Dear Parents and Carers,

**Fete Success**

What a wonderful autumn morning that greeted us on Saturday for our annual Fete! The early morning crew worked hard to set the scene and the event was set for a great day. Hundreds of people attended and enjoyed browsing through the stalls, having coffee or a Devonshire tea, eating lunch, trying their luck at pick-a-pot, in other games or on the chocolate wheel, finding a book to buy or a cake to take home! The children no doubt spent hours on the rides or looking for sweet treats like fairy floss, a chocolate bar or a tub of Goodberrys! Some children may have found a pre-loved toy while the adults may have found a bargain in the second hand goods! How beautiful was the children’s craft and the class artworks that were auctioned?

Whatever your interests I think the Fete provided opportunities for fun, interaction and building a sense of community.

All of this would not be possible without the vision and hard work of our new Fete committee for 2016. Together the committee, led by Louise Henderson, did an outstanding job in organising everything and bringing it together on the day. The Fete ran smoothly and volunteers all carried out their roles well. Thank you to the volunteers for stepping up in many ways no matter which role you took.

**Thank you to St Anthony’s staff** for their generous support and hard work. Staff worked on about 6 stalls and in various capacities throughout the day. This is great for continuing the partnership between home and school and networking with the wider community.

**Thank you to our generous sponsors** that donated prizes, signage, equipment and volunteers to help on stalls. We value your support and the partnerships in place. In return for their sponsorship I encourage members of our community to support them where possible.

**Thank you for supporting and attending our Fete!** The fundraising figure will be determined soon am I am confident another great result will be achieved. Funds raised will be very valuable in providing more resources and facilities for the students and the school.

**Thank you again to our hard working Fete Committee:**

Louise Henderson, Bronwyn Bergensen, Selina Walker, Ellen Turner, Penny Shaw, Jane Dzur and Stephanie Quantrill.
Carpenter Needed

The school needs the assistance and expertise of some parents or volunteers that can assist with some carpentry in two areas of the school.

1. New storage shelves are needed in our sensory garden shed to store resources.
2. New storage shelves are needed for the second hand clothing area (music room) to store uniform supplies.

Both of these areas are new or have been refurbished and we want them to be used well. If you would be able to provide assistance with this project the school is happy to provide the resources for each area. Some advice is needed on the best style of storage. Please contact the front office if you are able to help.

School Car Park

The gravel areas in the car park are causing some traffic and parking concerns. Cars are attempting to park in areas that may not be wide enough for their vehicles and the traffic access and flow is being affected. Last week a car was scratched significantly in the car park and no one has contacted the office. If you know anything about this, please have the courtesy to contact the office.

Star pickets and mesh will be erected as soon as possible to clearly mark the available spaces and boundaries for parking. The car park extension and upgrade is scheduled to continue in the July school holiday period.

Catholic School Enrolments Close Friday 20 May

Please ensure that you have lodged your enrolment application for:

- St Anthony's Early Learning Centre
- St Anthony's Primary Kindergarten to Year 6
- A Catholic Secondary College

Enrolment lodged by this Friday will be processed and considered but late enrolments may be placed on a waiting list (regardless of your category of entry).

We have so much to celebrate and to be thankful for.

God Bless,

Greg Walker
Principal
VATICAN CITY Pope Francis has called on Catholics around the world to use the ongoing Jubilee year of mercy to “open wide” the doors of their hearts to forgive others and to work against social exclusion, even of those that may have caused them bother or upset.

In his weekly audience in St. Peter’s Square Wednesday, the pontiff said that walking through any of the holy doors open in dioceses around the world for the Jubilee year should be a sign of “true conversion of our heart.”

“When we go through that door, it is good to remember that we must also open wide the doors of our heart,” said Francis, suggesting people can even stand before the holy door and ask: “Lord, help me to open the doors of my heart!”

“The holy year won’t be very effective if the doors of our heart do not let Christ enter, who pushes us to go towards others, to bring him and his love,” said the pope.

“Therefore, as the holy door remains open because it is the sign of the welcoming that God himself reserves for us, so also our doors -- those of the heart -- must always be open to not exclude anyone,” he said. “Not even those that bother me. No one!”

By Joshua J. McElwee NCR Vatican correspondent.

This Thursday we will be having a ‘Pyjama Day’ at school to raise awareness and donations for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal and Annual Sleep Out.

