

St. Andrews Primary School

Newsletter Term 3 - Issue 15

15th September 2017

Once again we are coming to the end of another term and the children get a chance for a well-deserved break. When I look back over the term the children certainly have experienced a lot of success and enjoyment. I am particularly pleased with the development of all the children's literacy and numeracy skills over this term with many children exceeding our targets for them and we still haven't finished the year. This is extremely gratifying for all of us as it probably is the culmination of a couple of years hard work for the staff and the children. I mentioned in an earlier newsletter that by any measure our school is certainly a good school and we are good because we continue to improve what we do all the time. This cannot happen without enthusiasm from the children parents and teachers as we continue to work together in the best interests of the children.

As you are aware, next term we have some changes happening to the school. Unfortunately due to some weather delays during the first term we are unable to move into the new building until week 3 of next term. On the weekend of the 21st and 22nd of October, removalists will be moving furniture and equipment into the new spaces. The 23rd October will be a pupil free day so that the new furniture can be delivered and the staff have some time to set up the learning spaces. This is an exciting time as we improve the learning facilities for the children.

Tuckshop2U- As mentioned in the last newsletter we have selected the Tuckshop2U service to enable you to still purchase lunches for the children, while the canteen is closed due to the demolition. We hope you find the standard and choice of food for the children to be of good quality. This service commences next term. There are instructions on how to access this service in this newsletter. Tuckshop2U will make deliveries to the school each day commencing next term

School Photos Wednesday 11th October- This is the first Wednesday after the holidays. Just a reminder to parents that this will be the summer uniform for the children.

I hope you get a chance to spend some quality time with the children over the next couple of weeks. Thank you for your continuing support. Term four commences on **Monday**, **9**th **October**, **2017** the children are to wear their summer uniform from the beginning of next term.

Kind regards Michael Tonnet Principal

PUPIL FREE DAY!

Monday 23rd October 2017

36 Breakfast Rd, Marayong NSW 2148 Phone: 9671 6622 FAX: 9676 3048 PO Box 4010, Marayong NSW 2148 email: standrewsPrimary@parra.catholic.edu.au www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au

Office News

Second Hand Uniforms

The second hand uniform shop is open each Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open every Monday 8.30-10.00am and Wednesday 8.30-10.00am.

Parents who cannot come in these hours can make an online order by downloading the order form from the school website and emailing the order to elle@ozfashions.com.au.

These orders need to be placed before Monday trading or Wednesday trading days to ensure they receive them on those days.

Orders will be sent to the office and they will be given to your child.

FOR ANY FURTHER ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT ELLE: 0421216414 or

EMAIL: elle@ozfashions.com.au

Australian Girls Choir

The Australian School of Performing Arts will be visiting our school on Tuesday 19th September @ 2pm, to carry out auditions for any interested girl from Kinder to Year 6 who would like to try out for the Australian Girls Choir. A leaflet was sent home to all girls last week. The tear off section from the leaflet needs to be returned to the school ASAP







What is TUCKSHOP2U?

lunches directly to schools.

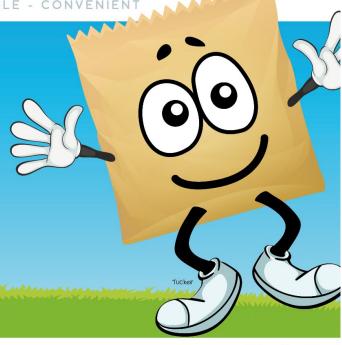
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Healthy & Sensible

- Great tasting options
- Meals perfectly balanced by our expert paediatric nutritionist

Affordable & Flexible

Convenient & Simple

- Easy-to-use website
- Children go to school cash free
- · Instant order confirmation emails at checkout
- Secure payment options (PayPal and Credit Card)



