A Call to your Inner Spirit: Your beauty should not come from outward adornment. Instead it should be that of your INNER SELF.

The unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit which is precious in God’s sight. 1Peter 3: V1-4.

Confirmation is this weekend: 16 / 17 November.

Our main celebrant is The Most Rev Donald Sproxton, who is Auxillary Bishop of the Diocese of Perth.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Recently I have received some fantastic letters from our parents. From a parent who volunteered as a yard duty assistant on World Teachers Day: “From my observations today, after only half an hour, I was reminded why my children are enrolled at St Andrew’s. The school atmosphere that has been created by all staff is positive, friendly and caring. I was assured today that my children attend a school where they feel safe and are cared for. The pastoral care you provide is certainly working in creating a harmonious school community in which children can thrive. I am very grateful for the opportunity to support St Andrew’s and see the school ‘in action’. I would love to see other parents take opportunities to assist as required, but most importantly to provide them with a renewed insight into the ‘big picture’ of the holistic education taking place.”

I thank the author for these kind words. Many staff commented to me that they felt appreciated for their professional efforts.

Looking ahead:

Saint Andrew’s Day celebrations will be held on Friday 29 November. The day will commence with a school Mass at 8.45am in the Church. During the day classes will engage in specially prepared buddy class activities and attend a special theatre production in the hall. We invite all parents to share a picnic lunch with their children during lunch time which is between 12.25pm and 1.00pm.

Community Carols on the School Oval / Picnic Dinner: On Monday 9 December we plan to have a family picnic on the oval from 5.00pm followed by the singing of Christmas Carols from 5.30pm. The evening should conclude at about 6.30pm.

Year 6 Graduation will take place in the Church at 6.30pm on Wednesday 11 December. Mass will be followed by the presentation of awards, the viewing of a Powerpoint which is currently being worked on by the graduating class and a light refreshments. Families are advised to circle this date on the Term Planner.

On Thursday 12 December the school community will assemble in the hall at 9.00am for a Christmas Concert followed by the annual Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea.

God bless you.

Warren Smith
Principal
NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK:
Impetigo
EZCover.net.au and St Vinnies
Year 1
ExcursionParent & Friends Committee
A Letter to the Community from the Board Chair.
A letter to Year 6 Parents – Re Graduation

SCHOOL NEWS

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Congratulations to those children who have or will be celebrating their birthday’s soon!!

Jasmin R, Eleanor M, Luka O, Jake D, Indiana M, Orlando H, Nathaniel H

Class Lists for 2014: Class lists for 2014 will be compiled in the next few weeks. There are going to be staff changes in several year levels. If you have information about your child that may be relevant to the setting up of classes for 2014, please advise me in writing by Friday 22 November. Selection of a particular teacher is not possible, however there may be a case for ensuring that your child is in a different class from another child due to past issues or because they are related and see lots of each other outside school. Requests are not kept from year to year, so do not depend on us remembering what we have been told in the past! All information must be in writing to the Principal.

School Fees are very important: Thank you to the families who have already met their fee commitments for the 2013 school year. The deadline for 2013 school fees is Thursday 28th November. Fees can be paid by cash, credit card, and direct debit or B Pay if these options are in place. As you can imagine schools operate on sizeable budgets and the paying of school fees has a determining factor in meeting expenses.

Advent: The First Sunday in Lent is Sunday 1 December. As we head towards this significant Church season I ask all families within the school community to donate non perishable food items to the "City of God" that is being built in the Library.
Father Robert (PP) has received the sad news that his younger sister suddenly passed away in the Philippines earlier this week. Father Robert will be with us until after the Confirmation programme concludes this weekend. He will leave early next week and will return to us effective 27 November. We extend out love and heartfelt sympathy to Father Robert and pray for his sister and the entire Carrillo family at this trying time. Apparently, while Father Robert was recently home on leave an earthquake shook the province he is from. Now the recent typhoon has devastated his homelands.

Making Jesus Real> What's It All About?
Making Jesus Real (MJR) is the Christian way of life reflected each day. Jesus used to spread his message through “stories”. The MJR format aims to assist students in reflecting on the Good News stories that are going unnoticed in the school playground every day. Jesus’ message was “Love God by loving your neighbour” – the MJR message is very similar, it focuses on “The way you greet and treat people”. In essence it is “Living the Good News”. The 63 attitudes and values that are central to living the Good News are set out in a teacher’s handbook and as each attitude or value is covered in class the students are able to spend time reflecting on their own growth as a person.

