



Companions on the Journey

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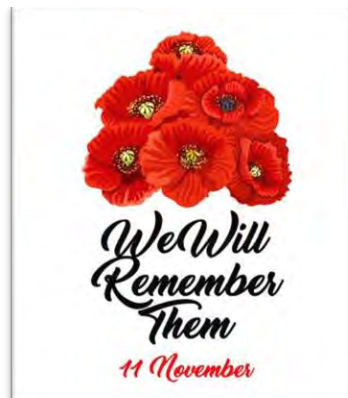
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NEWSLETTER NO 35 2024 7th NOVEMBER 2024

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 Tuesday, 12th November is a Pupil Free Day. Kindy students do not attend school on this day.

On Tuesday, 12th November, we will be holding our Annual **Kindergarten Parent Information Session** for families joining our community in 2025. This is a parent only meeting as the future kindergarten children will have a transition session later in the term.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

SCHOOL FEES ARE VERY IMPORTANT



Thank you to the families who have already met their fee commitments for the 2024 school year. The deadline for 2024 school fees is Friday, 22nd November. Fees can be paid by cash, credit card, and direct debit or BPay 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.

EXISTING FAMILIES NOT RETURNING IN 2025

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 2025, 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 2025 and a change of address if applicable. We appreciate your support.

THE MUSIC GALA

On Monday, 18th 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 with the Footsteps dance performances. All children from Pre-Primary to Year 5 will be involved in the Footsteps dance performances. 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 Footsteps Dance Recital (PP to Year 5)
9.30am Showcase of Instrumental Program
10:15am Go to classes for Sip N Crunch
10:25am Recess
10:40am Back to Hall – Showcase of Instrumental Program continued.

INDONESIAN DAY

Our Indonesian teacher, Ibu Natalie, has organised St Andrew's Indonesian Day on Thursday, 14th November. This will be a day where we, in particular, celebrate Indonesian culture. It will include activities for the children as well as some Indonesian food (optional). The day will feature cultural activities during the students' normal lesson time as well as an *optional* Indonesian lunch. (Notes for ordering the optional lunch have previously been sent home).

During the lunch break, students will also have the opportunity to fly kites, a popular Balinese past time, and play sepak takraw, a popular sport in Indonesia.

Finally, we are running an Indonesian themed trivia competition for students with three different age categories: Year 1-2, Year 3-4 and Year 5-6. Prizes will be awarded to the first three correct entries drawn in each category. Competition entry forms were sent home with students last week. Students are requested to place their completed entry forms in the labelled boxes located in the front office by 14th November.

Students should wear their normal school uniform. However, they are invited to wear something red or white (the colours of the Indonesian flag) for the day, such as a hat, glasses, scarf, ribbon or bow.

We are looking forward to Indonesian Day and I thank Mrs Belcastro for her efforts in organising this special day!



2025 BOOKLISTS

This year the 2025 Booklists must be accessed online. Paper copies will not be sent home.

Orders must be placed online by **FRIDAY, 22nd November**. I recommend that all parents use this service so that your child has the correct books to commence school with next year.

Instructions for online orders:

1. Log on to www.campion.com.au
2. Click on “**Parents Order Here**”
3. You will be prompted to either set up an **account** or log into an existing account.
4. Enter the following code into the **Resource List code**: **F27G**
5. Select the year level and then choose the items that you want to purchase.

Parents are reminded to not re-order items, which should have been retained from the previous year. ***For those parents who order their children's books before the due date, there is a significant discount on the package /handling charges associated.*** **There is a home delivery service associated with this booklist, so that this can also assist families from our school.**

If you intend visiting a Champion Retail Store in January, then please be advised of the following:

- **Not all textbooks will be available at the retail stores in January.** It is then up to parents to locate the textbooks that are unavailable and ensure that their child has them for the commencement of the 2025 school year.
- ***It is essential that all children have the correct texts from day one.***
- Some textbooks on the booklist are a special St. Andrew's order and will not be on the shelves.
- There may be VERY LONG delays in store at this time.

If you require any assistance with the book ordering, you are welcome to ask directly at the front office.

