WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ST.PATRICK’S?

Thursday
Women Group from 11.am-12.30pm
We were fortunate to receive a grant through the City of Port Adelaide Enfield to undertake the autobiography workshops which aim to help the participants to talk and write about the events and people that have mattered to them in their own life. The workshops are free, lots of fun, friendly and open to all. Come and meet new people and get involved in the school community.

Chun Tran and Huong Nguyen
School Community Workers
Communities for Children is funded by the Australian Government

Out of School Hours Care is now being run by CAMP AUSTRALIA

Please direct all enquiries, bookings & cancellations to:

ATHENA - 0447 141 518
CAMP AUSTRALIA -1300 105 343
www.campaustralia.com.au

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
All students have been supplied with a new hat with their house colours. These hats have been named. If your child loses their hat you will need to purchase a new hat from the uniform shop.

Canteen Volunteers

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

EVAN BOK
BIANCA NORTH
ISAC NORTH
JUSTIN HUYNH
TIYANA POWER
KEVIN DIEP

RILEY PASCOE
MAI LINH CARR
ANTON LUC
DECONTEE GAYE
PRESLEY PRACH
JAIDEN NGO

DAYAL VASANTHA KUMAR
SUMMER ERRINGTON
SHARNIQKA PIN

March Birthdays

INTREODUCING SOME OF THE FACES OF 5/6BK

THE YEAR 6 MATHEMATICIANS ARE EXPLORING 3D SHAPES

SPORTS DAY
SCHOOL OPENS AT 11.30AM
BEFORE SCHOOL CARE IS AVAILABLE PLEASE CONTACT CAMP AUSTRALIA 1300 105 343
SCHOOL FINISHES AT 6.00PM
Dear Parents and Community Members,

Thank you to the parents and staff who joined us last week for our Annual General Meeting (AGM). This is a formal meeting to share what the school achieved in 2015 and the financial position of the school. As you know our school is currently developing a masterplan to improve our indoor and outdoor learning environment for the future. We have begun community consultation at the AGM and I thank all families who were not able to attend but have already contributed your thoughts through last week’s correspondence. We look forward to hearing a broad range of ideas so I encourage you to return the sheet that was attached.

At the AGM it was shared that the following parents on the School Board are retiring:
- Andrew Bourne (Aileen’s dad) – Chairperson & Chair of Finance
- Solomon Karbiah (Billy, Solomon dad and Moses’ uncle)
- Kim Tran (Evelyn, Dallas and Cynthia’s mum)

I thank the following parents for continuing on the School Board this year:
- Grace Hua (Jason’s mum)
- Aimee Tran (Ricky’s mum)
- Liem Chieu (Kevin & Hayden’s dad)
- Andrew Bourne (Aileen’s dad)

I welcome the following parents on the School Board:
- Jeff Carr (Mai Linh’s dad)
- Katherine Alejo (Katrina’s mum)
- Taylor Power-Smith (Tiyana’s mum)

We are keen to hear from a parent who may wish to be part of the School Board. No experience is necessary, and you learn as you go along. You just need to share your thoughts and as a team help the school to the best it can be.

Attendance at School
When it comes to a child’s education: 

- Text details to 0408 510 583
- Email details to info@stpatmsp.catholic.edu.au
- Telephone school office on 08 8303 4500

We are asking all parents to contact the school in the morning, providing a reason for their child’s absence. An answering machine will take your message if you call the school before the office is open or if all phone lines are in use. If we do not hear from a parent, you will receive an SMS from the school indicating that your child is not at school and we have not heard from you. Please respond promptly.

I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support in ensuring that we are fully aware of your child’s whereabouts and the reason for their absence.

Ms Martina Kovacev

Ms Kovacev is happy to share with the school community that she is expecting her third child. We congratulate Ms Kovacev and her husband Ante, Ms Kovacev will work until the middle of Term 2. We will inform the community in time who will be replacing Ms Kovacev in the 5/6 class.

God Bless
Frank Congedi
Principal

From our Principal............

From our APRIM............

World Day of Prayer March 4th, 2016

The World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year, and who, in many countries, have a continuing relationship in prayer and service. Through world day of prayer women affirm that prayer and action are connected and that both have a big influence in the world. This year’s theme for World Day of Prayer is “Receive children, Receive me.” The major focus for the prayer is the children living in poverty in Cuba. With poverty often comes domestic violence and mistreatment of all people, in particular the children. Jesus told the disciples to let the children come to him. We pray that all children in need will see the face of Jesus in kind and caring adults who work for the safety of children. May our prayers be heard and the face of Jesus present in the lives of these children.

Project Compassion Community – ‘Learning More, Creating Change’ Evangeline’s story

Evangeline is a first Australian. She is a young Ramingining woman living in the remote community of Beswick. Many people of Beswick feel helpless as their culture and tradition is disappearing. It is a community with limited services, jobs and housing, many are living in poverty. When she finished school, Evangeline found hope in the Djilpin Arts Centre where Elders support the young people to learn traditional skills and understand their culture. Through art, storytelling, dance and song, the program helps people connect with their culture and community. Your donations to Project Compassion will help support the centre and the Indigenous Australians who connect with it.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please keep Belinda, Kelvin, Mia and Maria as they will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday night at St Margaret Mary’s Church. Belinda and Mia are at 6pm and Kelvin and Maria at 7.15pm. May God bless them as they make this important commitment to their spiritual development.

Have a lovely week
Anne-Marie Platten
APRIM

Environmental Activities

Family Parks Week 2016

Parks Week is an yearly focus which aims to help families have better access to the environment. Enjoy free family activities across South Australia’s national parks and reserves during Parks Week, held from Saturday 5 March to Sunday 13 March, Parks Week has plenty of opportunities to visit the state’s parks, connect with nature, and learn more about our unique landscapes, plants and animals.

This year’s Parks Week features
- Free family activities from Saturday 5 March to Sunday 13 March
- Free vehicle entry to national parks* on Sunday 13 March

A great half-price camping offer

Have a look at the website below and click on Find a Park. There are many parks in Adelaide and the hills that are not too far away that have wonderful outdoor activities for families to enjoy together.


Clean Up Australia Day

Sunday 6th March is Clean Up Australia Day. At St Patrick’s we are committed to making our school and local environment a clean and safe area for our community. On Friday we will take some extra time after lunch to clean up our school yard, reminding students of the important role we all play in caring for our natural environment by disposing of our rubbish safely and in the correct bins.

I encourage you to have a talk with your children about what we all can do to care for the environment.

Abbie Davison
Sustainability Key Teacher.