Some of the attitudes and values covered are:
- Build a bridge and get over it.
- Don’t be a snowflake; snowflakes melt under pressure.
- Be a WEST person. WEST people are welcoming, encouraging, supportive and say thank you. A WEST person is a Happy Chappy.
- Don’t be an EAST person. EAST people exclude, annoy, sulk and talk back. An EAST person is a Nasty Paste.
- Be a Giver not a Taker in life.
- BIY: Believe in Yourself.
- Search for the Hero inside Yourself.
- Be Determined: Don’t give up or feel sorry for yourself.
- Show ICO: Instant Cheerful Obedience.
- Use the big “E” word: Encouraging word.

The Language of Resilient Families by Michael Grose: Resilient families develop their own words and phrases to help each other get through the inevitable tough times that each person experiences. The language of resilience generally refers to coping strategies such as empathy, humour and acceptance. Over the next few weeks I will continue to highlight 10 examples of the language of resilience, the coping skills each reflects and the types of situations where they are applicable.

6. “What can you learn from this so it doesn’t happen again?”
Strategy: positive reframeing Good for: kids who make mistakes, let others down or experience personal disappointment.
One of the common attributes of optimistic people is their ability to find a learning, or look for a message, in difficult or negative situations. Parents can help kids reframe events to help them see things differently. For instance, rather than regarding a public speaking opportunity as problematic, and a chance to look foolish it’s better to reframe it as a challenge and a chance to shine. It also helps when parents model reframing so kids see you changing how you view seemingly negative or worrying situations.
Junior Primary Meetings: There are a number of very important meetings coming up over the next few weeks:

1. 2014 Pre-primary Orientation Meeting. For 2013 Kindy Blue and Kindy Gold parents. 2pm – 2.45pm on 26/11/13 in the Pre – primary classroom.

2. 2014 Pre-primary orientation Meeting. For 2013 Kindy White parents. 2pm – 2.45pm on 27/11/13 in the Pre – primary classroom

Farewell: Tomorrow we say farewell to our 1st Year Edith Cowan University Student Teachers. Miss Holly Miles and Miss Kira Young (3W) have both experienced highly successful periods of student practice. Both ladies have been warmly embraced by their home classes, have listened to their mentors and are well on their way to successful 2nd Year experiences in 2014. The community of Saint Andrew’s Primary school wishes them well.

2014 Booklists: Newsletter 26 / 2013 featured a front page article all about the process of ordering from the 2014 booklists. The booklists were distributed to all children last week. The book lists are very easy to read and provide all the information needed for parents and guardians to ensure that children turn up to school with all of the equipment they require for a successful start to the 2014 school year.

Exiting Families: We never like to lose people from our flock but fully understand that this occurs from time to time and for a variety of reasons. Should your child not be returning to Saint Andrew’s Catholic Primary School in 2014, please notify the Principal in writing as soon as possible. In your letter please detail your child’s class, their full name, the departure date and where they will be going to school in 2014.

Car Parking/ Kiss N Ride: I remind all parents that in order to alleviate the pressure on the kiss n ride it would be fantastic if more parents of students in Year 3 - 6 dropped off and picked up their children in the Anthony Waring Oval car park (93 car bays), the Saint Andrew’s Church car park (31 car bays) or at the Waring Green gate where there are 16 car bays. If you are picking up at the kiss n ride and it is backed up please DO NOT park in the entrance to the main drive area or block the drive through area. The correct procedure is that if you drive your car into the school kiss n ride area and find no space to park then you should drive through turn Right into Victorsen Parade and drive up to the roundabout, navigate it and re-enter the school car park until you can find a stationery park or get into the kiss n ride.

School Board Annual General Meeting: This important school community meeting is scheduled for 6.30pm on Wednesday 27th November in the school hall. I invite all parents to attend this important community meeting. There are positions available as general members of the Board. Written nominations are required. Nominations should be addressed to the Principal. If nominations exceed positions available an election will take place. Board Meetings take place where possible on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Vac Swim 2013 -2014 Enrolments are now open:
Program 1: 30 December 2013 to 10 January 2014. Enrolments close 18 November.
Enrol online now at det.wa.edu.au/swimming.
Australasian Primary Schools Mathematical Olympiad (APSMO): Congratulations to Miguel D and Ciaran B of Year 6 who jointly shared top place in the 2014 Olympiad. Both boys finished in the top 30% of this challenging Australasian tournament.