How It Works



Order online



Choose your lunch pack



to school

Our Packages



Sinale Pack From \$2.45





Mini Pack From \$5.95







Fruity Pack From \$8.45





Lite Pack From \$7.95



























Student of the Week

K Blue N'Dea Mahusay Holly Ghobrial

K Green Lucas Gonzalez Auristo Husada

K Red Tiya Rabadia Charlotte Webser

K Yellow Jai Mittal Malaar Kaur

1 Blue Summer Guillaumier Hannah Myint

1 Green Benjamin Aridah Kasandra Razon

1 Red Hudson Mulroney Dylan Bensley

1 Yellow Lukas Bulacan Jasper Brignell

2 Blue Andre Ramos Nicholas IIngram

2 Green Lucas Luong Aurelle Husada

2 Red Sean Kleinig Jayden Ferguson

2 Yellow Ashton Poon Olivia Shen

3 Green Sean Healy Amelia Manks

3 Red Alexis Bigeni Fady Badawy

3 Yellow Emily Neill Verity Rodrigues

4 Blue Tewodros Worku Adrian Jakubowski

4 Green Jaiden Bartley Makoi Malual

4 Red Name Withheld Jacqueline Calaquian

4 Yellow Alyssa-Mary Petsas Elexis Stone

5 Blue Alastair Pineda Rabab Elrayah

5 Green Chloe Smith Timothy Okot

5 Red Nicholas Tsiakoulas Charli Clements

5 Yellow Liam Ison Emma Croser

6 Blue Luke Carter Nathanael Petersen

6 Green Cassandra Kokcek Name Withheld

6 Yellow Alysa Sklibosios Vironika Raman

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Parents,

As I have mentioned in an earlier newsletter we have been working behind the scenes to improve our communication with you. Today we have launched our new website and our new SkoolBag App. There are a few things we need you to do to ensure that you are receiving the newsletter and any important announcements.

Step 1

In order for you to receive the school newsletter beginning today you will need to go to the new school website www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au Community tab, Newsletters, Subscribe. Unfortunately we cannot roll over your current email addresses into the new website so you must subscribe to receive the school newsletter this week. We hope you enjoy the new format.

Step 2- Please follow the instructions below to install the SAPSM Skoolbag App onto your smart phone.





Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

- 1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
- 2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
- 3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
- 4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
- 5. When installed click "Open"
- 6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.





Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

- 1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
- 2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
- 3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
- 4. Click the "Install" button.
- 5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
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St Andrews Primary—PHOTO DAY—11th October 2017 Important Information for Parents

St Andrews Primary photo day will be held on 11th October 2017. Photo envelopes have been sent home with your child. Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office. If you do not wish to order online and are sending cash/chq with your child, envelopes can ONLY be brought to school by your child on photo day 11th October 2017.

Children are to wear <u>FULL SUMMER UNIFORM</u>. No sports uniforms are to be worn on photo day. Please not: if you are paying cash—NO change will be available from the office.

Thank you.

Payment Options for Parents

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the 9 digit Online Key Code (N3T DCQ WEQ) and hit submit
- Select ORDER PROTOS from the menu.
- Enter first student details you wish to order for and hit PROCEED.
- Use the SELECT Check Box for the package/s you wish to purchase. List quantity required and ADD TO CART. Note:-If you have entered incorrect student details select EDIT STUDENT DETAILS.
- If you only wish to order for one child please proceed to CHECKOUT.
- Check that the item in your cart is correct and click CHECKOUT TO FINALISE YOUR ORDER OR CLICK
 continue shopping to add an order for another student.
- Check your order carefully as refunds will not be given for incorrect choice.
- Enter your payment details and hit PAY. A \$1 handling fee is applicable to this service.
- A receipt for payment and order will be sent to the email address provided.



Important Reminders for PHOTO DAY—11th October 2017

All students NEED to be in FULL SUMMER UNIFORM

If paying by cash/chq Photo envelop can **only** be accepted on photo day **11th October** Please **DO NOT bring photo envelopes to school before photo day if paying by cash.**

If you are paying by cash on photo day **PLEASE NOTE: NO CHANGE CAN BE GIVEN FROM THE OFFICE**

Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office.





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- 2. Select ORDER PHOTOS from the menu.
- 3. Enter first student details you wish to order for and hit PROCEED.
- Use the SELECT Check Box for the package/s you wish to purchase.
 List quantity required and ADD TO CART.

NOTE: If you have entered incorrect student details select EDIT STUDENT DETAILS.



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- Check that the item in your cart is correct and click CHECK OUT to finalise your order or click CONTINUE SHOPPING to add an order for another student.
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VISA

9. A receipt for payment and order will be sent to the email address provided.

OTHER PAYMENT METHODS

Cash - Please enclose the correct money as no change is available.

Cheques/Money orders – Make payable to advancedlife. Complete bank name and cheque number on the Order envelope. Write your name and address on the back of the cheque. Please allow 60 days for your cheques to be processed.

Our guarantee to you

Refund policy

Every care and attention is taken to provide you with the very best in quality and presentation. However, if you're not completely satisfied please post your unwanted photographs to your nearest advancedlife office within 7 days of receipt for a full refund on the returned portion.





