



St. Andrew's Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 6

7th March 2014

From the Principal's Desk

Important Dates

Week 7

Mon 10th March

- Year 5 & Year 6 Disco—Lunchtime

Tues 11th March

- Catholic Schools Week Celebrations

Wed 12th March

- Infants Disco—Lunchtime

Fri 13th March

- Year 3 & Year 4 Disco—Lunchtime

Week 8

Mon 17th March

- Primary Athletics Carnival

Going home with this week's newsletter...

Catholic Schools Week Forms

- Picnic Lunch Order Form
- Early Dismissal Procedures—Permission

Newsletter Ads

Catholic Schools Week 2014 - 'More than a great education'

Catholic Schools Week 2014 will be held from 9th to 15th March 2014 and will involve the communities of all 615 Catholic primary and secondary schools across NSW and the ACT.

In greater western Sydney, Catholic schools enrol over a quarter of school-aged children which Executive Director of Schools, Greg Whitby, attributes to the desire for families to want 'more than a great education' for their children.

'Catholic schools are first and foremost here to offer families a faith-based education for their children,' said Greg. 'This is why we exist and it means we must ensure our students develop their full human potential and are well placed to contribute in a meaningful way back to society.'

'Secondly, we must provide quality learning and teaching by recognising that each child can and will learn and ensuring their individual needs are met and their gifts are developed to the best of our ability,' he said. 'And our teachers must continue to learn themselves so they can deepen their expertise.'

'Finally we must ensure schooling is relevant to today's world, so our students will be well prepared to face the challenges and opportunities of a rapidly changing society in the future.'

We look forward to seeing you at our Catholic Schools Week Mass which will be held on Tuesday 11th March 2014 at 11:30am followed by open classrooms from 12:20pm to 1pm followed by a picnic lunch. The children will also be enjoying discos throughout next week at lunchtimes.

In regards to the establishment of the **COSHC (Catholic Out of School Hours Care)** I believe an email was circulated last week regarding the COSHC at St Andrews so I would like to make clear exactly where this is up to. I have spoken to Michael McGrath at the Catholic Education Office. As was indicated at the meeting held in November 2013 the process for the establishment of a Before and After School Care facility takes seven months. This process was begun back in November 2013 and in regard to where COSHC is up to in the establishment process, I can give you the following information:

- In December 2013 Catholic Education Office (CEO) submitted an application to Department of Education and Communities (DEC) to have a COSHC service approved for St Andrew's Primary School.
- The next step is a service approval visit by DEC, and this is yet to be confirmed by DEC. After that DEC need to issue a formal approval advice.
- The CEO work for establishment of a COSHC service for St Andrew's Primary School is on track for the previously stated opening date at the start of Term 3 in 2014.

I will continue to inform you of the developments in this process and will arrange for the appropriate meeting with all the families that may wish to engage in this service when it becomes appropriate to do so. I hope this information is helpful in explaining where this initiative is up to. In the meantime, I would ask everyone involved to be patient and let the process take its course. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards
Michael Tonnet
Principal

ATTENTION PARENTS!

Its time to subscribe....4 WEEKS TO GO!!

If you have not already subscribed to receive a newsletter each fortnight from Term 2 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
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These two simple steps will ensure you receive a newsletter each fortnight.

PLEASE NOTE: 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.

Canteen

Just a few points to remember when placing a lunch order for children at the canteen

- Please make sure your child's name and class are clearly marked on the lunch bag.
- And that all lunch orders are paid for on the day.

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Weekend date: 21 – 23 March at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW

Bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435
or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au

www.wwme.org.au

www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit

Quality Catholic Schools Surveys

In the coming weeks a number of parents have been randomly selected to participate in a Quality Catholic Schooling Survey. The aim of the survey is to collect valuable information about our school's cultural behaviour, relationships and learning community. As well as parents all staff and all Stage 3 children will also be participating. The information collected from this survey will help us in our planning over the next twelve months. I encourage all those parents selected to complete the survey to ensure that we have a full picture of how you believe the school performs in the surveyed areas.

