Dear Parents and Carers

Wakakirri Final
Congratulations to our Year 6 students and staff involved in Wakakirri this year. Last Wednesday evening Year 6 performed their item at the Canberra Theatre. Their item was titled “Wizard of Aus” and as it sounds it is a local take on one of the most famous stories of all time! This is how they described their story and dance performance. “Dorothy is not in Kansas anymore. She has landed in a beautiful country with vast landscapes and interesting characters. How will she get back to Kansas City and who will help her find her way home?”

Year 6 presented their item beautifully! The audience loved the story and the Australian characters and humour. The story was portrayed clearly and the judge on the evening commended them for a showing exactly how to tell a story through dance.

This week we received notification that their performance has made it into the A.C.T. Wakakirri Finals – the awards night to be held on Thursday 22 September at Canberra Theatre. This is an outstanding achievement for Year 6 students and staff! Congratulations!!

Year 6 also won two other awards on the night:

Best Public Speaking Award on the evening

Best Creative Use of Reusable Materials Award on the evening

The experience to perform for a second time in the final at the Canberra Theatre is something that the students will always remember and cherish. The performing arts is a terrific way for students to express themselves and for them to grow in self-confidence. What a memory of your final year at primary school!

St Anthony’s Ex-Student Competing at Olympics in Rio!
As you cheer on the Aussies or your favourite country at the Olympics – don’t forget to cheer on Australian athlete Melissa Breen when she competes in the women’s 100m event. Melissa is an ex-student of St Anthony’s and we are very proud of her talent and achievements and hope she performs well in Rio! She is a great inspiration to our students when they think that Melissa ran some of her earliest races her at school! Go Melissa!

2016 Annual Parent Survey
Recently you should have received an email inviting you to complete the 2016 annual school survey. Thank you to the many parents and carers who have already been able to complete the survey. In previous years the school has used the survey monkey platform but this year a different company has been employed by Catholic Education to administer the survey in all of our Catholic schools. As in previous years your feedback is always important to help us evaluate all aspects of school life and to continue to improve St Anthony’s. Please remember that positive and affirming feedback is important for staff to hear and well as feedback about ways we can improve. Please remember that written comments in the survey are always very beneficial in interpreting how you have come to your numerical rating. If at any time you feel that there is an issue at school that needs to be addressed, you are best served by promptly making an appointment to see your child’s class teacher or myself.

The 2016 ANNUAL PARENT SURVEY CLOSES THIS FRIDAY 12 AUGUST.
**Students Leaving St Anthony’s**

It is the time of the year when there are families enrolling children at St Anthony’s for 2017 and also families accepting places for their children in other schools, including Marist College and St Edmund’s College. I understand these colleges have offered their places for 2017 so I would appreciate it if you could inform the school if you have accepted a place so that we can plan our numbers for 2017. An email to the front office or myself is acceptable.

**Representative Netball Success**

On the weekend St Anthony’s had 6 girls representing Tuggeranong Netball Association in the A.C.T. Region Championships. These students were Lana Khaffaf, Leila Spackman, Kaycie Arena, Angela Lyons, Georgina Webster and Jenna Hemstead. Congratulations to the Tuggeranong Team as they played outstanding netball and won the Championship! An amazing effort from all players and we are proud of the way you also represented the St Anthony’s Netball Club and the school!

God Bless

Greg Walker
Principal

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**The Sacrament of First Eucharist**

The Sacrament of First Eucharist is the reception of Christ’s Body and Blood. This sacrament is the source of great graces that sanctify us and help us grow in the likeness of Jesus Christ. Catholics believe the Eucharist, or Communion, is both a sacrifice and a meal. We believe in the real presence of Jesus, who died for our sins. As we receive Christ’s Body and Blood, we also are nourished spiritually and brought closer to God.

The Sacrament of Eucharist brings to completion the Christian process of initiation. In this sacrament we remember what Jesus did for us in his life, death and resurrection. We remember particularly the Last Supper, that final meal Jesus shared with his disciples. At that meal Jesus gave us the Eucharist so that we could remember him in a special way. When we receive Eucharist, we believe that we receive the person of Jesus into our very beings. We become one with him, and we become one with each other. As a community we become ‘the body of Christ’.

