



St Andrew's Primary School Newsletter

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Dear St Andrew's community,

It is always a great day when we can share the outstanding learning and achievements of our students together as one community. This term, many of our families have joined us for Monday morning assembly, and last Friday, congratulating our St Andrew's Award recipients. On the 10th of March we invite our community to join us in celebrating Catholic Schools Week. This is a week when we open our doors to our community to witness the great learning and faith that is evident in all areas of our school life.

Parents and Friends are invited to join us on Friday for;

- a whole school Mass at 11.45-12.45
- Open classrooms 12.45-1.15
- Picnic lunch on the grounds-1.15- 2.30

Parents are invited to view the learning spaces of their child and ask them to showcase their learning. Our whole school picnic will be on our grounds. Parents are invited to bring a picnic lunch to share with their family members. **Please remember that chocolate and nut products are not allowed at school.**

Zone Swimming Carnival

I wish to thank Mr Paynter for coordinating this event for our students. Our best wishes to each team member. We are all so very proud of you.

School Open Day for prospective student enrolments

Our school open days will be on **Thursday the 2nd and 9th of March** from 10 am to 10.30am. If you know of friends who would like to view our school, please ask them to register before the date. Registrations can be made by phoning the school office.

Meet and Greet Week

All parents would have received a letter last week inviting them to make an appointment to meet their child's new teacher. This is an opportunity for parents to share goals they have for their child this year, as well as share any information that will encourage their child to experience a successful year. **Please be mindful of the cut off date for making a booking.**

Ash Wednesday Mass
February 22nd 9:15am

Please join us on Wednesday as we begin the Lenten Season which commences on Ash Wednesday. This is a very significant time in the Catholic Church's Liturgical calendar. I have shared a meaningful passage from Pope Francis.

From dust to life

Pope Francis went on to describe ashes as a reminder of the direction of our existence: "a passage from dust to life."

But if we allow ourselves "to be shaped by the hands of God, we become something wondrous."

Lent, he said, is a time of grace during which we can change our lives by letting God gaze upon us with love.

(extract from an article Catholic Outlook February 2020. Pope at Ash Wednesday Mass: We are dust loved by God)



Congratulations to our elected Sports Captains for 2023

At our beginning of the Year Mass, our Sports Captains were inducted and presented with their badges.

Both our Student Council and Sports Captains are doing an excellent job in their roles. Our school community is very proud of them.

Isabella Culili, Auristo Husada, Lauren Hipolito, Uriel Labo, Kamsy Chikwem, Genevieve Lok-Saladik, Malaar Kaur, Jonathan Xavier, James Pisansarakit, Agastya Patel, Freya Dahbi, Hannah Farag, Erin Ankrett, Autumn Byrne, Jai Mital, Christopher Stowell, Pdraig Kenny and Hayden Straub



World Youth Day 2023

On **Friday the 17th of February**, our school will be hosting a fundraiser for World Youth Day pilgrims. The money will go towards supporting our pilgrims with the cost of this very important and rewarding experience. [Children are invited to wear casual clothes on Friday and parents are invited to make a donation using our QKR platform.](#)

St Andrew's College - Mr Kennaugh speaks to Year 5 Students

On Tuesday Mr Kennaugh, Principal of St Andrew's College spoke with our Year 5 students, sharing all the great experiences the College has to offer our students. I ask parents to please submit applications for year 7 as soon as possible if they are choosing St Andrew's College for their child.

Year 6 parents are reminded to be mindful of the deadlines for enrolments in Year 7 for 2024, as the College enrolments each year fill up very quickly.

Stranger Danger

A timely reminder for parents to revisit stranger danger with their child. This is something that as parents we don't want to think about, however as we know, it is best to prepare our children with these skills and hope that they never have to use them. Please be mindful that stranger danger is not limited to outside your home; strangers can enter your child's life using social media platforms.

I spoke with Senior Constable Bollard today to organise Cyber safety talks this term for our children from Years 3-6. A date will be set for this in the near future.

New Parents and Friends Executive elected for 2023

I wish to sincerely thank the outgoing executive for their tireless efforts in making 2022 such a successful year of fundraising and reconnecting our families during community building events.

