

St. Andrews Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 - Issue 3 2nd March 2018

From the Principal

Next week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week with some special activities throughout next week (Mon, 5th to 9th March). Catholic Schools Week provides us with the opportunity to show you some of the many great things that the children are doing here at school. This week we hope to strengthen the relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools. It would be great to see many parents and grandparents attending during the week's activities and supporting our work together here at St Andrews. The staff and your children really appreciate your attendance not only at these special celebrations but also your wonderful support throughout the year. It is a great privilege for me to have spent my career teaching in Catholic schools and being part of so many supportive and caring communities that is the real strength of Catholic education and not just the provision of an excellent education. All our Catholic schools try to encourage the children to take better care of each other by being more thoughtful and considerate to others. Your attendance at school celebrations and activities allows the children to see that there are many people around them who want to help so that they can become the best person that they can be. I encourage you to attend the learning sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday commencing at 9:15am on each of these days, new parents are most welcome to attend.

Safety and Consideration- I would like to remind everyone about the importance of safety around the school. Your children's safety is very important to all of us so I ask that no cars enter the staff car park. I have also noticed a number of people walking through the car park and I ask that you please set the example to your children by using the footpath either outside or inside the staff car park to ensure that we don't have any accidents. Thank you for your consideration for both of these things.

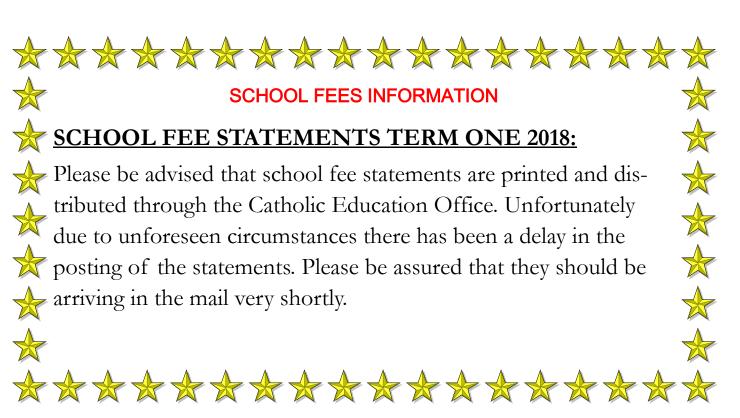
Enrolment 2019- I would just like to remind everyone that we have begun the process of enrolment for the 2019 school year. If you have a child beginning school next year now is the time to come and collect an enrolment form to begin this process. We also have some vacancies in some grades so if you know of anyone who is interested in enrolment your support and encouragement of St Andrews is greatly appreciated.

Building Update- As you can see the old Year 5 demountables have been removed during the week. The removal will allow the ground works to continue. The middle gate access to the school will now be closed for a number of weeks due to this ongoing ground work. Entry and exit from the school grounds must be through the gate adjacent to the school hall or the bottom gate near the administration office.

Kind regards

Michael

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 <u>elle@ozfashions.com.au</u>. 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: <u>0421216414</u> or EMAIL: <u>elle@ozfashions.com.au</u>

Project compassion:

A Just Future starts with your support

Over the last two weeks many students have watched clips which outline the important work that is done by Caritas. The children were introduced to Rattanak and Bayan in these clips, here is a brief summary of their stories. Please click on each of the links below to watch the clips with your child/ren.

Rattanak in Cambodia contracted polio as a child and also became deaf. The Deaf Development Program, supported by Caritas Australia, helped him become a barber and he is now supporting himself, his wife and baby.

http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion/weekly-stories/week-2-rattanak

Bayan is a 12 year old Syrian girl, living with her family in Jordan. An ambitious student, Bayan has her sights set on a career as an ophthalmologist. As a quiet, young refugee she struggled to overcome the trauma of growing up in a conflict zone and faced the prospect of missing out on schooling. With Caritas Australia's support, Bayan is an academic high-achiever who is flourishing in a stable school environment.

http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion/weekly-stories/week-3-bayan





'Catholic Schools Week Invitation - Please come along.. every learner every day 🗹 Week 6 (5th to 9th March 2018).

