



St. Andrews Primary School

Newsletter Term 4 - Issue 16

20th October 2017

Welcome back as we begin term four. I hope you had a chance to share some quality time with your children during the school break. This week we begin the process of introducing next year's kinder students to big school which is very exciting for everyone. A special thanks to all the staff for making this transition a smooth one for these children. It made me think that our kindergartens this year have almost completed their first year of schooling. These children will complete year 12 in 2030, what will the world look like then? This poses an interesting question for us. Are we providing an education for our children that will meet their needs when they complete their schooling? This is the question that we have been asking ourselves as we continue to improve the school and the education we are providing. We are blessed to have a wonderful group of teachers and staff who work extremely hard for the children in their care. To be a teacher is a ministry of service, of dedication and of passion. To care, guide, encourage, challenge each child in the class is a special talent.

Over the weekend we begin the huge task of moving Year 1 to Year Six into different learning spaces as we move into the new building. Things are still quite not completed in terms of the new building but we are able to move in. As you can imagine this is a huge task and I would like to thank everyone for the support shown to make this happen. We are very excited about the opportunities this is providing to us in modernizing our facilities and improving the learning opportunities for the children. Monday 23rd October will be a Staff Development day as we have \$250 000 of new furniture arriving to furnish not only the new building but also for Year 5 and 6 who are moving to where the Year 1 and Year two learning spaces currently are.

Every year Catholic Mission, name the month of October as World Mission Month. Catholic Mission is the official mission and aid agency of the Catholic Church. They operate in 160 countries around the world and support initiatives in 1100 dioceses. They aim to give all people the opportunity to have an enriched life regardless of race, religion and gender. Mission is all about our outreach to others and sharing our good fortune with those less fortunate and this spirit and outreach is alive and well in our community. Last week our school leaders attended the Mission mass at the Cathedral. A chance for us to come together as a community and celebrate the great work going on in our schools to support the less fortunate. I am very proud of our Year 6 Children as they have supported St Vincent De Paul earlier in the year and more recently they have been involved in a Project Based Learning Activity which supports a number of organisations which support the less fortunate.

This term, the staff will begin the process of formulating class groupings for 2018. **I believe the staff are in the best position to formulate these groups.** It is important that parents also have the opportunity to provide us with specific information on your child's needs that may not have already been known by the school but which needs to be considered before groups are formed. If you have any specific information which you feel we need to know about when considering the groups for next year could you please forward them **Attention Mr Tonnet by Tuesday 31st October.** I trust that you understand that as a staff we endeavor to make the best decision we can in regards to your child's placement in specific groups. It is important that any information you wish to be provided is done by **Tuesday 31st October.** It is important that you provide this information in writing to ensure that all the information required is available to us when formulating groups.

We look forward to a productive and rewarding last term for 2017.

Kind regards
Michael Tonnet
Principal

PUPIL FREE DAY!
Monday 23rd October
2017

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](tel:0421216414) or

EMAIL: elle@ozfashions.com.au

**UNIFORM SHOP WILL NOT
BE OPENED ON MONDAY
23RD OCTOBER 2017**

SCHOOL OPAL CARDS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TAPPING ON AND OFF IS IMPORTANT SO BUS SERVICES ARE NOT CANCELLED DUE TO THE LACK OF PATRONAGE.

An important requirement of School Opal Card is the need for students to tap on and off as this gathers data for the bus company to ensure the appropriate level of service is offered to students.

Please be aware that Busways will be conducting checks over the coming months. All Opal Cards need to be carried with the student.

Applications for 2018 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) and Term Bus Pass (TBP) travel entitlements are now open.

In coming days students who hold an SSTS entitlement and are changing grade bands i.e. going from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7 and changing school, and students whose entitlement was approved under a medical condition, will receive notification by email or post informing them of the pending expiry of their entitlement. TBP holders will also receive notification.

Students enquiring about pending cancellation should be advised to go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails> to update details/make application for next year's entitlement.

Application needs to be made before 31 December 2017 to ensure their entitlement is updated and their current card is not cancelled. If application is made after the expiry of their entitlement (31 December) the system will automatically cancel their card and a new one will need to be issued.

Please note: Students who are changing grade band and are remaining at the same school will not receive notification and do not need to reapply (the system now automatically validates a student's on-going eligibility if at the same school and going from infants to primary or primary to secondary). Where a student meets the new eligibility the system will automatically update their entitlement and card.

