

St Andrew's Primary School Newsletter

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Principal's Desk



Dear St Andrew's community,

Last Friday was a true testament to the strong faith and learning community we have at St Andrews. I wish to thank the hundreds of parents and friends who joined us for our Catholic Schools Week celebrations. Special thanks to Fr. Redman for celebrating Mass for us and to Mrs. Whiticker for coordinating the Mass. Thanks to the many parents who shared such positive comments regarding the learning evident in the classrooms and to the students who strive each day to be the best versions of themselves in word and action. The picnic on the grounds was an amazing sight to behold. So many families sitting together, sharing lunch and sharing memories. I am sure your children will remember you visiting the school for years to come. Please view the school website gallery for photos of the day.

Naplan Week

This week is NAPLAN testing week. I wish to congratulate the year 3 and 5 teachers for assisting the students' preparation for the series of tests over the next two weeks. Parents are asked to contact the school if their child is ill and will not be present for the test. There is time during the fortnight for the children to catch up on missed tests. I wish to express my gratitude to Ms. McDonald and Mr. Haynes for coordinating NAPLAN this year.

The end of an Era

Ms. McDonald has been an integral part of St. Andrews for two decades. She has led our school with dedication, compassion, and expertise, always placing the needs of the children first and foremost. Ms. McDonald has decided to retire from this role in education at the end of Term 2. I am sure that I can speak on behalf of our community when I say that Ms. McDonald will be missed by many and that her service to the school community has been exemplary. We look forward to saying our goodbyes and showing our heartfelt appreciation closer to the date.



Harmony Day - Tuesday, March 21st



Please read the attached flyer for important information regarding this special day at our school.

SPORTS NEWS

St Andrew's Cross Country Event

On Friday March 24th, St. Andrew's will host a cross country event for children interested in competing at the next level, the Diocesan Cross Country Carnival, on Wednesday May 10th, at Eastern Creek Motorsports Park. Mr. Paynter will send home an expression of interest note for parents to complete. There is a time restriction mandate that the children must meet to be eligible to compete at the next level. Please see Mr. Paynter if you have any questions regarding the event.

Distances / Qualifying Times

Children compete in the age that they turn in 2023

Age Group	Max No. Competitors	Distance	Qualifying Time
8/9 Yrs Boys (combined)	6 competitors	2km	must be completed within 15 mins.
8/9 Yrs Girls (combined)	6 competitors	2km	must be completed within 15 mins.
10 Xrs Boys	6 competitors	2km	must be completed within 13 mins.
10 Yrs. Girls	6 competitors	2km	must be completed within 13 mins.
11 Yrs Boys	6 competitors	3km	must be completed within 17 mins.
11 Xrs Girls	6 competitors	3km	must be completed within 17 mins.
12/13 Yrs. Boys (combined)	6 competitors	3km	must be completed within 17 mins.
12/13 Yrs. Girls (combined)	6 competitors	3km	must be completed within 17 mins.
Students With Disabilities All age groups		2km	must be completed within 14 mins.

SWIMMING

Congratulations also to the following children who have represented the school at the Blacktown Zone swimming Carnival:

William Ford Ja'Bear Sione Brianna D'Silva

Riley Ankreet Chloe Wilson Phoebe Andrew

Erin Ankreet Benjamin Wilson (Junior Boys Aarnka Yashik

Havden Straub Champion Runner Up) Jonathan Xaviour

Leah McSweeney Michael Giffney

Isaac Torok (Senior Boys Champion

Runner Up)

On Tuesday, 12 students from St Andrew's represented the Blacktown Zone at the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival. The children from St Andrew's performed extremely well, with many achieving personal best. As always, their behaviour was exemplary.

William Ford Leah McSweeney Padraig Kenny

Riley Ankreet Ja'Bear Sione Michael Giffney

Erin Ankreet Chloe Wilson Isaac Torok (Senior Boys

Hayden Straub

Benjamin Wilson (Junior Boys

Champion Runner Up)

Champion Runner Up) Brianna D'Silva

A special mention must be made of our Junior Boys relay team. They achieved a result that has allowed them to progress to the combined Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival, to be held at the Olympic Aquatic Centre at Homebush on the 30th of March. We wish them well in their endeavours.



We are all so very proud of all of you.

Mr Graham Paynter Sports Co-ordinator

SOCCER AND RUGBY LEAGUE

Congratulations to Hannah and Isaac who have been selected to represent the Parramatta Diocese for selection into the Mackillop Teams.