Sorrow looks back, Worry looks around
But faith looks up!
Live simply, love generously,
Care deeply, speak kindly, and
Trust in our Creator, who loves us.

Instrumental Programme at St Andrew’s: The music programme is welcoming expressions of interest for students who would like to learn to play guitar, piano, drums and fife [from Year 3 upwards] and flute, clarinet, saxophone [from Year 4 upwards].

The fife looks like a recorder but is side blown like a flute and is an excellent starting instrument. It is an inexpensive option as the instrument and tutor book together cost approximately $30. Application forms may be picked up from the office or from Mrs Mulholland.

Philippines Appeal: Super Typhoon Haiyan has caused widespread damage in Father Robert’s home country, The Philippines. Over 4.5 million people have been affected and the death toll could go into tens of thousands. This typhoon is possibly the worst one to ever hit land. Food and water are scarce and roads are impassable. Caritas Australia is one of the Catholic Churches emergency aid organisations and is always quick to act and assist. So far, Caritas (World) has committed one million dollars. To find out more and to learn ways to help, please visit: http://www.caritas.org.au/docs/parish-resources/typhoon-haiyan-appeal-reflection.ppt

OSHCLUB FEES 2014

After School Care Fees Range from $8.85 to $13.93 per session (Maximum fee of $27.85 will apply to families who haven’t applied for or are eligible for the 50% Tax Rebate).

Before After School Care Fees Range from $6.25 to $9.93 per session (Maximum fee of $19.85 will apply to families who haven’t applied for or are eligible for the 50% Tax Rebate)

Vacation Care Fees Range from $9.84 to $30.50 per session (Maximum fee of $61.00 will apply to families who haven’t applied for or are eligible for the 50% Tax Rebate).

Please ensure you apply for the 50% tax rebate as it IS NOT MEANS TESTED and most families are eligible!

Fees range from family to family depending on their Childcare Benefit Discount and 50 % Tax Rebate eligibility.

Bookings made within 24 hours of the session starting will be charged an additional $1.65 late/casual fee. ($3.30 if you don’t have the 50% Tax Rebate). Bookings made within 48 hours of Vacation Care Session will be charged an additional $2.50 late/casual fee. ($5.00 if you don’t have the 50% Tax Rebate).
**Claudia:** I am very excited about making new friends in High School.

**Samuel:** I am really looking forward to Art classes, because my passion is in Art.

**Ciaran:** In High School I am mostly looking forward to participating in the Football Academy.

**Georgia:** In High School I am looking forward to meeting new people and new subjects.

**Mitchell:** I am looking forward to meeting new friends and participating in new subjects.

**Emily:** In High School I am looking forward to participating in new activities such as Flute, Drama and Dance.

**Mikayla:** I am looking forward to the Dance and Drama program and meeting new people.

**Sasha:** I am excited about heading to High School and being involved in the many new subjects that are offered.

**Rhani:** I am excited about meeting new friends and being involved in new subjects.

**Keely:** I am looking forward to the challenging activities and being extended in new subjects.

**Kayla:** In High School I am excited about trying new subjects and meeting new people.

**Lance:** In High School I am looking forward to participating in the High School footy team and the new subjects.

**Dylan:** I am really looking forward to the Maths program and High School camps.

**Zac:** In High School I am looking forward to the new subjects and activities.

**Trent:** I am really looking forward to meeting new friends and participating in the Performing Arts Program.

**Nerize:** I am excited about meeting new friends and going on excursions and camps.

**Taylor:** I am excited about being involved in the High School Cricket team.

**Kiera:** I am looking forward to High School, especially the cooking classes, as I really enjoy cooking.

**Victoria:** The thing I am looking forward to about High School is the new subjects I can do.

**Niall:** I am really looking forward to meeting new friends and striving for improvements in my work.

**Mackenzie:** I am really looking forward to being part of the Prendiville Performing Arts Program.

**Louis:** I am excited about going to High School and participating in Sports day activities, Art classes and playing guitar in the band.

**Declan:** I am excited about High School and the new subjects I will be involved in.

**Kaelena:** In High School I am really looking forward to making new friends and participating in the Arts program.

**Tea:** I am very excited about meeting new friends and the new subjects.

**Jake:** I can’t wait to meet new friends and play AFL in High School.

**Irene McCormack**  
**PRENDIVILLE**  
**Mater Dei**