Students in the Opal area applying for a SSTS or TBP entitlement for the first time will receive their card (posted to the nominated address) a week or two before the commencement of 2018 classes. Please let students know new cards for 2018 are not posted in 2017 or during the Christmas / New Year period.

Student of the Week



K Blue	Vibu Krishna	Arshpreet Aujla
K Green	Kian John Celeste	Tamaha Powell
K Red	Sohamdeep Kundi	Frances Eroles
K Yellow	Padraig Kenny	Cooper Conlan
1 Blue	Dylan Borg	Curtis Cripps
1 Green	Hayden Sutcliffe	Athan Galaxidis
1 Red	Manveer Gill	Chris Manu
1 Yellow	Nathan Ojinna	Miles Parnis
2 Blue	Elijah Andrew	Seeya Kanbi
2 Green	Neil Raval	Ryley Osborn
2 Red	Ysabella Alfonso	Gabrielle Cardino
2 Yellow	Saige Prats	Name Withheld
3 Green	Dominic Battikha	James Ilagan
3 Red	Akol Athieu	Aesha Rosas
3 Yellow	Name Withheld	Leah Mitchell
4 Blue	Tewodros Worku	Name Withheld
4 Green	Joaquin Tarra	Lorraine Layug
4 Red	Tyler Isais	Maria Biliniewicz
4 Yellow	Levi Goncalves	Emerold Wong
5 Blue	Euleila Barret	Erin Blanch
5 Green	Rahab Elrayah	Aerona Sangalang
5 Red	Jade Lumayno	Laura Tobin
5 Yellow	Isabella O'Dea	Zachary Obcemia
6 Blue	Nathanael Petersen	Bishoy Ebrahim
6 Green	Drew Beattie	Matthew Issa
6 Yellow	Maraia Pickering	Taylan Arslan

Bring Your Own Learning Tool Permission Note BYOLTT

Dear Parents,

Preparing students for life in the digital world is extremely important. St Andrew's Primary is striving to develop digital-ly literate citizens who understand not only how to use technology effectively but also know how the technology they use works. To help achieve this SAPS has implemented a Bring Your Own Learning Tool Trial (BYOLTT) for grades 3 to 6 for the remainder of 2017. We will then move to BYOLT for all primary students in 2018.

This program is a voluntary program and no child will be disadvantaged from not participating in the BYOLT Trial.

At our parent information evening for BYOLTT, parents who attended were able to take home documentation that included the User Agreement Policy as well as Rights and Responsibilities.

If you wish for your child to take part in BYOLTT you need to follow procedure below. Following these steps will make for a smooth enrolment for your child and their device.

Request the BYOLTT documentation by filling out this form and returning it to school.

Upon receiving the documentation, read through it with your child and fill in all necessary sections of the User Agreement and Rights/Responsibilities policies.

Do not bring the iPad to school along with the documentation. Your child will receive information about what day they can bring the device to school so it can get enrolled.

Student may bring the device to school on day that has been booked for enrolment.

On the day your child's device is enrolled, they will be walked through the daily process of storing their device to keep it safe.

The device

Make sure it is a suitable device (see documentation), it is up to date, and is not 'jail broken'.

You have recorded the serial number of the device

You have checked to make sure your insurance, Apple Care or other covers for accidentals or theft if you want it as an option

The iPad has a strong case to protect it.

It comes to school fully charged.

BYOLTT is for learning purposes. iPads will not be allowed on the playground before, during or after school.

Kind regards

Matt Haynes

LTST

I _____ would like to obtain a copy of the
BYOLTT documentation that includes the user agreement policy for my child _____

In class _____

Signed _____

2017 BYOLTT Trial and BYOLT 2018 update

We are now 4 weeks in to our *Bring Your Own Learning Tool Trial* for primary. So far, we have had almost 70 students across the four primary grades seek approval to use an iPad at school which is fantastic.

Having had conversations with some of the students each morning as they store their devices before school, the following has become very clear.

Each student is thriving off the responsibility and expectations needed when having their own device at school.

The independence students feel, being able to use their own device in daily their learning.

The continuation from school to home. Wanting to continue their research or collaborative work in the evening.

The comfort of having your own device and not needing to wait to borrow one from the class/grade bank of resources.



