Companions on the Journey

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27 AUGUST 2010

Mary MacKillop Prayer
God of the pilgrim Mary MacKillop trusted your guidance in her journey of life and deepened her confidence in your will.
May we renew our trust in your Providence to lead us in hope.
May we relish the sacred in the ordinariness of our lives.
May we grow in the fullness of your love and the depth of your mystery.
We ask this through Jesus Christ the way, the truth and the life. Amen.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Performing Arts Festival: Year 2 Dance. Congratulations to our Year 2s who performed this week at the Convention Centre with outstanding success. Thank you to parents and friends who supported the classes and those who responded to our request for assistance with sewing the costumes. Comments from the adjudication include: “Cute and colourful, effective opening. Excellent energy shown by the children. Excellent theme choice. An ambitious idea that ended up being performed beautifully. Stage was well used, with well performed and age appropriate choreography that reflected the light and shade in the music. Loved the references to the movie. Well done!”

Arts Night: What a great turnout for our Open Night with an Arts focus. Thank you for supporting our arts programmes through the purchase of your child’s art work. If you were not able to attend and wish to purchase the work, please send $5.00 cash to your child’s teacher and the work will be forwarded to you. Congratulations to all performers last evening. You will see some of them again in our Christmas concerts in our new Hall later in the year.

Kiss ‘n’ Ride: There are still people who park in the Kiss ‘n’ Ride area causing aggravation to other users. Do not leave your vehicle in this area and if your children are late arrivals in the afternoon, please do not use the Kiss ‘n’ Ride as it reduces the number of bays available for those whose children arrive promptly. If your youngest child is in Years 4, 5 or 6, please consider collecting them from the other side of the oval, to reduce the strain on the Kiss ‘n’ Ride. Thank you for your consideration of the safety of our children and harmony in our car park.

Principal Leave: I will be on leave from Monday until the end of term as I will be in New Zealand for the birth of my second grandchild. I will be babysitter, cook, housekeeper and driver as my daughter has a cesarean early next week. I appreciate the opportunity to be with my family at this time and value the precious moments with my daughter and grandchildren. Mr Warren Smith will be Acting Principal in my absence.

God bless you
Eileen Climo
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL MATTERS

Congratulations to the children who have celebrated their birthday recently.

Raymond Rofa, Baeleigh Robinson, Cyle Graham, Aiden Carpenter, Annalise Mills, Lachlan McDonald, Mikayla Fernandez

YEAR MERIT AWARDS GIVEN ON 19 AUGUST, 2010.

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SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL

We encourage every family in the school community to donate to the Saint Vincent de Paul. For many years now, Saint Andrew’s School community has regularly donated items that our generous family network has regularly donated. We accept one item at a time or larger numbers of donated items. It matters only that we give according to our means. All items are regularly handed over to the Clarkson chapter of Saint Vincent de Paul. At this cold time of year filling foods are a welcome gift. Please help.

ATHLETICS CARNIVALS – CHANGE OF DATES

The events of the carnivals have been reversed so if you have taken any time off work to attend either of these days, please note the following:

- Wednesday, 15th September – TRACK EVENTS CARNIVAL all day
- Friday, 17th September – FIELD EVENTS CARNIVAL – morning only
THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED MARY MACKILLOP

As an Australian pioneer who embodied the true spirit of the early Australian battler, Mary and her Sisters worked in country towns all over Australia, working in the poorest suburbs of big cities and fighting the fight for the poor and neglected, the lonely and destitute. Mary epitomises the strength of our forebears which has made Australia the nation it is today.

Mary’s legacy is especially schools and education – by the time of her death in 1909, she had established 109 houses, staffed by 650 sisters teaching 12,400 pupils in 117 schools across Australia and New Zealand.

Mary MacKillop is a very worthy Saint for Australia, an important first for all of us.

Sr Anne Derwin, Congregational Leader of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart has written “…we rejoice that Mary MacKillop is now recognised by the universal Church as a faithful witness to the Christian way of life.”

