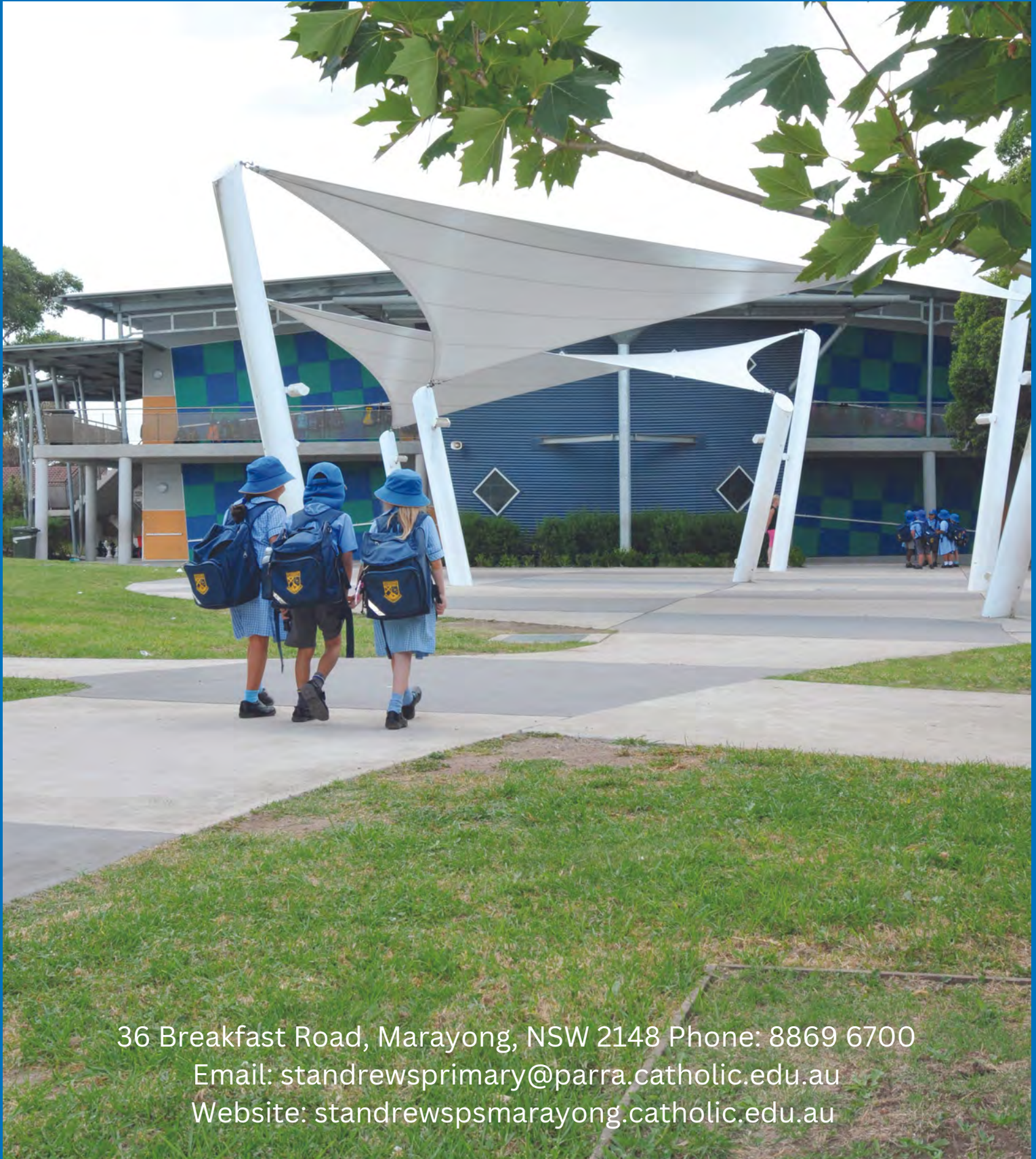




# St Andrew's Primary School Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

### Dear St Andrew's Community,

Last week we were blessed to have many parents attend our 'Meet Mr. Bawden and the School Leadership Team' afternoon tea. There were many opportunities to speak with the team, share great stories, and ask relevant questions. Mr. Bawden was overwhelmed with the attention and humbled by the many parents who attended the event.