If you would like for your child to use their iPad at school, please fill in the green note that was sent home last term and return it to the school office. If you have lost the note, a copy of it can be found below, just print it off at your own discretion.

Steps to ensure a smooth enrolment:

Make sure your child's iPad is up to date and is no older than an iPad 2. (IOS 9.3.5). Please note that in 2018 any device that is IOS 10 or higher will only be supported on the CEPD network and that iPad minis can only be used for the remainder of 2017.

Complete the application form provided below

Set up an iTunes account for your child **ONLY** using their @parrastu.catholic.edu.au email address (no Yahoo, Gmail etc) Use the ['How to set up an iTunes account SAPS'](#) guide to assist you through each step of the process.

Make sure your child's iPad is then signed in on that account before sending it to school.

Read and complete the user agreement policy with your child when it comes home

Ensure your child has a secure case to protect their iPad

BYOLT 2018

St Andrew's will conclude the trial at the end of the year and transition to BYOLT in 2018. Below are some useful tips for parents who are thinking of purchasing an iPad before or during the school holidays.

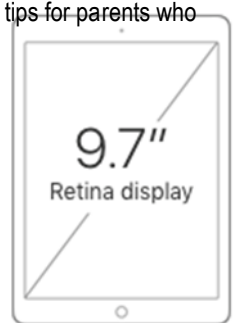
iPad minis will no longer be able to be enrolled for used. iPad 9.7 inch in retina display size must be used as a minimum.

Please note that **IOS 10 and beyond** will only be supported on the CEPD network. Devices that are limited to OS 9.35 such as the iPad, iPad 2, iPad Air (and possibly the iPad Air 2) will no longer be supported. It is important to check that if you are buying a device, you are able to get maximum number of years usage as possible.

Did you know that your child receives a discount on all products sold at the Apple store? You can receive a 4-5% discount on iPads, as well as 5-10% discount of covers, and accessories, plus 15% off Apple Care.

For example: A Sphero receives a 10% discount when purchased for a CEPD (Parramatta Diocese) student. Make sure you know your child's email address as verification.

The Apple store will also set up your iPad and provide training and assistance. You can also book in sessions with support and even work with an Apple technician using face time in the comfort of your own home.



Matt Haynes

LTST

TERM 4

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	9th October	10	11 SCHOOL PHOTO DAY	12	13
2 Newsletter Week	16 Yr1 Excursion to the Zoo	17	18	19 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	20
3	23 Staff Develop- ment Day P&F Meeting	24	25	26 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	27 2.15pm 2Y & 2B Assembly World Teachers Day
4 Newsletter Week	30	31 Yr 6 Basketball Gala Day	1 November All Saints Day	2 All Souls 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	3
5	6	7	8	9 9—11am Kinder 2018 Transition	10
6 Newsletter Week	13	14	15 Step Up Day SAC	16	17 Year 6 Assembly
7	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 Newsletter Week	27 7pm Kinder 2018 Parents Information Night	28	29	30 St Andrews Day 9—11 am Kinder 2018 Orientation Day	1 December
9	4 2 pm Changeover afternoon 2018 Orientation Afternoon Orientation day SAC 2018 YR7	5 Stage 3 Disco	6 Stage 2 Disco 6—8.30pm Year 6 Farewell Night	7 1.30—3.00 Christmas Celebration Whole School	8 Principals Awards Assembly Infants 9:30 Primary 10:00 Parent Helper Morning Tea Stage 1 and Kinder Disco Reports Go Home
10 Newsletter Week	11	12 Year 6 Leaders Bowling Day	Year 2 Power- house Museum Excursion 7:00 pm Year 6 Graduation Mass	14 Year 6 Rewards Day	15 LAST DAY OF THE YEAR!!!!

TUCKSHOP2U

HEALTHY - AFFORDABLE - CONVENIENT

What is TUCKSHOP2U?

Tuckshop2U is an easy-to-use school lunch ordering service that delivers healthy, affordable and convenient lunches directly to schools.

Our mission is to prepare and deliver fresh and nutritious lunches that your child will look forward to eating!

Join Today!

With over 80 menu items to choose from, we're certain we can provide nutritious lunches that your child will look forward to eating!



