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Serenity  
God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
the courage to change the things I can  
and the wisdom to know the difference.  Amen

**Dear Parents and Guardians,**  
A big thank you to those who attended our Annual Board Meeting last night. We welcome Mark Englebert, Renee Jones, Theresa Larkin-Lynch and Vicki Reid to our School Board and thank you for joining our present Board members to assist with the financial management and operation of St Andrew’s. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank Sean Higgins, who has carried the Treasurer’s role on the School Board for the past four years. He has been a most supportive member of our school community and I wish him all the best in the future.

The role of the School Board is to plan for present and future operations of the school, to provide membership on selection panels for the employment of staff in the school, to liaise with all matters relating to the financial management of the school and to advise the Principal regarding school policy.

The St Andrew’s School Board members for 2010 are:
- Father Andrew Albis – Parish Priest (ex-officio)
- Eileen Climo – Principal (ex-officio)
- Michelle Varley
- Judith Birchall
- Michelle Russell
- Ray Mackie
- Mark Englebert
- Vicki Reid
- Renee Jones
- Reti Wisnesky
- Theresa Larkin-Lynch

The ‘Protective Behaviours’ workshop was held after the School Board AGM and I thank those parents who attended to upskill themselves with strategies to keep their children safe from abuse of all kinds but particularly sexual abuse. The information is confronting, but the strategies provided are simple to implement and build awareness in your children of safe and unsafe behaviours. During this term, some of these strategies will be sent home so you are aware of the content of the programme. I encourage you to talk about them with your children and to encourage their use through regular discussion.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and I invite you to join us at our first school Mass of the year where the children will be receiving the ashes. The Mass is on Wednesday, February 17th at 8.45 am.

**God bless you,**  
Eileen Climo  
Principal  

**NOTES ACCOMPANYING NEWSLETTER**  
Catholics Magazine  
Senior Swimming Carnival – Years 4-6

**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.

SCHOOL MATTERS

DATES TO REMEMBER

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<td>Friday 12 February</td>
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Happy Birthday!

Congratulations to the children who have celebrated their birthday recently.

Christina Furneau, Sarah Reid, Ciaran Bramwell, Amity Alsop, Lance Hinder, Odhran McKenna, Mahlia O’Dowd, Mateo Veneracion, Hayden Colyer, Kayla Gorham, Alexis Murray, Caitlin Arends-Powell.

MAKING JESUS REAL AWARDS

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MERIT CERTIFICATES

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<td>Anita Steven, Jake Noble, Millie Redden, Hannah Asplin, Ryan Scully, Sophie Slodowy, Chevi Brammall, Lia Barmuta, Anders</td>
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PUPIL FREE DAY REMINDER
MONDAY February 22nd. Staff are attending professional development in Mathematics.

SCHOOL FEE ACCOUNTS
School fees were sent home this week. You need to advise the school of your preferred method of payment by 19th February. Year 6 school camp fee is also due on February 12 February. As usual, if you are experiencing financial difficulty, please make an appointment to see Mrs Climo.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
In late December, 2009 Mrs Climo received a letter from Mrs Sheelagh Humphries who is the Secretary of the Clarkson Conference (Branch) of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. In her letter Mrs Humphries congratulated the members of our school community for our past and present, year long, support of our local Conference.

In January, a letter was received from Heather Patullo, the Youth Development Officer for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Western Australia. Heather comments that “Without the support, generosity and compassion of your school, we wouldn’t have the means to assist all the families who request assistance at Christmas time. Your donations have made a real difference to many families in your community this year, and while you may not be able to see the smiles that your school’s contributions have brought to the faces of both young and old this Christmas, I would like to thank you on behalf of those families.”

We should be very proud of our schools ongoing efforts to help others. We find it amazing and faith affirming that many of our contributing families are themselves finding it tough!

Our donation basket is located in the office reception area immediately to the left of the main entrance. All items of non – perishable food are gladly received.
Warren Smith - Assistant Principal

SCHOOL BANKING
School Banking starts again on Monday 15th February. The ‘Dollarmites’ program encourages regular banking through weekly deposits (the amount is irrelevant, the child gets rewarded for regular savings). The child receives tokens which are collected to gain certificates and prizes. If your child is interested in joining the program please pick up a package from the front office. Your child’s bank deposit book is sent to the office in the class message bag and then given to our parent volunteer to process. If any parent is interested in helping Mrs Johnson for a short time on Monday morning to process the banking then please contact Mrs Sullivan or the office. Happy banking!!

DRUMMING LESSONS
Mr Gordon Jansen now has vacancies for new students. If your child is interested in learning to play the drums and percussion, please fill and return your enrolment form at the Administration Office.

UNIFORM SHOP – DESK MATS
Desk mats will be available for $5.00 from the uniform shop on Friday 12 February.

CANTEEN NEWS – New items available
Three new items have been added to the Canteen menu.

They are: Tukka Tubz
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Prayer for Haiti

The students of 6 White have used the Great Prayer Formula to construct a prayer for the victims of the devastating earthquake in Haiti.

Dear God in Heaven,

We pray for those unfortunate people in Haiti who have lost their lives
(Shaun M)
We pray for the victims of the earthquake who are experiencing starvation and hardship. (Jae)
May the people who have lost their families find strength to carry on. (Beryl)
We ask that you assist those who are dehydrated to find water. (Chloe)
We pray for the victims who have lost their homes and belongings. (Anahera)
We ask that those who have lost their lives are with you in Heaven. (Sophie)
We ask that those survivors found in the ruins, go on to lead happy and healthy lives. (Shania)
We hope that any children trapped under the rubble will be found. (Vasco)
Please bless those that lost their lives during the earthquake. (Konnor)
We pray for the animals and livestock that have suffered. (Toby)
We praise and thank those who have risked their lives to save others. (Ronan)
We pray for unfortunate people who have lost their friends and pets. (Molly)
I feel heartbroken because of the death and disease that has happened in Haiti. (Logan)
I feel very sorry for all those have suffered and lost everything in Haiti. (Jaedyn)
I feel sorry for those survivors who must fight to get food to feed their families. (Conor)
I feel upset and sorrowful for the entire population of Haiti. (Ben)
I feel great despair for all the victims. (Beau)
I feel sorry for all those people who are experiencing loneliness and poverty. (Lexi)
I feel happiness for those who have survived. (Jorja)
Please provide clean and fresh water for the survivors to share. (Shaun N)
I pray that God provides shelter and warmth for the people of Haiti. (Rachel)
I beg of you that the survivors are provided with clothing and safety. (Meg)
I hope that the injured in hospital make a good recovery. (Brendon)
I feel sorry for those who must fight to find food and shelter. (Ciara)
I pray that they receive strength, love and care, and that others consider them and treat them as family. (Susan)
I give thanks for those who have survived this terrible earthquake. (Cohen)
I am thankful for the many brave volunteers. (Catherine)
I thank you for helping those who have suffered. (Tyler)
I am grateful for all the emergency workers and volunteers. (Aaron)
I am thankful for all the generous people who donate their time and money. (Kimberley) Amen