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Term 2 Week 2

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DIARY DATES

TERM 2

Week 3

Catholic Ed Awareness Week

Monday 15th May

- ⇒ 9am Mother's Day
Community Prayer

Tuesday 16th May

- ⇒ Board Meeting
7:30pm

Wednesday 17th May

- ⇒ Principal's Tour
9:15—11am

Thursday 18th May

- ⇒ Little Investigators
Playgroup 9—11am

Friday 19th May

- ⇒ Whole School
Excursion

Week 4

Wednesday 24th May

- ⇒ Pizza Lunch Day
- ⇒ 4/5 LK Assembly
2.30pm

Thursday 25th May

- ⇒ Little Investigators
Playgroup 9—11am

Friday 26th May

- ⇒ Yr 2/3 Mass
- ⇒ **National Sorry Day**

Holy Week & Easter





Tess Talks

Dear families and friends,

I trust that you all had a joyful Easter and celebrated the life we are blessed to have, no matter how difficult it may be at times. We've hit the ground running at school and already classes are into their terms curriculum work. On Thursday and Friday last week we had issues with our technology and it really made us think about how reliant we are being able to do things instantaneously. It transpired that the router was faulty and needed to be replaced, and I'm pleased to say that by 3pm Friday all was back to normal. What's ahead of us....

OUTDOOR LEARNING

I am sure I'm not telling you anything you don't already know when I say, we learn through play. Even as adults this is true although the play may look a little different. I'd like to take this opportunity to again thank the P&F Committee and you as parents for your willingness to support school projects. Without this financial back up we would not be able to offer the breadth of experiences we do. This year we are concentrating on completing the outdoor projects that have been undertaken over the past two years. Now we are down to the nitty gritty, making sure children have the right equipment that enables them to engage with the outdoors. Through playing outside children learn so much, academic work is practiced – counting, language and of course social/emotional wellbeing is lived – managing themselves and interacting with others. The new mud kitchen has been a great success and the learning that has happened is outstanding. I encourage you to go and have a look at what your donations and commitment to our school is providing for our children, to enable them to flourish and be the best person they can be.

NAPLAN

The Years 3 and 5 classes took part in NAPLAN testing this week. It's important to remember that this is a snapshot of a child's learning, knowledge and ability to perform in a testing situation. Results will arrive in Term Three. A big thank you to Liz Commame who coordinates this requirement.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

You would have received a flier earlier this week highlighting what we are doing to celebrate this significant week, please read it so you are up to date with what will be happening next week. Our whole school excursion will be the highpoint of our celebrations. Please note that on that day, no one will be at the school – Mary, Sheridan and Sue are coming too!!

I ask you to take a little time to think that our school/s would not be in existence today if it were not for the dedication, commitment and sacrifice of those who came before us. The Dominican Sisters struggled to begin our school many, many years ago, travelling by horse and cart, in the heat down dusty roads to ensure the children of this area were educated and cared for. Today we don't have the same struggles yet some of our issues are similar and we are proud to continue their work. On Monday 1 May Sister Anne Dolan spoke with the staff about the early days of the sisters. Her stories were heartfelt, interesting and entertaining. Anne shared a reflection with us and in part it said...."The Sisters must respect the personal dignity of the child....The teacher's function is to stimulate the child's God-given knowledge....To teach well is a great art"

As a staff we were floored by this article as although the language is outdated the sentiment is exactly the same today, 100+ years later! I'd like to express my thanks to the School Board and the school community for supporting the need for pupil free days that enable the staff time to meet, reflect and plan together.

FUNDING

I write my Newsletter piece early in the week and by now we would have had the Budget news and know the impact it will have on education. As parents who pay taxes and are citizens of South Australia, I would encourage you to keep abreast of political news and events. As I write this, the banter is not good for Catholic schools. Although we have been promised, many times, increases in funding, it is beginning to look like we may not be getting what we wished for, again! We need common funding arrangements across Australia and across all sectors of educations. No matter where a child goes to school, they should attract the same funding and parents should continue to have the choice of schooling no matter their financial circumstance. As we continue to juggle the finances of our school I thank you for your organization and preparedness to work with us on ensuring school fees are paid.

THANK YOU...

Thank you to Amberley Lolicato, Sam Baxter, Megan Kirkbright and many of our Year 4/5 children and families who represented St Anthony's at the Edwardstown Dawn Service during the school term break.

Thank you to Matt Young and a selection of Ukulele Warriors who played at the Catholic Education Office last week to farewell the Director, Helen O'Brien

Thank you to the P&F for our new mud kitchen and to Kylie Travers for all the time, energy and effort she put into organizing it

Thank you to all the staff for your energy and enthusiasm, you're a great bunch to work with!

