Dear Parents,

Congratulations to the Prep students who celebrated their first 100 Days of School on Tuesday. Parents, Grandparents, other family members and friends joined in the celebration.

The learning that has taken place over that period of time is worth celebrating and rejoicing. After a relatively short period of time the children are reading, writing and exhibiting skills that were just beginning 100 days ago.

Once again, I congratulate the children for their hard work, the teachers and the support they are given by their parents. We look forward to even more great things during the next 100 days.

COMING EVENTS

TERM 111

AUGUST
Fri  2  School Athletics Sports –Years 3-6

Week 4
Sun  4  Year 2 Mass – 9:30 am
Mon  5  Year 3&4 Incursion
Mon  5  Parents & Friends Meeting 2:00 pm

Week 5
Thurs 15  Feast of the Assumption
Sat 17  Working Bee – Year 2 & 3

Week 6
Sat 24  Year 1 Mass – 6:00 pm

Week 7
Thurs 29  St Andrew’s Learning Expo
Frid 30  Father’s Day Stall

SEPTEMBER

Week 8
Thurs 5  School Leaders Celebration Day

Week 9
Tues 10  Year 1 Excursion – Museum & IMAX

Week 10
Sun 15  Prep Mass 11:00am
Frid 20  Footy Day
Frid 20  End of Term – 1:00pm Dismissal
School Web Site

We have been working for some time on the development of our new St Andrew’s web site. The new site will provide parents with more up to date information about all aspects of the school as we will have full control over the site which is currently not the case.

In the development of the site we have been able to include more of the children’s work, in particular their outstanding art work. I am sure this will be of interest to parents and students.

As we complete the final stages of this task I would particularly like to recognize the work of Annette Fullman in creating the pages of the web site and all staff and students who have contributed content.

Recent Events …

… The whole school attended Mass at the end of the first week of school. This was a celebration of the return to school and the Baptism of two of our students: Aleisha Yang from 5LC and Emily Yang from 2C. Congratulations to both of you.

… The Year 1 classes had a free dress day last week. These fundraisers are to raise money for the St Vincent de Paul Society and the Assist a Student Program. Each year level is sponsoring the education of one child from Asia and the Pacific Region for the current year.

… The Prep children celebrated their 100 days of Schooling on Wednesday

Coming Events…

… St Andrew’s Year 3-6 Athletic Sports will be held at Davies Reserve on Friday, weather permitting. Next Friday 9 August is the standby day.

… Year 2 School Mass will be held on Sunday at 9:30 am. We encourage all Year 2 students and families to be in attendance.

… The Middle School classes have an incursion on this coming Monday and Thursday. Staff from Ceres will be doing a session on Water.

… The Australian Youth Choir will be conducting auditions at St Andrew’s next Thursday with the Year 2 to 5 classes.

… Year 5/6 TK will be attending the Anointing Mass next Thursday.

Mark this date in your diary and come and see first hand your child engaged in school activities.

Oval Development

Over twelve months ago we had the school oval and surrounding areas transformed into an all purpose play area. The finishing touches for this area were completed over the past two weekends with the planting out of the top embankment adjacent to the oval and the construction of a big and bold ST ANDREW’S sign.

The ST ANDREW’S sign clearly visible from Bunney Road and from everywhere on the school oval.

Phillip Tierney
PRINCIPAL
AROUND THE CLASSROOMS – Prep J

Prep J have made an enthusiastic start to Term 3! The students are continuing to develop in their reading and writing and are becoming more and more independent each day. In Mathematics, the Preps have investigated the language of chance and discussed the likelihood of events occurring. Our Inquiry topic “I am Needy” explores the needs of humans, plants and in particular, pets. However, it goes without saying the highlight of Term 3 thus far has been our “100 Days of School”. The much anticipated day was celebrated with friends and family in the glasshouse with an abundance of food! Well done to all the Prep students who have made an excellent start to their schooling and thank you to all the parents who have been a great support throughout the year. I look forward to the next 100 days!

Jessica Chapman – Prep J Teacher

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

YEAR 6J

It has been a busy start to Term 3 for all of us in Year 6. In Inquiry we have been learning about BIODIVERSITY and the importance of water. ‘Bio’ in Latin means life so the word biodiversity means ‘life diversity’. We created comic strips about biodiversity. Our Literacy is connected with our Inquiry Learning. Our reading comprehension has been really focusing on biodiversity. We wrote an information report about biodiversity for homework. It helped with our understanding of different habitats around the world and the different life forms the habitats contain.

We completed a piece of art called ‘Onomatopoeia’ which is a combination of the subjects Literacy and Art. Onomatopoeia is a word that imitates a sound when you say it, for example: bang, honk, beep, splat and slurp.

In Maths we played different domino games to help with our fraction skills. The games helped us find equivalent fractions, percentages and decimals.

In our Religious Education unit called ‘Be Compassionate, Choose Justice’ which is linked to racism, we are learning how everyone can show justice and compassion.

So far we have had a splendid start to the term and know that there will be more excitement to come.

Ellamay, Nathan, Joanne, Amber-Jayde, Nina, Kosta on behalf of Year 6J
GRADE 2 MASS
The Grade 2 Mass will be held on Sunday 4th August at 9.30am. All Grade 2 children are encouraged to attend with their family and friends.

