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No.15 Term 3 Week 8 15th September 2017

DIARY DATES

TERM 3

Week 9

Monday 18th Sept

⇒ Fete Meeting 7pm

Tuesday 19th Sept

⇒ CSMF Yr 5's
Performance Night

Thursday 21st Sept

⇒ Little Investigators
Playgroup 9—11am
⇒ R/1 Excursion

Friday 22nd Sept

⇒ Little Ants 9-11am

Week 10

Wednesday 27th Sept

⇒ Leadership Assembly at
2:30pm

Thursday 28th Sept

⇒ Little Investigators
Playgroup 9-11am

Friday 29th Sep

⇒ Little Ants 9-11am
⇒ **Last Day of Term 3**
School ends 3:15pm

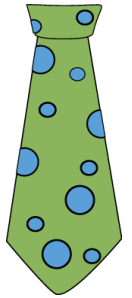
School Holidays

Monday 2nd October

⇒ **Public Holiday**

⇒ Vacation Care 3rd—
13th Oct

Father's Day



The R/1's had a visit from their Dads, step dads, grandfathers, uncles and other special men in their lives, last week after the Father's Day community prayer.





Religious Identity And Mission

Children – Close to the Mystery of God

A number of times in the gospels Jesus spoke of the special place that children have in what he called the 'kingdom of God' In a recent reflection paper for Catholic schools Fr James McEvoy reminded us that ***'every child is an icon through which the mystery of God shines'***.

Every day at St Anthony's your children show us a glimpse of what God is like...through their trust, openness, joy, creativity, generosity, compassion and their ability to forgive.

They are deserving of, and have every right to, the love and protection of adults in their families, their schools, their churches, sporting clubs and all places in our wider community.

Last Sunday the Catholic Church in Australia celebrated Child Protection Sunday as a conclusion to National Child Protection Week. At Mass on Sunday we were reminded of the role we all have to play in keeping children safe – especially those of us who have a significant influence on children in our parishes and schools.

St Anthony's School is committed to and implements the policies and processes for Child Protection as directed by Government legislation, the Adelaide Catholic Diocese and the Catholic Education Office.

For more information about Child Protection in Catholic schools go to:

<http://www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/safety-security>

Children – Learning about Social Justice

On Wednesday our Social Justice Leaders presented a cheque for \$2,000 to Angela Hart from Caritas Australia. This was the total (so far!) of money that our little school community has raised this year for Project Compassion. The children explained to Angela how we have raised the money particularly through Pancake Day, Purple Day, families returning Project Compassion boxes and our ongoing fundraising through our Friday canteen sales.

Angela expressed her thanks on behalf of the communities that are in need of help and presented the children with a Certificate of Appreciation. She also spoke about the many thousands of children all over the world who are not us lucky as most of us. The children social justice.





Religious Identity And Mission (contd)

Children – Sharing from the Heart

Last week I purchased some new crosses and 'prayer hearts' for classes. The crosses are made from authentic wood from olive trees in Bethlehem, the Holy Land – the place of Jesus' birth! This wood is pruned from trees which have been bearing fruit ever since the times of the Romans. The tradition of making handicrafts began in the 4th century AD. Monks on pilgrimage taught the residents how to carve and the tradition has been passed ever since generation to generation. When I asked the children why they think I bought the hearts for their prayer times their responses were fascinating! One child suggested I bought them because they were cheap!!!! She understands I don't like wasting money!!

Other children shared thoughts like:

"It's a heart and so it's about love and Jesus wants us to love"

"It reminds us that God is love and God is in our hearts"

"When we think about God we think about love"

"A heart means love and we try and love everyone"



Advance Notice: Special Visitors Day (Grandparents and 'Older special friends!)

Please see separate note in newsletter for more info. regarding this big event early next term.

Blessings of deep peace to all families

Robyn Mercer

APRIM

Catholic Charities

Every year around this time we are asked to promote/fundraise for Catholic Charities. The nine charities that Catholic Charities support are listed on this website

<http://www.me4u.org.au/>



Religious Identity And Mission (contd)



Special Visitors Day

We would like to invite all grandparents and other "great" senior people and friends who are special to us



When: Term 4 Week 3 - Monday Oct 30th
9:30am Liturgy in the Church
10am-11am Classroom visits
11am Morning Tea

We are looking for some photos of children with their grandparents or other special 'older' friends....

please send via email to rmerc@statedw.catholic.edu.au before Mon Oct 23rd

NAPLAN

The school community would like to congratulate the Year 3 and Year 5 students for achieving good results in the 2017 NAPLAN. We had 4 students withdraw from participating in the NAPLAN by parental request.

All our Year 3 students achieved the National minimum standard or above. 53.3% of our Year 3 students received a reading score in Band 6 which has indicated that our students are skilled readers and able to apply what they read to a range of questions. The five areas assessed in the NAPLAN Test are reading, writing, spelling, punctuation & grammar and numeracy.

