Dear Parents and Carers

**Staff News**

This week we wish Miss Emma Rutter good luck as she prepares for an overseas holiday for Weeks 9 and 10 and the holidays. This should be a wonderful experience for Miss Rutter and we wish her safe travels and look forward to hearing stories from her trip.

**Feast Day**

Thank you to the parents who attended our Feast Day Mass last Thursday. The mass was lovely and set the scene for a great day. Thank you to the staff who assisted with the mass and to the staff who ran activities for Feast Day, I think the students enjoyed their fun sessions and a break from normal lessons.

**Confirmation**

This week will see the final preparations for Year 6 Confirmation. There is the parent child meeting to be held on Thursday evening, the Retreat Day is on Friday and the Sacramental celebration at 6pm mass on Saturday evening. Congratulations to the students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. At Baptism, we receive seven special gifts from the Holy Spirit. These gifts are freely given to us to help us live as followers of Jesus and to build up the Body of Christ, the Church. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are sealed and strengthened within us at Confirmation. These seven gifts help us to respond to the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives, to make good choices, and to serve God and others.

Thank you to the Year 6 teachers Mrs Alisa Spackman and Mr Greg Rick for their teaching and support of the students; to Mrs Anne-Marie Devlin for her coordination of the program and to Father Lachlan Coll and the parish team for their continued guidance and support.
Wisdom is the gift of knowing the right choices to make to live a holy life. The gift of wisdom helps you to avoid the things that could lead you away from God. Understanding is the gift of comprehension, or the ability to grasp the meaning of the teachings of the Church. The gift of understanding helps you be tolerant and sympathetic of others. It helps you sense when someone is hurting or in need of compassion. Right Judgment, or Counsel, is the gift of prudence. The gift of right judgment helps you make choices to live as a faithful follower of Jesus.

Courage, or Fortitude, is the gift that helps you stand up for your faith in Christ. The gift of courage helps you overcome any obstacles that would keep you from practicing your faith.

Knowledge is the gift of knowing and enlightenment. The gift of knowledge enables you to choose the right path that will lead you to God. It encourages you to avoid obstacles that will keep you from him. Reverence, or Piety, is the gift of confidence in God. This gift of reverence inspires you to joyfully want to serve God and others. Wonder and Awe, or Fear of the Lord is the gift of wonder and respect that encourages you to be in awe of God. The gift of wonder and awe moves you to so love God that you do not want to offend him by your words or actions.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Focus

You may be aware through attending school assemblies and through the newsletter and school calendar that each week there are school rules and values explicitly highlighted to students at the school. The school looks to have students uphold these values and rules through frequently modelling and discussing these areas.

The school also promotes positive behaviours through individuals and classes working towards these values and rules. The current focus is now on each class building ‘Lego brick walls’ in their own classroom. Each class follows the school value and rule but also develops particular class based focus areas. The result is that each class is working towards a class reward or two as their positive behaviour wall grows! I encourage you to ask your child about their class ‘Lego wall’ and how they interacting positively with others.

Bunnings BBQ Success

Members of our Parents and Friends community held a very successful fundraiser at Bunnings Tuggeranong on Sunday. Approximately $1450 was raised through their hard work on the BBQ. Thank you to Simon Passlow and Alicia Segrave for coordinating the BBQ and to the following parents and helpers who assisted on the day: Loretta Menham, Clare McNamara, Lou Kelly,
Andrew Lambert, Ryan McCann, Chris Wright, Todd D'Azur, Elena Kurtz, Chris Smith, Ben O’Keefe and Trina Wood

**Coming Up in Week 9:**

I would like to draw your attention to some events coming up in Week 9. Kinder Health Screenings will be held, Year 5 students and staff attend camp to Ballarat in Victoria, the Year 3 Focus Assembly is on Friday (moved from this Week) and the next school disco is on Friday 28 June. Semester One school reports also go home on Friday 28 June. I wish you all a wonderful week. Remember, ‘Together we are Building God’s Kingdom.’

