Dear Parents and Carers,

First Week
Congratulations on a wonderful start to the year and for the support you are providing your child and the staff. The staff and I look forward to meeting with many of you this Thursday evening at our Meet-the-Staff BBQ.

Prayers
You may be aware that Ms Dignan has been absent from school. Sadly, Ms Dignan’s sister is terminally ill and she is currently her primary carer providing palliative care and supporting her needs at this time. Ms Dignan’s is on carer’s leave and Mr Francis Mahanay will continue teaching Year 4 Lisbon during this time. I ask that you keep Ms Dignan and her family in your prayers.

2015 Opening School Mass
You are warmly invited to attend our Opening 2015 School Mass at 10.00am on Friday 20 February in the school hall. Father Lachlan Coll will celebrate mass as we gather together to ask God’s blessing on our new school year.

Year 6 Leaders Badge Presentation
It was nice to see all of our Year 6 students receive their School Leaders badge on Friday. The looks on their faces were that of great pride. We have entrusted them to all be leaders and I think as a school community we have great hope for them individually and as a cohort develop and display appropriate leadership. Our role is to support each of them and to model Christian values and positive relationships.

Year 6 Parliament Badge Presentation
This week our Year 5 and 6 students are presenting speeches to be elected by their peers for a variety of parliament style leadership roles. Elected leaders will receive their badges at our morning assembly this Friday 13 February at 9.00am. Father Lachlan will bless all of leaders and wish them well in their roles at our opening school mass on Friday 20 February. I wish them good luck in being elected and look forward to presenting their badges.

2015 Meet-the-Staff-Night and Family BBQ
You are invited to attend our first school and community event this Thursday 12 February. This is our 2015 Meet-the-Staff-Night and family BBQ. All teachers and staff will be in attendance for you to meet and discuss your child’s start to the school year.

You will have the opportunity to meet your child’s teacher/s between 5.00pm and 6.30pm. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 6 will present their information in a formal manner with a talk at 5.30pm. There is only one presentation. Their classrooms will also be open between 5.00pm and 6.30pm.

Year 2-5 teachers will open their classrooms between 5.00pm and 6.30pm for you to come through and collect relevant information and spend a few minutes with the teacher. Teachers and staff in other roles will also be available to talk with on the night. There specialist rooms will be open for display and I hope you take the time to visit these special areas too.

There will be a complimentary community BBQ provided by the P&F Association in the asphalt area for you to spend time mingling with other families and school staff. At 6.30pm I will ask all teachers and staff to come out and also participate in the BBQ. This will give staff time to mingle with families outside their direct class group too. The night is an early start and early finish to allow all families to attend and be home at a reasonable time. I envisage the evening will conclude around 7.15pm as it did last year. I look forward to talking with as many families as possible on the night.
2015 Sports Role
Thank you to Mr Greg Rick who offered to take on the Sports Coordinator/Contact Role in 2015. I have had some initial discussions with Mr Rick about the role and there is much to be considered for the year ahead. Mr Rick has started planning for the school swimming on Tuesday 3 March (Week 5) at Tuggeranong Pool and a note will come tomorrow for you to select events with your child and to volunteer for help if you are able. Mr Rick will have some time release from class to undertake this role and Mr Bradley will teach at these times in Year 4.

I would like to thank Miss Bernadette Whitfield and Mrs Laura Stankovic for the great job they have done with the coordinating sports role for the school in recent years. Thanks to their hard work the school is very active in a large number of sports for both boys and girls and of course the students have always enjoyed their well-planned three big sports carnivals - SWIMMING, ATHLETICS and CROSS COUNTRY.

ICT Role
Thank you to Mr Jon Liddle who has volunteered to take on the ICT role Coordinator/Contact Role in 2015. Mr Liddle has a good knowledge of ICT infrastructure and also how to embed ICT in classroom teaching. Mr Liddle will have some time release from class to undertake this role and Mr Bradley will teach at these times in Year 5.

Our school theme for 2015 is “Christ is our Light” which reminds us that God is with us at all times and provides the light to illuminate our lives and guide us through each day. I pray that we are all open to allow the light of Christ deep into our lives and hearts.

Happy Valentine’s Day for this Saturday if you are planning something special!! Have a great week.

Regards,
Greg Walker
Principal

‘MAKING JESUS REAL’

‘Making Jesus Real’ or MJR is a program that centres on the belief that we can be an image of Jesus to all those around us by living out the values instilled in the Gospels. It also encourages us to be the Jesus we want to see in others. Jesus made a comment that we are a part of His family and the ways we treat ourselves and others should be reflective of the way we would treat Jesus. “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” (Matthew 25:40.)