The Sunday Eucharist (Sunday Mass) is the highpoint of our worship as a parish. Communion is taken to the sick and housebound after each Sunday Mass by Ministers of Communion.

Next Saturday evening Year 4 and Year 5 students will make the Sacrament of First Eucharist at the St Anthony of Padua Church, Wanniassa.

We pray for all of these students, their families and the St Anthony’s Primary School staff as they embark on the next level of their faith journey.

Please ensure all Retreat Day Permission notes are returned no later than Wednesday 17th August 😊
Mary Mackillop Community Prayer

Please join us at our St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Community Prayer Led by Year 5 on 11th August straight after the bell.

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Friday 2nd September we are hosting a Fathers’ Day Breakfast to honour all the special men in our lives, our fathers and those amazing men and women who care for us the way fathers do.

Breakfast will be available from 7:30am – 9:00am. Please fill in the attached RSVP and send it back to school no later than Friday 26th August. A eform RSVP is also available on the skoolbag app. **If you know that you are unable to attend breakfast but your child would like to join us for breakfast please RSVP for them so we can ensure we have enough food for everyone 😊**

Please join us in the hall from 9:15am for a Fathers’ Day Liturgy led by Year 1 students

Full Name of Eldest Child: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

How many people are attending breakfast (including children)_____

Orla Rutledge
Religious Education Coordinator.

"Patience and God will reward you all the more in the end."  
Mary Mackillop 4.8.1874
School Fees

Term 3 School Fee Accounts have been sent out and are due on the 25th of August. If you require a copy of the last financial years building fund statement they can be collected from the front office. 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

Happy Birthday to:


Have a wonderful day!

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who are this week’s student of the week:


Certificates will be presented at Friday morning assembly.

Volunteer Needed

St Anthony’s will be once again entering a team into the Tournament of Minds competition at the Australian National University. This competition is held annually and this year our team will compete on Sunday 4th September. This year the organisers are seeking a volunteer from each school to help with the running of the day. Please be aware that Sunday 4th is Father’s Day, however if you have some time to help on the day please email Vanessa Phipps at vanessa.phipps@cg.catholic.edu.au. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

ST ANTHONY’S CATERING FUNDRAISER FOR THE 2017 FETE

St Anthony’s has been fortunate enough to be able to deliver the catering (BBQ & Canteen) for the Tuggeranong Regional Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 16/08/2016 from 8-3pm. The funds raised will go towards our 2017 fete, BUT WE NEED HELPERS URGENTLY!! If you are able to help out at all, or will be at the athletics carnival and can lend a hand, please email Selina - fete2017@outlook.com :-) All help is appreciated!

Survey – My School

Satisfaction surveys of parents, students and staff will be conducted on behalf of all Catholic schools in the Diocese this term. The surveys are designed to gather feedback from parents, staff and students about their school and will be used to inform school for improvement. Responses are confidential and individuals can not be identified.

The surveys close on August 12, 2016. If you do not receive an email with the link to the survey on August 1, you can access and complete the survey at the following link: https://www.research.net/r/stanthonyParent2016

Students not returning to St Anthony’s in 2017

If your child/ren will NOT be returning to St Anthony’s, please let the school know as soon as possible, this includes students who have enrolled at Marist or St Edmund’s College. Below is a tear off slip which can be completed and returned to school or there is a e-form on the skoolbag app.

Emailing School Fee Statements

Please email to Mrs Judy Mead your preferred email address to receive your School Fee Statements. Judy.Mead@cg.catholic.edu.au or by using the schools app where you will find a eform. Thank you to all the families who have already sent their emails through. Thank you.
**St Anthony’s Netball**

**Year 2 Cyclones** – We played some of our best netball so far this week, it was beautiful to watch. Our long passing was awesome, and there was excellent teamwork in every shooting and defensive combination. Coach’s awards to Macey and Charlie. Macey was rock solid in defence and provided a reliable option in attack throughout the game. Charlie worked hard all game in defence, taking lots of intercepts and shadowing closely. Both girls' shooting was awesome. Go Cyclones!

