Dear Parents and Guardians,

Year of Grace: Starting afresh from Christ
At the beginning of the third millennium, Pope John Paul II sent a message to the whole church with his Apostolic Letter, *Novo millenio ineunte*, 2001. This message has inspired and guided the Australian Bishop’s decision to call for *A Year of Grace*. The Pope called all Christians to discover ways ‘to contemplate the face of Christ’ in ourselves, our neighbours, our families and communities, schools and Parishes, especially in the ones who are poor and at risk – and to ‘start afresh from Christ’. He outlined three steps in this challenge: seeking the presence of Christ in every aspect of life, learning to live in deep communion with others – human and divine, creating connections to share that experience of communion with others. Our *Making Jesus Real* programme supports these steps as do our Religious Education programmes, mass and liturgical celebrations, where we have the opportunity to be prayerful, to listen to the God’s voice in the scriptures and to celebrate the liturgy by gathering together in prayer and praise. I encourage all families to spend time discerning the presence of Christ in their families during this *Year of Grace*.

Mass of the Assumption of Mary: It was wonderful to see so many parents at our school mass yesterday to celebrate Mary’s Assumption. Congratulations to the students, who sang beautifully and participated reverently during the mass, in particular to the Preprimary children who joined us at mass for the first time.

Fathers’ Day Breakfast: We look forward to seeing as many Dads (or significant family males in our children’s lives) at the breakfast on Friday, 31st August in the Hall. Just turn up with your children after 7.00am and enjoy breakfast and the Fathers’ Day Raffle draw (every child has a ticket in this draw). No bookings/orders are required for this event.

God bless you
Eileen Climo
Principal

NOTES HOME THIS WEEK:
Summer Uniform Order
Photo Note and Order Forms
Father’s Day Breakfast

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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**Congratulations to those children who have celebrated their birthdays recently.**


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## School Matters

### Year Making Jesus Real Awards for 9 August

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**A Pupil Free Day**

Please note that there is a pupil free day on Friday 24 August

**Staff Professional Development**
THANK YOU FROM 2B AND 2W
Dear Mr Brock and Mr Chmielewski,

Thank you for putting up the hooks outside Year 2 for our bags. They look fabulous and they help us to keep our bags tidy. It is also easier for us to pack and unpack our bags. When it rains the hooks keep our bags from getting wet. The hooks helped 2W win the Tidy Bag Award! We appreciate your hard work.

DISCO
Thank you to the hardworking members of our P & F who organised and ran the disco last Friday night. Thank you to the children for their generally good behaviour during the evening. It was wonderful to see you all having such a good time. There were a few disappointments during the evening, including poor behaviour from parents who were frustrated at the delays on entry into the hall and from parents who refused to leave the hall with toddlers and prams, despite being advised, from the first note that went home about the disco, that toddlers and prams could not be accommodated safely in the Hall. Congratulations to all who attended the Senior Disco for your speedy and safe exit from the Hall, after an individual (yet to be identified) set off the fire alarms in the building. Due to a number of factors, not least of all those written here, this disco was the last to be held in the Hall during my tenure as Principal. All future discos will be held in the Undercover Area.

OLYMPICS
FREE DRESS DAY
Friday 17th August
Come wearing the colours of your favourite country

FOUND
A ring has been found and looks as though it might be very special to someone. Please come to the office to claim.

PARISH NEWS

REHEARSAL FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2012
On behalf of the St Andrew’s Parish Music Ministry, I would like to invite any children in Years 3, 5 & 6 to come and sing in the Junior Choir for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion to be held on Saturday 8 September at the 6.00pm Mass, and on Sunday 9 September at the 9.00am Mass and 5.30pm Mass.

Rehearsals will be held on Friday 17 August, Friday 24 August and Friday 31 August between 6.00pm – 7.00pm. The final rehearsal will be Friday 7 September 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Come and support your fellow students on this wonderful occasion! For Enquiries please call me on 0432 551 428. Helen Smith - St Andrew’s Parish Music Ministry
We have been learning all about the 26 letters of the Alphabet. We know the names and sounds of all the letters and we are practising how to write them the right way too! We know our letters so well that we are sounding out small words when reading and writing. We are matching the sounds that we hear with the right letter. We can even remember how to spell some words without sounding!!

Here are some words we have spelt for you.....

Oliver: cup
Kai: dog
Brenden: five
Tristan: bug
Remy: Dad
Olivia: Alex
Liam: car

Jook: I
Jacinta: bat
Caitlyn: ten
Stuart: Amy
Savannah P: Kayla
Samuel: dot
Brock: gum

Christian: a
Naimish: emu
Emma: Mum
Priscilla: cat
Cassie: going
Alana: log
Savannah W: Alana

Luke: the
Noah: sky
Imogen: car
Charlotte: mat
Catherine: pen
Brooke: Brock