Greg Walker
Acting Principal

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**A Message from the Religious Education Coordinator**

**Welcome to Week 8 of Term 2!**

**Our Current Value:** Justice

In matters of truth and justice, there is no difference between large and small problems, for issues concerning the treatment of people are all the same.

[Albert Einstein](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/a/alberteins148816.html#HggvuXEeiUD1U7vk.99)

**The Rule of the Week:** Take turns

When we take turns during a game or activity we are ensuring that everyone is treated with Justice!

**Confirmation**

Parent and Child Night on Thursday 20th June at 6:00 in the Year 6 Block.

Confirmation Retreat Day Friday 21st June

Saints name and sponsorship forms need to be returned ASAP.

Please continue to pray for the children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will be attending a Retreat at St. Anthony’s Parish Church where they will meet Monsignor Woods.
St Anthony’s Feast Day

Last Thursday the school community celebrated St Anthony’s Feast Day. It was a fantastic day. It started off with a lovely Mass in the Hall led by Father Coll. After morning tea the fun began. The children went to a Magic Show performed by “Nomad the Magician” where he held us all spellbound by his magic tricks. There were a number of other great activities for the children to enjoy. These included:

- A puppetry craft activity organised by our artistic geniuses Mrs Olsen and Mrs Wilson that was run by Mrs Olsen and Mrs Richardson
- St Anthony’s Trivia Game organised and run by our own inspiring game show host, Mr Liddle
- Dancing organised and run by our great dance legend, Mrs Mara
- Chatterbox making run by our extraordinary group of paper folding teachers.

All activities were ably assisted by our fantastic and amazing Teacher Aides, Mrs Stoltari, Mrs Nolan and Mrs Haggar.

The children received an icy pole to enjoy during the Trivia game.

A big thank you goes to all the St Anthony’s Staff and Students who worked together to make St Anthony’s Feast Day a happy and joyous day.

For the Diary

This Week

- 4 Lisbon is leading the prayer in Block 1
- 1 Assisi is leading the prayer in Block 2

Next Week (8)

- 3 Assisi is leading the prayer in Block 1
- Kinder Lisbon is leading the prayer in Block 2
- 3 Assisi Focus Assembly Friday 28th June

Confirmation Dates

Please return Saints name and sponsorship forms ASAP
20th June 6pm at School Child/Parent Session
21st June Retreat Day
Saturday 22nd June Confirmation Celebrations (6pm)

Anne Marie Devlin
Acting Religious Coordinator
School Fees

Term 2 school fees are now overdue. Account rendered’s will be sent home this week. Payments may be made by cash, cheque, credit card, BPAY, EFTPOS or Direct Debit. Some parents query the Building Fund Levy. This levy is collected and sent to the Catholic Education Office Building and Maintenance section. This enables Catholic systemic schools in the ACT to be supported through a central body. All our electrical plumbing, painting, glass repairs and maintenance work is undertaken through this CEO Department. Please be mindful of this when you elect not to pay. It is a tax deductible donation and all requests not to pay have to be in writing to the Principal.

Thank you, Judy Mead.

Library Book Fair – THANKYOU!!

A huge thankyou to all the staff, students and parents who participated in our book fair. We made a profit for the school of $1421 which will be spent on books for the library.

Mrs Warnes & Mrs Richardson 😊

Happy Birthday to:

Pranay P  2P  Dylan N  3A  Jeremy B  6P  Kobi H  2P  Blake H  4P  Annika Z  1L  Micaela M  4/5A  Declan D  KA  William D  1L  Chloe C  2P  Joshua G  4L  Lily P  5P  Jonathan  1P  Charissa N  5L

Have a wonderful day!

Tinkering/Electronics

Donations of Electronic items (No Televisions) would be greatly appreciated for our lunch time group.

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who are this week’s Student of the Week for their class:


Certificates will be distributed at Morning Assembly on Friday.

OOSCA News

Sarah Waller will be away from the 3rd of June to the 20th June. If you have any queries during this time please contact Nikki or Necta.

Vacation care forms will be available from the front office and from OOSCA.

Vacation Care bookings close this week.

Clothing Pool

The Clothing Pool will be open this Wednesday from 8.30am – 9:00am.

We have winter beanies and scarves (new) on sale for $5 each.