**Year 2 Hurricanes 30th July** - After a 3 week break we were busting to get back on the court and play some Netball. The Hurricanes had a great game in both attack and defence. Some quick passing and good leading ensured the ball went up and down the court with ease leaving our shooters with lots of opportunities at goal. Ashley once again showed off her natural shooting ability netting several swish goals. Hurricane of the week was Shanyka for her consistent effort and strong performances every week. Coaches award went to Emily for a great effort in defence and Ava for an outstanding debut performance after breaking her arm earlier in the year. Well done girls. GO Hurricanes!!

**Year 2 Hurricanes – 6th August.** - This week’s game against Trinity demonstrated how far the girls skills in both teams have developed throughout the season. There were lots of goals for both sides some very exciting intercepts and some great passages of passing from the Hurricanes. Hurricanes of the week went to Ashlee for her efforts at both training and on game day. And Coaches award to Abby for her consistent effort at both training and weekend games. Keep up the great work Hurricanes! GO Hurricanes!

**Year 3 Firebirds** - The Year 3 Firebirds continue to develop their skills as a team as the season progresses and their knowledge and confidence is really growing. This was demonstrated by the way they moved the ball down the court on Saturday, through both passing short and long by Mia and Ava. Backed up with some tenacious competition for the ball, and constantly pressuring, and getting some important intercepts by Sasha and Aiaysha, the team did extremely well on another cold morning. Go Firebirds!

**Year 4 Lightning** - We played a good game against Holy Family this week. There were some great plays in attack and defence, as well as a few flat patches where we got a bit scrambly! Coach’s award to Mia who had an outstanding game at C, providing endless drive in attack and pressure on the ball in defence. Thanks to Penny who filled in for us and put on great pressure in defence. We have a couple of weeks off with a bye and ACT junior championships, followed by a few games remaining. Go Lightning!

**Year 4 Thunder** - Thunder girls have a slow start policy which can kill a coach... But they always fire by second quarter as they did again this weekend. Again a full court performance from all the girls with some great intercepting by Jasmin through the middle. Abi again on fire in the shooting circle. Defence is what helps win us games up and down the court. Really proud of the team for the effort they are putting in and seeing the girls put what we do at training into their game is always rewarding. Go Thunder!

**Anthony’s Netball – ACT Junior Championships**

Six St Anthony’s students represented Tuggeranong Netball Association at the u11 & u12 ACT Junior Championships over the weekend. The Championships is the culmination of many months of hard work with trials, training and lead up carnivals which started in October last year. In a massive achievement all six students won ACT Championships in their respective teams. Congratulations to Yr 6 students Kaycie A, Leila S and Angela L playing in TNA under 12 Div 1 for winning a hard fought and nail bitting Grand Final! Congratulations to Yr 5 students Georgina W in u11 Div 1 and Jenna H and Lana K in u11 Div 2, both u11 teams winning their Grand Finals and finishing the weekend undefeated! Well done Champs!
**ACTION – Changes to Bus Services**

On Monday 29 August 2016, ACTION will be implementing a new timetable for the weekday bus network. This includes some timing changes to the ACTION schools network.

There have been changes to your dedicated school service/s. We encourage you to view this information now on the Transport Canberra Website.

We further advise that parents and students are able to use our NXTBUS system to view live bus information for selected stops or stations.

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**St Anthony’s Canteen**

Open Tuesday – Friday

621 4022 - Manager: Mrs Maree Alchin

**Roster of our Volunteer Helpers**

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**HELP NEEDED WEEK FIVE**

| Tuesday 16 August | Megan Doherty 9am-12pm |
| Wednesday 17 August | Sue Duckett 9am-12pm |

**HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR FRIDAY’S Tuckday BBQ – 24th August**

Orders due via flexischools by 22nd August 5pm

Helpers needed for Tuckday

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**Woden Valley Youth Choir**

**DO YOUR CHILDREN LOVE TO SING!! COME JOIN THE WODEN VALLEY YOUTH CHOIR!** Auditions will to be held on Saturday, 20 August.

