May the Lord bless us in our gifts:

These are God's providence to the world
To enrich it
To ennoble it
To bring it love.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Goodbye kids and have a great day! Thank you to the parents who drop their children at the gate (or the kiss and ride) and let them bring themselves into the school and get themselves organised for the day. Independence, responsibility and resilience are developed when you let your children take ‘safe’ risks. Children who arrive before 8.20 are supervised in the undercover area by staff and dismissed to classrooms on the bell.

Resiliency Robber #4 (by Michael Grose)
Put unrealistic or relentless pressure on kids to perform.
Expectations about success and achievement are important. Too low and kids will meet them. Too high and kids can give up. Too much and kids can experience anxiety.

Resilience notion #4: Keep expectations in line with children’s abilities and don’t put excessive pressure on them.

Thank you also to parents who are ensuring that their children are at school by 8.20am ready to start the day. We are encouraged by the number of junior primary parents who ‘drop and go’! I also thank you for recognising that teachers are on duty with your children from 8.20 and for remaining outside the classrooms in the mornings, except on Thursdays when you are welcome to come in and see what is happening in your child’s classroom. You are always able to make an appointment to see the teacher through the school office.

Quality Catholic Schools: This year, as part of our whole school improvement plan, we are looking at Evangelisation, Engagement with Church and Parish, Student Achievement and Cultural Diversity. Opportunities for your input into the process will be provided in Term 2. In addition, the Catholic Education Office of WA has commissioned a company to survey staff, parents and students in all Catholic schools, to provide a ‘snapshot’ of where the school is placed, in particular in regard to staff and student wellbeing and engagement. Year 5 & 6 students will be involved as will 20% of the families, chosen at random from our school community. If you would particularly like to complete the survey, please let the school office know. The survey is on line (though paper copies will be available from the school office) and takes about 30 minutes to complete. More information will be made available shortly in regard to this.

God bless you.
Eileen Climo
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL MATTERS

Congratulations to those children who have celebrated their birthdays recently.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS FOR SACRAMENTS
Parents of all children who are receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist or Reconciliation, must attend a parent information evening in regard to these events. The meetings are on Monday 19th March and Tuesday 20th March at 7.00pm in the St Andrew’s Community Hall. No children are to attend. This is an adult education event.

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
A reminder that Friday, 23rd March is a teacher professional development day and thus a pupil free day for students. Staff will be engaged in professional learning around developing independent, self-directed thinkers and learners, in line with our Habits of Mind.

UNIFORM SHOP
Winter pre-ordered uniforms are now available to be picked up from the uniform shop. The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays from 2.30pm – 3.30pm or Friday mornings at 8.00am – 9.00am. All uniforms are to be collected from the uniform shop not from the office.

CONSTABLE CARE
The City of Wanneroo sponsored the Constable Care Child Safety Foundation (Inc) again in 2012. The children of Saint Andrew’s Catholic Primary School were very fortunate to have Constable Care visit them on Friday 9th March, 2012. The children were treated to either an Early Intervention Educational Puppet show or Interactive performance on topics that included Bullying, Protective Behaviours or Cyber bullying.

The staff of Saint Andrew’s are very mindful of these community issues and follow up work in the form of ‘programs’ are done in the classroom setting during the school year. Cyber bullying is covered during a detailed Year 6 course facilitated by Mrs A. Phillips during Computer lessons. Bullying is covered through courses such as ‘Protective Behaviours’ and ‘Safe Families and Schools’. The teaching of protective behaviours equips our children with strategies for dealing with the unwanted advances of others, identifying dangerous and potentially dangerous people and situations and makes us aware of who to go to if we feel uncomfortable.

Please take the time to think about and discuss your child’s safety network.
In Year Two White we worked cooperatively to write these acrostic poems. They are about different topics we have been discussing and learning about in class.

- **Whale**
- **Arctic**
- **Tap**
- **Evaporation**
- **River**

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Choose
Have a go!
Options
It’s tricky
Concentrate
Each of us
Share

Love