

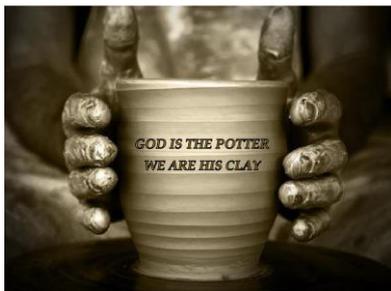


ST ANTHONY'S

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

**Week 4
Term 1
2018**



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www.stanthonys.act.edu.au

The newsletter can be viewed
each week on this website

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Masses

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9am & 5:30pm

<http://grapevine.com.au/~stanthonys/>

Archdiocesan Catholic Leaders Days and Retreat

From Wednesday to Friday this week, I am attending the Archdiocesan Catholic Leaders Days and Retreat in Bowral New South Wales. This annual event is when principals from our 56 schools and Catholic leaders gather for three days to discuss the strategic direction of Catholic Education as well as continuing our personal faith formation. It is valuable time to collaborate with other principals and with our Director Ross Fox and system staff. We will be discussing how we can continue to meet the needs of students in all of our schools from early childhood through to Year 12. I look forward to sharing information about this time with our school community on my return. I wish everyone a great week that will culminate with the school swimming carnival on Friday.

Swimming Carnival

St Anthony's swimming carnival is on this Friday 2 March at Tuggeranong Pool. Good luck to all the swimmers and competitors for their events. Students have the opportunity to swim in their favourite events or challenge themselves in a new event. Some students who are emerging swimmers have the chance to develop their confidence in the novelty events. Thank you to Mrs Monique Egan and Mrs Angela Ryan, and all the staff and parent helpers, for volunteering to organise this carnival and make it a success. Unfortunately, I cannot be there on Friday but I wish everyone good luck and I hope it is a wonderful day for the community. We are still seeking more parent volunteers, so please come forward on the day if you are able to assist with one of the many tasks.

Dance Nation Opportunity Returns in 2018

In 2018, St Anthony's are looking to participate in Kulture Break Dance Nation again. Kulture Break is an internationally renowned group that are proudly located and operated out of Tuggeranong. Kulture Break has been supporting students for 15 years now in the ACT and they have had an association with St Anthony's on a number of occasions.

Their programs aim to develop the wellbeing, self-confidence and talents of all students that participate. Dance Nation involves the group creating their own unique performance with their qualified dance coach. The group will receive 16 intensive tuition sessions with their coach before performing to a large audience at a venue like the National Convention Centre in June.

Our target cohort will again be students in Year 3 and Year 4. This is when students are entering the middle part of their primary schooling, a time when students are more sensitive to each other's differences and abilities. Dance Nation gives students a chance to be who they are in a safe and fun environment.

Dance Nation information and permission notes will be distributed as soon as possible. There is a cost for parents to enrol their child in Dance Nation, \$150 per student for the 16 fully supervised sessions with a qualified coach. Students receive a performance T-shirt and the thrill of performing in front of a large, appreciative audience! The cost is very comparable to other local sporting, gymnastics and dance programs – and they get a chance to participate in school time. It is great value for money and I cannot speak highly enough of Kulture Break. The number of students participating need to be lodged by the end of next week! Dance classes start soon and we need a minimum of 20 students to go ahead.

Catholic Parents Survey - New in 2018

Catholic Education Canberra Goulburn has commissioned a research project designed to provide comprehensive insights into the understanding and views held by our school communities on current child safety and protection policies and approaches as well as other important aspects of Catholic schools in our Archdiocese. Through a balance of qualitative and quantitative approaches, the findings of this research will inform our work in Catholic Education on child protection and other important matters.

Catholic Education have engaged an independent Australian research body, JWS Research, to undertake this research on behalf of Catholic Education. JWS is a fully accredited, leading Australian researcher. Stage one of the research project was started last year and will be expanded to all schools and families in our school system in the Archdiocese this week.

I encourage you to share their insights by completing the survey. Please see the information note provided.

Have a great week. God Bless

Greg Walker
Principal

CONFIDENCE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION PARENT AND STAFF SURVEY

Dear Parents,

Catholic Education shares with Catholic school parents a deep commitment to providing your children with high quality academic and faith-filled education, and the safest possible school experience.

To inform the work of Catholic Education has engaged accredited, leading Australian researcher body, JWS Research, to help us understand parent and staff views on current child safety and protection policies and approaches and what may be required to strengthen Catholic Education in this important area.

The research project is aiming to reach all parents in the Archdiocese through a survey below.

Your views will help Catholic Education to enhance its schools and meet the needs of the children in our school communities. Your participation is very much appreciated.



Confidence in Catholic Schools What matters most to you?

This short survey for parents and staff is voluntary, anonymous and confidential. Help us understand what matters most to you.

[CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY](#)

Regards,

Ross Fox
Director
Catholic Education

School Fees

Term 1 School Fees were emailed last week and are due on Friday 23rd of March 2018.

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 experience financial difficulties. Please contact the front office

Successful Learner Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have demonstrated wonderful attributes in their class this week:

Halina W KA, Zane E-A KA, Alyssa D KL, Ryan H 1A, Tejas G 1P, Isaac B 2A, Martin A 2P, Matilda C 3A, Aiden H 4A, Marcus D 4P, Hima P 5A, Cassidy B 5P, Emma K 5/6L, Jack F 6A.

