Dear Parents and Carers,

**2017 Catholic Schools Enrolment Period - Open Now!**

Enrolments are welcome for all Catholic Early Learning Centres, Primary Schools and Secondary Colleges between:

**MONDAY 2\(^{ND}\) MAY – FRIDAY 20\(^{TH}\) MAY 2016**

ENROLMENT PACKS are now available from the front office for St Anthony’s ELC and the Primary School.

**St Anthony’s Early Learning Centre Open Night Success**

The first St Anthony’s ELC information Night was held last Wednesday evening and it was a huge success with approximately 90 people in attendance. Mrs Moira Najdecki and other Catholic Education staff presented information about the new ELC currently under construction at St Anthony’s. They also told the story of the rich history of Catholic Education in the archdiocese and how the venture into Early Learning Centres and preschool education has been very successful.

Parents and carers interested in more information about enrolling their child in the St Anthony’s ELC or in Kindergarten to Year 6 are invited to attend one of the open school times below or contact the office for more information.

**Wednesday 4 May**

Open Morning 9.30am – 11.00am

**Wednesday 11 May**

Open Evening 5.30-6.00pm

Parent Information Session 6.00pm

**Thursday 12 May**

Open Morning 9.30am – 11.00am

**Tuesday 17 May**

Open Morning 9.30am -11.00am

**Cross Country Thanks**

Congratulations to all of the students that competed at the school cross country carnival last Thursday. Everyone tried their best and challenged themselves to complete the course. Thank you to volunteers that assisted on the day to ensure the course was safe and that all of the results could be recorded. Thank you to Mr Greg Rick for coordinating another successful carnival and providing the opportunity for our students to compete. Well done!
Car Park Situation and Options
I apologise for any inconvenience currently being experienced with the car park upgrade. As you would be aware the car park upgrade consists of work in the main car park and the new western car park extension. Work on the main car park has ceased for the moment as school has resumed but work towards the end of the car park has continued. This area has been excavated to allow for bitumen to be laid in the not too distant future – but after Mother’s Day and the School Fete.

Please be assured that the end of the car park or western area will be open shortly for our Mother’s Day Breakfast this Friday and the School Fete in Week 3 to allow overflow parking on the dirt area behind the school oval and even further around.

In the holidays TAMS have blocked unauthorised access to St Anthony’s and the local playing fields off Athlon Drive by installing more boulders and bollards. I believe this is in response to concerns raised by members of the community about cars and 4WD crossing the local bike path and also being in close vicinity to pedestrians and cyclists. I understand these concerns and will continue to consider any safe options in this under-utilised area of the school into the future.

- The school would like to further promote the use of the OVAL CROSSING procedure and the OVAL CAR PARK at Wanniassa Playing Fields as an option to alleviate pressure on our school car park while work continues. Oval pick up operates from 3:10pm – 3:20pm.
- The OVAL CAR park will experience more use so I ask that this term parents and carers pick up their children promptly to allow for a second wave of pick up in this area if required.
- If you are using the main school car park, please be patient and take care not to block the flow of the main school car park as it stands now.
- There is the option of drive-through from 3.20pm – 3.45pm in front of the school and in the mornings from 8.30am – 9.00am. Please ensure you do not park in the driveway and block access to any incoming BUSES!

I am expecting that work will continue on the western end of the car park after the fete but any major work to the main car park is likely to be delayed until the next school holidays. I will keep you posted of any updates.

Thank you for your support in managing this situation during the construction of the new ELC.

Mother’s Day Breakfast and Liturgy
On behalf of the school community I wish a HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY to all of our mothers, grandmothers, carers and parents with this responsibility in families. May this day be an occasion to be truly appreciated and loved. The school would like to invite you to the Mother’s Day Breakfast on Friday morning 7.30am – 9.00am) and our special liturgy at 9.15am in the hall. There have been strong numbers for the RSVP which is wonderful.

FETE UPDATE
Only 11 Sleeps to go!

Uniform Free Day Tomorrow- Wednesday 4 May. Please bring a pick-a-pot filled with goodies children would love or items that we can place into pots if you don’t have the pots! You could also bring in a Tombola prize – also suitable for a child to win.

IMPORTANT
Please donate an item according to the following year level requests and remember they must have an expiry date to at least 30 June 2016.

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Fete Raffle Tickets
Please remember to try to sell your raffle tickets and return them to school as soon as possible. The sale of raffle tickets provides a huge boost the fete fundraising!