Birthdays

01/03/14

02/03/14

04/03/14

05/03/14

06/03/14

07/03/14

08/03/14

Arnav Chandvania, Jade Lumayno

Leanne Alata, Shiloh Penn-Gray,
Aleina Hartono

Mark Cruz

Dhorjang Madheng, Gabrielle Ramos

Jordy Gravina

Bianca Infante

Yisrael Defredes

Monique Measures, Nybueny Joseph,
Eric Ngo, Jake Timbs

School Fee Statements Term 1 2014

School Fees are now due. If you have paid thank you. If you have not paid please contact the school office on (02) 96716622 to discuss payment options. Payments can be made by cash, eftpos, Bpay or direct debit.

Online Training Module—Child Protection for Volunteers

If you would like to help in the classroom or within the school for special events you need to complete the Child Protection Module Online. This involves you completing a Child Protection course, as this needs to be renewed every two years. This will keep you on the current helpers list.

<http://ceo->

web.parra.catholic.edu.au/asp/volunteerscpmodule/index.asp

Using Child Protection for Volunteers

Open the module by clicking the Start link

Read through the presentation

Complete and submit quiz questions—this will take approximately 45 minutes

After successful completion of the module, fill out the form by typing name, email address, contact number, contact address and the school.

A notification of successful completion of the module will be sent via e-mail to the school and also to the volunteer's email address.

Once you have completed this Online module the Catholic Education Office will advise us of your completion and you will receive a certificate to confirm this. Until you have received the certificate you cannot be added to our Current helpers list.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

NAPLAN Testing Dates- Years 3 and 5

The dates for NAPLAN testing are Tuesday 13 May, Wed 14th May and Thursday 15th May. It is important that all children in Years 3 and 5 attend school during the 3 days of National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing.



Parents and Friends News

Email address: pandfstandrewsmarayong@gmail.com

Facebook at: Parentsandfriends StAndrews

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

Monster Easter Egg Raffle Donations

Parents, it is time again for the Easter Egg Raffle. We are asking for donations of either boxed Easter eggs or eggs that are already packaged as a prize. Many single eggs are damaged in transit and once the foil/wrap has been torn and chocolate is exposed, we are unable to use them.

The children can give the donated eggs, raffle tickets and monies to their class teachers.

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets are \$1 each and a book of 10 were sent home on Monday. If you missed out on tickets, please see the ladies in the office, or contact us by email (address above). All tickets are to be returned with monies by Friday 4th April 2014. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 9th April 2014 by Mr Tonnet.

PLEASE REMEMBER, to write contact details on every ticket, INCLUDING the child's name and class of who you are purchasing from.



Dates for your diary

All Easter Egg donations to be in by Friday 4th April 2014

Raffle to be drawn on Wednesday 9th April 2014

SCHOOL DISCO at LUNCH TIME-cost is \$5.00 INLUDES (entry fee & show bag)

THEME: FAVOURITE SPORT TEAM OR SPORT COLOURS

INFANTS: Wednesday 12th March 2014

YEAR 3 AND 4: FRIDAY 14th March 2014

Year 5 AND 6: Monday 10th March 2014

Student of the Week

6Red	Kathryn Garcia	4Green	Jasmine Alsford	1Red	Natalie Webb
6Blue	Brandon Azari	4Yellow	Joshua Charles	1Blue	Isabella Cazar
6Green	Michelle Rodriguez	3Red	Cameron Zammit	1Green	Jonathan Azzi
6Yellow	Ashleigh Alag	3Blue	Sebastian Baltis	1Yellow	Tristan Schrader
5Red	Isabella Dos Santos	3Green	Ethan Silva	KRed	Monique Richardson
5Blue	Charisse De Mesa	3Yellow	Ellie Watts	KBlue	Danielle Lau
5Green	Olivia Saad	2Red	Chloe Bettiol	KGreen	Isabella Cardino
5Yellow	Alyssa Gerardis	2Blue	Liam Ison	KYellow	Matthew Chen
4Red	Alana Kalemusic	2Green	Aliya Bernardo		
4Blue	Jayden Sultana	2Yellow	Juliana Dos Santos		