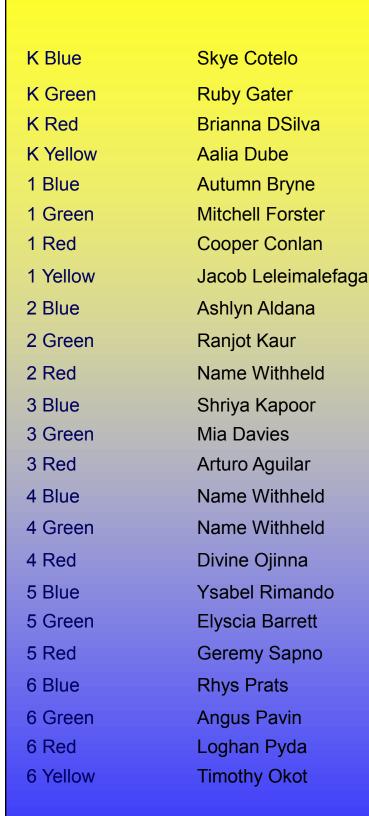
All parents are invited to our school celebration as listed below:

Day	Event	Location	Time
Monday 5th March	Whole School Mass	St Andrews The Apostle Church	9:15am
	Morning Tea	The Piazza	After mass
	Learning Space open class visit K to 6	Learning Spaces	10:30am to 11:10am
Tuesday 6th March	Year 2 Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	Meet in the Library - (then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am
	Year 5 and 6 Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	Meet in the Hall(then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am
Wednesday 7th March	Kindergarten Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	Meet in the Library (then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am
	Year 3 Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	3 Blue Classroom For orientation, (Then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am
Thursday 8th March	Year 1 Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	Meet in the Library (then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am
	Year 4 Every Learner Every Day session (Approximately 1 hour) (No Registration necessary)	Meet in the Teacher Hub Room (Then you Will be taken to learning space for learning showcase)	9:15am

Every Learner Everyday sessions will showcase learning focusing on 'Coding'.

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Student of the Week



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Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Newsletter Week	29 January PUPIL FREE DAY	30	31	1 February	2 Kindergarten first fu day
2	5	6	7	8	Twilight swimming 9 Opening School Mas
3 Newsletter Week	12 Parent infor- mation evening- Years 1 & 2	13 Parent infor- mation evening Year 3 & 4	14 9.15am Ash Wednes- day	15 Parent information evening Years 5 , & Kinder	16 2.15pm St Andrews Assembly
4	19 7pm P&F Meet- ing	20	21	22	23 Dio Swimming Carn val
5 Newsletter Week	26 Meet & Greet	27 Meet & Greet	28 Meet & Greet	1 March Meet & Greet	2 Meet & Greet
6 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK	5 9:15 Mass 10:30 Learning Space Visit	6 9:15 Every Learn- er Every day 5/6 Hall	7 9:15 Every Learner Every day Year 3 Classroom	8 9:15 Every Learner Every day Year 1 Library	9 2.15pm St. Andrews Assembly
7 Newsletter Week	12	13	14	15 6pm Kindergarten welcome BBQ	16
8	19	20	21	22	23
9 Newsletter Week	26	27	28	29 10 & 11.30 am Stations of the Cross	30 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL
10	2 April EASTER MONDAY NO SCHOOL	3 Disco Yr 5 & 6	4 Disco Yr 3 & 4	5 Disco Infants	6 School Cross Countr Year 3—6 2.15pm St Andrews
11	9	10	11	12	Assembly 13 LAST DAY OF TERM

TUCKSHOP2U HEALTHY - AFFORDABLE - CONVENIENT

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

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

Affordable & Flexible

Convenient & Simple

- Easy-to-use website
- Children go to school cash free
- checkout
- Secure payment options (PayPal and Credit Card)



How It Works

Order online



Choose your lunch pack

Lunch is delivered to school

Our Packages







Lite Pack From \$7.95







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.

<u>Step 1</u>

In order for you to receive the school newsletter beginning today you will need to go to the new school website <u>www.standrewspsmarayong.catholic.edu.au</u> 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.**

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Smartphone school to parent communication

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)
- 5koolbag 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).

- 6. Click "Open" when installed.
- 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.

Don't forget to like us on Facebook!
Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au





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Skoolbag delivers schoo notices directly to parents and students It's Road Rules Awareness Week!

This year's Road Rules Awareness Week, from 26 February to 4 March, provides all road users the opportunity to improve their knowledge of the NSW road rules. As part of the campaign, each year Transport NSW's Centre for Road Safety focuses on the most misunderstood road rules and provide road users an opportunity to have their questions answered.

The playlist of 10 animations explains some of the most misunderstood road rules. http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/ roadrules.html

The following is a video relating to school zones: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=I7Le_k0R0PY&feature=youtu.be

— A message from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV



Attention Boys and Girls, Parents Grandparents and Friends

St Andrew's Primary School is taking part in the vouchers for sports equipment program being offered by Coles. The children are asking you to collect the vouchers that you receive when shopping at Coles and donate them to the school. Each grade has been provided with a box to collect the dockets and a large container is also located at Coles in the Woodcroft shopping centre.



A HUGE thank you for your support from the children at St Andrew's

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

We're already halfway through the term and it's turning out to be a busy time with a lot of events coming up. We encourage and invite all parents to help the committee members during the year with the various fundraising events. These events and member's contact details will be published in the newsletter as the events occur.

Last week the P&F conducted their first meeting for the year and the committee members are listed below.