Volunteers - Thank you so much to all who have put their hand up to help – If you do have the capacity and want to lend a hand, please send an email to 2016fete@gmail.com

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WWVP Cards and Spot Checks Occurring
Parents and caterers are reminded that you need to ensure you have a current ACT working with vulnerable people card to work with children at the school and to help at school events. As WWVP cards have a three-year currency, some people’s cards will expire this year. Please check your card expiry date and ensure you have presented your card to the front office to be photocopied and kept on file.

Peter Sullivan and Kaye Lowe
St Anthony’s is investing in quality teaching and parent education and the upcoming educational workshops are an example of this.

UNDERSTANDING STUDENT LEARNING IN NUMERACY – TUESDAY 3 MAY 6.00-7.30pm
Facilitated by Peter Sullivan. Peter Sullivan is currently Professor of Science, Mathematics and Technology Education, Monash University. He has extensive experience in research and teaching in teacher education. He was a member of the Social, Behavioural and Economic Sciences panel of the Australian Research Council College of Experts from 2005 to 2008, and was an editor of the Journal of Mathematics Teacher Education for 8 years. He is the immediate past President of the Australian Association of Mathematics Teachers and was the lead writer of the Australian Curriculum: Mathematics.

UNDERSTANDING STUDENT LEARNING IN LITERACY – TUESDAY 10 MAY 6.00-7.30pm
Facilitated by Adjunct Associate Professor Kaye Lowe at the University of Canberra. Kaye is acclaimed worldwide for her efforts in improving students’ reading and writing. Since completing a PhD at Indiana University, she has been an academic at the University of Kentucky, James Madison University (Virginia), University of Western Sydney and Charles Darwin University. She was the Chief Investigator and Evaluator of Reading First in Kentucky, Director of the Kentucky Adult Educators Literacy Institute and Director for nine years of U-Can Read (ACT). She has worked in many learning contexts including P-12, parent education, adult education, jails and juvenile justice. She has written four books about reading and writing and numerous articles on how parents and carers can support children to read. Her latest book, For the love of reading (PETAA) was released in March 2016.

Wishing you a wonderful Week 2.
God Bless

Greg Walker
Principal
To our Angels- our Mum’s and those women who love, support and care for us in the same way Mum’s do- here is a special prayer for you.

A baby asked God, “They tell me you are going to sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?” God said, “Your Angel will be waiting for you and will be take care of you”. The baby asked, “Who will protect me?” God said, “Your Angel will defend you even if it means risking her life”. The baby said, “God, please tell me my angel’s name”. God said, “You simply call her Mum”.

Mother’s Day Prayer Celebration
Please join us on Friday 6th May for a Mother’s Day Breakfast from 7:30am – 9:00am. Please don’t forget to RSVP by close of business today for catering purposes.

Full Name of Eldest Child: __________________________ Phone Number:________________________

How many people are attending breakfast (including children)_____________________________________

Please join us for a special Mother’s Day Prayer Celebration following breakfast in the Hall at 9:15am. The liturgy will be led by Year 2 students and everyone is most welcome.

Year 6 Confirmation
The Year 6 Confirmation Candidates should have received an Information Pack last week. This Thursday 5th May there will be an Information Session in Block 1 for any parents/carers that would like to attend. This session is NOT compulsory and will be a time for any questions and to go over the information within the pack.

Orla Rutledge
Acting Religious Education Coordinator.
School Fees
Term 2 school fees will be prepared and sent home in your child’s school bag next week. 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

All Catholic Schools and Early Learning Centres are enrolling now for 2017. We are having open mornings and an open evening please see below:

St Anthony’s Open Times
Wednesday 4th May – 9:30-11am
Wednesday 11th May – 5:30-6pm
Thursday 12th May – 9:30-11am
Thursday 17th May – 9:30-11am

Parent Information Session
Wednesday 11th May – 6pm

If you know any families who are interested in enrolling at our wonderful school, please let them know about these dates.

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. This fee is charged to cover the copying and time required.

Happy Birthday to:

Have a wonderful day!

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.

Book Club
Book Club orders close this Friday the 6th of May. All orders are to be placed online.

ST ANTHONYS NETBALL

Year 2 Cyclones (9 April) - Wow, what a difference a week makes! Our work at training clicked and suddenly the girls played great netball in only their second game. Fantastic movement and improved passing led to many goals, and our defence was excellent. Coach's award to Charliese for always remembering to shadow her player when in defence. This is a skill we had only learnt two days beforehand, so it was very impressive to see. Go Cyclones!