The Year 3 St Anthony's students results showed that reading, punctuation & grammar and maths were the areas of strength. While the Year 5 students area of strength were reading, punctuation & grammar and spelling. Our Year 5 students progress from 2015 to 2017 was 81% in reading and 72% in mathematics. These figures were calculated on the students making average to high progress from when the students were in Year 3 in 2015 to year 5 in 2017.

Once again our students have received pleasing results and the students should feel proud of their efforts.

Liz Commane
NAPLAN Co-ordinator

OSHC



Only 2 weeks till Vacation Care!

Please book in at the front office to confirm your place. We are looking forward to an exciting holiday program.

On **Thursday 5th** we will have Animals Anonymous come and visit us with different marsupials, Australian native animals and even some slithering reptiles.



Monday 9th is Messy Monday, we will be creating and playing with loads of messy things including, slime, mud pies and more.



Tuesday 10th is Ninja Warrior Day, we will have an inflatable obstacle course come to OSHC where all little ninjas can have a blast.

For the remainder of Term 3 our OSHC Director Hollie is out on leave until 5th October. For any OSHC bookings please email the Assistant Director Sheridan on stodonai@statedw.catholic.edu.au or visit the front office.



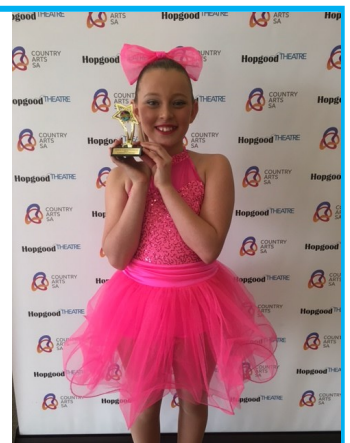
R/1 Community



On Tuesday 5th September the Reception and Year One community celebrated the special men and families in their lives. This was a wonderful opportunity to spend quality time engaged in fun and collaborative activities within the school environment.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Zoe on coming First Place in her Song & Dance Jazz Solo competition this week.





Outdoor Classroom Day



On Thursday over 200,000 Australian kids from nearly 2000 schools and ELC's enjoyed the benefit of outdoor playtime and learning. St Anthony's enjoyed learning through mud play, treasure hunting, SA rock painting and chalk drawing. We had so much fun in the great outdoors!



P&F Happenings



G'Day Parents and Friends,

We are pretty quiet on the P&F front at the moment, so that makes for a nice change – but we are most definitely NOT quiet on the Fete front!! I count 9 weeks until FETE DAY!! I am desperately hoping the sun starts to shine soon so my plants start to grow!!! The Fete Committee are continuing to do an amazing job and there is lots of planning and 'doing' happening behind the scenes (as well as on the front stage!!) and we are super grateful for everyone's hard work.

Woolworths Earn and Learn finishes up on Monday 19 September so please collect as many stickers as you can over the weekend, and then bring in all your sticker sheets as soon as you can. There are over 10 000 'prizes' we can choose from, including Art and Craft, Music/ Dance, Sport/ Outdoors, Literacy. When we collate all of our points we'll liaise with the teaching staff regarding what particular 'prizes' we would like. Thanks to everyone who has got on board with this Easy Peasy 'fundraiser'.

The end of term is in sight – Keep Going Peeps!!! My kids are tired (and so am I!) - we've had quite a bit of sickness at school this term (including at my house) and that makes for more stress and out-of-routine arrangements for everyone. We all deserve medals for managing to get our kids to school by 8:45am on a 'normal' day, let alone when there are extra arrangements to be made for sickness etc. On a good 'mental health' day I say "this is as good as I can do at the moment", but on not so good 'mental health' days I beat myself up for being late, yelling at the kids and not being 'a perfect mother'. I'm pretty sure ours is not the only household that experiences this reality, so I say let's take a deep breath, accept support when it is offered, and do the best we can at the time (the concept of "good enough" parenting). Hopefully the sun will shine more consistently soon to 'burn off' all those nasty bugs and the school holidays will give a break to the routine and allow us to re-energise a bit.

See you around the playground,

Letitia, Emily, Jennie and Jenny
P&F Executive

Online Lunches Every Friday



Just a reminder you can order lunches online every Friday prior to 8:30am.

If you want to set up your online ordering, it is a simple process.

Please visit www.schoollunchonline.com.au to register.

Can all parents please check your details online to make sure your child is placed in the right year and class. This can be done via 'my account' and then click on the 'user details' tab to check and change if necessary, thank you.

Road Safety

SAPOL have sent us some road safety reminders and we will providing you with their safety tips in each newsletter for the rest of the year.

Sgt John and Humphrey say – Road Safety around Schools Begins with You



While we are looking forward to the warmer weather over summer, we are still likely to have the odd rainy day. Wearing bright coloured clothing is a must when walking or riding a bike to school in wet weather. On rainy days, many people look down to stop the rain from going in their eyes, but it is very important to look up when crossing roads or driveways. You may have seen some people run to get out of the rain – not necessarily a bad thing, but running near traffic can be very dangerous. Parents should constantly scan both sides of the road and take extra care on rainy days, as children will often run across the road without looking.