PARENT ENQUIRIES

Please direct all enquiries to advancedlife rather than the school via enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

www.advancedife.com.au

Mon July 17 Staff Development Day	Tue 18	Wed 19	Thu	Fri
Staff Development		10		-
	Children return to school Term 3	19	20	21 Kindergarten 100 Days Celebration
24 P&F Meeting	25	26	27	28 Primary Athletics Carnival
31	August 1	2	3	4 Assembly 1G & 1R
7	8	9	10 Cluster Voice of Youth	11
14	15	16	17 Yr 6 Canberra	18 Yr 6 Canberra
21	22 Dental Check for K, 2, 4 & 6	23	24 Book Parade 9.15am	25 St. Andrews Assembly Kindergarten
28	29	30 7pm—8pm BYOLTT Information Night School Hall	31 Father's Day Stall	September 1 Father's Day Stall Kinder Fathers Day Liturgy 9.30
4 Skip a thon	5	6	7 Infants Sports Carnival	8 Yr 5 Bathurst
11	12 Disco Yr 5 & 6	13 Disco Yr 3 & 4	14 Disco Kinder, Yr 1 & 2	15 Assembly 5B & 5Y
18 Skip a thon prize draw	19 Australian Girls Choir	20	21 Athon Pizza Party	22 Last Day of Term 3
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Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri			
1 Newsletter Week	9th October	10	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY	12	13 Yr1 Excursion to the Zoo			
2	16	17	18	19 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	20			
3 Newsletter Week	23 Staff Development Day	24	25	26 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	27 2.15pm 2Y & 2B Assembly World Teachers Day			
4	30	31	1 November All Saints Day	2 All Souls 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	3			
5 Newsletter Week	6	7	8	9 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	10			
6	13	14	15	16	17 Year 6 Assembly			
7 Newsletter Week	20 Year 4 Cares Excursion	21 Year 4 Cares Excursion	22 Year 4 Cares Excursion	23 Year 4 Cares Excursion SPORT PHOTO DAY	24			
8	27 7pm Kinder 2018 Parents Information Night	28	29	30 St Andrews Day 9—11 am Kinder 2018 Orientation Day	1 December			
9 Newsletter Week	4 2 pm Changeover afternoon 2018 Orientation Afternoon	5 Stage 3 Disco	6 Stage 2 Disco Year 6 Farewell Night	7 1.30—3.00 Christmas Celebration	8 Principals Awards Assembly Parent Helper Morning Tea Stage 1 and Kinder Disco Reports Go Home			
10	11	12 Year 6 Leaders Bowling Day	13 Year 6 Graduation Mass	14 Year 6 Rewards Day	15 LAST DAY OF THE YEAR!!!!!			

P&F News

Parents and Friends

I know, I know, sometimes I get repetitive. I'm either asking for help or for thanking people. Well in this edition the good news is I am only going to do one of the two and that's to thank some real heroes who keep putting a hand up and volunteering at all or nearly all the events.

We owe a big thank you to the following people and parent helpers who have made our fundraising events a success this term. Without them our fundraising events would not be possible.

THANKYOU to Thea and Luke Clements for their time and effort in organising our successful Infants Sports Carnival Sausage Sizzle so our students and parents could enjoy lunch on the day. As this was their last time organising the sausage sizzle, we thank them for their efforts in organising and running the Sausage Sizzle over the last few years.

THANKYOU goes to Elissa Hooper for purchasing our disco prizes and food and drinks for the disco bags. Thankyou also to the parent helpers who helped Elissa pack the disco bags for all the students.

THANKYOU to Denise Sessa for organising the Father's Day stall and to all those parent helpers who assisted at the stalls on both days. We hope the fathers and grandfathers had a great day and enjoyed their gifts.

Last but not least, thankyou to **YOU** our school community for supporting our fundraising events this term. Your continued support helps us provide resources for your children and the school.

Now I have mentioned in the last few newsletters about some success stories from the "Entertainment Book "but please read for yourself some real-life comments

Ok truth be told I made them up as I didn't have time to ask people for their feedback this week but there have been some great stories around of some great savings with local restaurants and holiday locations.

[&]quot;love it "

[&]quot;Great savings for me and my whole family "

P&F News—continued

"The Entertainment Book" Fundraiser

A third and final reminder will be sent out this week to those families who haven't yet returned the book or purchased the app. We would like to finalise this fundraiser by the end of next week so please return or purchase the book asap if you haven't already done so.

