Dear Parents and Carers

2014 Meet-the-Staff Evening

Thank you to everyone for attending the Meet-the-Staff Night on Thursday evening. It was great to see so many families taking this opportunity to visit their child’s classroom and then spending time mingling together at the BBQ. The staff have worked hard preparing for this year and working in partnership with you is important. I encourage you to keep in regular contact with your child’s teacher throughout the year. The next formal meeting with your child’s teacher will be in Week 9 this term for Three-way Conferences.

Thank you to members of the P&F including Chris Smith and Greg Sloane who coordinated the BBQ for the school community. The BBQ was dinner for most busy families and it was nice for everyone to be together early in the year.

Working with Vulnerable People Process/Cards

I have recently been informed by the Catholic Education Office that spots checks by the ACT Office of Regulatory Services (ORS) are occurring in our Catholic Primary schools. Each staff member and visitor must have their WWVP card on them or, in the case of visitors, have signed a statutory declaration that day if they are working in any capacity with children. This week we will carry out an internal spot check to keep us all on our toes! Please carry your card with you at school and sign in at the front office when you are a volunteer. Thank you for your support in this matter and remember the process is designed to regulate and monitor the people working closely with your children.

Swimming Carnival Success!

Congratulations to everyone involved in the school swimming carnival on Monday. The Tuggeranong Pool option this year certainly took the worry away when the storms and rain hit Canberra on the weekend. But wasn’t it good to see the rain!

Thank you to the many parents and staff helpers that volunteered to assist with tasks at the carnival. The day ran very smoothly and each race thanks to your help and the students appeared to enjoy their races. There were some excellent individual swims and a fun relay to finish the carnival. The non-swimmers and many swimmers enjoyed the ‘novelty’ events in the smaller pool. Can I offer a personal thanks to those parents and staff that helped with these activities, with many students still becoming confident and aware in the water.

Thank you to our Sports Coordinators Miss Laura Hadley and Miss Bernadette Whitfield for their wonderful organisation with the carnival. Out of our three big sports days this is the one that requires lots of extra hours in preparation for the big event.

Now the wait continues for which house will be crowned the 2014 Swimming Champions...
Year 5 and 6 Student Leaders

On Friday our Semester One 2014 student leaders were presented with their badges. Each Year 6 student received a student leader badge and elected students from Year 5 and 6 were presented with sports captain’s badges and student parliament badges. Student parliament leaders will take on portfolio roles associated with Sustainability, Information and Technology, Canteen, Library, Social Club Activities, Assemblies and Office. I congratulate the following students and wish them well in their leadership roles:

Prime Minister: Ellie Smith
Deputy Prime Minister: Teya Kleidon

Year 5 Parliament Leaders:
Xavier Egan, Lan Nguyen, Halle Bates, Genevieve Taylor, Lachlan Cossart-McGrath

Year 6 Parliament Leaders:
Sophie Gray, Dylan Arena, Rosie Kane, Jake Hansen

Bradman House Captain: Chris Reay
Bradman Vice Captain: Danita Brittain
Fraser House Captain: Ella Thompson
Fraser Vice Captain: Lam Nguyen
Patterson House Captain: Jared Farmer
Patterson Vice Captain: Taniesha Cook
Gilmore House Captain: James Wooden
Gilmore Vice Captain: Daniel Kelly

Parents and Friends AGM Meeting and First School Board Meeting

To start the year the first Parents and Friends’ Association meeting is the Annual General Meeting (AGM) as well. The new meeting date is set for next Tuesday 25 February (Week 4) at 6.00pm in the school library. It is a Tuesday night this time around due to a clash with another school event on the Wednesday night. Come along to hear about the AGM review from 2013 and to discuss initiatives for 2014. New ideas are always welcome and P&F roles will be opened up again for various positions. Can you help the P&F in 2014 or be present to offer ideas? Please come along. The P&F do a fantastic job in our school community.

The first School Board meeting for 2014 will follow directly after the P&F meeting.

