



# St. Andrews Primary School

## Newsletter Term 2 - Issue 4

13th June 2014

### From the Principal's Desk

#### From the Principal

This week many of the children of the school received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to the parents involved for your commitment to this process. During this time you have been sharing with your children by having conversations with them about your own faith and helping them understand the Sacrament for which they were preparing. At the Eucharistic table, Jesus left us with a wonderful opportunity to connect with him in a real way. It does take faith to believe this and to commit us to celebrating with the wider community. Congratulations to all the children and their families.

Let us help one another in our faith journey that brings such deep meaning to our lives. Our God is an "everyday God"!

In the coming weeks the staff will be conducting interviews to discuss your child's progress and view some of their assessments. It is important to remember that at St Andrew's our expectations for your children are high. This means to attain an A or B grade the children must meet criteria that indicates that they have a high level of understanding and accomplishment. It is extremely important for us to keep being positive about the progress the children are making and give them the guidance and support they need to continue to improve their learning. When I visit the classrooms I see your children and their teachers working hard to improve and be the best that they can be, which is all you can ask of them. Working hard and being a positive person is the best way to live a successful, productive life. Let's keep giving them the encouragement they need. Here are seven ways to build your child's self esteem:

1. Encourage your child to set goals. Setting goals focuses energy. Reaching them adds to the store of success experiences.
2. Help your child identify obstacles to success, then figure out ways to overcome them.
3. Encourage your child to take risks and challenges and stick with them until successful.
4. Avoid excessive protectiveness. Your child needs to be free to succeed **and to make mistakes**.
5. Set up situations where your child can be successful. Provide encouragement and support but insist they make the effort.
6. Set reasonable performance standards with your child to assure success. If your child isn't succeeding, is it because the expectations are too high?
7. Assist your child through 'no win' situations. Some problems have solutions that result in choosing the best of the worst.

At this weeks Staff Development Day the staff continued their work on the introduction of the new English curriculum which is being implemented in 2014. The staff are working extremely hard to ensure that these projects have a positive impact on the children's development.

#### PRELOVED BOOKS

Many thanks to all the wonderful families who have donated preloved books to the school. The children love coming down on a Monday at lunchtime to choose books which they are taking home and enjoying. It is so nice to see so many of them also getting books for their siblings.

**If you or your family and friends have any more books which you would like to donate please send them in marked ATTENTION : MRS YALDA**

**Afternoon Pickup-** I would just like to remind parents to stay at the front of the school when waiting for your children in the afternoon and not be straying around the school near to the classrooms. This is for your children's and your own safety. Please wait at the front of the school. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

#### COSHC UPDATE

A Catholic Out of School Hours Care (COSHC) service will open at St Andrew's Marayong School site; the planned commencement date being the first day in Term 3 of 2014 (14 July 2014). The final approval from the Department of Education and Communities is scheduled for the last week of this term. If your children are currently attending another approved out of school hours care facility, please be aware of any minimal cancellation notice period that may be required for that service. COSHC will be operating in the school hall, with outdoor play in the area immediately outside the hall. The requested service approval size is for a maximum of 75 children.

#### COSHC Operating Hours and Fees

COSHC will operate Before School Care from 6:30am to 8:30am at a rate of \$14.50 per morning in 2014. After School Care will be available from the time school finishes until 6:30pm. After School Care fees are set at \$20.00 per afternoon in 2014. Subject to government requirement, Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate will be applicable to eligible families.

**Vacation Care** A needs assessment will be conducted in the area to determine the viability of a Catholic Vacation Care school holiday program in August 2014.

#### COSHC Staffing

The COSHC service at St Andrew's will be staffed with a COSHC supervisor, Assistant Supervisor and educators (pending exact enrolment numbers per day). Previous staff members from Holy Family OOSH are welcome to apply for roles at the new service, in accordance with the recruitment criteria of the Catholic Education Office.

#### Enrolment and Parent Information Evening

**A COSHC Enrolment and Parent/Carer Information evening will be held Thursday 19 June 2014 in the school hall at 7pm.** The evening will provide important information about the new COSHC service, policies, fees and the program being offered. Being a new service, COSHC Enrolment forms will need to be completed and returned by 19 June 2014 to enroll in the service and are now available through the school office, by emailing [COSHC@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:COSHC@parra.catholic.edu.au) or by visiting the COSHC website- [www.COSHC.catholic.edu.au](http://www.COSHC.catholic.edu.au).

I hope all interested families will consider this new service for your children.