If you have returned the book or misplaced it, please let Maria or Nicole know so we can note it. These books are the property of "The Entertainment Book" company and need to be returned if they are not to be purchased.

Thank you to those who have purchased a book. If you did purchase a book or app please register the card for further offers.

If you have any queries please sms or call Maria Webb on 0413180787 or email at webbma-ria@gmail.com or Nicole Anderson on 0420996008 or email ni-cole.muppy.anderson@hotmail.com

We look forward to more successful fundraising in Term 4 and will provide an update on our Entertainment Book Fundraiser from Term 3.

Upcoming events

Event: School Holidays Team Leader: Parents

Theme: Chaos When: Soon

Events to look forward to next term are the School Disco and Christmas Raffle. In relation to the Christmas Raffle, if you or you know anyone who would like to donate a prize for our many Christmas Raffle Hampers please contact **Maria on 0413180787 or Marianne on 0422786266.**

And last but not least my usual **Dads Joke**.





CHRISTMAS 2017 AND JANUARY 2018: COSHC OPERATION DATES

To assist COSHC families in planning their education and care needs over the Christmas closure period and to plan bookings for Vacation Care in January 2018, a calendar of Closure Dates and Operational Dates has been issued to all families enrolled with COSHC.

COSHC WILL BE CLOSED ON:

- Monday, 18 December 2017 and Tuesday, 19 December, 2017. COSHC staff will be participating in professional development in line with teachers and school staff.
- The Early Learning and Care team will be on annual leave from 22 December, 2017 to 5 January 2018.
 COSHC will not be operating during these days.
- COSHC will be closed on Australia Day, 26 January, 2018
- COSHC will be closed on Monday, 29 January 2018 for professional development of staff.

FAMILIES, PLEASE NOTE:

1. Christmas Closure

The last day of operation of COSHC services will be Friday, 15 December 2017.

2. January Vacation Care

The COSHC Summer Vacation Care Program commences on Monday, 8 January, 2018 to Thursday 25 January 2018.

3. 2018 Commencement of COSHC operations for Before- and After-School programs

COSHC will re-open on Tuesday, 30 January, 2018.

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every learner every day 🗹

ABSENCES ADD UP!





MISSING MORE THAN





DID YOU KNOW



PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO



EACH DAY MISSED:

- Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy
- Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections

GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY



Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life



If you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it.







2017 SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

pring Strings Monday September 25, 2017 - 9.30am-3.30pm

Join leading instrumental practitioners in this 1-day workshop for student musicians who play Orchestral String instruments at the following approximate levels:

VIolin - AMEB Grade 1-5 Cello - AEMB Grade 1-4 Vlola - AMEB Grade 1-3

Double Bass - AMEB Grade 1-3

The focus of the workshop will be ensemble technique, small ensembles and performance technique, culminating in a short concert showcasing the pieces that have been developed throughout the day. Bookings are essential.

The Big Sing Thursday October 5, 2017 - 9am-3pm

Attention all singers! If you love singing, would like to try singing or would like to improve your singing, then this is the workshop for you. The 1-day workshop will explore vocal skills and refresh singing techniques through a range of exercises and songs which are designed to explore and develop vocal production, breathing, pitch and tone. Bookings are essential.

The Big Bash Friday October 6, 2017 - 9am-3pm

Attention drummers and percussionists! If you're a young and inspired drummer/percussionist, then this workshop is not to be missed. Students will learn about origins of drumming, technique, reading, hand drumming, the drum kit, orchestral percussion and even create their very own original piece of music. The 1-day workshop caters for the beginner to intermediate skill levels so, if you're interested, please get in contact to book your place! Bookings are essential.

Christina Creede Music Centre, Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta, Ross St, North Parramatta (Enter via Gate 3) Venue:

Ages: Open to boys and girls aged 8 - 18 years

\$75 per workshop (current OLMC students) or \$75 plus GST per workshop (non OLMC students) Cost:

Bookings: olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/apply-now Enquiries: music@olmc.nsw.edu.au or 02 8838 1288



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DOONSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL







Join us in our School 80 th Celebration



on 22nd September 2017, from 9:15am to 2:00pm Featuring:

* Formal School Assembly showcasing



Morning Tea,

* BBQ lunch

* followed by Schood Folo 2:00pm to late.









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