Every night many Canberrans sleep on the streets, in gutters and doorways bracing the cold weather. Some of these men, women and children do not have sleeping bags, blankets, socks or beanies to wear as these temperatures start to drop dramatically. Every night of the week the St Vincent de Paul Night Patrol Van full of volunteers goes out to the Canberra City and Dickson areas to feed and help clothe the vulnerable in our community. They can only do this with your support! They are in desperate need of warm jackets, blankets, woolly socks, sleeping bags, swags, slippers, new toiletries, jumpers, beanies, scarves and gloves.

This Thursday we are asking the students of St Anthony’s Primary School to come dressed in their pyjamas (with appropriate footwear) and bring one of these items that is no longer of use to your family as a donation.

The Mission Group will collect all the donations and ensure that the Night Patrol Van receives them.

**Community Prayer**
Please join us for Community Prayer this Thursday 19th May.

3 Lisbon will be leading Community Prayer in Block One
Kinder Lisbon will be leading Community Prayer in Block Two.

**Assembly**
This Friday 20th May at 2:15pm the Year 4 students will be presenting their assembly to the school. Everyone is welcome to attend 😊
Archdiocesan Assembly
We pray for all Priests in our Archdiocesan Community who are gathering together this week for their annual assembly.

Sacramental Preparation Confirmation
Thank you to the families who have been returning the Sacramental Preparation Notes. Please return the Confirmation Retreat Day note and Sponsor note as soon as possible.

Sacramental Preparation First Eucharist
Last week the students were given a First Eucharist Sacramental Enrolment Pack. If your child is making their First Eucharist and you haven’t received a pack please contact the school as soon as possible on 6231 4022.

“In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you.” (Matthew 7:12)

Orla Rutledge
Religious Education Coordinator

School Fees
Term 2 school fees are due on the 2nd of June. Payments may be made by cash, cheque, credit card, BPAY, EFTPOS or Direct Debit. There is a formal process to apply for fee concessions if you are experiencing financial difficulties. Please contact me for more details. Parents who do not wish to pay the building fund due to financial difficulties need put this in writing addressed to Mr Greg Walker, this is a yearly requirement. Thank You. Judy Mead

Volunteers Required
Anyone willing to help with covering books we would love to hear from you. Please contact Angas Quantrill. Angas.Quantrill@cg.catholic.edu.au

Student of the Week
Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded this week’s Student of the Week:


Certificates will be presented during Friday morning Assembly.

ST ANTHONYS NETBALL
Year 2 Cyclones - (Many thanks to Luke Hazell, Mel Scott-Cameron and Taryn Virtue for coaching and umpiring this week). Wow. What a great bunch of netball stars in this team. Stepping in as coach for a week was very exciting and enjoyable. All the girls played with excellent sportsmanship, enthusiasm and really applied themselves to improving their game. I was most impressed with the way the girls play together and most importantly play as a team. The awards were given to Mia for excellent shadowing and finding space which makes it easier on her team mates to pass the ball. We only had six players so the second award was given to Emily who came across from our Hurricane mates to help out and also for her excellent passing and catching. Was a great game by all and thanks girls for making my netball coaching experience such a fun memory.

Enrolment Period Closes this Friday.
It is extremely important to get enrolment forms in by this date, even siblings.

Administration Fees
An administration fee of $5 will be charged if copies of documentation such as birth and baptismal certificates are requested from the Front Office to complete enrolment applications for current students applying for High School or other schools. This fee is charged to cover the copying and time required.

Happy Birthday to:


Have a wonderful day!
**Year 2 Hurricanes** – The Hurricanes were a forced to be reckoned with on the weekend and dominated the play from the 1st quarter. It was great to see the extra work at training on developing stronger passes being put into play by the girls and it really showed with some great passing momentum down the court. Goals were shared amongst several players this week Ashlee was all style in the circle netting 2 swish goals and both Abby and Isabel scoring their first points for the season.

Coach’s award this week went to Georgia for fantastic passing and putting into play what she had learnt at training, great overhead passes Georgia! And Abby for her consistent performance in both defence and attack, keep up the good work girls.

GO HURRICANES!!!!!!!!

**Year 3 Firebirds** – A very foggy morning saw the girls off to an icy start playing against a strong team with some very tall players. Although the other team where quick to get the ball in the first half, we were impressed with some fantastic intercepting and grabbing of the ball. After half time, the girls demonstrated a big improvement in moving the ball up the court and working as a team. Unfortunately, the other team kept their position in front, but the Firebirds worked hard keeping the ball away from their shooter. The player of the match was Aiaysha who defended brilliantly throughout the entire game.