Isaac Ma'u

Staff Development Day

The first day of Term 2 has been dedicated to professional learning for staff. **The** children will not attend school on this day, Monday, April 24th.

Tuesday, April 25th is a public holiday remembering our fallen soldiers on **ANZAC Day.**

All students return to school for Term 2 on Wednesday, April 26th. As we are heading into winter. Term 2 sees us transitioning from summer to winter uniform. Parents are asked to ensure children are in full winter unform, including the tie, following a two week grace period, ending 5th May.

State Election

Voting booths will be sent up in our school hall on election day.

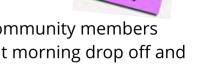
Kindergarten BBQ

Last week a letter went home inviting Kindergarten parents to a family gathering, Wednesday 29th March, 5pm-7pm in the school COLA. The school will host a BBQ sausage sizzle and salad bar for families. A reminder to please return the slips asap for catering purposes.

School Fees

School Fees are now due, if you have paid, thank you, if not, would you please arrange payment as soon as possible or contact Reshma Kerai for further information.

Urgent Attention Required



In past newsletters, I have shared concerns that many of our community members have raised regarding the dangerous actions of some parents at morning drop off and dismissal times.

I ask parents to please use the pedestrian crossing when crossing Breakfast Road, not to park in the school staff car park, and not to stop in the bus bay to call over children.

We have had too many near misses over the years. It is our collective responsibility to ensure we model safe practices for your children regarding road safety.



This year, Harmony Day will be celebrated across schools in Australia on **Tuesday March 21st.**

The theme for Harmony Day 2023 is **'Living in Harmony'**. It is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

To mark this day, St Andrew's will hold a Day of Difference.

The children are invited to wear the colour orange as it is the colour of Harmony Day. If you would like, your child can also wear their traditional cultural dress.

Please be mindful that the children will still be playing and learning.

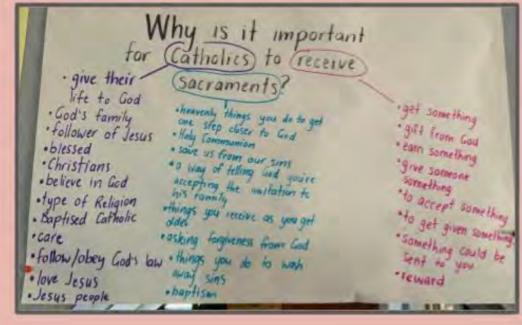
All shoes must be appropriate for play. No high heels or thongs.





YEAR 3 FAITH PAGE: Year 3 have been learning about Why is it important for Catholics to receive Sacraments?' The students have been learning about the importance of the different Sacraments.





In the Sacrament of Penance, students have been learning about sin and forgiveness, and about making unloving and loving choices through scripture stories. Students were able to choose either the story of Adam and Eve or The Prodigal Son to retell in a comic.





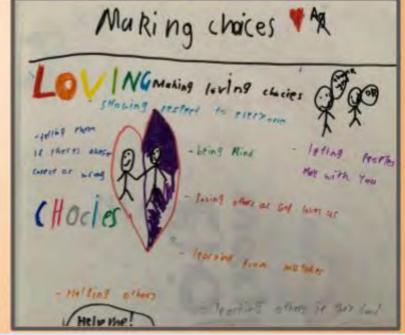
















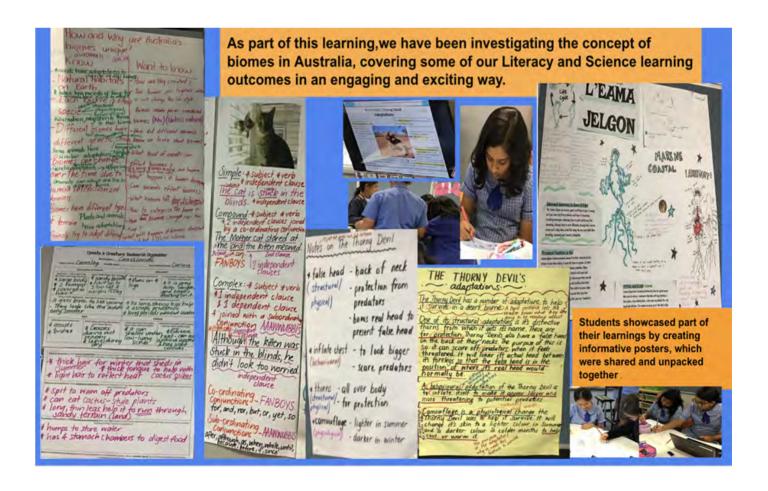


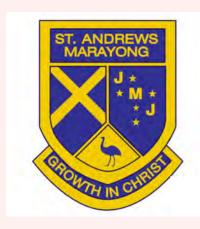


Behind the Scenes What's happening in our classrooms

Let's take a closer look at some of the amazing learning happening in our year 6 classes.