### Zone Athletics Carnival

This week we celebrate the many talented students who participated in the Zone Athletics Carnival. I wish to thank Mr. Bawden, Mr. Haynes, and the many parents who supported the children on the day. I heard we had a great cheer squad.

Photo highlights from the day can be viewed in this newsletter.

Congratulations to the following students for representing our school with pride and enthusiasm:

Phoebe Andrew  
Marcella Arshilo  
Michelle Arshilo  
Christopher Asiegbu  
Brianna Carney  
Xavier Carvajal  
Zeluwa Chikwem  
Kim Chimbira  
Aarya Davuluri  
Hannah Farag  
Isabelle Farag

Ruby Fox  
Holly Ghobrial  
Michael Giffney  
Katherine Jing  
Isaac Kaloustian  
Malaar Kaur  
Alexander Kearns  
Gaweem Kouta  
Taireese Lim  
Roman Lototskyi  
Isaac Ma'u

Annika Malaviya  
Georgia Mataupu  
Madelina Mawut  
Ivy McCarthy  
Leah McSweeney  
Sienna Morisio  
Skyla Morton  
Liam O'Neill  
Arman Papazian  
Agastya Patel

Suraj Patel  
Cruz Schwalger  
Ja'Bear Sione  
Hayden Straub  
Cleo Summerton  
Joshua Sun  
Isaac Torok  
James Turin  
Benjamin Wilson  
Gabriella Zerafa



Congratulations to:  
Hayden Straub, senior boys runner-up champion.  
Michael Giffney, 11 year old boys age champion.  
Leah McSweeney, Senior girls runner up champion.



## BOOK WEEK PERFORMANCE

This year for Book week the Students will enjoy a performance from Meerkat Productions on Wednesday 16th August.

**THERE IS NO DRESS UP BOOK PARADE THIS YEAR**

## Whole School Assembly

Last Friday, August 4th, we celebrated our first assembly for the term. It was lovely to see parents and friends in attendance.

## Urgent Attention

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2024 are nearing the end of the process. I ask parents who have a child who is ready for school to please lodge an application form ASAP. Once positions are filled, your child may not be able to attend.

## LockDown Drill

Last Wednesday, the whole school underwent a Lockdown drill. I am happy to report the process went very well.

## St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day

On August 8th, we celebrated the Feast Day of St. Mary McKillop. This is always a very special day for Catholics in Australia. I was very blessed to have visited Penola on a spiritual pilgrimage a few years ago and remember walking in her footsteps as I visited the many places Mary MacKillop herself walked. The experience of celebrating the Eucharist in the same church where Mary prayed and drinking the blood of Christ from the chalice Mary drank from will stay in my heart forever.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



## St Andrew's World Cup soccer games

These games are proving to be quite spectacular. The teams compete against each other at recess and lunch, with our own great soccer players refereeing. I wish to thank Mr. Beggs for the enthusiasm and passion he has shared with the community in organising this fun event for the children.

## Things to consider

Just a reminder to please walk your child to the office if they are late to school in the morning, as a parent or responsible adult needs to sign the student in.

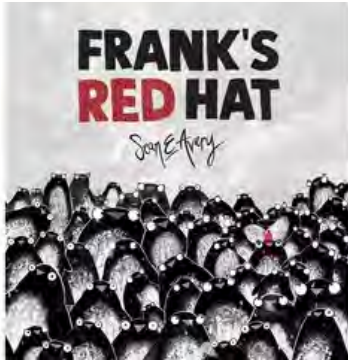
Please remember that chewing gum is not permitted at school.

- All children need to be in full school uniform each day. If your child is out of uniform for any reason, please send an explanation note to the class teacher.
- Thank you to the parents who listened to our appeal last week and are not waiting at the fence in the morning. This has lessened the likelihood of your child leaving the school gates to be with you in the morning.



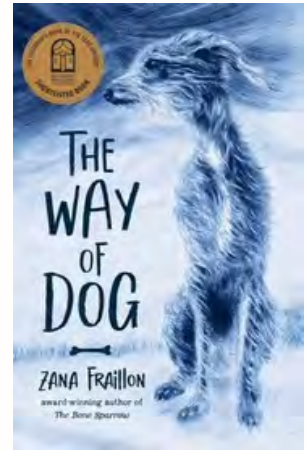
### Uniform Awards morning tea

I am very pleased to inform the community that the next 2 groups of students who have accrued 5 or more awards will join me for morning tea on Wednesday, August 16th for Years 3-6 and Thursday, August 17th for Kinder - Year 2. Great effort, children.



