Dear Parents and Guardians

Last weekend we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with a group of very well prepared and extremely eager Year 6 children. The celebrants, Monsignor O’Loughlan and Father Andrew Albis, were absolutely delighted by the contributions that the confirmants made to the celebration. With Confirmation completed we now move on to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This beautiful sacrament is central within the Catholic sacraments. It is an opportunity for all of God’s family to be unconditionally forgiven for their sins and offers us the opportunity to draw close to God who loves us regardless of our flaws.

For the children of Year 3 to receive this sacrament the following must occur:
1. Attendance at one of the weekend masses on the weekend of September 18th and 19th or September 25th or 26th. Families can choose to attend from the 6.00pm Saturday or 7.30am, 9.00am or 5.30pm Sunday masses.
2. Select and attend one Parent – Child Reconciliation workshop. These will be held in the church at 5pm and 7pm on Tuesday October 19th and Wednesday October 20th.

The date for the Sacrament of Reconciliation has yet to be finalised but will more than likely take place in the Saint Andrew’s Parish Church on the evening of Wednesday November 17th. If you have a child who is currently enrolled at Saint Andrew’s school in a year level above Year 3 and you are interested in him / her undertaking preparation for this sacrament please speak to Mrs B. Jones, Assistant Principal.

Update of Family Records:
Please notify the office immediately if any of your family contact details have changed.

The prompt collection of children at the end of the school day:
Please remember that staff are rostered on to supervise children exiting school property up until 3pm each day. At this point in time we send all children who are not collected to the portico outside the main office. Please ring the office if you are detained and will be late. It is important that you realise that school staff have both school based and private appointments outside school.

School Gates:
It would be greatly appreciated if we all remembered to enter and exit the school through the side gates that are provided. All too often children and adults are observed walking down the teachers’ car park driveway as cars enter or exit the school. I remind everyone that this is a dangerous act in itself and that it also causes the gates to freeze in the open position when they shouldn’t do so.

Faction Athletics Carnival:
Congratulations to all children in Years 3- 6 who have enjoyed the running events and tabloid games that have been organised by Mrs D. Peacham. Later this week the finals of the field events will be held.

Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN results:
The children will bring home their NAPLAN results tomorrow.

Warren Smith
Acting Principal

NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK
Graduation Shirt - reprint
DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL MATTERS

Congratulations to Lachlan McGarry, Sebastian Riviere, Jack Checkland, Ashley Truran, Ethan Wong and Mary Natour who have celebrated their birthdays recently.

YEAR  MERIT AWARDS FOR 9 SEPTEMBER, 2010.

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YEAR  MAKING JESUS REAL AWARDS FOR 9 SEPTEMBER, 2010.

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THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED MARY MACKILLOP
Mary’s siblings were: Margaret (1843 – 1872), John (1845 – 1867), Alik (1847 who died at 11 months), Annie (1848 – 1929), Alexandrina (1850 – 1882), Donald (1853 – 1925) and Peter (1857 – 1878).

The MacKillop children experienced an unsettled childhood where the family home was neither happy nor prosperous due to the failed and flawed business dealings of Mary’s father.

UNIFORM ORDERS
Uniform orders for Term 4 are now ready for collection from the uniform shop.
HEALTH NEWS
There has been a diagnosed case of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease. This is a communicable disease that is reported as a common, acute, viral infection. It is not related to the Foot and Mouth Disease of animals.

Symptoms: Include fever, vesicles (blisters) in the mouth and on the hands and feet.
Transmission: Airborne or droplet; faecal (excreta, poo) – oral. It is important that children wash their hands.
Incubation: 3 – 7 days.
Infectious period: As long as there is fluid in the blisters. Faeces (poo) remain infectious for several weeks.
Exclusion: Please keep your child home until the blisters have become dry and crusty.
Treatment: Varies according to symptoms so please consult your family doctor.

Please consult your family doctor if you have any concerns for your child. Please provide a (clearance) medical certificate if your child has been diagnosed with Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease before they return to school.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ST ANDREW’S BUSHLAND RANGERS!
Some of the Year 5 and 6 students have been selected to perform the role of Bushland Ranger for the rest of their time at St Andrew’s. Each student was required to complete a survey on the environment and based on this survey the students were chosen. Their role includes looking after, caring for and maintaining our natural environment here at St Andrew’s and our adopted bushland – Anthony Waring Park. They are currently working closely with Mr Keith Brown on different projects. One of which is watering, weeding, mulching and digging the treed area near the church. They have also created a Plant file, which contains information and photos of all the species of plants which we can find in that area.