Donations of school uniforms in good condition would be greatly appreciated.

Please note payment is by cash only, as we do not have credit card facilities.

Lost – Hearing Aid

A student has misplaced her hearing aid. They are in a small black case. The hearing aids are yellow and pink. This equipment is extremely expensive and our student relies on this technology to learn. If anyone has seen them please contact the Front Office.
Winter Colds/Outbreaks

We have had a reported case of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease, along with several cases of Conjunctivitis. At this time of the year many of the staff and students are also not well with cold and flu symptoms. If your children are not well in the morning please do not send them to school. There is nothing worse than being at school when you are ill and there is always the possibility of spreading the illness to others.

Canteen Roster:

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Disco Notes due Wed 26 June. Family discounts available

Entry only – 1 child $6, 2 children $10, 3 children $12, Package Deal – (includes entry, sausage, lollies, glow stick and drink), 1 child $11, 2 children $20, 3 children $25.

Help needed for both discos.

Sport Update

Athletic Carnival Ribbons will be presented to students at this Friday’s assembly.

Weekend Netball

Yr 2 Turbo Girls
The Turbo Girls had a very special game where they played on the hard courts and used the big netball rings this week for the Pink Ribbon event held by TNA. With outstanding shooting from Georgina and Samantha the Turbo girls shot ahead to take the lead in the game. With beautiful passing and flow on from the centre passes the Turbo Girls clocked another win.

Congratulations to Samantha for her player of the match performance.

Yr 5 Crazy Stars
Crazy Stars had a very close win in the YEAR 5 showcase game during Tuggeranong Netball Association “Throws a Pink Lifeline” fundraiser event on Saturday. Well done to all the girls for playing so well as a team. Special mention to Angel for her enthusiasm and effort on the court and finding good space.

Year 4 Fizz Whizzers - A great effort against a tough team this week. Everyone worked really hard and tried their best. Players of the week went to Lucy and Aidan for their court positioning. Congratulations!
On the June long weekend, Alison Staniforth competed in the annual Northern Victoria Sled Dog Club Classic in Shepparton. She competed with her Alaskan Malamute named Nitarshi who is 11½ years old. This was Alison’s first sled dog race in the Juniors division, and she is the youngest person to ever enter this class in Victoria. Victorians have to be 11 years old to compete in Juniors, whereas in other states such as NSW and the ACT, the age is usually around 9 or 10 years old. It’s all related to insurance and different states have different rules for that. I don’t want to mislead the school community that Alison has done something unique in all of Australia – it’s just Victoria!!! J

Alison and Nitarshi raced in two separate heats along a 2km trail and came 5th overall - an awesome achievement. Congratulations to Alison!

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**Earn & Learn Stickers**

We are now at the important stage of our program where Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets and any loose Woolworths Earn & Learn Points are to be collected and then returned to our school, to be posted off for counting. It would be great if we could aim to get all the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheets returned to our school before the holidays.

Again, the response has been fantastic and we’d like to thank you for your participation and support.
My child/children have an Enrolment Application pending at another school.

My child/children will not be returning to St Anthony’s Parish Primary School in 2014.

Child’s Names:___________________________________________________________  Class:___________________

Destination School:______________________________________________________________________________

Parent/Carer’s Name:______________________________________________________________________________

Parent’s signature:________________________________________________________  Date:___________________
Vacation Care costs $40 per day less your entitlement under the Child Care Benefit rebate scheme.

**Bookings**

Bookings for Vacation Care are essential and can be made by returning the tear off slip below to OOSCA. It is imperative we have accurate numbers of children who will be attending Vacation Care in order for us to provide an appropriate level of staffing.

*Please return this form no later than WEDNESDAY 18th of June.*

*Any forms returned after this date will not be accepted.*

*Notice of one week is required to cancel a vacation care booking otherwise normal charges will apply.*

**Excursions**

*Due to additional staffing requirements and costs involved in excursions, excursion fees are non-refundable.*

A list of excursion and related costs is set out below:

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I wish to book a place for _______________________________ (Child/ren’s name) to attend the July vacation care program on the following days:

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I understand that OOSCA will send home separate permission slips for these excursions.