### Celebrating good Literature

'Meerkat Productions' will be performing for our students on Wednesday 16th August, as part of our Book Week celebration. I am sure the students will be entertained by the quality of this performance.



### Lost Property

We have a large collection of uniforms that have no names, and this is steadily growing. If your child has misplaced a uniform item, please check 'Lost Property' which is in the COLA outside the administration office.

### Bus timetable changes

Please note changes to School Bus Timetables which was effective as of Monday, July 24th. Timetable can be found in this newsletter.



### School Fees

School Fees statements have been posted on 24/07/2023 and the due date for Instalment 3 is 23/08/2023. Please contact Reshma Kerai on 02 8869 6700 if you have not yet received your statement.

**Mrs Yvette McGowen**  
**Principal**



## **Contacting your child's teacher and other school staff**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

**At St Andrew's Primary, Marayong, we value our strong relationship with families and welcome opportunities to communicate with parents and carers. We also recognise that email is a fast and convenient way to contact your child's teacher or other school staff.**

**Although staff will read their emails at various times throughout the school day, they are generally not expected to respond to emails outside of normal working hours. In the case of an emergency, please contact the school office on 8869 6700. Our caring team will address your concerns.**

**If you wish to contact a staff member, please continue to send your emails to [standrewsprimary@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:standrewsprimary@parra.catholic.edu.au). Your email will be directed to your child's teacher or another relevant staff member. This helps us to have confidence that we are aware of any matters needing our attention as a team, and that you are connected to the person who can best help.**

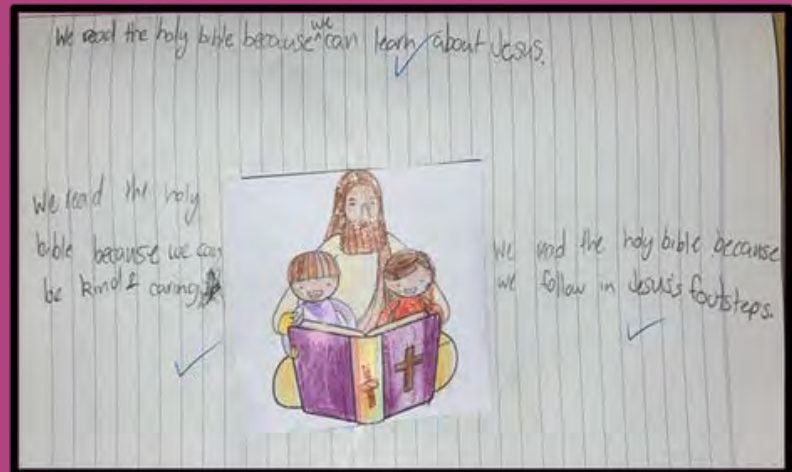
**Thank you so much for your assistance and understanding.**

**If you have any questions about the above, please contact Mrs Yvette McGowen on 8869 6700.**

**Kind regards  
Mrs Yvette McGowen  
Principal**

# Faith Page Year 2

Religion  
Driving Question  
Term 3



RELIGION DRIVING QUESTION

How can we grow build our ideas thinking

On bible texts scripture passages and short stories told by Jesus and parables to come understand to know Jesus? learn about

What is the Bible?

- \* It consists of the Old Testament & the New Testament.
- \* It has mini chapters.
- \* It teaches us about God & Jesus.
- \* It contains the 10 Commandments.
- \* It took a long time to write. (hundreds of years)

- \* 4 Gospels
  - Matthew
  - Mark
  - Luke
  - John
- \* Creation Story.
- \* It contains Parables.
- \* It teaches us how to be a Jesus person.
- \* Written by a lot of people.