Mrs Sarah Ford, Mrs Tamara Westlake, Mrs Amy Hanson and Mrs Terri Vasek

I wish to congratulate the new executive for 2023.

President: Mrs Sarah Ford

Vice President: Mr Michael Kim

Secretary: Mrs Kathy Afarian

The position of treasurer was not filled during the election process. .

I look forward to a great year.

Sick Children

Just a reminder, if your child is unwell please keep them at home until they are well. This will help reduce the spread of illness in class.

Safety at Peak times

I seriously ask parents and responsible adults to be vigilant at peak times of the school day. Yesterday's tragedy at a school not far from us is a scary reminder of how quickly a tragic accident can occur.

Please follow the reminders below:

- Cross Breakfast Road at the Pedestrian crossing and follow the directions from our crossing supervisor.
- Park safely and walk into the school grounds
- Do not park in the staff carpark - reversing back is seriously dangerous.
- Hold your child's hand when walking along the foot path

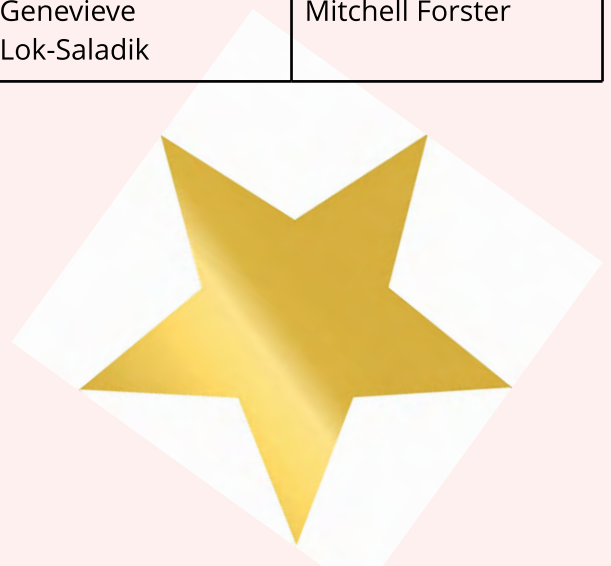
SUPPORT FOR TURKEY & SYRIA

Please note that Caritas is also holding an appeal for the people of Turkey and Syria affected by the recent earthquakes for your consideration. Please see a link below:
<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/turkey-and-syria-earthquake/>



Student of the Week

	T1 WEEK 2	T1 WEEK 3		T1 WEEK 2	T1 WEEK 3
KB	Garvit Badwal	Kimberly Ketsomboon	3G	Sophia Pollifrone	Name withheld
KG	Elijah Tanglao	Lily Aliberti	3R	Arya Shah	Agam Singh
KR	Chloe Lee	Ayan Patel	3Y	Dhwani Raghesh	Nathan Gasendo
KY	Kaitlynn Culili	Selina Byrne-Abella	4B	Isabelle Zammit	Andy Wu
1B	Aishvir Gill	Reyansh Roy	4G	Amina Halilova	Evelyn Moras
1G	Zawadi Callaghan-Odindo	Charlotte Francis	4R	Louis Zouein	Rian Kerai
1R	Ciandro Razon	Janice Kumar	4Y	Elijah Abboud	Isabelle Farag
1Y	Zayn Contreras	Augustine George	5B	Veronica Adamecki	Ryan Kumar
2B	Sanjana Davuluri	Jonah Kaloustian	5G	Dominic Russo	Jayden Kumar
2G	Anaira Walia	Prince Dahbi	5R	Giordana Sirianni	Georgia Ortiz
2R	Adrijana Vucica	Ethan Hak	6B	Autumn Byrne-Abella	Kyrollos Ebrahim
2Y	Eva Pandya	Gabriel Vittori	6G	Holly Ghobrial	Rithvika Ananth
3B	Apalang Makog	Jaxson Spina	6R	Genevieve Lok-Saladik	Mitchell Forster





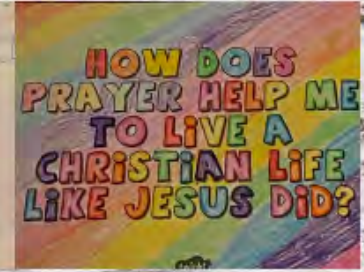
St Andrew's FAITH PAGE

Growth in Christ!