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

Please come and join us for our Catholic Schools Week celebrations on

Tuesday 11th March 2014

11.30am	Whole School Mass in the church
12:20 to 1:00pm	Open Classrooms: Families are invited to visit their children's classrooms
1.00–2.00pm	Picnic – children will join their families for lunch. Families are invited to have a picnic on the oval or in the Infants playground, so bring along a rug, chairs and picnic basket. Please note the amphitheatre area and Primary playground will be out of bounds for both students and parents.

Following the open classrooms (approx 1.00pm) families are invited to have a picnic in the school grounds – oval or infants playground.

In order to ensure the safety of all children leaving the school during the day we have an early dismissal procedure.

The procedure for taking children home early on this day is as follows:

- a. Parent signs child out from the classroom
- OR**
- b. Teachers have received a permission note (sent home with today's newsletter) giving permission for the child to go home with someone other than a parent. This person must also sign out the child.

All classroom teachers will be able to sign out children from the classroom until 1.00pm (when playground duty begins). **After this time parents will need to go to the sign out tables on the Infants front playground.**

Parents are asked to be mindful of our allergy children when preparing foods for picnic baskets particularly foods with egg or nuts (all types), sesame seeds, seafood (salmon/tuna) and chocolate are to be avoided.



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Permission Note

I, _____ give permission for my child, _____

in class _____ to go home with _____ on Tuesday 11th March 2014

(Parent/Guardian)

(Date)

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in class _____ to go home with _____ on Tuesday 11th March 2014

(Parent/Guardian)

(Date)

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

Picnic Lunch

Tuesday 11th March 2014



OFFER EXTENDED—LAST CHANCE!!

As part of Open Day during Celebrating Catholic Schools Week there will be a Picnic on the Oval at lunchtime. The Canteen will be offering "Meal Deals" for students and their family members.

THESE MUST BE PRE-ORDERED AND PRE-PAID by **Monday 10th March 2014**

Lunches will be delivered through normal class lunch baskets to classrooms before the start of the lunch break. **NO lunches will be given out at the Canteen.** If you are ordering for other family members please state which lunch basket it is to be delivered in.

MEAL DEALS – NO SPECIAL ORDERS PLEASE

LUNCH 1:	Salad Wrap - + Water \$5.00	Salad Wrap + Apple or Orange Juice \$6.00
LUNCH 2:	Chicken, lettuce, and mayonnaise Wrap + Water \$6.00	Chicken, lettuce, and mayonnaise Wrap + Apple or Orange Juice \$7.00
LUNCH 3:	Chicken burger (with lettuce and mayo) + water \$5.80	Chicken Burger (with lettuce and mayo) + Apple or Orange Juice \$ 6.80
LUNCH 4:	4 Chicken Nuggets + Tomato Sauce + Small Water \$4.20	4 Chicken Nuggets + Sauce + Apple or Orange Juice \$ 5.20
LUNCH 5:	Sausage Roll + Tomato Sauce + Water \$4.40	Sausage Roll + Tomato Sauce + Apple or Orange juice \$ 5.40

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be **no Canteen on the day** at all. **NO** other lunch orders will be taken that day.

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PICNIC ON THE OVAL – MEAL DEAL ORDER FORM

Name:					Delivered to Class::				
Circle desired Lunch Deal and write in how many of each lunch deal is needed									
LUNCH1 SALAD WRAP	HOW MANY?	LUNCH 2 CHICKEN LETTUCE MAYO WRAP	HOW MANY?	LUNCH 3 CHICKEN BURGER	HOW MANY?	LUNCH 4 NUGGETS	HOW MANY?	LUNCH 5 SAU- SAGERO LL	HOW MANY?
How many water?			How many Apple Juice?			How many Orange Juice?			
Total Number of Lunches Ordered:					Amount Enclosed:				

This form is designed to cater for single and multiple orders. Only one form is needed per family.



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