Bring out the best in your child with performing arts education!
Our programmes help young people discover their hidden vocal or dance talent. They not only learn to sing or dance, they learn team skills, make new friends and become part of a wide circle of performers. Visit us at www.nivpaa.com.au

National Institute of Youth Performing Arts Australia will be visiting St Andrew's School on Thursday, 8th August, 2013.

Parents and Friends’ Association

Next Meeting: Monday 5th August, 2013 in the Staffroom at 2.00pm until 3.00pm.

The P&F provides an opportunity for Parents, Carers and Friends to be actively involved in the well-being of our school.

The P&F raises funds to provide benefits and improve facilities for the school and our children.

Unfortunately this year, due to students completing their studies, P&F will be losing a few parents and we still need more people to replace retiring members. New faces, ideas, thoughts and suggestions are welcome at any time.

The P&F can be contacted on: principal@saclaytonsth.catholic.edu.au

Fathers' Day Stall 2013
The Parents and Friends' Association will be holding our annual Father's Day Stall on Friday 30th August in the glasshouse. A variety of gifts will be available for your child to purchase from $2.00 - $6.00. Please provide a bag for your child to carry their gifts.

Any parents or friends available to help on the day are more than welcome. Please meet in the glasshouse 8.45am.

Many thanks for all your support,
Parents & Friends Association
**Parent Information Sheet**

St. Andrew’s has decided to incorporate a very practical and useful product from the Stickybeaks range.

The product available to purchase is the

Re-usable canteen/tuckshop bags.

**Insulated All Rounder – Black $10.00**

Until now, bags for school lunch orders at the canteen have consisted of a paper bag that is used once and thrown away; contributing a substantial amount of paper waste into the environment. Paper bags have no provision for money, are unstable when standing and are prone to tearing when wet.

This clever bag has been designed to replace brown paper bags for lunch orders. It is more hygienic to use because of the zippered pocket that separates money from contact with food and easily wipe clean with a damp cloth after use. This compact bag helps reduce unwanted paper waste generated from paper bags.

**Product feature include:**

- Holds a substantial amount of more food inside than brown paper bags.
- Collapsible sides and a Velcro tab that secures the bag in a closed position.
- Sturdy flat base makes them easy to pack and stack.
- Stylish design which folds conveniently to fit in every child’s school bag.
- Clear pocket to display name and class.
- The All Rounder has an insulated PEVA lining which keeps food/drinks warm or cold.

**Student Order Form:**

Simply write the quantity you would like to order then add the total amount of money.

Please fill in the name and class of your eldest child below:

Name: ___________________________ Class: __________________

Don’t forget to ask family, friends and neighbours if they would like to order as well.

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**Final orders are due by August 30th, 2013**

No orders will be taken after this date. Please return this Order Form, along with your payment in an envelope clearly marked “Stickybeaks Order”.

For more information visit [www.stickybeaks.com.au](http://www.stickybeaks.com.au) where you can also print out your free name/class labels and lunch order labels.
Grade 2 Dance-A-Thon

Time: At Lunchtime
Place: In the Hall
Date: Thursday 15th August

Cost of Entry: A Gold Coin Donation

😊 There will be prizes for the best dancers.

😊 Try your best, be creative and get your groove on

Come along and make new friends

at the Year 2 & 3 WORKING BEE
  on
  Saturday 17th August
  8.30am till 11.00am
  followed by refreshments and a chat

Visit the School Office Blog with news and photos at http://annettef.global2.vic.edu.au/
or you can follow the Office on Twitter @st_andrews_3169
**YEAR 6T**  
Rose and Amanda are both doing a great job getting their Sports teams ready for Athletics.

**YEAR 6J**  
Edward for always being so enthusiastic in class and regularly contributing to class discussions. Your input is valued. Well done!

**YEAR 5/6TK**  
Kento, for his renewed effort in completing work. Keep up the great effort!  
Andrea, for her fabulous research about the oceans of the world. Well done!

**YEAR 5LC**  
Tania - Welcome to St Andrews and to 5LC. You have made a great start.  
Stuart - Congratulations Stuart on your great cursive writing and on receiving your Pen Licence. Well Done!

**YEAR 5H**  
Nicholas A. for always applying himself in class activities and showing initiative in helping others.

**YEAR 4T**  
Chris Kaltsis for your application to your Maths and Reading and for your kind, helpful attitude in class. Congratulations.

**YEAR 3P**  
Maiki for being friendly and welcoming to others.  
Jonathan for your improved attitude and application to your work.

**YEAR 3D**  
Joe for working really hard to understand number lines in Mathematics. Fantastic effort!

**YEAR 3C**  
Dylan H for working well and concentrating on your work tasks.  
Alanna M for your conscientious attitude to work.

**YEAR 2M**  
JJ for his excellent improvement with his writing. Neat work!

**YEAR 2J**  
Donell – well done on working very well in class and always trying your best.  
Ethan – for using his manners beautifully and following instructions.

**YEAR 2C**  
Emily – Congratulations on your Baptism last Friday. We welcome you into our family.  
Isaac for keeping focus on set tasks. Well done!

**YEAR 1S**  
Rehanna for being a fantastic class helper and carefully doing all her work. Well done!  
Krish for listening well and trying your best.

**YEAR 1L**  
Tara, Deam and Daniel for your great improvements in reading. Well done 😊

**YEAR 1D**  
Kyle, Elijah, Janelle and Venita – Well done on your Literacy activities.

**PREP J**  
Congratulations Ann on your excellent reading!

**PREP C**  
Congratulations to Jessica and Tristan on trying your best. Keep up the great work!

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**TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

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