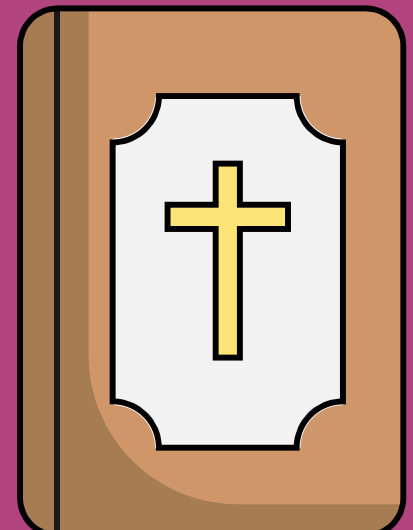
1) We read bibles because there is parables that teaches us lessons

2) We read the bible to know more about Jesus and God

3) We read the bible because we love God

4) We read the bible because we need to honour God

5) We read bibles because we love God



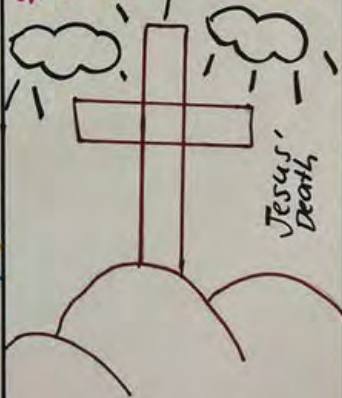
# Old Testament

The Old Testament teaches us about God's message and people who disobeyed Him.



# New Testament

The New Testament teaches us about Jesus' life, death and resurrection.



## Old testament

The old testament teaches us about not only God but how he created the world. ✓



## New testament

The new testament teaches all about Jesus and miracles. ✓



Good response p 217 ✓

Summarise what happens in the bible passage Exodus 3:1-14 - 'The Burning Bush.'

### Beginning

In the beginning Moses was bringing the sheep to the mountains and saw a bush that was burning and when he got closer a voice spoke to him.

### Middle

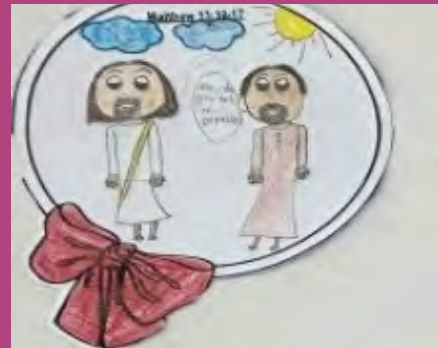
The voice said for him to take off his sandals cause this is holy ground but Moses didn't trust him. So the voice said to drop his staff and when he did it turned into a snake and when he

### End

picked up the staff it turned back and when he ran his hand through his robe it was a dead. And after he went to go save + enlighten with god



Very detailed drawing p 217 ✓





# Student Of The Week

## Term 3 Weeks 2 & 3



	WEEK 2	WEEK 3		WEEK 2	WEEK 3
KB	Sebastian Kory	Nopher Khalil	3G	Vladrhamiel Cortes	Cleo Summerton
KG	Name withheld	Naomi Lum	3R	Shenouda Shakar	Isabella Rose D'Angelo
KR	Emily Sun	Myrah Thapa	3Y	Jandre Arnaldo	Lance Minas
KY	Jessica Wilkinson	Marco DeGuzman	4B	Alice Torossian	Olive Jaca
1B	Kaylee Diana	Jack Yuan	4G	Ben Wilson	Jasmine Fedele
1G	Anders Vanags	Name withheld	4R	Fala Uta	Milana Sirianni
1R	Johanna Ravibalan	Iris Jaca	4Y	Leilani Ma'u	Name withheld
1Y	Benjamin Ko	Aaliyah Vakai	5B	Annaleise Smith	Suraj Patel
2B	Karamanjot Dhillon	Penelope Morrison	5G	Athieei Joseph	Aker Deng
2G	Lucas Zammit	Sophia Dutong	5R	James Cubillo	Kristina Bastalic
2R	Veronica Prabaharan	Lydia Lee	6B	Jerell Pinto	Gabriella Chahine Karam
2Y	Lucy Legge	Audrey Ongkee	6G	Serenity Bron	Isabella Culili
3B	Anjali Jegan	Rhys Straub	6R	Chloe Wilson	Amok Mayen