Generally, stopping distances in the wet are likely to be at least double the distance of that on a dry road, so things such as reducing speed, braking gently, increasing following distance and tread depth on tyres can be critical. Worn tyres are one of the most common vehicle defects in South Australia. Another issue in wet weather is fog on the inside of your windscreen. When this happens, use your air-conditioner – it works with either hot or cold air and dries the air, which clears your windscreen far more quickly.

Just like you, other parents don't want to get wet either and there can be quite some congestion around the drop-off zone or front gate of the school. Patience and courtesy are important.



Remember the rules even when it's wet

Wet days mean more traffic, hazardous driving conditions – and **less visibility!** Use your **lights when driving**, bring an **umbrella**, **obey traffic signs**, and be prepared to **walk further than usual** to drop off and collect your child.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS BEGINS WITH YOU!

MILO in2CRICKET Program – Boys and girls 5 – 8 years old

MILO in2CRICKET is a super fun, safe and social program. It teaches kids of all abilities the **basic skills** of cricket.

Each week your child will play game based activities that will keep them active, whilst having fun and making new friends.

There is a **FREE 'Come & Try'** MILO in2CRICKET session at each your local centres:

Adelaide Cricket Club – Glandore Oval – Naldera St, Glandore

Details TBC – visit playcricket.com.au & search Adelaide Cricket Club for details

Plympton Footballers Cricket Club – Plympton Oval– Park Terrace, Plympton

Details TBC – visit playcricket.com.au & search Plympton Footballers Cricket Club for details

Goodwood Cricket Club – Goodwood Oval – Curzon Avenue, Millswood

Friday 27th October 4:30pm – 5:30pm

MILO T20 Blast Program – Boys and girls 7 – 10 years old

MILO T20 Blast is a super fun, social, safe cricket program and is a step up from MILO in2CRICKET. Kids play modified games, the program is much shorter than traditional cricket and all the equipment is supplied. It's W/BBL for kids!

There is a **FREE 'Come & Try'** MILO T20 Blast session at your local centres:

Marion Oval – Sturt Road, Marion

Monday 23rd October 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Goodwood Oval – Curzon Avenue, Millswood

Wednesday 25th October 5:00pm – 6:30pm

For more information about the program or to register, go to www.playcricket.com.au and search using your postcode.


SACRED HEART COLLEGE PRESENTS

A night of CABARET

FEATURING BANDS FROM SACRED HEART MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOLS,
MARYMOUNT COLLEGE AND SPECIAL GUESTS AND OLD SCHOLARS,
ISABEL DAYMAN AND TOM O'DONNELL.

WHEN: FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER, 2017 AT 7PM
 WHERE: BR STEPHEN DEBOURG PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE,
 SACRED HEART COLLEGE SENIOR SCHOOL,
 BRIGHTON RD, SOMERTON PARK
 TICKETS: \$10 AVAILABLE THROUGH TRYBOOKING:
<https://www.trybooking.com/ROEC>

Canapés and dessert provided
 BYO drinks (no alcohol please)



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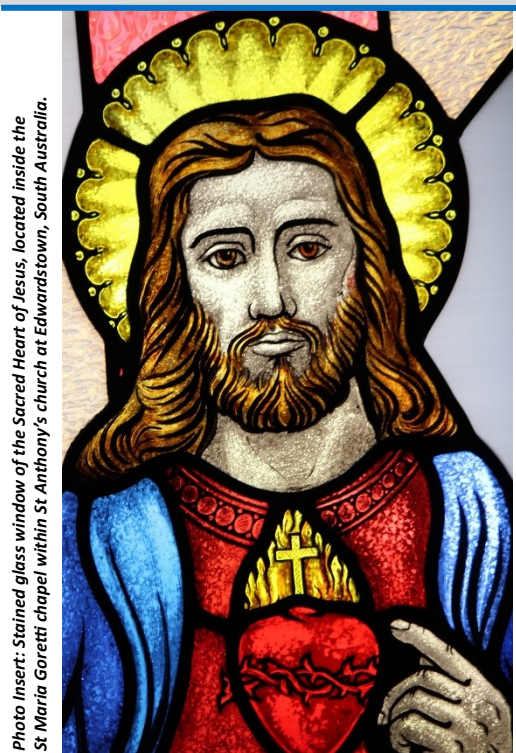


Photo Insert: Stained glass window of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, located inside the St. Maria Goretti chapel within St. Anthony's church at Edwardstown, South Australia.

Parish Priest	Weekend Mass times	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Father Phillip Alstin	Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 9:30am	Wednesday -10:00am until 7:15pm including confessions from 6:30pm-7:15pm concluding with Benediction.
Parish staff	Weekday Mass times	Anointing of the sick
Mrs Caterina Pileggi Catechist	Tuesday 9:30am Wednesday 9:30am Thursday 9:30am Friday 9:30am	First Friday of the month after 9:30am Holy Mass. This is followed by Holy Communion to the sick and housebound by the Priest.
Parish office hours	Confession times	
Wednesday 8:00am-12:15pm Thursday 8:00am-12.15pm Friday 8:00am-12.15pm	Before and after Holy Mass. Wednesday 6:30pm-7:15pm	

Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew Chapter 11, Verse 28.