Year 2 Cyclones (30 April) - We might have been a bit rusty after the holiday break, but we put together some good plays in attack to score goals. St Clares had some great, experienced players who made us work hard in defence. Coach's award to two outstanding defensive efforts from Macey and Charlie. They shadowed their players and pulled off countless intercepts in the last line of defence. Lots to work on in training, the girls are learning so well. Go Cyclones!

Year 2 Hurricanes - The girls took to the court for their 2nd game of the season against TCS Fireflies with great enthusiasm and excitement. They demonstrated lots of the skills we focused on at training which converted to some great defence in the circle and getting in front of their players in attack saw the Hurricanes score 4 goals for the game. Coaches' award went to Zahra & Ashlee for their outstanding efforts in defence. Great game from everyone, way to go girls! GO HURRICANES.

First game back after the school holidays saw the girl come up against some tough opposition from Holy Family. The Hurricanes worked really well together as a team in both attack and defence showing some exciting play at both ends of the court. Our passing down the court and finding free space is improving every week. We had lots of attempts at goal which was great to see with Anneliesse scoring a swish goal for our score this week. Coaches' award went to Shanyka for an allround outstanding performance and Grace for her great effort at training on Thursday and demonstrating some of her learnt skills on court. Super effort girls, GO HURRICANES.
**Year 4 Lightning (9 April)** - Amazing game against the Rebels, with lots of great defence and attack from both teams. We were missing two players, so Megan and Ava stepped in wonderfully for us from year 3. We got out to a lead but were out on our feet in the last quarter and couldn't quite hang on, the game ended in a nail biting draw. Coach's award to Mia who controlled the midcourt and was absolutely everywhere. Go Lightning!

**Year 4 Lightning (30 April)** - Well played this week against St Francis, with good passages of attack finished off by great shooting. We welcomed Gabbi back from Brazil and it was like she'd never left, she earned the coach's award through her trademark awesome defence. Our year 3 Arabella did a great job, picking up a string of intercepts. We tried a few new combinations in the second half and will keep working on our footwork, which is a challenge for everyone. Go Lightning!

**Year 6 Freckles** - The Freckles had a tough game against ladder leaders Rosie Rebels on the weekend. After giving up an early lead to the opposition in the first quarter, the girls fought back hard with some fantastic play in the last three quarters. Some great defence from Brooklyn and Georgina and some speedy centre play from Sera saw the team grow in confidence as they developed some nice combinations and awesome teamwork. Go Freckles!

Bunnings BBQ
A big thank you to all the parents who gave their time to help out at St Anthony’s Bunnings Community BBQ on Sunday 1 May. A fun day was had by all.

Canberra turned on a fine day so demand was solid with around 700 sausages sold. Sales might have tapered much earlier in the afternoon if not for the (unlikely) marketing genius who suggested that we keep a small batch of onions sizzling all afternoon and douse them with water at regular intervals to ensure appetising smells kept wafting onto potential customers.

Thank you also to **Bunnings Tuggeranong** for giving us a start and to our friends at **Erindale Meats** who supplied the sausages and **Bakers Delight Tuggeranong** who donated the bread. Please support these businesses that support your school.

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**St Clare’s College – Enrolment Information**

St Clare’s College will be holding a Try a Day @ St Clare’s on Friday 29th April giving girls an opportunity to experience opportunities available at St Clare’s College. Register on the school’s website for your daughter to attend - https://stcc.act.edu.au/.

**Open Evening**: Tuesday 3rd May
Tours between 4pm-6pm and 6:30-7:30pm
Formal presentation by the Principal, Mr Paul Carroll and senior students between 6pm-6:30pm

**Marist College Canberra**

**Open Day** – Sunday 1st May 2016, 9am-12pm
Headmaster’s Address at 10am
Welcome by Head of Junior School at 10:30am


**St Mary MacKillop College Canberra**

Students wishing to enrol at MacKillop should please note the following important dates:

**Year 7 2017 Information Night**: 6.30pm, Monday 2 May @The Wanniassa Campus (Mackinnon Street, Wanniassa). **Try MacKillop Day**: Thursday 5 May @The Wanniassa Campus (Mackinnon Street, Wanniassa) during school hours. An online registration form will be available for Try MacKillop Day in April. **Year 11 2017 Information Night**: 6pm, Wednesday 11 May @The Isabella Campus (Ellerston Avenue, Isabella Plains). Includes the Careers Expo and Curriculum Stalls. For more information about the enrolment process, please visit https://www.mackillop.act.edu.au/
St Edmund’s College Open Day
Saturday 7 May