Kind regards

Michael Tonnet  
Principal

## Newsletter Subscription

Thank you to the parents who have subscribed to receive the newsletter.

If you have yet to subscribe please follow the steps below.

1. Access your preferred email account (ie your home email address or work email address)
2. Send an email stating your eldest child's name and class to the following newsletter email address  
**standrewsprimarynewsletters@gmail.com**

These two simple steps will ensure you receive a newsletter each fortnight.

**PLEASE NOTE: Newsletters are available to view on the St Andrews Primary Website. Emails sent via the website will not be received by St Andrews Primary. Please email your request for a newsletter to the above email address only.**

## St Andrews College

Enrolment applications for Years 7 and 11 for 2015 are currently being finalised at St Andrews College. Limited places are available, and priority is given to Catholic students from local parishes.

It is essential that application forms be submitted as soon as possible to ensure a place for your child.

Application forms were dispatched to all Year 6 students last term, however, if you did not receive it you may collect one from the office at the primary school or you can download the Enrolment application from the web-site on

[www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au).

## Confirmation Certificates

Confirmation Certificates for the candidates who received the Sacrament on 10th June will be distributed at all Masses on the weekend of 28/29 June, that is, Saturday 6.00pm, and Sunday 7.30am, 8.45am and 10.30am

## Seminar Program

The seminar (3 hours) is designed for use in a variety of contexts with up to 25 participants, and allows individuals to deepen their general understanding of the nature and impact of change, loss and grief on their lives or in their workplace. The seminar is helpful for individuals with an interest in this area and for professionals supporting children and adults through times of change, loss and grief. You will receive your own workbook to complete throughout the seminar.

**Monday June 23, 2014, 9:30am – 12:30pm**

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person  
(Workbook and morning tea included)

**Venue:** Joachim Forbes Room

**Museum Entrance**—Mary MacKillop Place  
Mount Street, North Sydney

**RSVP:** Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2014

**Email:** [fiona.mccallum@goodgrief.org.au](mailto:fiona.mccallum@goodgrief.org.au)

Please provide phone, title and organisation details

**Info:** [www.goodgrief.org.au](http://www.goodgrief.org.au)

## Important Dates—Term 2

### Week 8

Tues 17th June

Dance Fever  
Year 3&4 Disco  
Dance Fever Challenge—  
Homebush

Wed 18th June

Thurs 19th June

Infants Disco  
Dance Fever  
Year 5&6 Disco  
COSHC Information Meeting 7pm  
Reports go home  
St Andrews Assembly—  
2:15pm to 3:15pm

Fri 20th June

### Week 9

Mon 23rd June

Tues 24th June

Parent Teacher Interviews  
Dance Fever  
Parent Teacher Interviews  
Stage 2 Boys Soccer  
Parent Teacher Interviews  
Dance Fever  
Sacred Heart Mass 9:15am  
Last Day of Term 2

Wed 25th June

Thurs 26th June

Fri 27th June

## STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

If you have been separated or divorced and would benefit from regular shared discussion evenings with others who are in a similar situation to you, come along to STEPPING BEYOND on the last Tuesday of each month at CCSS Centre, 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown, at 7.30pm! You are very likely to be supported and helped through the sharing of experiences on matters such as “How well are you stepping beyond? What do you want to step beyond? What are you currently stepping beyond? What is stopping you from stepping beyond? What have you learned as you keep stepping beyond?” Venue: CCSS centre 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. Time: 7.30 – 9.30. Cost: \$5.00. Registration: [soloparentministry@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentministry@ccss.org.au) or Ph. 99330205

## ALL PLAY

The last session of All Play for Term 2 will be conducted on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> June.

All Play for Term 3 will begin on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July.

Thank you,

All Play coaches

## Second Hand Uniform Pool

The second hand uniform pool will be open each Wednesday morning from 8:30am to 9:00am.

## Uniform Shop

The uniform shop trading hours

Monday 8.30am -10.00am

Wednesday 8.30am- 10.00am

We also do online orders and they can be downloaded from your school website and emailed to [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au).

If parents can't pick up orders they will be taken to the office and they will be given to your child.