Thank you to all the children, staff and especially Mrs Mercer who participated in the Holy Week Liturgies and to all the families that were able to attend – beautiful gatherings that let us feel the darkness of Easter and celebrate its joy!

I wish you all the best over the coming weeks. I'm not really a footy fan but I hear the ribbing going on, so whoever your team is good luck!!

Keep smiling,

Tess



Religious Identity And Mission

Easter – Hope Lives!

Easter gives us hope in God's promise that for
every beginning there is an ending and
for every ending there is a new beginning.



We are now in the wonderful season of Easter...Easter is not just one day...for the Christian Church it lasts for 50 days...as Christians all over the world remember that Jesus is with us!

Christ is Risen – and his life, death and resurrection continues to bring a message of love and hope to millions of people around the world.

On Wednesday the students from 4/5 LK shared with us the Easter story.... reminding us of how Jesus friends met him in a new way after he had died. Somehow he was still with them....somehow he is still with us!

We were reminded that we now have a job to do...to continue to bring his message of 'Good News', of God's love, to the world!

All children were given a packet of sunflower seeds which we hope you have planted. Please send us a pic as soon as you have evidence of some new life!

The resurrection is a story about light coming from darkness and we shared the seeds to remind us that –***“you can go through a great deal of darkness and become something beautiful!”*** Many thanks to Lauren Bierer (Charlotte and Miriam's mum) for leading us with the music. We look forward to Lauren helping us with the singing at whole school Masses and other prayer times at St Anthony's.





Religious Identity And Mission

Family Prayer

Classes will be using the following prayer regularly during the Easter season (*which lasts until the Feast of Pentecost June 4th*). Your family might like to pray it together and remind each other regularly that if we call ourselves 'Christian', it means we have a responsibility to live as Jesus did, to stay connected to our God and to be people of love, compassion and peace in our everyday lives.

*Everyday God,
You show us
your love and mercy
through Jesus...who died and rose to new life.
Help us to live as Jesus asked us to...
Give us ears to hear,
the cries of those who are sad or lonely or hurt
Give us courage to be your hands
for those who need help.
Give us wisdom to speak out
for justice and truth.
Give us hearts that love
so that we can bring your love to the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus who shows us how to live.*

All: Amen



Mother's Day and Catholic Education Week Community Prayer

All are welcome to stay at school next Monday morning May 15th as we gather for a short Community Prayer time to celebrate our mums and to launch Catholic Education Week.

We will gather in the Resource Centre after the bell goes (approx. 8:50am).

Tea and coffee will be available if anyone feels like staying for a cuppa after the Community Prayer.

St Anthony's Soup Makers

Please support our Social Justice Leaders and our Term 2 Social Justice Project....see separate Soup-Making Notice in Newsletter.

What's a Chaplain??

"The role of Chaplain in South Australian Catholic Schools is a specific ministry of care through personal encounters with members of the school community, thereby being a witness to God's compassionate love". I have recently taken on the role of chaplain at St Anthony's. For the remainder of this year I will be at school every Thursday as well as my normal APRIM days (Mon, Wed, Fri). I will be providing support for families in a variety of ways – including offering the opportunities for a casual chat over coffee each Thursday morning, supporting children and families who are experiencing crisis, grief or difficulties, linking people with other professional services where necessary, offering opportunities for meditation and relaxation, and promoting spiritual, social, physical and emotional well-being. I would love to be able to get to know many of you a little better and my day on Thursday will give me the chance to meet and greet a bit more in the yard!!

Robyn Mercer
APRIM/Chaplain

St Anthony's Leaders

We congratulate our year 5's on the announcement of our leadership roles for the year. Students were invited to apply for a position and were asked to read their application to either their house group of the 4/5 community. Our leaders this year are;

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Samuel E
Cooper O'L
Gurman K
Esha M
Zak M
Kate G
Amarina D

ICT

Zoe C
Jordan V
Rylee K
Tom P
Luke P
Jackson L

SUSTAINABILITY

Nikoleta P
Isabella C
Milly T-S
Matthew F
Silas A

HOUSE CAPTAINS

St Anthony's (Red)-

Max T
Anabella C

St Teresa (Blue)-

Claudia H
Lucas M

St Mary's (Green)-

Jed D
Anjalie K

St Dominic's (Gold)-

Fletcher R
Georgia L

Regards,

Amberley, Sam and Megan

Whole School Excursion to "The Little Mermaid"

As a part of both our celebrations for Catholic Education Week and our Performing Arts curriculum the whole school will be attending the musical production presented by Cabra College on Friday 19th May of "The Little Mermaid".