**Year 4 Thunder** - Slow start from the Thunder team, but after they warmed up and woke up the next 3 quarters had the Thunder team on fire. Great team work moving the ball down the court to feed our shooters. Jasmin couldn’t miss a shot, making shooting from long range look easy. All 4 shooters contributed again to the score board and our defence outstanding keeping the opposition to a score of only 3. Again thanks to our year 3 support crew would be lost without you. Go Thunder.

**Year 4 Lightning** - (Many thanks to Cameron Begley for coaching this week). On a perfect autumn morning, Lightning struck again! After a very strong first quarter with excellent ball movement and defence, momentum shifted. Mars Bars attacked with a reinvigorated line up and made steady in roads into our meagre lead. Half time came and the introduction of fresh talent from our bench (of one) stabilized the situation as we moved more leg speed into the court. However, the final quarter saw the opposition draw level. Over the closing minutes, the ball moved from end to end with neither side scoring, but our opposition looking the more likely. However, in a final surge forward, the ball found its way to our goal shooter who, with the final act of the game rattled the ball into the ring to snatch a victory from the jaws of a draw! A special thanks to Ashleigh who played up an age group and to the team and parents for supporting their rookie coach. Coach’s award to Marli for a very strong third quarter playing on a much taller opponent.

**Year 6 Freckles** - The SA Fantales played a great game on Saturday. The team enjoyed having Leila back on court after injury, and fought hard against a strong team. An amazing defence in the Centre court and circle by Halle R, Rachel C & Kaiesha N helped lead the girls to 31 to 17 victory. Well done girls.

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**St Anthony’s Canteen**
Open Tuesday – Friday
6231 4022 - Manager: Mrs Maree Alchin

**Roster of our Volunteer Helpers**

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**Pizza Tuck Day**

**25TH May – Pizza Tuck Day**
(Orders via flexischools close MONDAY 23rd May)

Flexischools online ordering: flexischools.com.au

 Thank you!
Well, what a day. Hopefully you will all agree that it was a fantastic day and everyone had fun. There was a wonderful, relaxed community atmosphere with lots of smiles to be seen and laughter to be heard. Yet again, the weather was perfect.

THE RAFFLE:

Congratulations to Fabiola Scozzafava who won first prize, C Heggarty who won second prize, and Steve Mohr who won third.

THANK YOU

There is never just one person behind any event and this fete was certainly no exception.

The raffle is a thankless task but Bronwyn Bergersen and Penny Shaw were the willing and able people who pulled it all together. Organising the tickets, counting money, selling tickets, updating spreadsheets, the list continues. Thanks Ladies! Thank you also to the Volunteers who helped sell tickets on fete day. You ladies did a great job!

To the St Anthony’s staff - for going above and beyond your job description – not only for the fete but every day! We are very lucky to have such generous and supportive people leading our children and involved in the community - THANK YOU!

Judy and Sarah – THANK YOU! We asked alot from you over the past few months and you were always willing to help us (and with a smile). It certainly made our job easier to know that you were always there. So THANK YOU!

Stall holders – putting your hand up to run a stall is a big commitment. You will agree that our stalls were absolutely amazing and that is thanks to the hours of dedication and hard work from those who coordinate them. Thank you for the time and effort you put in making these stalls come together and be so successful on the day. We have received lots of positive comments from the community about how well run (and professional) each stall was. Thank you for making the 2016 Fete such a great success!

Volunteers – Whether you helped set up on Friday, collected (and returned) marquees and tables, came nice and early to set-up, baked for the stalls, gave your time to assist, sold your raffle tickets, packed up the mess at the end, or participated in any of other way, it is because of you, our wonderful helpers, that the day was such a success. Your effort was hugely appreciated, more than you could know! THANK YOU!

And lastly but definitely not least – the committee that helped me organise the day – Ellen, Selina, Bronwyn, Penny, Steph, Jane and Taryn. You guys are legends and without you there wouldn’t have been a fete. Thank you, Thank you, THANK YOU!!!!!

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Without the generous donations and support from the following businesses the ability to produce such a fantastic fete result is not possible. Please support our sponsors with your patronage at every opportunity.
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A comprehensive survey giving Canberrans the opportunity to have their say on future transport planning across our city is now open. The survey offers people a chance to share their insights on what is working well, what could work better and where changes could be made to encourage more people to use public transport. Your feedback will help the ACT Government understand how and why Canberrans use different modes of transport including walking, cycling, buses and cars. We want your feedback so we can create a system that works for everyone in our city, no matter where you live.
Take the survey: haveyoursay.transportcanberra.act.gov.au

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