Meal



Drink



Snack



Fruit



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- Great tasting options
- Meals perfectly balanced by our expert paediatric nutritionist
- Top quality lunches freshly prepared every day

Affordable & Flexible

- Great value, satisfying meals delivered straight to your child's school
- No contracts or minimum orders
- Order up to 4 weeks in advance
- Order up to 11pm the night before

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)

No queues. No cash. Hello convenience!



Did you know Tuckshop2U can cater for any event whether it be large or small?

Find out more at tuckshop2u.com.au

How It Works

Would you LOVE to make school-packed lunches a thing of the past?

Tuckshop2U can make that happen! Here's how:



Order online

Lunches ordered online are delivered straight to your child's school, labelled with their name, class and order description. Meals can be ordered as early as 4 weeks in advance or as late as the night before.



Choose your lunch pack

Tuckshop2U offers 1,2,3,4 and 5 item lunch packs with a range of options to choose from.



Lunch is delivered to school

Lunch packs are delivered in approved eskies with ice pads to keep them at the correct temperature whilst in transit. The eskies are then dropped off at designated delivery areas within the school and distributed to each class.

Our Packages

Different Appetites. Different Packs.

Tuckshop2U has 7 lunch packs to choose from:



Single Pack From \$2⁴⁵



Mini Pack From \$5⁹⁵



Fruity Pack From \$8⁴⁵



Lite Pack From \$7⁹⁵



Snack Pack From \$11⁹⁵



Tucker Pack From \$11⁹⁵



Mighty Pack From \$12⁹⁵



P&F News

Parents and Friends

Welcome to term 4, I say it often but the year is absolutely flying!!!!

The focus this term will be around the Christmas raffle so be prepared for multiple requests from me asking for helpers!!



We will also be wrapping up the Entertainment book fundraiser which has been a great surprise and a great addition to the P&F fundraising.

I would also like to personally invite everyone reading this to the Next P&F meeting on Oct 23rd. It's a great way to help me improve my terrible Dads jokes

"The Entertainment Book" Fundraiser

We are finalising this fundraiser so if you have not yet returned the Entertainment Book please do so in the next couple of weeks.

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 webbmaria@gmail.com or Nicole Anderson on 0420996008 or email nicole.muppy.anderson@hotmail.com**

P&F News—continued

Upcoming events

P&F Meeting

We are holding our last meeting for the year **on Monday 23rd October at 7pm** in the school library, to discuss upcoming fundraising events and other matters for discussion.

Term 4 Discos in Week 9

Stage 3 – Tuesday 5th December

Stage 2 – Wednesday 6th December

Stage 1 & Kinder – Friday 8th December

Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets will be sent out in a few weeks. If you or if 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.**



catholic out of school hours care

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.

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

every learner every day

ABSENCES ADD UP!



DID YOU KNOW



1 IN 6

PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT
ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!

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

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO



GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY



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



SCHOOLS ARE THERE TO HELP

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

YOUNGER WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP – Solo Parent Services' Younger Widowed Support Group is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The Support Group is for men and women widowed at a younger age whether you are a parent or not. **Next gathering:** Tuesday 17th October. **Please note change of Venue to:** 2A Villiers St, Parramatta. **Time:** 7pm – 9pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or Email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

STEPPING BEYOND SUPPORT GROUP - Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group, is held on the last Tuesday of each month for those struggling through a separation or divorce. **Next Gathering:** 31st October **Please note change of Venue:** 2A Villiers St, Parramatta **Time:** 7pm – 9pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

MOUNT ST BENEDICT CENTRE – Children's Meditation Workshop

This fun workshop is for children aged 5-12 years, and aims to build a healthy body and mind. By teaching a variety of simple meditation techniques using breath and visualisation, creating mandalas and moving the body in a conscious way, children are encouraged to find that centre of stillness inside. This can help with anxiety, building confidence and understanding emotions.

Date: Saturday 28 October 1.30pm-4.30pm.

Cost: \$30 BYO Afternoon Tea

Reserve your place by email mtstbenedict@goodsams.org.au or ph 9484 6208

Where: 449D Pennant Hills Road. Entrance off Hull Road.

----- THE 29TH ANNUAL -----

DOLL, BEAR &

Craft Fair



Adults \$6
Concession \$4
Children \$2

9:30am to 4:00pm
Saturday & Sunday, October 28-29th

AT THE MUSEUM OF FIRE
1 MUSEUM DRIVE, PENRITH



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