Children are required to wear their sports uniforms and will need to bring a drink, packed food for the day in a small backpack that they can manage to carry by themselves.

Permission notes went home last week, we require all notices to be returned by **Monday 15th May.** Please note as this is a whole school excursion all St Anthony's staff will be attending, therefore the school will be closed during the times of the excursion.

Any further queries please contact the front office on 8115 7500



St Anthony's Soup-Makers!!!



We have been asked by the Moore St Day Centre to make soup for the homeless of Adelaide.

Last year our school provided nearly 20 litres a week in Term 2 and they are hoping we can do the same this year!

You can help by...

Bringing along some soup vegetables each week – please put them in the basket outside the canteen.

Most weeks we will cook Wednesdays at lunchtime so please feel free to come along and help!

***Thank you for your generous support!!
For more info contact our Social Justice Leaders
Samuel, Cooper, Elsha, Zak, Kate, Gurman, Ammy
or Mrs Mercer***

Our Social Justice Leaders will continue to sell items each Friday at recess time throughout Term 2.

Items will be once again only 50c each with proceeds going to help those in need through Project Compassion.



MUSIC TUITION

Our tutors currently have spaces available for Term 2 if your child is interested in learning an instrument please contact them direct.

Piano Samara (wrightwaymusic@hotmail.com)
 Katelyn (katiecea91@gmail.com)

Guitar / Ukulele Simon Henderson (Sh462@iinet.net.au)

OSHC



ST Anthony's OSHC
 Before school Care 7.15am—8.30am
 After school Care 3.15pm—6pm
 Bookings are essential



Vacation Care was a hit these holidays. Check out all the fun we had. During Term 2 we are having Fondue Fridays during after school care.

Book in at the front office
 to be apart of the fun.



P&F Happenings



Hello Parents and Friends,

Term 2 has begun with a bang! It is shaping up to being busy, busy, busy from a P&F perspective, but as we have many people involved and contributing to the different events etc that are happening, hopefully it will not be too heavy a load.

Mother's Day Stall was held today. We had a number of interesting and inexpensive gifts for the children to buy for their Mum's, Grannies, Aunties etc. The Stall is a lovely tradition that began a few years ago, and we really enjoy seeing the excitement in the children and the consideration they give to find the 'right' gift to buy. The Stall is not a fundraising opportunity, but simply an event for the children to practice being independent and taking control of purchasing their own special gift for their mum. Emily and I sorted through the gifts and a big thank you to the parents who helped out with the 'customer service' role on the stall.

At the P&F meeting this week, Kylie Travers was able to show us the Activity Trolleys that the P&F funded and she has put together. We all thought they looked FABULOUS and because of the wide variety of activities, we thought they would appeal to so many of our St Anthony's children.

Emily and I are setting up a stall at the Edwardstown Football Club Ladies Night to sell some of the 'Eb & Ive' winter stock. So if you are free and looking to head out and about on Saturday night of 20th May, come along to Eddie Oval to support our stall (and local businesses), and have a drink and a dance as a bonus! We are hoping to get a few sales so we can boost our fundraising budget. Entertainment Books are available (thank you to Jenny Larson for facilitating) – this is a good annual fundraiser for our school, so please consider purchasing one (there are bargains galore to be had!). However if you are not interested in having an Entertainment Book, so many other people are so maybe ask your friends/ family because if they are intending to buy one as they might as well buy it from us than from any other agency that sells them!

We are also selling People's Choice Raffle Tickets this term. Again this is a good fundraiser for our little school, and we appreciate families' selling the tickets. We were not allocated enough ticket books for every family to receive one to sell, but everyone can buy tickets online for St Anthony's! (As always, there is no pressure to sell tickets if you/ your family do not feel comfortable in this activity, but please return the book to school ASAP so that we can reallocate the book). Hope to see you at the Ladies Movie night on Sunday 28th May – tickets are available now.

Letitia, Emily, Jennie and Jenny
P&F Executive



St Anthony's P & F Movie Night

Sunday 28th May 2017

630pm

Wallis Cinema, Mitcham

Buy your tickets now at

www.trybooking.com/277956

\$25 includes the movie and a drink (bubbles or soft drink)

Eb and Ive stall

Bring your family and friends for a fun night!

FETE NEWS



The Fete Committee held their first meeting for Term 2 and we are excited to share the latest news with you.