Year 3 Class Mass

This Thursday Father Lachlan Coll will celebrate the first 2014 class mass with Year 3 students in the hall at 10.00am. Parents and family members are most welcome to attend.

Have a great week. Remember using the many gifts God has given each of us, “Life’s a Celebration!”

Greg Walker
Principal
‘SOMEBODY LOVES YOU MR HATCH’

Last Thursday Year 3 presented a lovely prayer about Valentine’s Day. Part of their prayer focused on the story ‘Somebody Loves You Mr Hatch’. Mr Hatch leads a dull and lonely life. Until one Valentine’s Day he is surprised when the postman hands him a large heart-shaped parcel with a note that says “Somebody loves you”. Feeling special and loved Mr Hatch has a new and bright perspective on life—until it turns out there has been a terrible mistake. However, Mr Hatch’s new friends come to the rescue to show him he truly is loved after all.

The moral of this beautifully written story is that we need to remember how important it is to love one another and to feel loved in return.

This story is available on YouTube at the following address: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGAS_Aj8ScA

“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love one another as I have loved you” (John 15: 11-12)

Community Prayer

Please join us for Community Prayer Thursday 20th February straight after the bell.

6 Padua leading prayer in Block One.
6 Lisbon leading prayer in Block Two.

Class Mass

Please join Year 3 for our first class mass, Thursday 20th February 10am in the Library.

Pastoral Care Parent Network

‘The role of the Parent Network is to provide a welcoming environment for new families joining our fabulous school community and also helping to support our school staff and families [one of the things we do is co-ordinate the Care Meals which are available to any family in need of some extra help]’. If you have any questions or simply want to find out more about the role, please contact Donna Lambert on donna.lambert@sfx.act.edu.au or 0401287224.

Orla Duggan
Acting Religious Education Coordinator.

“I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God who is sending a love letter to the world”.
Mother Theresa
SCHOOL FEES
Term 1 school fees are due on the 13th of March. 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. Thank You. Judy Mead

Appeal for Doorknock Volunteers:
St Anthony’s SVDP Conference urgently requires volunteers to assist in this year’s doorknock. We appeal to all those who may not have doorknocked before, to help us in collecting much needed funds to assist the disadvantaged in our community with food, emergency accommodation, care and other services. Donating 1 – 1.5hrs for this event will be invaluable to us and the experience rewarding to you. The doorknock is held during the month of February, 2 weeks before and about the 16th Feb 2014. Please phone Mario 0413 393 222.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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Archbishop Mass – Saturday 8th March
Our new Archbishop, Christopher Prowse will be saying Mass in our parish church on Sternberg Cres on Saturday 8th March 2014 at 6:00pm. He would like to meet as many parishioners as he can so please come along to this Mass if possible. Coffee and tea will be provided after Mass.

2013 School Year Books
Extra 2013 Year Books are available from the Front Office at no cost until stocks run out.

Happy Birthday to:

Have a wonderful day!

Student of the Week

Awards will be presented at MORNING Assembly this Friday and 9am.

OOSCA News
If your child is going to be absent from a booked session please call 6296 2261 to inform the staff.

Clothing Pool
The Clothing Pool will be open this Wednesday from 3.00pm – 4.00pm. Please see attachment for prices.

On sale this week we have hair accessories packages; package includes 1 headband, 1 scrunchie and 2 pony bows for $10

We also have black Purnell leather school shoes – with velcro, size 9 ½. $5 a pair

Please note; we do not have credit card facilities so please bring along cash and we will see you on Wednesday.

Tuggeranong United Football Club Juniors – Under 9’s team
Do you have a child in Year 3 [born in 2005] who might be interested in playing soccer this season?

Hi, our son Will is super keen to play soccer, so we are super keen to see if we can get a St Anthony’s Year 3 team together to play in the competition. We need a minimum of 6 players and my husband Andrew is more than happy to volunteer to be the Manager of the team.

Registration is now open. Check out http://juniors.tufc.org.au for all the information you need to know about registration deadlines, uniforms, fees and game times.