BUSHLAND RANGERS
Byron Reid Zac Stanes
Emily Glover Lillie Hines
Tiah Courtney Lisa Bramwell
Kampbell Roe Bailey Cordiano-Stringer
Liam Tsouris Stephen Sanders
Toby Hope-Lind Tyler Walsh

COLES – SPORTS GEAR FOR OUR SCHOOL
St Andrew’s Catholic Primary school will be collecting vouchers from Coles. Collect more vouchers, get more gear! Get a voucher for every $10 you spend in Coles, Coles Online, Bi-Lo or Pick’n Pay from 2 September – 31 October 2010. So come on, get collecting! Vouchers can be placed in the box outside the office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CITY OF WANNEROO SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Below is the link to the City Of Wanneroo September/October School Holiday Program. http://www.wanneroo.wa.gov.au/3/913/1/school_holiday_programs_.pm. There are a range of activities on offer for children aged 6-12 and young people aged 12-18

BLUE LIGHT DISCO
Date: Saturday 18th September 2010. Location: Gumblossom Hall, Tapping Way, Quinns Rocks (turn into Quinns Road off Marmion Ave and right at the roundabout)
Time: 6.30pm to 9.00pm, Doors open at 6.15pm
Age: Children aged 8 – 13 years of age will be admitted. Tickets: $6 available at the door.
Notes: Due to safety reason, enclosed shoes must be worn at all times, and all children must be picked up at the conclusion of the event by a parent or guardian. Parents are encouraged to stay at events if they wish.

ECU Sports Centre Joondalup is home of the ECU Kids Holiday Program! It is an exciting program that is not only fun for children, but extremely good for them. For ages 6 – 12 years the programme focuses on giving kids as much sporting experience as possible! Activities are structured so they are appropriate for each age group and are supervised by experienced, skilled staff. With a special appearance from the Perth Wildcats and West Perth Football Club places are sure to fill up quickly. The program runs from Tuesday 28th September – Friday 8th October 2010. For further details check www.ecu.edu.au/sport or call 6304 2145.
SAINTS IN CONFIRMATION

The students of 6W received the Sacrament of Confirmation on the 11th and 12th of September, 2010.
Each student has researched a Saint as their Confirmation name.

St Christopher is a protector of families and travel – Shaun N
St Francis inspires me to do good things in life because of his love of God – Ben
I chose St Raphael as he is very close to God, and his favourite colour is green, the same as me – Konnor
St Elizabeth helped the sick and those in poverty, she was known for her kindness – Beryl.
St Paul left school so he could help out his family; he gave up his own comfort to help the poor – Aaron
My saint is Rose, she established a boarding school to care for girls – Lexi
St John baptised Jesus in the Jordan River; he was a kind and wise man – Brendon
St John cared for neglected boys and established a community for Priests that still operates today – Georgia
I chose St Patrick as he is an honest, nice, and respected man who I would like to live up to – Logan
I like St Anne as she loved to help people and lead them from danger – Jorja
St Claire is the Patron Saint of television because she saw many visions – Ciara
St Teresa liked to help the sick and those less fortunate – Meg
I chose St George as he was very brave and courageous – Toby
St Mary is very inspiring in her strong beliefs about God, I would like to follow in her footsteps – Susan
St Nicolas brought back to life three innocent boys; he stood up for his beliefs – Jae
St Patrick was courageous and he had great belief in God – Shaun M
I chose St Cyril because he heals the hearts of those who have had them broken – Cohen
St Maria was very forgiving and she never gave up on her beliefs – Catherine
St Michael is caring, close to God and is very kind to everyone – Beau
I chose St Patrick as he had the ability to pick himself up when things were going wrong – Vasco
St Rosalia was willing to give up her life for Jesus – Sophie
I chose St John as he gave up his life for those who were sick and in need – Tyler
St Maria was kind and never got angry even when things were unfair – Shania
St John believed in the teachings of Jesus and he was a brave and caring man – Conor
St Kevin had many miracles attributed to him.
He was wise, brave and caring – Ronan