*** CHECK OUT ***
THE LEARNING TAKING PLACE IN YEAR 5

**WE BEGAN OUR
LEARNING JOURNEY WITH
A WHOLE CLASS
HOT CONVERSATION
TO UNPACK THE
NEED TO KNOWS AND
OUR REFLECTIONS ON
THE DRIVING QUESTION**



**RELIGION
DRIVING
QUESTION-**

**How does prayer
help me to live a
Christian life like
Jesus did?**

INQUIRY SESSION

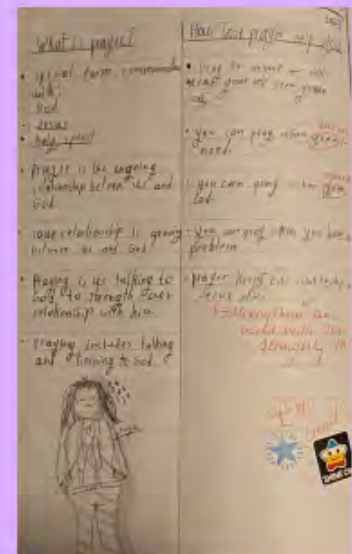
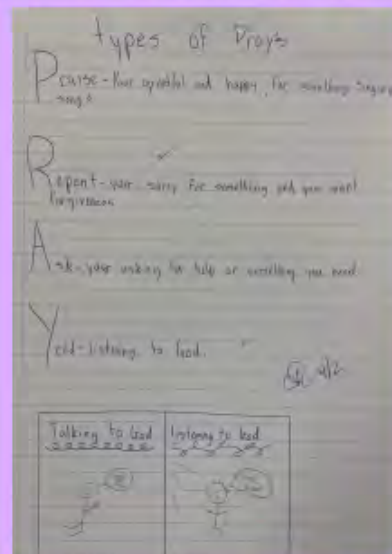
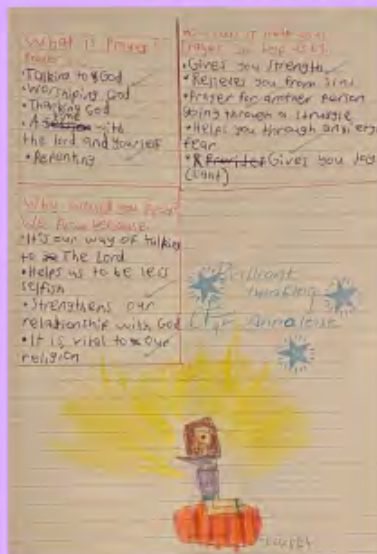
**NEXT, WE SHARED OUR KNOWLEDGE AND DEVELOPED OUR
UNDERSTANDING THROUGH A MINI-RESEARCH TASK.**

WE EXPLORED THE FOLLOWING MINI DRIVERS...

****WHAT is PRAYER? ** **HOW & WHY do we PRAY? ****

****HOW can PRAYER impact our lives? ****

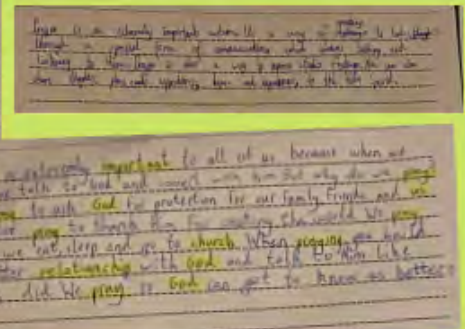
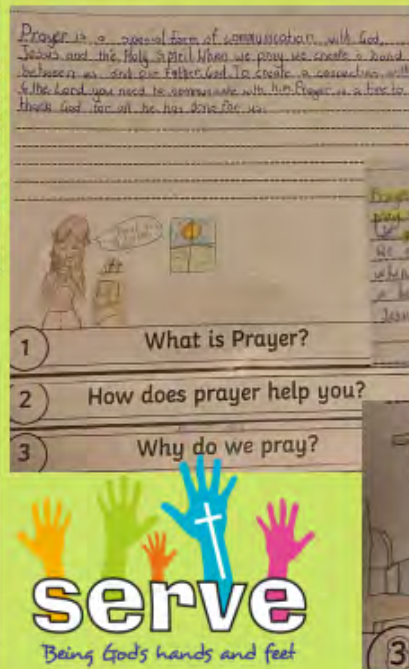
WE HAD TO FOCUS, COMMUNICATE & COLLABORATE EFFECTIVELY AS A TEAM!