Session 1
10:00am Registration
10:15am Principal’s Welcome by Mr Daniel Lawler
10:30am Tour
11:30am Morning Tea

Session 2
12:30pm Registration
12:45pm Principal’s Welcome by Mr Daniel Lawler
1:00pm Tour
2:00pm Afternoon Tea

To register please go to stedmunds.act.edu.au/openday

Emergency Services Open Day
“The Emergency Services Agency (ESA) will be holding an ‘Open Day’ on Saturday 7 May 2016 from 10am to 2pm, for the community to visit the upgraded Ambulance station which is located on the corner of Reed and Scollay Streets in Greenway. There will be a range of activities for all to enjoy, including facepainting and a sausage sizzle. All funds raised through the sausage sizzle and soft drinks sales will be donated to Hartley Lifecare a not-for-profit community organisation that provides accommodation, support and respite care for children and adults with physical and complex disabilities.”

Map Mates
Join the fun! Come along to the Blue Sparks’ May orienteering event - MapMates. Held Saturday mornings for four weeks, MapMates teams will work together, learning new skills as they navigate around the safe, graded courses set in various bush parks around Canberra. The emphasis is on fun and adventure. Come to the welcome event on Saturday, 30 April 2016.

For more information, or to register for the event, see http://act.orienteering.asn.au - look for the MapMates Symbol.

Tuggeranong Vikings
Water Polo Club Invites Children 12 year and Under To come and try Flippa Ball!

- Modified Water Polo program
- Emphasis on fun
- Introduces ball skills
- Improves swimming and water survival skills

Lakeside Leisure Centre Tuggeranong
Sundays 9.30-10.30am

More information found at: www.vikingswaterpolo.com

Register for Term 2 now!
2016 ST ANTHONY’S FETE –
SATURDAY 14 MAY

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OPEN SHED – The next open shed days are THIS
Thursday (5 May): 3:10-4 pm and Friday (6 May): 8:20-9:10am

TOMBOLA DAY – Remember to have the privilege to come out of uniform this Wednesday (4 May) you must donate an item from the list. Everyone who makes a donation will go into the draw to win a $5 voucher to spend at the fete.

CAKE STALL – Liza and Mel are running their famous cake stall again - if you love to bake then please consider baking something yummy for the cake stall.

LOLLY STALL – Penny and her lovely Mum will be at the lolly stall again and would appreciate any ingredient donations i.e. coconut, chocolate, condensed milk, sugar etc. Alternatively, if you would like to make something to contribute to the lolly stall (i.e. homemade lollies, lolly kebabs etc) it would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please email 2016fete@gmail.com

RAFFLE – If you haven’t bought back your tickets please do so ASAP. Tickets will be available to buy on fete day before the raffle is drawn at 1pm – good luck to everyone.
St Anthony’s Primary School would like to thank our friends at the following businesses for their support:
TOMBOLA DONATION DAY
Wednesday 4 May 2016

IMPORTANT
PLEASE DONATE AN ITEM ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR LEVEL REQUESTS & REMEMBER THEY MUST HAVE AN EXPIRY DATE TO AT LEAST 30 JUNE 2016.

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ONE WINNER WILL BE DRAWN FROM EVERY YEAR LEVEL & WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED IN THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER.

FETE DAY IS
SATURDAY 14 MAY 2016
WHEN BUYING AN ITEM TRY TO PICK SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO WIN FROM THE TOMBOLA STALL

Thank you for your support.
Eugene – 1P
I am reading about “The Grunt and The Grouch” by Tracey Corderoy. The Grunt and The Grouch are two very naughty, grumpy trolls who like to make lots of mess and do whatever they want to do. When they go to the cinema they do not pay the lady but give her slime instead of money. She got cross and called them ‘butts’, but they still got to watch the movie.
This is a funny book that made me laugh. My favourite part is when they get to eat worms and snot. UGH

Sophie – 4
The book I am reading is about a boy called Timmy Failure, who makes lots of mistakes and fails at nearly everything. The book is by Stephen Patis and I borrowed it from our school library. Timmy is a detective who tries to solve lots of mysteries with little success. He is not helped by his business partner, his pet polar bear called Total. I think having a polar bear for a pet is very funny!

There are lots of book in the series to read and they are very good.

Would you like to appear here next week?
Contact Mrs Twyford