Entertainment

We have secured our main entertainment attraction for this year's Fete - battery-operated bumper cars! The bumper cars are suitable for all ages (including toddlers). Check out Adelaide Amusements website for photos and more information. <http://www.adelaideamusements.com.au/>

There is also an amazing line-up of kids' activities that you can pre-purchase tickets for, including food and drink vouchers. Watch this space.

Fete fundraisers

Pizza Day was such a great success last term, so we will be arranging **TWO** Pizza Days this term.

The first one will be Wednesday 24 May (week 4) and a note will be sent home soon (if not already). Please have your order slips and money in by Tuesday 23 May to allow enough time for ordering.

We would love any parents from the 2/3 learning community to help out with organising, pizza ordering and distributing for this Fete fundraiser. The second pizza day will be in week 8.

Plant stall

If anyone has spare pots around the house, we'd love them for the Plant stall. Please leave them at the office for Letitia, the Plant stall convenor, to collect.

Next Fete meeting

We will be holding a General Fete meeting for anyone to attend on **Tuesday 27 June @ 7.30pm in the Resource Centre (week 8)**. If you are a stall convenor, we would encourage you to come along to hear what we have organised and to learn more about what you need to do for your stall.

This meeting is open to ANYONE and EVERYONE in the school community. Come along and hear all the exciting things that are planned. There is no pressure for you to get involved, but we would love to share our thoughts and ideas with you, so please join us.

Facebook page

Don't forget to head on over and **'Like'** the Fete Facebook page - **St Anthony's School Edwardstown Fete 2017** -and share it with all your Facebook friends.

Regards

The Fete Committee

PLANT STALL PLEASE HELP!!!

I would love some help propagating cuttings for the Fete Plant Stall, so this year's Plant Stall can be the best ever!!!!

I can provide pots and soil (if needed) – you just need to provide the labour, water and love!

Please call Letitia (India, Cormac & Jarvis' mum) on 0412 801 595 or catch up with me around school, or just get on and get planting and I will gratefully receive any plants in the week before Fete Day

Uniform Update

Due to chemical treatment for the effluent, JS XPRESS will remain closed until further notice.

Customers can place orders via emailing an order form mara@jssports.com.au and orders can be taken over to the Cabra front office.

Order forms are available via the school website or St Anthony's front office.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

Second Hand Uniform

The second hand uniform shop is situated opposite the lift and is opened on Friday mornings between 8:30 to 9:15. The uniform shop is operated as part of P&F fund raising activities and 20% from all goods sold goes directly to the P&F with the balance going to the owner of the item sold. If families choose to donate items to the uniform shop the items may be distributed to families in need, or will be sold and 100% of the sale being donated to the P&F.

If you are unable to visit the shop on Friday mornings, clothing for donation may be left at the front office. If you would like to purchase an item but are unable to attend on Friday morning, please contact me by email or through the front office and I will check if we have what you are looking on the next Friday that the shop is open. If so I will let you know and then leave it at the Front Office.

Please note the following in regards to providing uniform for sale:

1. All items must be clean, in good repair and part of the current school uniform.
2. Items are left at owner's risk.
3. All items left at the front office must detail your name and address and whether they are for sale or donation.

The person responsible for the Uniform Shop will:

1. Determine if items are in appropriate condition for sale and return items that are not saleable.
2. Determine the best sale price, taking into consideration, condition and pricing of like items in store.
3. Record details of items, price and date received.
4. Record details of sales, and request payment to be forwarded to original owner by the P&F Treasurer. Please note that this will occur only several times a year.
5. Undertake a stock-take of items either annually at which time, items in store for longer than two years will be returned to the owner or destroyed.

There are many families looking for good quality winter uniform at the moment, particularly in sizes 8 to 12 so if you have anything that no longer fits, please think about selling or donating it to the Second Hand Uniform Shop.

Mel Blondell

mel@redseedps.com.au



Online Lunches

**There will be no lunch orders next week (week 3)
due to our Whole School Excursion**

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.schoolonline.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.



ATTENTION FAMILIES SIBLING ENROLMENTS FOR 2018 & 2019

We are currently updating our records for 2018 / 2019 and want to be sure we have accounted for our families currently at the school. Please ensure you have completed an enrolment for any siblings due to start over the next two years. Enrolment forms maybe collected from the front office.



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Parish Weekday Masses

Tuesday– Friday 9:30 am

Wednesday— Adoration all day after weekday Mass then 6.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation available and concluding with Benediction 7.15—7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after Mass

Rosary Tuesday 8.50am

Anointing of the sick Mass

1st Friday of the Month

Fr Phillip Alstin	Parish Priest	8297 1699
Robyn Grave	Parish Secretary	8297 1699

St Anthony's Weekend Mass

Times:

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 9:30am