## Term 3 Calendar 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	17th July <b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>	18 <b>ALL STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 3</b>	19 Year 5 Parish Mass	20	21
2 Newsletter Week	24	25 Year 1 Parish Mass	26	27 2PM Welcome Afternoon Tea	28
3	31	1st August Kindy Parish Mass	2	3	4 Year 3 Parish Mass 2pm Whole School Assembly
4 Newsletter Week	7	8 Year 4 Grade Mass Feast of Mary MacKillop	9	10 Year 6 Reconciliation	11
5	14	15 9.15am Whole School Mass Feast of the Assumption	16 3-6 Uniform award morning tea Book Week Performance 2.30-3pm P&F Meeting	17 K-2 Uniform award morning tea Voice of Youth Cluster Final	18
6 Newsletter Week	21	22 Year 2 Parish Mass	23 Year 4 Reconciliation	24 Year 6 Grade Mass	25 Diocesan Athletics Carnival 2pm Whole School Assembly
7	28	29	30 Year 5 Reconciliation	31 Fathers Day Stall Year 3 Reconciliation	1st September
8 Newsletter Week	4	5 Kindy Liturgy of the Word	6 Year 2 Grade Mass	7 Year 6 Canberra Year 3 Grade Mass	8 Year 6 Canberra
9	11	12 Year 5 Grade Mass	13	14 Year 1 Grade Mass	15 Year 6 Parish Mass 2pm Whole School Assembly
10 Newsletter Week	18 Mackillop Athletics	19 Disco ES1 & Stage T Year 4 Parish Mass	20 Stage 2 Disco	21 Stage 3 Disco	<b>22 LAST DAY OF TERM</b>



# SPORTS NEWS



## ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



## Highlights



# Mrs Taylor's Book shop



Our second 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.**



# STANDARD 5: PEOPLE WORKING WITH CHILDREN ARE SUITABLE AND SUPPORTED

**Aim:** Organisations attract, recruit, supervise and support staff to keep children safe.



## Why is this Standard important?

Screening processes, including the WWCC, help prevent unsuitable candidates from being employed.

Comprehensive human resource practices ensure staff receive ongoing training to perform their role effectively.

## What should CSPD be doing?

- Advertising for and screening of new employees emphasises child safety.
- Relevant probity checks conducted on staff.
- New staff receive an induction and all staff are made aware of their reporting obligations and child safety responsibilities.

- People management and supervision have a child safety focus.



## What we're doing

- Rigorous recruitment and screening processes include compulsory WWCC, reference checks, including child protection screening questions and checks.
- WWCC Renewal and verification processes.
- All Staff are required to complete Safeguarding onboarding and

- Check out System Policies on CSPD Website!
- Staff can also check out our OSCAR PAGE!

- mandatory annual Safeguarding training.
- Building Child Safe Communities (BCSC) processes implemented to ensure all volunteers and contractors complete the BCSC form and learning module.
- Appropriate responses to concerns about staff

- performance in relation to codes, policies and procedures.
- CSPD WWCC Policy
- Support, mentoring and probation periods for new staff and volunteers.
- Teacher accreditation and teaching standards include safeguarding.



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# STANDARD 6

## Processes to respond to complaints of child abuse are child focused

**Aim:** Children are the priority when responding to complaints of abuse

### Why is this standard important?

Implementing a child focused complaint handling procedure means people know how to make a complaint and staff know what steps to take to respond.

Children are safer when complaints are addressed quickly, thoroughly and transparently, and where the family and community are supported. When the complaint process is child

focused, children feel more comfortable and empowered to make a complaint.

Child safe organisations use complaints as opportunities to reflect on their child safe practices. Children are at greater risk when organisations prioritise their own reputations over the safety of children.

### What should we be doing?

- The organisation has a child focused complaint handling system

that is understood by children, staff, volunteers and families.

- The organisation has an effective complaint handling policy that clearly outlines roles and responsibilities, approaches to dealing with different types of complaints, and obligations to act and report.
- Complaints are taken seriously and responded to promptly and thoroughly.
- The organisation meets reporting, privacy and employment obligations.

## What We're Doing

- Check out System Policies on [CSPD Website](#)
- Staff can also check out our [OSCAR PAGE](#)

- CSPD's Safeguarding Procedures, Code of Conduct and Code of Conduct for Working With Children and Students.
- Responds to complaints and/or allegations raised in relation to children or students.
- Records and follows reporting requirements of the Office of the Children's Guardian (OCG), NSW Police (NSWP) and the Joint Child Protection Response Program (JCPRP) and Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ).
- Fosters strong relationships with external agencies and proactively networks with the OCG, NSWP and JCPRP to ensure quality and regular review of CSPD policy and procedures.
- Stringent record keeping practices in line with Privacy and legislative requirements.
- CSPD Wellbeing team including Student Wellbeing Counsellors at all CSPD schools to support students and adhere to mandatory reporting obligations.
- Annual mandatory training requirements for all employees in respect of their legal responsibilities related to child protection, mandatory reporting and other relevant school expectations.