This term our students have been working hard growing their knowledge and skills in order to understand and create meaningful texts.





Student of the Week

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	WEEK 6	WEEK 7		WEEK 6	WEEK 7
КВ	Geet Badwal	Eliana Pikibo	3G	Jaden Kam	Charlotte Badato
KG	Kennedy Hitchcock	Hannah McCarthy	3R	Ella Grima	Zachary DeGuzman
KR	Vineta Leleimalefaga	Jessie Bucasan	3Y	Adam Ibrahim	Arnavdeep Singh
KY	Georgia Bulgeries	Name Withheld	4B	Roman Lototskyi	Emma Zhang
1B	Alyza Dela Cruz	Angelika Kubik	4G	Maya Stewart	Natalia Hooper
1G	Layla Anderiesz	Arnav Patel	4R	Amarachi Udoka	Ethan Panol
1R	Savannah Barakat	Arkin Alentajan	4Y	Allan Futialo	Sol Breach
1Y	Tegan Loats	Krishiv Patel	5B	Sophia Santos	Name Withheld
2B	Aansh Suri	Madeleine Randall	5G	Christopher Aridah	Khan Garcia
2G	Sophia Dutong	Mikhail Illangakoon	5R	Michael Gifney	Dioni Abayakone
2R	Sophia Abdalah	Ishaan Vaeshnaj	6B	Blake Walsh	Jasmine Metcalfe
2Y	Catalina ArenasSausa	Name Withheld	6G	Padraig Kenny	Emilio Gutierrez
3B	Caleb Magayaga	Annabelle Issa	6R	Reyan Rami	Christopher Stowell



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	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 Year 4 excursion Riverside Theatre 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



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





The P+F are running our annual Easter raffle which will be drawn on Thursday 6 April.

There will be 15 wonderful prizes up for grabs so make sure to get your tickets.

Tickets are \$1 each and can be paid for via the QKR app.

Please remember to return the raffle tickets to the office with all details filled in by Thursday 30 March so you don't miss out on your chance to win! If you are unable to print the raffle tickets at home copies can be collected from the office.

Raffle Ticket Sheet - Tickets \$1 each

Name: Contact No: Student's Name: Student's Class:	Contact No: Student's Name:
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Canteen Payments

May we ask if you are paying cash for your child's order, or sending spending money, where possible please send coins or smaller value notes. We have limited change available and struggle to change large notes of a morning.

FlexiSchools is a cashless option to order Recess or Lunch,

and removes the worry of lost change or forgetting to hand in the order.

This can be done for any Item on our menu including ice blocks.

Please tell your child if they have a recess order,

as these need to be collected from the canteen, they use the "Express Line".

Lunch orders are sent to classrooms,

however your child will need to come to the canteen to collect the following items if ordered (using the Express Line)

Noodles

Ice Blocks

Jelly

FlexiSchools orders can be placed online days or even weeks in advance.

If your child doesn't attend school that day, cancel in app or SMS Healthy Canteens
Office 0405 129 242 before 10am

Please cancel

St Andrews Marayong

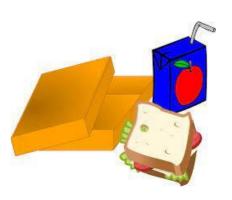
Childs Name

Childs Class

We will cancel the order and funds will return to your FlexiSchools account.

Thank You for supporting our canteen services.