CREATIVITY & FEEDBACK

THEN, WE TRANSFERRED OUR RESEARCH BY CREATING FLIP BOOKS,
AND ENGAGING IN A JIG SAW STATION WITH OTHER TEAMS TO:

SHARE, REFLECT AND DISCUSS OUR LEARNING ABOUT PRAYER & THE DRIVING QUESTION!



In Visual Arts WE HAVE EMBARKED
on using the elements of shading, colour and line,
with the medium of chalk, to represent
the cross: a symbol of
JESUS, PRAYER, FAITH & THE HOLY TRINITY



Term 1 Calendar 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1					27 January STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
2 Newsletter Week	30 1st Day Years 1-6 Kinder 1/2 day	31 Kinder 1/2 day	1 February All Kindergarten full day	2	3
3	6 6.30 pm P&F AGM	7	8	9	10 9.15 am Beginning School Mass 2pm Assembly
4 Newsletter Week	13	14	15	16	17 Mufti day fundraiser for WYD
5	20	21	22 9.15am Ash Wednesday Mass	23	24
6 Newsletter Week	27 Meet and Greet Week	28 Meet and Greet Week	1 March Meet and Greet Week	2 10-10.30am School Tours Meet and Greet Week	3 2pm Assembly Meet and Greet Week
7 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK	6	7	8	9 10-10.30am School Tours	10 11.45 am Catholic Schools Week Mass 12.45-1.15 Open Classrooms 1.15-2.15 Picnic Lunch
8 Newsletter Week	13	14	15 NAPLAN	16 NAPLAN	17 NAPLAN
9	20 NAPLAN	21 NAPLAN Harmony Day	22 NAPLAN	23 NAPLAN	24 NAPLAN 2pm Assembly
10 Newsletter Week	27 NAPLAN	28	29 5-7pm Kinder Welcome BBQ	30	31
11	3 April	4	5	6 HOLY THURSDAY Stations of the Cross 10am Infants 11.45 Primary (Church) Easter Raffle Drawn	7 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL

Behind the Scenes

What's happening in our classrooms



We are off to a great start with our learning this year!!!!

Here is a glimpse into some of our **literacy learning**.

Across all grades, we recognise the importance of establishing and building our knowledge and skills about how meaning is shaped, conveyed, interpreted, and reflected. So we have all taken a deep dive into learning how to successfully create a written text, whether it be a simple sentence or a more sophisticated piece of writing with a variety of sentence structures. We have been explicitly breaking down sentence structures and conventions in fun and engaging ways.





Library News

Borrowing from the library will commence week 4 (from Mon Feb 13) for all grades except Kindergarten.

Kindergarten will begin borrowing the following week (from Feb 20).

Here are the borrowing days for each class:

Monday - Yr 1, 6R & 6G

Tuesday - 2Y & 2B

Wednesday - 2R & 2G, Yr 4 & 6B

Thursday - Yr 3 & (Yr 5 return their books)

Friday - Kinder & Yr 5



Sport Day

Students are required to wear their sports uniform on the following days.

Please ensure that your child's sports shoes are predominantly white or black in colour.