Coming soon **CSPD's child friendly complaint video**



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## St Andrews Primary - Marayong

Timetable effective from Monday 24 July 2023

Amended 10/07/2023

(R) Bus Turns Right - (L) Bus Turns Left

### MORNING

Bus Number	Route Number	Time	Locations Serviced	Route Description
6026	-	7:43 AM	Quakers Hill Acacia Gardens	Departs St John Paul II (Schofields) via (R)Hambledon Rd (R)Burdekin Rd (L)Walker St (L)Ball Dr (L)Hambledon Rd (R)Barnier Dr (R)Farnham Rd (L)Kennington Av (R)Farnham Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Pye Rd (8:01am) (R)Highfield Rd (L)Lalor Rd (R)Hambledon Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (L)Quakers Rd (R)Breakfast Rd to opposite School. <b>SETS DOWN STUDENTS OPPOSITE SCHOOL</b>
6019	-	8:10 AM	Blacktown Marayong	Departs Blacktown Station (Rank A) via Richmond Rd (R)Breakfast Rd to School.
6047	-	8:13 AM	Dean Park Doonside	Departs Yarramundi Dr & Richmond Rd via Yarramundi Dr (L)Hoyle Dr (R)Symonds Rd (L)Richmond Rd (R)Knox Rd (L)Power St (R)Hill End Rd (L)Cameron St (L)Milson Rd (L)Power St (R)Hill End Rd (R)Richmond Rd (8:33am) (L)Falmouth Rd (R)Quakers Rd (R)Breakfast Rd to opposite School. <b>SETS DOWN STUDENTS OPPOSITE SCHOOL</b>
6031	-	8:15 AM	Blacktown Marayong	Departs Blacktown Station (Rank B) via Richmond Rd (R)Breakfast Rd to School.
-	753	8:18 AM	Doonside Marayong	Departs Crawford Rd & Power St via Crawford Rd (L)Cross St (L)Hill End Rd (L)Richmond Rd (8:26am) (R)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Tallagandra Dr (R)Falmouth Rd (L)Brook St (L)Tambaroora Cr (R)Terrigal St (L)Breakfast Rd to St Andrews Senior Campus (8:39am). <b>SETS DOWN STUDENTS IN ST ANDREWS SENIOR CAMPUS</b>
6068	-	8:19 AM	Glendenning	Departs Adrienne St & Lamb St via Adrienne St (R)Armitage Dr (L)Golding Dr (R)Richmond Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Tallagandra Dr (L)Falmouth Rd (R)Quakers Rd (R)Breakfast Rd to opposite School. <b>SETS DOWN STUDENTS OPPOSITE SCHOOL</b>