Elle: 0421216414 Email: [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

## ***FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS***

Each year at St. Andrew's we celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart with a whole school Mass. This will be on Friday 27th June at 9:15am in the church. At this Mass we demonstrate our love for Jesus by showing love and compassion for the needy. We are asking for donations of non-perishable food. These will be collected in each classroom and be offered in our Mass. We will pass on the donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for distribution to individuals and families who need support. If each child brought in just one item, we would make a huge difference to the lives of the many people in our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### **SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR FOOD DONATION**

- Long-life milk , teabags, coffee, hot chocolate
- Rice, pasta, noodles
- Tinned soup, packet soup mixes, cup-a-soups
- Sauce, pasta sauce, Asian stir-fry sauces
- Tinned fish/ meat, vegetables, baked beans, spaghetti
- Cordial, fruit juice, poppers
- Tins or jars of fruit
- Biscuits (sweet or savoury) and anything else, so long as it is NON-PERISHABLE.



Please avoid sending in items that contain nuts.



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Email: [saapm@bigpond.com.au](mailto:saapm@bigpond.com.au)

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM FOR THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (FIRST RECONCILIATION) AT ST ANDREW'S IN 2014

Dear Parents,

In the Diocese of Parramatta children are prepared for these Sacraments within a parish-based, family centred programme. This creates opportunities for parents to continue sharing their faith with their children.

Parents have an essential role in deciding when their children are ready to be prepared for the Sacraments. When their children are ready, parents and families are asked to commit to being involved in the full programme.

Children make their Sacraments in the Parish in which they reside or the Parish at which their family worships. If you are not a Parishioner of St Andrew's you will be required to make an appointment with the Priest or the Sacramental Coordinator.

When you choose to register your child, you will also be required to bring along their Baptism Certificate (unless they were baptised at St Andrew's).

**The Sacrament of First Reconciliation Programme will take place in Term 3 of this year for children in Years 2 and above who have been baptised.**

You might remember this Sacrament as the *Sacrament of Confession* or the *Sacrament of Penance*. Usually the *Sacrament of First Reconciliation* is received in Year 2 or at an age when the parents believe the child is ready. Children need to have received the Sacrament of Baptism first.

Parents are asked to register for this Program before it begins. **All meetings are compulsory.**

#### ☐ Registration Forms...

... may be collected from the Parish Office beginning from **Monday 14th July 2014** between the hours of 9.00am to 4.00pm. These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July** between 9.30am and 11.30am.

#### ☐ Registration Evening: Tuesday 22nd July 2014 at 7.00pm in the Church

**Classes:** ☐ **Sundays 3<sup>rd</sup> August, ☐ 10<sup>th</sup> August & ☐ 17<sup>th</sup> August 2014.**

[Classes begin with **8.45am Mass** and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

**The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated on:**

☐ **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, ☐ Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August & ☐ Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

(You may choose to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on **ANY ONE** of the Saturdays listed above.)

**The Sacramental Programmes in 2015** are usually advertised in the Parish Bulletin during the Christmas season. Children, who have received the *Sacrament of Penance* are eligible to make their **First Holy Communion** from Year 3 onwards. After receiving **Holy Communion** parents may then register their children for the Preparation Programme for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** from Year 5 onwards.

Yours sincerely,

*Fr Ron*

Fr Ron McFarlane

Parish Priest

### ***SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION***

*Congratulations to the following candidates of our parish community and the students of St Andrews Primary School on the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

Andrea ABREU  
Emmanuel ADIGUE  
Michael ALEGADO  
Brandon AZARI  
Alyssa CALLUS  
Nathan CAPULONG  
Larissa CARINGAL  
Cielo Anne CARPIO  
Gisele CAZAR  
Henry CLEMSON  
Cameron CROSER  
Leon DAVIS  
Francine DEQUINA  
Joaquin DY- LIACCO  
Jemma FORSYTHE  
Francis GALANG  
Chloe GEBULAN  
Alyssa GERARDIS  
Juliyanah GUERRERO  
Thomas HANCOCK  
Patrick HEALY  
Rose IENNA  
Chloe ISAIS  
Stephanie JESSWEIN  
Maiah LAZARO  
Samuel LOWE  
Christian MALLIA  
Angelo MARASIGAN  
Matthew MARTIGNAGO  
Emilia MILAS  
Jake MORRIS  
Jasmin Murray-Buchanan  
Julie NGUYEN  
Shannon NINTE  
Amariah PENN- GRAY  
Lachlan RAFIDI

Kirstin SALVADOR  
Tyler SITCHON  
Ashleigh STACEY  
Rene Von TANIEGRA  
Kieran UTA  
Ilias VASILIOU  
Lucas WATSON  
Tayla WELSH  
Lachlan ZAMMIT







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SAINT ANDREWS YOUTH WORD AND TEACHING