If you are interested in joining this wonderful community, please contact:

Rachael Saint: 0417-835-130 or email ru SSRACH@LIVE.COM.AU for more information.
WALKATHON 2016! (UPDATE 1)

Last Friday we had an extremely exciting launch to our annual Walkathon, one of the biggest fundraising events for the school. The Walkathon theme this year is the Olympics, and we were lucky to be joined by some very talented and elite members of the Australian Olympic team.

In attendance were Cate and Bronte Campbell (swimming), Lucinda Phipps (equestrian), the captains of the Matildas, Olyroos, Hockeyroos and golf team, Joe Ingles (basketball), and who could forget Shelley Watts (boxing). We were treated to an amazing performance by the Australian gymnastics team, coached by Svetlana Mara. The Olympic and Paralympic mascots, Tom and Vinicius, also made a special guest appearance.

Amid the excitement we revealed this year’s prizes, which include a Wii U console and games, Samsung Galaxy tablet, Vtech sports camera, portable DVD player, Razor scooter, a TV and so much more!

Sponsorship cards and information were sent home on Monday. The weekly prize draws start this week. **Children need to return their sponsorship cards each Thursday** to be in the running to win a prize at Friday assemblies in the lead up to the Walkathon (16 September). Children receive a ticket in the weekly draw for every $10 they raise.

**This week and next week are AUSSIE GOLD RUSH prize draws.** This means that the number of prizes we give away will be the number of Olympic gold medals Australia has won during that week. We could be giving away a LOT of prizes this week! But only if you raise at least $10 to receive a ticket in the draw.

We will need at least 20 volunteers on the day of the Walkathon, so if you can help, please fill out the green note attached to the children’s sponsorship cards and information and return to school.

For more information please contact Lou Patton via southautos@yahoo.com.au or 0438 319 428.

Some of the Olympians in attendance

Cate & Bronte Campbell – who went on to win gold

Shelley Watts sparring with Griffen

Our Brazilian mascots Tom and Vinicius (aka Tyson & Gabbi)
BBQ Tuck Day

WEDNESDAY 24 August

If your child would like to enjoy a BBQ lunch please order at www.flexischools.com.au by 5pm Monday 22 August. **No other lunch orders are available on tuck day.** If you are unsure how to order please contact the canteen or look at the newsletter. If you are sending in cash with a paper order they will not be accepted after Friday 6 November.

The cost is listed below.

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Special days like these are not possible without the fantastic support of families. If you can help, please return this slip to the canteen. Help will be needed from 10.30 – 2.00.

Your Name: ___________________________ Phone Number: ________________

Your Email Address: __________________________________________________________

*With thanks Maree Alchin (Canteen Manager) 6231 4022*
TRIVIA FOR TAYAH

WHEN  
Friday 16 September 2016

WHERE  
Lanyon Vikings Heidelberg St CONDER

TIME  
6.30pm for 7.30pm start

COST  
$300.00 table of 10 or $30.00 p/p (includes bar snacks)

TICKETS  
email tayahtrivia@gmail.com to purchase

There will be shaving of heads, prizes to be won, so bring your friends for a night of fun

An amazing auction will also take place, so please be sure to watch this space

Tayah Sidney had just turned 12 when she was suddenly diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia on the June long weekend. Acute Myeloid Leukaemia is a very rare form of Leukaemia for someone so young.

Tayah and Jason are now entering their third month in Randwick Children’s Hospital and Tayah’s third round of chemotherapy. No time frame can be given for when Tayah’s treatment will end, or for when Tayah and Jason may be able to return to Canberra.

We all need a laugh and a fun night to make sure Tayah and Jason are alright.

JUST KEEP SWIMMING
STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO ST ANTHONY’S IN 2017
(EXCLUDING CURRENT YEAR 6 STUDENTS)

- My child/children have an enrolment application pending at another school.
- My child/children will not be returning to St Anthony’s in 2017.

Child’s Name:___________________________________________  Class: ____________________

Destination School: ____________________________________________________________

Parents Signature: ____________________________________________________________