From that moment, she was in communion with him.

We are very excited to see our Year 4 Assembly tomorrow morning. All parents and family members are invited to attend this event.

We have commenced our Run Club sessions for Term 2 (on both Tuesday and Thursday mornings). It was very well patronised. We look forward to more and more children attending as we get further into the cross-country running season.

We hope that all families enjoyed the extra-long weekend last week. Speaking to the children, it seemed as though everyone had fun and exciting events.

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

CANTEEN OPEN

We are pleased to confirm that the canteen reopened yesterday. Please note that Sushi and Rice Paper Rolls are on the canteen menu, each Wednesday. Please ensure that you order prior to the commencement of school, on a Wednesday morning, and check out the canteen website for the varieties.



P&F MOTHER'S DAY STALL – BRING IN \$5 NOW

All children are invited to bring in \$5 to purchase a gift on Thursday, 9th May for the annual P&F Mother's Day Stall. ***Please send your money into your child's classroom teacher, who will collect all of the money for each child/ren.*** The gifts are once again exceptional and of course, we would like as many families as possible to participate.



(There will also be a limited opportunity, once all children have bought a gift for children, to purchase another gift for their grandparents if desired. If you would like to do this then please also include this money when you send it into the classroom teacher.)

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

A separate note, with an RSVP has been sent home with all children with regards to the holding of our Mother's Day Breakfast. On Friday, 10th May, the day will commence at 7:15am and conclude at 8:05am sharp so that Pre-Primary can set up for their Assembly. All mothers, grandmothers and significant adults in their children's lives, as well as the children are invited to this event. There is no charge for this event, and it will be held in the school hall. As the staff of the school will be involved in the preparation of the breakfast, we ask all adults who are attending to ensure the appropriate and correct supervision of all of the children. Please

bring your own sealed cup for all drinks. We had a number of accidental spillages last year and therefore no drink, either hot or cold, will be served unless the cup has a lid. We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you all.



PRE-PRIMARY MOTHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY - FRIDAY 10th MAY



Our Pre-Primary Blue Class will present the Assembly item to celebrate this event. (Again, later in the year, the Pre-Primary White Class will present an item for Father's Day).

This event will be held in the school hall followed by the P&F Mother's Day Raffle draw. Parents are invited to attend the Assembly.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS WANTED URGENTLY

As we now enter a new season for uniforms, we welcome any donation of second-hand uniforms for other families. Building up a supply of second-hand uniforms benefits all families at our school. (As with the cost of living at the moment, any second-hand uniforms, sold at heavily reduced prices, directly benefit all of the students at the school).



Donations are accepted on any day and at any time and you are welcome to simply send them in with your child or deposit them at the front office with Mrs Champion. We appreciate all of your support with this endeavour.

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)

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

Saturday and Sunday 4th & 5th May

Tuesday, 14th May

Friday, 24th May

Sunday, 9th June

Eucharist Commitment Masses

Eucharist Workshop (School Hall) 6:00pm

Eucharist Retreat (School Hall)

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.



SPORTING SCHOOLS AFTERNOON CLINICS

We are inviting students from **Years 2 - 6** to participate in a **4-week AFL program** which will be held after school at St Andrew's Catholic Primary School and facilitated by Sporting Schools. The sessions will commence on **Monday, 6th May** and there will be a **junior and senior group**. A note was sent home yesterday to all children in Years 2-6 and a copy can be found at the end of this newsletter. If your child would like to participate in this **FREE program**, please return the permission slip by Friday, 3rd May. (Please note that there are limited places available).



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 was sent home earlier this week 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.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Each school term the Enrichment program will have a 'Core Focus' and therefore, students will be selected according to their ability or aptitude in either Literacy, Numeracy or Robotics. In other words, your child may not be in Enrichment for the whole year. Selection is made on a term-by-term basis. The selection process for involvement in this program includes consultation with classroom teachers, specialist teachers, test results from previous years (NAPLAN, Spelling and Mathematics) and AGAT testing (General Ability Test).

If your child receives an invitation to the program, it is important that they understand that this is a continuing commitment to the high academic standards in the program and in all regular classes. They need to maintain a positive attitude, a growth mindset and be understanding when working with others in teams, both in and outside of the program.

If your child is selected for the enrichment program, they will receive a letter of offer which will be sent home to parents.

Thank you

Mr Redding

Technology and Enrichment



CODE OF CONDUCT

As stated previously, every Catholic School in Western Australia has a Code of Conduct for their schools.

Conduct Statement One below states, 'You act safely and competently'.

Below is a sample of the guidelines that covers this statement. Please note that this is not a conclusive list. Further, you will note that some of the guidelines relate specifically to the staff, for example guideline number six, whereas guideline number two relates to all community members. If you would like further explanation of guideline one, please make a time to come and see me.

Conduct Statement 1 - You act safely and competently Guidelines.

1. You are expected to put the safety of students ahead of every other relevant but secondary consideration.
2. In doing so, you are expected to act within the scope of your expertise and role within the school community.