Grade	Sport day
Kindergarten	Thursday
Year 1	Wednesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Monday
Year 4	Tuesday
Year 5	Wednesday
Year 6	Friday



CANTEEN MENU 2023

HOT BITES

O	Chicken Nuggets 100% Breast	x 1	\$ 0.95
		x 4	\$ 3.60
		x 6	\$ 5.00
E	Chicken Wings Hot & Spicy		\$ 1.80
O	Mini Spring Roll Veg		\$ 1.20
E	Corn Cob		\$ 1.50
E	Hash Brown GF Veg		\$ 1.50
E	Garlic Bread		\$ 3.00
E	Cheese & Bacon Roll		\$ 3.20
E	Hot Dog with tomato or BBQ sauce		\$ 3.90
O	Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets GF	x 1	\$ 1.00
		x 4	\$ 3.80
		x 6	\$ 5.40

NOODLE CUPS

O	Chicken	\$ 3.50
O	Beef	\$ 3.50
O	Oriental Veg	\$ 3.50

Noodle Cups Are Not Put In Lunch Order Bag

Ask your child to take the lunch bag to the canteen
and collect it during their lunch break

BURGERS

E	Chicken lettuce & mayo	\$ 5.50
E	Chicken & Cheese BBQ sauce	\$ 5.50
E	Hot & Spicy Chicken lettuce & mayo	\$ 5.90
E	Beef Burger beef & tomato sauce or BBQ sauce	\$ 5.50
E	Cheese Burger beef, cheese & tomato sauce	\$ 5.90
E	Aussie Beef beef, lettuce, tomato, beetroot & BBQ sauce	\$ 5.90

PASTA & RICE

E	Butter Chicken GF with rice	\$ 4.80
E	Pasta Bolognese beef sauce	\$ 4.80
E	Creamy Chicken Pasta	\$ 4.80
E	Fried Rice Veg	\$ 4.80
E	Macaroni Cheese Veg	\$ 5.50
E	Lasagna beef	\$ 5.50

TOASTED WRAPS

E	Cheese Toasted Wrap	\$ 2.70
E	Ham & Cheese Toasted Wrap	\$ 4.00
E	Chicken, Cheese & BBQ Toasted Wrap	\$ 5.70
E	Sweet Chilli Chicken Toasted Wrap cheese	\$ 5.70



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SNACKS

E	Popcorn GF	\$ 1.00
E	Pancake	\$ 1.20
O	Chips 27g	\$ 2.50
O	Piranha Rice Snaps GF vege crackers	\$ 3.00
O	Jelly Bowl GF	\$ 2.00
O	Banana Bread	\$ 3.00

HOMEMADE PIZZAS

E	Cheese Veg	\$ 4.40
E	Ham & Cheese	\$ 5.20
E	Pepperoni & Cheese	\$ 5.20

MEXICAN NACHOS

O	Beef Nachos GF beef sauce	add cheese 50c	\$ 5.40
O	Cheesey Nachos GF cheese sauce		\$ 5.40
O	Vegetarian Nachos GF tomato salsa	add cheese 50c	\$ 5.40

GLUTEN FREE FAVOURITES

E	Butter Chicken with rice	\$ 4.80
E	Macaroni & Cheese Pasta Veg	\$ 5.90
E	Beef Lasagna	\$ 5.90
E	Vegetarian Lasagna	\$ 5.90
O	Nachos - Beef or Vegetarian or Cheese Sauce	\$ 5.40
O	Chicken Nuggets x 1 \$ 1.00 x 4 \$ 3.80 x 6 \$ 5.40	

Many More Gluten Free Items Are Marked "GF" On The Menu

Write "Gluten Free" On Your Lunch Bag

PIES & PASTRIES

O	Party Pie	x 1	\$ 1.70
		x 3	\$ 5.00
O	Sausage Roll		\$ 4.00
O	Meat Pie		\$ 5.00
O	Potato Pie potato top with beef filling		\$ 5.50
O	Spinach & Ricotta Roll Veg		\$ 5.50

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CANTEEN MENU 2023

SANDWICHES

E Vegemite or Jam	\$ 2.00
E Cheese	\$ 2.00
E Ham	\$ 3.00
E Cheese & Tomato	\$ 3.50
E Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.50
E Chicken	\$ 4.00
E Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$ 4.50
E Chicken & Cheese with mayo	\$ 4.50
E Salad lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, carrot	\$ 4.50
E Sweet Chilli Chicken lettuce, sweet chilli & mayo	\$ 4.90
E Ham & Salad	\$ 4.90
E Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$ 4.90
E Chicken, Cheese & Tomato with mayo	\$ 4.90
E Chicken & Salad	\$ 4.90

