**The Parents’ Beatitudes**

Blessed are parents who make their peace with mud and spilled milk, for such is the kingdom of childhood.

Blessed are parents who refuse to compare their children with others, for each is precious.

Blessed are mothers and fathers who have learned to laugh, for it is the music of the child’s world.

Blessed are the parents who can say no without anger, for comforting to the child is the security of a firm decision.

Blessed are parents who accept the awkwardness of their growing children, letting each grow at their own speed.

Blessed are parents who are teachable, because knowledge brings understanding and love.

Blessed are parents who love their children in the midst of a hostile world, for love is the greatest of all gifts.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Babies:** Our congratulations go to three staff members who have given birth in the last week: Joanne Rapinese on the birth of Mia, Kym Milner on the birth of Chloe, and Kym Kilgallon on the birth of Thomas. We also congratulate families within our school who have been blessed with new life in the past few weeks.

**Newsletter:** You receive the newsletter in one of three ways:
- Pick one up from the school office on Friday morning
- Ensure the school has your correct email address and it will be emailed
- Go to the school website where a copy is available

**Reports:** Your child’s report comes home on Friday with the Portfolio. Please take the time over the holidays to discuss his or her progress this year and praise the highlights of the journey thus far. Some families need to note the number of days their children have been absent this year. An average of one day a week works out at 2 years of schooling missed over 10 years of education. If your child has had 20 days or more days of absence this semester, you will hear from me as it may be impacting on your child’s schooling.

Happy holidays and I look forward to your children’s safe return on 25th July.

God bless you
Eileen Climo
Principal

**NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK**
- Advertising Flyer
- CEO Circular
- Illness Letter
- Term Planner

**VISION STATEMENT**

St Andrew’s CPS offers an education that acknowledges, respects and nurtures the uniqueness of each person. Within a framework of Catholic values and teamwork, the students will be challenged and supported to recognise their gifts and develop their potential as they learn and contribute to their community.
DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL MATTERS

**Congratulations to those children who have had or will be celebrating their birthdays soon.**


SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

We had a beautiful day today for this event and are delighted that for once, the decision to postpone the event paid off! Congratulations to all competitors, thank you to Mrs Dawne Peacham for her organisation of the day, teachers and parents who assisted and supported.

The winning faction was BLUE with 560 points, closely followed by RED with 556 points and GREEN with 506 points.

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UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open during the school holidays. It will be open from 10.00am – 12.00pm on Friday 22 July.

P&F COMMITTEE

**ST ANDREW’S PRIMARY SCHOOL DISCO**

It is time to get your dancing shoes on! The P & F is organizing a disco for St Andrew’s students on Friday 5th August 2011. Entry to this disco will be free and sausage sizzle and ticket order forms will be sent home during the first week of Term Three. For planning purposes entry tickets must still be ordered even though they are free. Sausage sizzles must be paid for at time of order ($2-50 each), prior to the event. Drinks, lollies and glow products will be available to buy on the night of the disco as per previous years.

As always, we rely on parent help for the success of our discos. Helping at the disco is a great way to redeem one of your P & F levy vouchers. If you are available to help on the evening can you please leave your details with the office or contact Tania from the P & F on 0409 930 533. A meeting will be held on Wednesday 27th July at 7pm in the school library to finalize disco arrangements and anyone interested is invited to attend.
Today we celebrated NAIDOC Week with a display of work done by the children in recognition of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and presentations for each class by Judith Birchall (Yamaji), parent of Isobella, and Jaylon Eades (Noongar), a Year 4 student, her able assistant. Thank you for sharing your culture and heritage with our school community. Thank you also to Annette Parata (Murri), Year 3 teacher, who coordinated the event with Judith.
Can You Solve 2B’s Multiplication Stories?

1. There were 10 ladybirds and they had two dots on each. How many dots are there altogether? (Kaela-Paige)
2. There were 5 fish in the ocean and each had 3 babies. How many fish did they have altogether? (Akor)
3. Amity had 5 dresses. Each dress had 4 colours on them. How many colours were there altogether? (Virginia)
4. Millie had 7 possum. They had 10 whiskers each. How many whiskers are there altogether? (Regan)
5. Kaela-Paige had 10 purple hats with 7 flowers on each. How many flowers are there altogether? (Millie)
6. There were 9 fish and they had 4 shiny scales each. How many scales altogether? (Carmelo)
7. Lachlan had 12 dirt bikes with 2 wheels. How many wheels altogether? (Liam)
8. There were 8 pirates. In there hands they had 2 swords each. How many swords altogether? (Ludwig)
9. There were 5 fairies in the garden and each fairy had 4 wings. How many wings did the fairies have altogether? (Phoebe K)
10. Lachlan had 12, 2-wheeled dirt bikes. How many wheels did he have altogether? (Lachlan)
11. There were 4 flowers with 5 petals on each. How many petals altogether? (Phoebe S)
12. There where 8 mermaids and each mermaid had 12 pearls. How many pearls were there altogether? (Ruby)
13. There were 12 dinosaurs and they had 12 spots each. How many spots do the dinosaurs have altogether? (Charlotte)
14. There were 7 families and 2 people in each family. How many people are there altogether? (Alek)
15. There were 5 fairies in the fairy garden and each had 4 wings. How many wings were there altogether? (Angelikah)
16. Virginia had 5 friends. They each had 7 lollies. How many lollies did they have altogether? (Isla)
17. There were 5 frogs. Each one of them had 7 black spots on them. How many spots did they have altogether? (Hannah)
18. There were 3 cats. Each cat had 4 legs. How many legs did the cats have altogether? (Nyangeng)
19. There were 4 ladybugs on a rock. They had 4 dots on each wing. How many dots did they have altogether? (Amara)
20. There were 5 footballs and each football had 2 colours. How many colours are there altogether? (Will)
21. There were 8 fairies. They each had 4 ladybugs. How many ladybugs did the fairies have altogether? (Andrea)
22. There were 8 mermaids and each mermaid had 3 pearls each. How many pearls did the mermaids have altogether? (Bella)
23. There were 5 chairs and each chair had 6 legs. How many legs are there altogether? (Jennifer)