We look forward to your continued support.

P&F Committee for 2018

President – Maria Webb Treasurer – Helen Budd Secretary – Rebecca Shen Easter and Christmas Raffles – Diana Watts Mother's & Father's Day stalls – Pauline Sultana School Discos – Elissa Hooper

Catholic Schools Week Morning Tea

The P&F will be organising Morning Tea **after 9.15am mass on Monday 5th March in the Church Piazza.** All parishioners and parents are welcome to attend mass and come along and share a cuppa, before visiting the students' learning spaces.



Ice-block sales

The P&F will be selling ice blocks to students at lunchtime on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 50c each, except in wet weather and extreme weather conditions**. If any parents can help sell ice blocks on any of these days for an hour, and have completed the working with children online module, please contact **Maria on 0413180787**.

School Disco

School Discos will occur during lunchtime in Week 10. Permission notes will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Theme: To be advised.

Tuesday April 3 – Yrs. 5 & 6Wednesday April 4 – Yrs. 3 & 4Thursday April 5 – Infants – Kindy, Yrs. 1 & 2

Event: Disco Bag packing Contact: 0411 486 988

cking **Team Leader:** Elissa Hooper Helpers: Needed to pack Disco Bags When: Tuesday 27th March at 9am

EASTER RAFFLE

Easter Egg Raffle Donations

It's that time again for the Easter Egg Raffle. The P&F are asking for donations of either boxed Easter eggs or eggs that are already packaged to go towards being used as part of many prizes. 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 students can bring their donations to school and place them in a basket in the classroom. The more donations received the more prizes we will have for families to win.

Raffle Tickets - Do you want to win a prize?

Raffle tickets sheets have recently been sent home. We encourage families and people you know to purchase as many tickets as you can. It's a chance to win an Easter Raffle prize made up from the wonderful donations from families. **The ticket sheet consists of 10 raffle tickets costing \$1 each**. If you didn't receive and/or require extra ticket sheets, please obtain them from the school office, or a copy can be found in the school newsletter. The more tickets you buy the better chance you have of winning a prize. The money raised goes towards much needed resources for the school.

REMEMBER to write the contact details on each ticket, including the child's name and class so any prizes can be easily distributed should you be a winner.

Please return all tickets in an envelope with monies, and any Easter Egg donations, to the school no later than **Friday 23rd March 2018.** The raffle will be drawn on **Monday 26th March 2018.** (Please be aware of date changes. Extended an extra week then what was printed on the ticket note)

CAN YOU HELP?

If you have a couple of hours to spare and would like to help put together Easter Raffle Prizes, please contact Diana below or come along on the day.

Event: Easter Egg Raffle Prizes Team Leader: Diana Watts Contact: 0412 922 317 When: Monday 26th March 2018 at 9am

PRC (Parent Representative Council)

Next Monday evening, 5th March at 7pm at Patrician Brothers Blacktown, the PRC organised by Diocese of Parramatta, invites all parents and friends to attend this event and other events held each term throughout the year, as per the table below. Please follow the link to obtain more information and register.

http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/parents-representative-council-prc

2018 PRC EVENTS

Details	Venue	Торіс	Presenters
TERM 1 Mon 5 March 7:00pm	Patrician Brothers College Flushcombe Rd Blacktown	#Parents Matter Annual General Meeting	Danielle Cronin Chief Governance & Strategy Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta <u>REGISTER</u>
TERM 2 Mon 4th June 7:00pm	Diocesan Assembly Centre & Institute for Mission Cnr Marian St & Flushcombe Rd Blacktown	Early Career Planning and Transition to work and Tertiary Studies High School Students are welcome to attend with a parent/caregiver	Dianne Mills Expert in VET, & Educational Pathways Catholic Education Dio- cese of Parramatta
TERM 3 Mon 27 August 7:00pm	Corpus Christi Primary School 90 Andromeda Drive Cranebrook	10 Things Every Par- ent Needs to Know	Dr Justin Coulson Family Psychologist & Parenting Expert Keynote Speaker Event
TERM 4 Mon 19 No- vember 7:00pm	St Luke's Catholic College Lot 1104, Frontier Ave & Northbourne Dr Marsden Park	Next Generation Schools	Mr Greg Miller College Principal St Luke's Marsden Park

ALL PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME

Raffle Ticket Sheet - Tickets \$1 each

Student's Name:	Name: Contact No: Student's Name: Student's Class:
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Sacramental Program Dates for 2018 ...

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This Program will commence in Term 1 for children in Years 3 and above who have received the Sacrament of Penance.

Registration Forms ... may be collected from the Parish Office starting Monday 12th February 2018

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office

on Sunday 18th February and Sunday 25th February between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:Tuesday 27th February 2018 at 7.00pm in the ChurchClasses:Sundays 11th March and 18th March 2018

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

Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

Saturday 7th April at 6pm and Sunday 8th April 2018 at 8.45am or 12:15 pm

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This Program will commence in Term 2 for children in Years 5 & above who have made their First Holy Communion.

Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office from Monday 30th April 2018 [These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office

on Sunday 6th May and Sunday 13th May between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 15th May 2018 at 7.00pm in the Church.

Classes: Sundays 27th May & 3rd June 2018

[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am] Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony: 19th and /or 20th June 2018 at 7 pm

SACRAMENT OF FIRST PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

The Sacrament of First Penance Program will take place in Term 3 for children in Years 2 & above who have been baptised.

Registration Forms may be collected from the Parish Office

from Tuesday 24th July 2018

[These forms may also be collected from the Parish Office

on Sunday 29th July and Sunday 5th August between 9.30 and 11.30am]

Registration Evening:

Tuesday 7th August 2018 at 7.00pm in the Church

Classes: Sundays 19th August, 26th August & 2nd September 2018

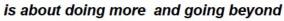
[Classes begin with 8.45am Mass and conclude at approximately 11.30am]

Sacrament of First Penance will be celebrated on either:

[Choose one] Saturday 8th or 15th September 2018 (9:30am)



St Andrews College



OPEN DAY – TUESDAY MARCH 6

St Andrews College is offering parents and students the opportunity to tour the Junior Campus

Tour Times: 9.00am, 9.45am, 11.00am, 1.15pm and 2.00pm

Visit the College website to book a tour time

For further details phone 9626 4000

Junior Campus — Year 7 to 10 116 Quakers Road Marayong

Senior Campus — Years 11 and 12 50 Breakfast Road Marayong

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www.standrewscmarayong.catholic.edu.au



PLAY netball

ST ANDREWS NETBALL CLUB

From age 6 to seniors

REGISTRATION DATES IN 2018

 Thu 1 Feb 2018, 6-8.30pm @ Quakers Hill Girl Guides, 60 Falmouth Rd, Quakers Hill
 Sun 4 Feb 2018, 10am-1pm @ Westpoint Blacktown, Level 1(near Woolworths) (Saints Netball Dresses can be tried on and ordered/purchased at Reg

GRADING NIGHTS: 20th & 27th Feb 2018

Join St Andrews Netball Club!

e Registrations are open for Seniors from 4 January 2 register online from 1 February 2018, Barn register online from 1 February 2018, Bam setball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?ctrifaesi d=210546emtryid=43305. Alternatively, Registrations can be stration days.

Net-Set-Go (ages 6-10) \$197; Juniors (ages 11-17) \$215; Seniors (ages 18 and over) \$250. A \$100 NSW Government rebate is available for children enrolled in school from Kindy to Year 12.

Uniforms for St Andrews Netball Club have changed. New uniforms can be tried on and ordered/purchased at Registration. Returning players are required to purchase the new uniform. Uniform package \$75 (includes dress, shorts, drink bottle and bag).

Please email contact@saintsnbc.com.au for enquines, or call Stacey 0410 509 033 or Mary on 0415 054 348.

You can find us on Facebook @saints.netball.7 or log on to

New to Netball? All abilities

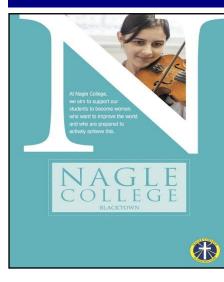
ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER AVAILABLE!

RECEIVE \$100 FROM THE NSW GOVERNMENT WHEN PARTICIPATING IN SPORT!

the use of their children's participation in sport and

HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS, PLAY NETBALL.

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Nagle College Blacktown, will be holding their Open Afternoon/Evening for Year 7, 2019 on Tuesday 6 March from 3.30 pm until 7.30 pm. Enrolment packages will be available on the afternoon and tours of the school will be conducted. Prospective parents and students are warmly invited to attend.

YOUNGER WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP

Catholic Care 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 or not you are a parent. First Gathering for the Year will be held on Tuesday 20th February. **Please note new venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta. **Time:** 7pm – 9pm Cost: \$5.00. **Registration:** Call Rita Ph. 8843 2530 or Email: <u>soloparentservices@ccss.org.au</u>

STEPPING BEYOND

This Support run by CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is held on the last Tuesday of each month for men and women who are separated or divorce. At the February meeting we will be speaking about "Identifying Challenging Emotions and strategies for dealing with them."

Date: 27th February **Venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta **Time:** 7pm – 9pm. Cost: \$5.00. **Registration Essential:** Call Rita Ph. 8843 2530 or email <u>soloparentservices@ccss.org.au</u>

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Day on Sunday March 11.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be.

Visit <u>www.olmc.nsw.edu.au</u> or phone 9683 3300 to reserve your place or obtain further information.