Healthy Canteens





CANTEEN MENU 2023

H	OT BITES			BURGERS	
O	Chicken Nuggets 100% Breast Chicken Wings Hot & Spicy	x 1 x 4 x 6	\$ 0.95 \$ 3.60 \$ 5.00 \$ 1.80	E Chicken lettuce & mayo E Chicken & Cheese BBQ sauce E Hot & Spicy Chicken lettuce & mayo E Beef Burger beef & tomato sauce or BBQ sauce	\$ 5.50 \$ 5.50 \$ 5.90 \$ 5.50
O E E	Mini Spring Roll Veg Corn Cob Hash Brown <i>GF</i> Veg		\$ 1.20 \$ 1.50 \$ 1.50	E Cheese Burger beef, cheese & tomato sauce E Aussie Beef beef, lettuce, tomato, beetroot & BBQ sauce	\$ 5.90 \$ 5.90
EEO	Garlic Bread Cheese & Bacon Roll Hot Dog with tomato or BBQ sauce Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets GF OODLE CUPS	x1 x4 x6	\$ 3.00 \$ 3.20 \$ 3.90 \$ 1.00 \$ 3.80 \$ 5.40	PASTA & RICE E Butter Chicken GF with rice E Pasta Bolognese beef sauce E Creamy Chicken Pasta E Fried Rice Veg	\$ 4.80 \$ 4.80 \$ 4.80 \$ 4.80
0 0	Chicken Beef Oriental Veg		\$ 3.50 \$ 3.50 \$ 3.50	E Macaroni Cheese Veg E Lasagna beef TOASTED WRAPS	\$ 5.50 \$ 5.50
	Noodle Cups Are Not Put In Lunch Ask your child to take the lunch bag to and collect it during their lunch	the canteen		E Cheese Toasted Wrap E Ham & Cheese Toasted Wrap E Chicken, Cheese & BBQ Toasted Wrap E Sweet Chilli Chicken Toasted Wrap cheese	\$ 2.70 \$ 4.00 \$ 5.70 \$ 5.70



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

E	Butter Chicken with rice	\$ 4.80
E	Macaroni & Cheese Pasta Veg	\$ 5.90
E	Beef Lasagna	\$ 5.90
E	Vegetarian Lasagna	\$ 5.90
0	Nachos - Beef or Vegetarian or Cheese Sauce	\$ 5.40
0	Chicken Nuggets x 1 \$ 1.00 x 4 \$ 3.80 x 6	\$ 5.40
٨	Many More Gluten Free Items Are Marked "GF" On The	Menu

н	OMEMADE PIZZAS	
E	Cheese Veg	\$ 4.40
E	Ham & Cheese	\$ 5.20
E	Pepperoni & Cheese	\$ 5.20
M	EXICAN NACHOS	
0	Beef Nachos GF beef sauce add cheese 50c	\$ 5.40
0	Cheesey Nachos GF cheese sauce	\$ 5.40
_	Vegetarian Nachos GF tomato salsa add cheese 50c	\$ 5,40

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

COLD & FRESH FOOD MENU ITEMS OVER PAGE



CANTEEN MENU 2023

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S	ANDWICHES	
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	¥
SI	JSHI	
E	Chicken Teriyaki GF	\$ 4.40

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

W	RAPS TRAPS	
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

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Si	ALADS	
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	



Vegetarian GF

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\$ 4.40





IC	SE 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	
Y	OGHURT	
E	Vaalia Yoghurt Vanilla	\$ 3.80
E	XTRAS	
E	Sauce Portions BBQ, Tomato	\$ 0.50

Salad Extras Tomato, Beetroot, Carrot, Cucumber, Onion

Cheese Slice, Shredded Chicken, Ham \$ 0.60

\$ 1.00

HOT FOOD & SNACK MENU ITEMS OVER PAGE

NSW Department of Education School Sport Unit

NSW Primary All Schools Boys Netball 12 Years & Under Selection Trial

16 June 2023 - Term 2, Week 8

Registrations for this event close 5:00pm Friday 26 May 2023.

Cost

\$10.00 per student

Who

This trial is **only for primary school boys 12 years and under**. Boys can be 12, however must not be turning 13 in 2023. Boys enrolled in secondary school are **ineligible** to trial.

Registration

To apply for the Primary All Schools Selection Trial, complete the relevant online registration form on DASH (NSW Government schools, NSW Catholic schools, NSW Combined Independent schools) and make payment by the closing date, Friday 26 May 2023.

All boys who trial must be available, if selected, for the School Sport Australia Championships in Perth, Western Australia from 9 to 15 September 2023.



Friday 16 June 2023

NSW All Schools Primary Boys Netball selection trial

Billbergia Sports Centre

9 Grand Avenue, Camellia 2142

This year the School Sport Unit will support the attendance of a Primary Boys Netball team at the inaugural School Sport Australia 12 years & Under Netball Championships in Perth, Western Australia.



Chris Kelleway

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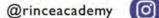
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