### AFTERNOON

Bus Number	Route Number	Time	Locations Serviced	Route Description
6582	-	3:17 PM	Quakers Hill	Departs School via Breakfast Rd (L)Quakers Rd (R)Arnott Rd (L)Warrimoo Dr (L)Chaplin Cr (L)Meadow Dr (R)Quakers Rd (R)Quakers Hill Pkwy (L)Eastern Rd to roundabout, turns around & returns Eastern Rd to Wyndham College (3:29pm), continues Eastern Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (L)Hambledon Rd (L)Ball Dr (R)Walker St (R)Burdekin Rd (L)Hambledon Rd (L)Schofields Rd (R)Railway Tce (R)Garfield Rd (L)Riverstone Pde to Riverstone Station (3:52pm).
6514	-	3:19 PM	Quakers Hill Dean Park Glendenning	Departs School via Breakfast Rd (L)Quakers Rd (L)Falmouth Rd (R)Tallagandra Dr (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Richmond Rd (R)Symond Rd (L)Hoyle Dr to Dean Park Shops (3:30pm), continues Hoyle Dr (R)Yarramundi Dr (L)Richmond Rd (R)Stone St (L)Armitage Dr (R)Golding Dr (R)Armitage Dr (L)Adrienne St to Lamb St (3:40pm).
6536	-	3:20 PM	Quakers Hill	Departs School via Breakfast Rd (L)Quakers Rd (R)Chaplin Cr (R)Meadow Dr (R)Quakers Rd (R)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Eastern Rd (L)Douglas Rd (R)Lovegrove Dr (R)Chisholm St (R)Eastern Rd, U-turn at roundabout & return Eastern Rd to Wyndham College (3:35pm), continues Eastern Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)Hambledon Rd (L)Lalor Rd (R)Hillcrest Rd (L)Pye Rd (L)Pye Rd (L)Quakers Hill Pkwy (R)1st Farnham Rd (L)Kennington Av (R)Farnham Rd (L)Barnier Dr (L)Hambledon Rd to Quakers Hill Pkwy (4:00pm).
6504	-	3:29 PM	Doonside	Departs School via Breakfast Rd (L)Quakers Rd (L)Falmouth Rd (R)Richmond Rd (L)Hill End Rd (3:39pm) (R)Power St (L)Crawford Rd (L)Cross St to Doonside Station (3:48pm).
6523	-	3:36 PM	Marayong Blacktown	<b>PICK UP STUDENTS FOR ST ANDREWS AFTER SCHOOL CARE</b> Departs School via Breakfast Rd (L)Quakers Rd (R)Narrabri St (R)Warrimoo Dr (R)Arnott Rd (L)Quakers Rd (R)Breakfast Rd (L)Richmond Rd to Tulloch St (3:43pm), continues Richmond Rd to Blacktown Station (3:55pm).

For trip planning visit [www.transportnsw.info](http://www.transportnsw.info) or call 131 500.

For current school and route services visit [www.cdcbus.com.au](http://www.cdcbus.com.au) or call 02 8889 7000.

Conditions of Carriage: Students must have a valid Opal card and must tap on and off every trip. Further details about the SSTS are available at: [www.transportnsw.info](http://www.transportnsw.info)

Key: L> Bus turns left; R> Bus turns right

## ST ANDREWS PS

Bell Times

Morning: 08:50

Afternoon: 15:07

Effective 29/01/2021

### MORNING BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
2054	07:35	<b>EX CNR LUCAS ST &amp; FREEMAN ST</b> via Freeman, R>Northcott, L>Heffron, R>Vardys, L>Botany, R>Solander, L>Seven Hills Rd, L>Joseph Banks, R>Whitby, R>James Cook, L>Sunnyholt, R>Madagascar, Cobham, R>Vardys, R>Quakers, L>Davis, R>Osbourne, R>Breakfast to school

### AFTERNOON BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
2537	15:16	<b>TO KINGS LANGLEY &amp; LALOR PARK</b> via Breakfast, L>Quakers to Holy Family HS, Quakers, R>Narrabri, R>Warrimoo, R>Arnott, L>Quakers, L>Vardys, L>Cobham, Madagascar, L>Sunnyholt, R>James Cook, L>Whitby, L>Joseph Banks, R>Seven Hills Rd, R>Solander, L>Botany, R>Vardys, L>Heffron, R>Northcott, L>Freeman, L>Lucas, R>Seven Hills Rd to Interchange





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# Strength-Based Parenting!



## Dr Lea Waters AM PHD

Psychologist, Professor, Researcher, Author and Speaker.  
Lee is a world expert on positive psychology, organisation and school wellbeing and strength-based parenting. Founding Director and Inaugural Gerry Higgins Chair in Positive Psychology at the Centre for Wellbeing Science, University of Melbourne.

Register here to attend.



## Strength-Based Parenting

Small shifts making a positive difference!



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This presentation by world-renowned psychologist, Professor Lea Waters, AM, PhD helps translate psychology and neuroscience research into actionable steps to help you create positive and strength-based families. Parenting is simultaneously the most joyous and stressful role. It is overwhelming not only due to the pressure we face juggling work and family but also due to the burdens our children face – intense academic pressures, social media, cyberbullying, self-harm trends, alcohol, teen suicide and so on. The temptation is to pull our kids close to protect them...maybe even over-protect them. We can't always protect our kids from the outside world, but we can build them up from the inside and make them psychologically strong.



**Monday, 21 August 2023**

Doors open: 6:30pm for 7:00pm (2 hours)  
(PRC meeting will be held prior to the guest speaker)

**St John XXIII Catholic College**

**160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens 2768**

Light supper and refreshments will be provided,  
and a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

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