MJR pairs beautifully with the book ‘Have You Filled a Bucket Today?’ This book reminds students that when you say or do something kind and caring towards another person you are being a ‘bucket filler’. Likewise when you say or do something unkind towards another person you are dipping out of your own bucket. Students are encouraged not to be ‘bucket dippers’.

Remember: When you fill another person’s bucket you are also filling your bucket too.

By implementing MJR at St Anthony’s we are encouraging students to:

- Do their best
- Treat others fairly
- Be responsible and accountable for their actions
- Live out the values in their everyday life.

“In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you.” (Matthew 7:12)
Some lovely MJR slogans that we will be using at school and you can use at home are:

**W.E.S.T** = Welcoming. Encouraging. Sorry. Thank you.

**God Moments** (where do I see God in others?)

**Bucket Filler** - making others feel good about themselves, encouraging and being kind.

**Bucket Dipper** - when we make others feel bad about themselves.

**T.A.H** - Team player. At. Home

**Attitudes are contagious**- is yours worth catching?

**Every face has a place.**

**Greet, Treat and Speak**- make sure you greet someone nicely, say something nice to them and then start speaking.

### Opening School Mass

Please join us for our Opening School Mass on Friday 20th February at 10:00am in the school hall.

Orla Duggan
Acting Religious Education Coordinator.

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

### St Vincent de Paul Doorknock

SVDP Needs You: The “Vinnies Doorknock” is held throughout the month of February each year, with the main weekend for knocking being 15th Feb. Our parish, sadly has less than half the volunteers required to cover our parish area. Many of our regular knockers are getting too old to continue their support for this cause. If you could do with some exercise, spend some time walking and talking with your child, and if you can give about 90 minutes to help those less fortunate in our community, we would love to hear from you. Pls call Libby 0427 242 167 or catch me (if you can) on the bitumen. Many thanks.

### Happy Birthday to:

Daemon B, Jacob G, Rihanna B, Margaret B, Rachel Y, Simon B, Samantha C-J, Angel B, Christy E and Ethan E.

Have a wonderful day!

### Student of the Week Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who receive this week’s certificate. Students will be presented with their certificate at Friday morning Assembly:


### Year 6 School Leaders - Ceremony

This Friday during assembly our School Leaders (Parliament and House Captains) will receive their leadership badges. (The Term 1 Calendar sent home today has the 20th of February for this occasion – please disregard that date).

### School Banking

St Anthony’s School Banking day is every Tuesday. Information is attached to the newsletter email and also available on the school website under “Notes for Parents”. To open a Piggy Bank Passbook Account for your child please attend the Wanniassa Community Bank Branch at Wanniassa Shopping Centre. Students who make deposits will earn points with a prize given at the end of the school year. If you require any further information please contact Sarah Waller in the front office.
2015 Registrations Now Open
Year 2 to Year 6
Girls and Boys

Registration due 20 February 2015
Games commence 21 March 2015
See attached registration information, also available from ‘Notes for Parents’ on the school website.

Come & Try Sessions
New and returning players are invited to the Come and Try Netball sessions at lunchtime in the hall.
Yr 2 & Yr 6 – Monday 16 February
Yr 3 – Tuesday 17 February
Yr 4 & Yr 5 – Thursday 19 February

Please contact Fiona Hempstead on 0402 152 288 or sport@stanthonyspnf.com if you require further information.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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CANTEEN ROSTER: 6231 4022
Maree Alchin

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Flexischools On-line Ordering
Go to www.flexischools.com.au

- Click register
- Enter your email address
- You will be emailed a link to an online form – follow the link
- Choose a username and password and complete the form
- Add each student and their class
- Top-up the account using visa and mastercard.

Flexischools is now the only way to place an order at the canteen. Over the counter sales are still available at recess and lunch (snack foods only).

NEW PRODUCTS: Frozen Orange Pieces 50c
Frozen Grapes 50c

Tuck Day (Burger Day) Wednesday 25 February, orders via Flexischools. HELP NEEDED ON THE DAY.
A MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP PROWSE REGARDING THE LENTEN SEASON.

Dear Friends,

The Lenten season is soon to begin – Ash Wednesday is 18th February 2015. As we return to our normal routines, let us prepare in our various communities for this season that recalls our Baptism and stresses its penitential dimension. It is a time of conversion as we prepare for the saving events of our salvation at Easter.

Pope Francis, in his Lenten message for this year, http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/lent/documents/papa-francesco_20141004_messaggio-quaresima2015.html, highlights that Lent is a time of conversion against globalised indifference to those who suffer.

The Pope writes: “Indifference to our neighbour and to God also represents a real temptation for us Christians. Each year during Lent we need to hear once more the voice of the prophets who cry out and trouble our conscience.”