3. If the safety and well-being of a student requires skills and experience outside your core competency, you must refer the student to the appropriate expert.
4. You are personally responsible within the context of your position in the school community for the provision of safe and competent student education. It is your responsibility to maintain the competence necessary to fulfil your role. Maintenance of competence includes participation in ongoing professional development to maintain and improve knowledge, skills and attitudes relevant to your role in your school.
5. You recognise that the Principal, staff, parents and students assess your ability to act safely and competently based on your behaviour and decision making, and you do likewise in your assessment of them. You are responsible for conducting yourself in all things such that there is no speculation, doubt or ambiguity that you do so in the best interests of students. You must take reasonable steps to avoid situations where your decisions or behaviour could be interpreted as putting students at risk. You must also notify the Principal as soon as possible if you found yourself in such a position of ambiguity so that you can explain the circumstances.
6. You recognise each student's and their parents' right to receive accurate information; be protected against foreseeable risk of harm; and be involved in and informed about decisions in relation to their education.
7. You perform your role in the school within your professional or industry competency and according to school policies and any standards or codes applicable to your profession or industry.
8. You notify an appropriate person or the Principal, of any information relevant to maintaining student safety and well-being, or any observation of questionable, unethical or unlawful behaviour, including breaches of this Code, and intervene to safeguard the student if the circumstances require it.
9. You ensure that any information you receive relevant to the safety and well-being of students is either acted upon by you in the best interests of the student if you are the relevant decision maker, or passed to the relevant decision maker for them to act.
10. You perform your work in a safe and competent manner that is not compromised by personal health limitations, including the use of alcohol or other substances that may alter your capacity to act safely. If your health threatens your ability to work safely and competently, you have a responsibility to seek assistance to address your health needs. This may include making a confidential report to an appropriate authority.
11. You perform duties in partnership with parents and school staff and in accordance with the standards of your profession or industry (e.g. Teachers Registration Board).
12. You perform duties in accordance with wider standards relating to safety and quality in education and student care and responsibility for a safe school, such as those relating to occupational health and safety, mandatory and critical incident reporting, and participation in incident analysis and formal open disclosure procedures.
13. You make decisions about students based on their age, ability, and in the best interests of the student's sense of security, and physical, social, emotional and mental safety.
14. You seek advice, assistance and second opinions from experts and Principal as necessary.

**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

**Happy Birthday to
Zahli C, Georgia B, Caelan G, Evelyn W and
Oscar V**

We hope you have a wonderful day!

P&F NEWS

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

PARISH NEWS



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

clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

*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**

SPORTING SCHOOLS - TERM 2

Come and play AFL!



We are inviting students from **Years 2 - 6** to participate in a **4-week AFL program** which will be held after school at St Andrew's Catholic Primary School and facilitated by Sporting Schools. The sessions will commence on **Monday, 6th May** and there will be a junior and senior group. If your child would like to participate in this **FREE program**, please return the permission slip below by **Friday, 3rd May** (Please note that there are limited places available - first in gets priority).

PROGRAM DATES & TIMES

The program will run on the following dates from **2:45pm until 3:30pm:**

- 6th May
- 13th May
- 20th May
- 27th May

Requirements from the student:

- Remember to bring running shoes to school on the Monday. Change of clothes is optional.
- A fantastic attitude is important & best behaviour, as expected from a St. Andrew's student.
- Make your way with **all your belongings** to the undercover area.

Requirements from the parent:

- Encouragement and expectation to participate in all sessions.
- Reminder to pack running shoes and optional change of clothes on Mondays.
- Prompt pickup - **no later than 3:30pm.**

Permission - AFL Term 2, 2024

My child would like to participate in the AFL Sporting School sessions held at St Andrew's in Term 2 on 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May 2024. My child is prepared to attend all of the sessions and will be collected promptly (**no later than 3:30pm**).

Student name: _____

Class: _____

Parent name: _____

Parent signature: _____

Medical information: _____

Date: _____

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

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
					3 MAY Year 4 Merit Assembly (Both Classes)
4/5 MAY Week 4 Eucharist Commitment Masses at all Church Masses	6 MAY UR STRONG Intensive Classroom Day	7 MAY Staff Prayer Run Club Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	8 MAY	9 MAY Run Club Kindy Mother's Day Morning Mother's Day Gift Stall – 1:05pm K – 6 P & F Mother's Day Raffle tickets due back to school	10 MAY PPB Mother's Day Assembly (Mother's Day Raffle) (NO MERITS) Mother's Day Family Breakfast 7:15 – 8:05am
11/12 MAY Week 5 Mother's Day	13 MAY	14 MAY Staff Prayer Run Club Playgroup 8:30 – 10:30 Hall Staff Meeting Eucharist Workshop SACPS Hall 6.00pm	15 MAY Year 2 Liturgy of The Word 8:50am – Church	16 MAY Run Club Constable Care Incursion – whole school	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 3 & PP)	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. All day in Church. BCPS –Hall & Church. Reconciliation – Year 4	7JUNE Merit Assembly
8/9 JUNE Week 9 Sunday 9 th 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 Hal 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
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 Better Beginnings Incursion - Kindy Free Dress Day Theme – Pyjamas Gold coin donation	28 JUNE Pupil Free Day Reporting