Gluten Free Bread & Wraps also available - Add 50c

Write on lunch bag



WRAPS

E Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$ 5.50
E Chicken & Cheese with mayo	\$ 5.50
E Salad lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, carrot	\$ 6.00
E Sweet Chilli Chicken lettuce, sweet chilli & mayo	\$ 6.00
E Ham & Salad	\$ 6.50
E Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$ 6.50
E Chicken, Cheese & Tomato with mayo	\$ 6.50
E Chicken & Salad	\$ 6.50
E Chicken Caesar Salad	\$ 6.50



SALADS

E Watermelon Bowl	\$ 5.50
E Fruit Salad Bowl	\$ 6.00
E Garden Salad GF lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beet, carrot	\$ 5.50
E Caesar Salad lettuce, croutons, cheese	\$ 5.50
E Sweet Chilli Chicken lettuce, tomato, cheese, sc mayo	\$ 6.00
E Ham & Garden Salad GF	\$ 6.00
E Chicken & Garden Salad GF	\$ 6.00
E Chicken Caesar Salad	\$ 6.00

Choose any dressing : Caesar, Italian, Mayo, French

SUSHI

E Chicken Teriyaki GF	\$ 4.40
E Vegetarian GF	\$ 4.40

Write "Soy Sauce" on your lunch bag if you would like one for free



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DRINKS

E Water	\$ 2.00
E Popper Juice Apple, Orange, ABC	\$ 2.40
E Plain Milk	\$ 2.40
E Oak Milk Chocolate, Strawberry	\$ 3.00
E Glee Grape, Watermelon Sour, Tropical, Blackcurrant	\$ 3.30
E Groove Watermelon, Raspberry	\$ 3.30
E Up N Go Chocolate, Vanilla	\$ 3.50
E Ice Tea Peach, Raspberry	\$ 4.50
E Aloe Vera Grape	\$ 4.50
E Hot Chocolate	\$ 2.50

FRESH FRUIT

E Fruit Pieces Apple, Mandarin, Watermelon Slice, Seasonal	\$ 1.50
E Frozen Oranges Snack Pack	\$ 2.30
E Watermelon Bowl	\$ 5.50
E Fruit Salad Bowl Seasonal Fruits	\$ 6.00



ICE COLD TREATS 99% JUICE

E Frozen Juice Cup Apple, Orange, ABC	\$ 1.60
E Fruity Ices Assorted Flavours	\$ 0.70
E Sour Snap Stix Assorted Flavours	\$ 1.20

Ice Cold Treats Are Not Put In Your Lunch Order Bag

Ask your child to take the lunch bag to the canteen
and collect it during their lunch break

YOGHURT

E Vaalia Yoghurt Vanilla	\$ 3.80
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EXTRAS

E Sauce Portions BBQ, Tomato	\$ 0.50
E Salad Extras Tomato, Beetroot, Carrot, Cucumber, Onion	\$ 0.60
E Cheese Slice, Shredded	\$ 0.60
E Chicken, Ham	\$ 1.00

HOT FOOD & SNACK MENU ITEMS OVER PAGE

Mrs Taylor's Book Shop

**Our 2nd hand book shop
is looking for donations
of children's books.**

**If you have any children's books
in good condition,
which you no longer require,
we would love to share them
with the children.**

**You can leave them at the school office
for Mrs Taylor.**

Thank you for your generosity.





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Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the **Australian Girls Choir** because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they **learn to sing, dance and perform.**

Join us at our **FEBRUARY OPEN DAY!**



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Girls blossom as members of the AGC, both on and off the stage. Your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Our senior performers have shared the stage with a long list of artists including Hugh Jackman, Amy Shark and Christine Anu. You may have seen our girls perform at the National Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II, the AFL Grand Final or on the recently released 'I Still Call Australia Home' campaign for Qantas.

Now accepting enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Balgowlah, Beecroft, Haberfield, Kellyville, North Parramatta, North Ryde, St Ives, Waverley and Willoughby.



QANTAS

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Register now at ausgirlschoir.com.au/joinagc or phone 02 9922 6733



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