If you are interested, please contact Donna Lambert on 0401287224 or a.lambert@adfa.edu.au as we will need to register as a team.

Swimming Carnival
Thank you to all the parents who helped make the swimming carnival such a huge success yesterday. All students had a wonderful day and it was clear that we have many talented swimmers here at St Anthony’s!
## Canteen Roster:

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## Specials

- Frozen Cordial Cups: 50 cents
- Ovalteenies: $1
- Red and Black Liquorice: 30 cents

## Price Change

- Ovalteenies: now $1
- Red and Black Liquorice: now 30 cents

### Flexischools On-line Ordering available


**Cut off time for orders is 9:30am**

- 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).

### Valley Dragons Registration

Valley Dragons 2014 season registration now open:

**When:** Thursday 16th Match and Sunday 2nd March

**Where:** The Burra (Finlay Place Gowrie)

**Time:**
- 6:00pm-7:00pm Thursday
- 10:00am-12:00pm Sunday

**Cost:**
- $120.00 one player
- $220.00 two players from same family
- $300.00 three or more players from same family

**Ages:** U 6 to U 16

Costs include insurance, shorts, socks, year book and all players that register in 2014 are given their newly designed heritage playing jersey at the end of the season. Contact Rebecca on secretary@valleydragons.com.au

### EMPOWERING GIRLS FOR LIFE

**Canberra Physical Culture**

Canberra Physical Culture Club for girls and ladies of all ages. Dance and exercises routines are all choreographed to music and are designed to enhance flexibility, strength, agility, poise and deportment. Children especially benefit by improving their stamina, concentration, coordination and balance. We are an incorporated club and we try to keep costs low & offer 2 free lessons. New members are always welcome to come along and see if they would like to join our club. Classes held in Wanniassa. Please phone Maree 0411600658, Julie 0409315343 or [www.canberraphysicalculture.com](http://www.canberraphysicalculture.com)

### Tuggeranong Bulldogs

**JAFC**

Wear the red, white and blue this season

**JOIN UP WITH THE MIGHTY BULLDOGS FOR AFL IN 2014!!!**

The Tuggeranong Bulldogs are looking for boys & girls between the ages of 4-12 to come and play the great game of AFL

- All first year registered players receive free playing shorts and socks
- So get in and REGISTER TODAY

**To Register and pay online for the coming season**


- and click on **Registration** or
- Email: bulldogsrego@tpg.com.au
- Facebook: Tuggeranong-Bulldogs-Junior-AFL-Club

A come and try option is also available.

For more information please email bulldogsrego@tpg.com.au
“With over 20 yrs of coaching experience “Tennis, the game for life”

FREE FAMILY OPEN DAY TENNIS CLINIC

This is a great opportunity for all interested tennis enthusiasts, from 4yr olds through to adults to come along & have some fun. There will be coaching clinics for all ages, play test the latest WILSON tennis racquets used by Roger Federer & Victoria Azarenka, Tennis Australia MLC Tennis Hotshots program & Cardio Tennis, plus a BBQ, give away prizes & more to all who participate.

INTERESTED JUNIORS, ADULTS & PARENTS

Are invited to come & see our Tennis Coaching Programs in action at:

The Pines Tennis Club

Date: Sat 22nd February

Time: 1:30pm till 3:30pm

If you cannot make the day we can make alternative arrangements.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL!

To Book a Place at our Open Day Contact

Head Coach: Robert Jamieson - Canberra School of Tennis
Tennis Australia Club Professional (Level 2) Qualified Coach,
MLC Tennis Hotshots & Cardio Tennis Deliverer.

Ph: 0432 118 204 or 6241 3705 or E: csot@hotmail.com.au

Weston Creek Tennis Club, Dillon Cl, off Namatjira Dr, Behind McDonalds, Weston
The Pines Tennis Club, Corner Goldstein Cres & Norris St Chisholm
Gold Creek Country Club, Curran Drive, Nicholls
Radford College, College St, Bruce