Could I ask all in the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn to prepare now to enter into this penitential season. I attach information regarding the Lenten requirements. Could I also encourage Project Compassion (Caritas) as a pre-eminent way to respond practically to those who suffer. Having recently returned from Beirut, Lebanon, I have seen first-hand the wonderful practical ways that Caritas helps those who are so fragile in our troubled world.

May God bless you, your families, parishes and communities during 2015.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn
Burger Tuck Day  
WEDNESDAY 25 February

If your child would like to enjoy a burger lunch please order at www.flexischools.com.au by 5pm Sunday 22 February. 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.

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
Happy New Year to All!

Amazingly we are back to the ‘daily grind’ already and Christmas seems like forever ago!! No doubt you are all busily filling in your 2015 calendars with all the usual dates, so don’t forget to mark Saturday 16 May 2015 as the annual St Anthony’s fete day 😊

The 2014 fete was a great success – we were blessed with good weather, the atmosphere was fantastically fun and from all accounts everyone thoroughly enjoyed their day and to top it off, we raised a great deal of money which went straight back into resourcing our wonderful school.

So now its time to start thinking about doing it all again! The customary rides have been booked, returning stall holders are keen to get going, an entertainment schedule is being created thanks to Donna Lambert and the raffle is being organised thanks to Leesa Hazel.

Now onto the next things.

Stalls

A huge thank you to the following stall holders who have already signed up to run a stall this year:
- Cakes – Mel Scott-Cameron and Liza Marando
- Lollies – Penny Shaw
- Books – Maree Williams
- Toys – Helen Fletcher
- Wood fired Pizza – Elena Winslade
- Vietnamese Food – Thuy Nguyen
- Devonshire Tea – Stephanie McAlister
- Chocolate Trailer – Eugenie Hickey
- Tombola – Vicky Schmidt
- Craft – Kerrie Fradgley
- Raffle – Leesa Hazel

But….. there are still a myriad of stalls that require someone to coordinate them, including:

Pre-loved clothes stall, Trash and Treasure, Plants, Chocolate Wheel, or ….. If you have any bright ideas for a new stall then please let me know the details. It is always great to have something different and exciting on offer!!

If you are keen to give one of these a go I would be so happy to hear from you – please contact me to sign up or to find out more details (2015fete@gmail.com).

Volunteers

If co-ordinating a stall is not your thing then just volunteering a few hours to help out is a HUGE, HUGE help – there can never be too many helpers on board, so please let me know if you are able to help out and in which capacity you prefer – some options are – setting up on fete day morning (7am – 9am), packing up
after the fete (2pm-4pm), shopping for fete requirements prior to the fete (purchasing drinks, prizes etc), volunteering for a couple of hours at a stall, selling raffle tickets on a weekend.

Without volunteers helping out with the above tasks it becomes a huge job for one person, so please consider helping out in any capacity you can so the fete can run as smoothly as possible (and I don’t end up pulling my hair out!!)

‘OPEN SHED’ DAY
For donations towards the trash and treasure stall, toy stall, book stall and plant stall, I will hold an open-shed on Friday 20 February from 3 – 4pm and on Saturday 21 February from 9-10.30.
Trash and Treasure – Electrical Items cannot be accepted.
Pre-loved clothing will not be accepted at this time. Please hold onto your good quality, clean, donations of clothes until another open shed day which will be advertised for next term.

SPONSORSHIP
If you own a business and would like to support your community by sponsoring the fete then we would be very grateful and would love to hear from you! We will do everything possible to reciprocate your generosity by promoting your business at every opportunity.
Sponsorship can be made in a variety of forms from financially sponsoring a specific stall, financially sponsoring the raffle, donating a prize for the chocolate wheel or donating goods and equipment.
Please consider helping us out, get in contact with me via email for further details.

RESULTS OF THE CHANGE CHALLENGE
As you know the ‘Change Challenge’ held in the last term of 2014 was a huge success and resulted in a great deal of money being raised to support the fete. With the money that was raised I have allocated it towards the payment of the following fete expenses (approx. cost):

Printing ($600), First Aid ($160), Rubbish removal ($200), Raffle permit ($130), Hire of cool room ($100), purchase of drinks ($700), purchase of choc trailer prizes ($350).

As you can see, your fundraising efforts have gone a long, long way to meeting the expenses related to running the fete. This means the takings from the fete do not have to then subsidize the costs, and the school ends up receiving the funds which will go directly towards the needs of the students. So, yet again, thank you, thank you, for your generosity and the effort made to make the Change Challenge such a great fun and successful event 😊

Signing off for now....

Steph Quantrill
For any questions, to sign up to volunteer, or to be a sponsor please contact me via email at:
2015fete@gmail.com