SAY - Which stands for Saint Andrew's Youth

The Saint Andrew’s Parish have organised a new approach to catering for the youth of the local parish. They are “building a ministry of faith with our Youth”.

The youth of the parish are invited to join either the Junior SAY which is for youths aged 10 – 16 or if they are older they can become part of the Senior SAY which is for youths aged 17+.

Adult assistance with time and support would be greatly appreciated for the efficient functioning of the Junior SAY group.

Upcoming events which have been planned include a ‘Movie and Pizza Night’, ‘Ten Pin Bowling’ and ‘Dark Light’.

If you require more information please visit the Church and sign up for some serious fun.

LOST PROPERTY

Mr Smith reports that there are 27 sport jackets and 9 school jumpers in our lost property basket. Please check that your child isn’t missing an item and is wearing his/her correct clothing. It is important to make sure all items are named, even second hand items. Unnamed items not claimed will be recycled through the uniform shop.

BANKING

Thank you to all those parents encouraging their children to bank. The response has been wonderful. Would you please encourage your child/ren to fill out the bank deposit slip as part of the process. Please note that sometimes the volunteers may not be able to bank on a Monday due to personal reasons but will bank on the Tuesday.

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to the families that have settled their Term 3 school fees which were due on the 13 August. If you are experiencing difficulties and have been unable to pay your fee, please make an appointment to see Mrs Climo.

WANTED

If you have a clarinet (in good condition) not being used and wish to sell please contact Jill on 0439914436.

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.
In celebration of Book Week Year Five White would like to share with you some of their favourite books and authors.

My favourite book is one that my Grandma gave me called, ‘Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.’ It is a special book that has my name and some of my relatives and friends names in it. (Erin)
I enjoy reading choose your own adventure books because you get to decide how the book ends. (Conor)
My Reading group is reading an interesting book called ‘Wicked Witch of the Singing Sands.’ (Chok)
My favourite book is ‘Mrs Pepperpot.’ My mum also loves the book and we both think it is special. (Emily)
‘Charlie and The Chocolate Factory’ is the best book I have ever read. I give it a rating of 10/10. (Jordan)
I like reading history books because I find them interesting and enjoy learning new things. (Byron)
I enjoy reading books written by Cathy Cassidy. Her stories are always full of twists and turns. (Jordyn)
My favourite genre is Adventure. Adventure books are always full of excitement. (Connor)
I like reading ‘Diary of a Wimpy Kid’ books. I can’t wait to watch the movie. (Jayden)
‘Extreme Adventures’ is an action filled series. You never know what is going to happen next. (Marial)
Enid Blyton is the best author. I am reading one of her books called, ‘The Magic Faraway Tree.’ (Grace)
My favourite author is Roald Dahl because his books always make me laugh. (Nyitur)

My Reading group has been reading ‘Momotaro, Little Peachling.’ This book has really inspired me to read more folktales. (Lillie)
I love reading Star Wars books because they are so creative and full of action. (Matthew)
My favourite author is Emily Rodda because I really like her ‘Deltora Quest’ books. (Owen)
I like Roald Dahl books because you never know what is going to happen next in his stories. (Raymond)
I really enjoyed reading ‘James and the Giant Peach.’ (Fernanda)
One of my most favourite authors is Paul Jennings because he writes the funniest books. (Shannon)
I love reading! I especially like to read books about magic, werewolves, fairies and vampires. (Caitlin)
My favourite book is ‘The Girl in the Irish Cupboard.’ My dad passed it down to me. (Tiah)
‘Spilling the Beans’ is an interesting series, which has taught me new things about history. (Michael)
Andy Griffiths is my favourite author because all of his books are funny and crazy. (Miles)
I enjoy reading the ‘Schooling Around’ series. I have all the books and have read all of them. (Zac)
My favourite author is Paul Jennings. He always writes interesting stories. (Trevor)
My Dad loved the book ‘BFG’ and told me to read it. Now I love it too! (Jessica)
‘Captain Underpants’ is a hilarious book. (Jimmy)
I like reading fantasy books especially ones about unicorns. (Bryony)