UNIFORM ORDERS – PERM-A-PLEAT

Please note the following information from Perm-A-Pleat:

- The last delivery date for school pick up of Uniform orders is Tuesday, 10th December.
- The last order date for home deliveries of School Uniforms before the Christmas closure is Tuesday, 10th December.
- Online orders received from Wednesday, 11th December will be delivered from Monday, 13th January 2025.

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

These important school community meetings will occur on Wednesday, 13th 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.



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.



**Happy Birthday to
Patrick C, Bryce W, Lani D, Sophie M and Chloe B
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 ACM will be held on Wednesday, 13th 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

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 4 2024 – PARENTS (9 week student term +1)

SAT/SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
					8 NOVEMBER Year 1B Merit Assembly
9/10 NOV Week 6	11 NOVEMBER Remembrance Day Year 2 11:00am	12 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer NO PLAYGROUP CURRENT KINDY PUPIL FREE DAY Kindergarten 2025 Parent ONLY Information Meeting 9:00 -10:00am School Hall Staff Meeting	13 NOVEMBER P&F and Advisory Council ACM 6:00pm School Hall	14 NOVEMBER Indonesian Day	15 NOVEMBER URSTRONG Assembly Year 3 Bunnings Incursion
16/17 NOV Week 7	18 NOVEMBER Music Gala inc Footsteps Performance 8:45am- Whole School in Hall	19 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Staff Meeting	20 NOVEMBER Pre-Kindy Information Session 8:45am (Kindergarten Rooms)	21 NOVEMBER Whole School Rehearsal Kindy-Year 6 Christmas celebration /carols 9am Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Reconciliation 11:00am Church	22 NOVEMBER P & F Celebration for St. Andrew's Day
23//24 NOV Week 8	25 NOVEMBER	26 NOVEMBER Staff Prayer Playgroup 8:30 -10:30 Hall Last day Kindy - Year 6 Christmas Celebration/Carols 9:00am School choir to lead singing Staff Meeting	27 NOVEMBER	28 NOVEMBER St Andrew's Day, Christmas / Staff Farewell and Thanksgiving Mass 9am (Host: 3B)	29 NOVEMBER Year 6 Graduation Outing Last Day Canteen Open

<p>30 Nov / 1 Dec</p> <p>Week 9</p> <p>St Andrew's Parish Feast Day – Sunday Mass 10:00am</p> <p>FREE Sausage sizzle after Mass</p>	<p>2 DECEMBER</p> <p>Canteen Closed</p>	<p>3 DECEMBER</p> <p>Staff Prayer</p> <p>2025 Class Orientation Kindy – Year 6 8:45am-9:30am Class Lists on display & Children to participate in transition session</p> <p>Kindy Christmas Party 10am-11:30am KINDY LAST DAY Early finish after party</p> <p>Staff Meeting</p>	<p>4 DECEMBER</p> <p>Canteen Closed</p> <p>Free Dress Day Theme – Holidays Gold coin donation to Catholic charities</p>	<p>5 DECEMBER</p> <p>Year 6 Graduation Mass 9.00am Church followed by Award Presentation</p> <p>School choir to lead singing Whole school attending</p>	<p>6 DECEMBER</p> <p>Staff Casual Friday</p> <p>Canteen Closed</p> <p>Final Assembly 8:40am School choir to lead singing 3 carols only</p> <p>Last day of Term 4 for students</p> <p>Reports available on SEQTA (Please download a hard copy for your records)</p>
<p>7/8 DEC</p> <p>Week 10</p>	<p>9 DECEMBER</p> <p>STAFF</p>	<p>10 DECEMBER</p> <p>STAFF</p>	<p>11 DECEMBER</p> <p>STAFF</p>	<p>12 DECEMBER</p> <p>STAFF</p>	<p>13 DECEMBER</p> <p>STAFF</p>



St Andrew's Pre-Kindy Program

STARTS 2025

OPEN TO

3+



WHAT WE PROVIDE

- Qualified Early Childhood Teacher
- Play-based learning
- Social, emotional and a wide range of experiences

\$65

A DAY

FULL DAY PROGRAM
8:30am-2:30pm

*For more information & to get
registration form, please visit our site:*



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