# WAW BODIES

JOHN 5: 51-58

**20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2014**

**7-10PM ST ANDREWS PARISH CHURCH**

**YEARS 4-12 WELCOME**

**BRING A FRIEND AND GOLD COIN DONATION**

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT: THE MORE WE GET TO  
KNOW GOD, THE MORE ALIVE WE BECOME**

# Parents and Friends News

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Facebook at: Parentsandfriends StAndrews

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/PandFcommittee>

Dates for your diary

Term 2 school disco

THEME IS CRAZY SOCK DISCO

dates;

Years 3 and 4 Tuesday 17th June 2014

Infants Wednesday 18th June 2014

Years 5 and 6 Thursday 19th June 2014

If you are free to help on Friday 13th at 7pm to help pack the show bags for the disco please call Denise Sessa on 0421306996 **OR** Diana Watts on 0412922 317 **OR** leave your details at our email address above.

Thank you.





# Student of the Week

<b>6Red</b>	Maddison McAnulty	Victoria Cabral
<b>6Blue</b>	Isabella Grima	Samson Logali
<b>6Green</b>	Tyler Sitchon	Mikayla Garland
<b>6Yellow</b>	Aydin Arslan	Katelyn Charles
<b>5Red</b>	Emele Smith	Lucas Watson
<b>5Blue</b>	Allyssa Domingo	Andrew Issa
<b>5Green</b>	Neeraj Naidu	Nybueny Joseph
<b>5Yellow</b>	Jasmin Murray-Buchanan	Shanelle Silva
<b>4Red</b>	Lorraine Biniahan	Tiannah Del Rosario
<b>4Blue</b>	Jemma Lewis	Shakaya Tallon
<b>4Green</b>	Monique Vasquez	Aaliyah Ashraf
<b>4Yellow</b>	Nicholas Tyra	Thon Achiek
<b>3Red</b>	Daniel Martignago	Hannah Ajayi
<b>3Blue</b>	Jordan Gutierrez	Haroun Fadlalla
<b>3Green</b>	Chanelle McAnulty	Andrei Garcia
<b>3Yellow</b>	Nicola Gerardis	Vy Tong
<b>2Red</b>	Alisha Dong	Joycie Bacolod
<b>2Blue</b>	Jasper Cortez	Kieran McMurrich
<b>2Green</b>	Dhorjang Madheng	Aleina Hartono
<b>2Yellow</b>	Shania San Pedro	Antonio Tagat
<b>1Red</b>	Aditya Rawal	Giancarlo Samuel
<b>1Blue</b>	Maribel El Khoury Nehme	Monique Lau
<b>1Green</b>		Ada Ding
<b>1Yellow</b>	Abbey Rifidi	Danielle Amabile
<b>KRed</b>	Ayden Kokcek	Dominic Battikha
<b>KBlue</b>	Aluel Mac Acuek	Divine Ojinna
<b>KGreen</b>	Lauren Caraos	William Aldrich
<b>KYellow</b>	Diya Shah	Jordy Gravina



## Birthday List

01/06/2014	Abeny Manassah, Aaryan Singh
03/06/2014	Janella Canete, Thon Achiek
04/06/2014	Dylan Lentern, Anjeolo Sangalang
05/06/2014	Natalie Webb
06/06/2014	Aradhana Hyson
07/06/2014	Ella Bautista
08/06/2014	Teleah McPherson
09/06/2014	Liam Gwyther, Christopher Simonetta
10/06/2014	Liam Murcia, Jaycob McLoughlin, Vy Tong, Abbey Rafidi, Lorraine Layug, Thomas Wise
11/06/2014	Joe Boustani, Christian Sullivan, Jacob Parnis
12/06/2014	Jamie Maher, Angel Clark, Matthew Soto
14/06/2014	Nathan Capulong, Brandon Azari, Sarah Rodriguez, Taylan Arslan



# Blacktown City Council Mayoral Creative Writing Prize 2014

Open to adults and to children  
aged 7 to 18 years who live  
in Blacktown.



*feel the need...*

**THE NEED TO READ**

Age Group	Literature Form	Prize	Prize to School
7-10 years	Poetry	\$100	\$100
	Short Stories	\$100	\$100
11-14 years	Poetry	\$100	\$100
	Short Stories	\$100	\$100
15-18 years	Poetry	\$100	\$100
	Short Stories	\$100	\$100
Adult	Poetry	\$200	
	Short Stories	\$200	

Entries close

**4.30pm Friday, 27 June 2014**

Winners will be announced

Friday, 22 August 2014

Entry forms are available from Blacktown Library or can be  
downloaded from -[www.libraries.blacktown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.libraries.blacktown.nsw.gov.au)

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