Certificates will be presented at Friday morning Assembly at 9am.

Congratulations!

P & F Annual General Meeting

The P&F Annual General Meeting was held on 28 February. The P&F donated \$30 000 to the school in 2017 for which we thank all who contributed. This enabled us to help contribute to the cost of the new multi-purpose court. Over the Christmas break, we also installed a new evaporative cooling system in the canteen, which will make it a much more comfortable work space.

A new committee has been appointed for 2018, with the exception of the position of President, which is now vacant. This is an important leadership position within the school community. Anyone who is interested in taking on this role, please contact Greg Walker or Michael Bradley. The 2018 executive is:

- President: vacant
- Vice President: Bronwyn Bergerson
- Treasurer: Trish Rae
- Secretary: Simon Passlow

The P&F agreed that the focus of fundraising efforts in 2018 would be the restoration and upgrade of outdoor areas and playgrounds, including the installation of shade structures.

NETBALL REGISTRATIONS DUE THURSDAY 1 MARCH

Registrations for St Anthonys netball teams from years 2-6 are due Thursday 1 March. Information and links to the online registration system are on the Skoolbag app and on the website under 'Notes for Parents'. We welcome all new and returning players for the 2018 season.

Happy Birthday to:

Jacky Y, Emma K, Ryan W, Taliyah F, Benjamin C, Elizabeth F, Hayley A, Harrison C, Nadia T, Norah F, Georgie H, Aiden B and Eliana L.

Have a wonderful day!



We are in



desperate need of Care Meals for members of our school community that need our support at this time.

If you would like to cook or buy a meal from the heart that would be greatly appreciated. It can be as simple as grabbing a frozen pizza in your weekly shop and dropping it off to the School Front Office or cooking a meal in a container that does not need to be returned and writing the ingredients on the lid and be mindful about including nuts.

If you would like to take a meal or have a meal delivered to your family home, please contact Orla Rutledge via email:

Orla.Rutledge@cg.catholic.edu.au.

Alternatively, if you know of a family in need (circumstances will be strictly

St Anthony's Canteen

Open Tuesday - Friday

6231 4022

Manager: Mrs Maree Alchin

Roster of Volunteer Helpers

Tues 27 Feb	Megan Doherty 9am-12pm
Wed 28 Feb	Jess Macleod 9-10am
Thurs 1 March	Carole Coulton 9am-2pm
Fri 2 March	Mary Russell 9am-12pm

WEEK 5

Tues 6 March	Sue Duckett 9am-12pm
Wed 7 March	Jess Macleod 9-10am
	Dianna Young 12-2pm
Tuck Day	Selina Walker 12-2pm
	HELP NEEDED 12-2pm
Thurs 8 March	Carole Coulton 9am-2pm
Fri 9 March	Selina Walker 9am-2pm
	Rachel Esler 9-10:30am
	Dianna Young 9am-2pm
	Susanne Galvin 9-11:30am

Sushi Tuck Day – 7th March

ORDERS CLOSE ON MONDAY 5TH OF
MARCH 9:30PM

CLAIM THE DATE

School Disco – 16th March

www.flexischools.com.au



St Anthony's 2018 School Fete **Saturday 5 May, 10am-2pm**

Nine weeks until the big day and there's lots to do!

Raffle

We are once again running a raffle as part of our fete and need your help to sell the tickets! Raffle ticket books will go home to each family at the end of this week and are **due back by Tuesday 10 April** (week 10). There are fantastic cash prizes to be won!

1st prize - \$1,500, 2nd prize - \$750, 3rd prize - \$250

With such great prizes, you're bound to sell your tickets fast! If you would like an additional book (or two!), please email us and we will send one home for you.

Volunteers needed!

We are looking for some fabulous volunteers to coordinate a few of our stalls on fete day. We need coordinators for: trash n treasure, show bags and lucky dip, clothes, and lollies. Why not team up with another parent and coordinate a stall together? If this sounds like something you would like to do, we would love to hear from you as soon as possible!

If coordinating a stall isn't for you, we will be putting a call out soon for volunteers. We will need a lot of volunteers on the day to help us set up and pack up, sell raffle and chocolate wheel tickets, direct traffic and work on our stalls. Please consider donating an hour of your time on fete day to help out!

Thanks to our sponsors

A big thank you to the wonderful businesses who have offered their support so far. Their logos are at the bottom of the page – please support these generous businesses! If you have a business and would like to find out how you can support our fete, we'd love to hear from you!

You can contact us at stanthonyfete@gmail.com

From the Fete Team

Cath, Claire, Erin, Justine, Sam and Alex



Kaleen



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SUSHI Tuck Day

Wednesday 7

MARCH 2018



If your child would like to enjoy a Sushi lunch please order at www.flexischools.com.au by **9.30am Monday 5 March 2018**. 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 2 March 2018.

The cost is listed below.

Cooked Tuna Hand Roll - Gluten Free	\$3.20
Peking Duck Hand Roll	\$3.60
Crispy Chicken Hand Roll	\$3.40
Vegetarian Hand Roll - Vegetarian	\$3.20
Kyneton Drinks	\$2.00
Water	\$1.50

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 12.00 – 2.00.

Your Name:

Phone Number:

Your Email Address:

With thanks Maree Alchin (Canteen Manager) 6231 4022

We are
in a different
league



Registration Day

3rd March, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Kambah Playing Fields
Chirnside Circuit, Kambah



nrl.com/play