Signed: ________________________________________________(Parent/Guardian)
**July Vacation Care Happenings**

**WEEK 1**

**Monday 8th July – Painting Day**
We will have a fun filled day doing a variety of painting experiences using lots of wonderful colours. It would be great if all the children and staff wear their favourite colour to OOSCA that day.

**Tuesday 9th July – Games Challenge Day**
OOSCA will be involved in a games challenge day. This will help improve our teamwork, gross motor skills, co-ordination and good sportsmanship.

**Wednesday 10th July – SOUTHERN CANBERRA GYMNASTICS**
On our excursion to Southern Canberra Gymnastics at Erindale we will have the opportunity to use each apparatus and learn new skills.

**Thursday 11th July – OOSCA’s trip to Spain**
We will all experience what it is like to travel in a plane to Spain using great imagination! There will be a variety of Spanish activities and food for the children to enjoy throughout the day. This will help increase children’s awareness and knowledge of the Spanish culture.

*(Lunch will be supplied by OOSCA).*

**Friday 12th July – LIMELIGHT CINEMAS**
The children will have the choice to relax and watch MONSTERS INC UNIVERSITY or DESPICABLE ME 2 at the limelight cinemas in Tuggeranong.

**WEEK 2**

**Monday 15th July – Nature Activities Day**
Our focus for today is on Nature and using natural materials for our daily experiences and activities.

**Tuesday 16th July – LETS PLAY INDOOR PLAYGROUND & LASER TAG**
OOSCA children can experience, explore and enjoy all of Lets play with the large indoor playground, jumping castle and glow in the dark laser tag.

**Wednesday 17th July – Science Experiment Day**
The children will be able to participate in many fun and interesting science experiments throughout the day.

**Thursday 18th July – NATIONAL MUSEUM**
OOSCA are going on an excursion to the National Museum where we will see many interesting galleries including CIRCA – a revolving cinema and K Space where children can create future houses or rockets then watch their display in the 3D theatre. There is also a discovery space program at the Museum these holidays.

**Friday 19th July – Footy Day**
The children are encouraged to wear their favourite footy team colours or clothes. We will be playing many different styles of footy as well as doing lots of fun activities.
Family Fete Feedback 2013

In order to improve the school fete in 2014, we need your honest feedback and input. If you have some time, please provide answers to the following questions or simply provide a general comment. If you prefer to print this sheet and complete it in handwriting to remain anonymous, please return it to the school’s front office OR return to our fete email address: stanthonsfete@gmail.com

Many thanks, Fete Committee.

- Does the Mother’s Day weekend suit you for future fetes or would you like to see if moved to another time during the year? If so, please provide suggested month or date:

- Were you happy to be delegated the book of raffle tickets or would you prefer not to be included in future raffles? (The raffle raised a total profit of $8,128.00)

- Do you have any suggestions or comments about the non-uniform donation days in the lead up to the fete (where food stuffs or gold coins were requested by various stalls)?

- Do you have any suggestions as to how we can improve or change the non-uniform days?

- Do you have any suggestions or comments on the physical locations of the stalls at the 2013 fete?

- What were your thoughts regarding the use of the “stage” this year?

- Would you like to suggest a new stall or item or event for future fete to add variety to our event?

- Is there a stall or event you would prefer to see deleted from future fetes?
What are the major challenges for you during the event? In the lead up to or after the event? Please feel free to grumble and be honest, this info is to assist us in improving future fetes.

Did you assist with a stall on fete day? If not, can you suggest ways in which we can include a greater number of parents and carers?

Do you feel there was enough signage and information distributed to find stalls, rides, etc?

Did you enjoy yourself and the fete generally? Would you prefer to see something included for parents? If so, what?

Did your children enjoy the day? We would love to receive some feedback from them too.

Would your children like to comment or make any suggestions for future fetes?

Do you have any other complaints or comments? Please feel free to have your say.

We are seeking a convenor for the 2014 fete. Are you interested and available either as an individual or part of a small team?

Final thanks once again goes out to the whole school for the huge effort and great result obtained.