Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Archbishop Timothy Costelloe – Archbishop of Perth**

Yesterday evening, I attended the Solemn Mass and Liturgical Reception of Most Reverend Timothy Costelloe, the new Archbishop of Perth, on behalf of our school community. The ceremony was held at St Mary’s Cathedral and was a wonderful celebration involving 250 priests and 30+ Bishops and Archbishops from around Australia and overseas, (with one Bishop coming from Burma and the Apostolic Nuncio from Rome), hundreds of invited guests from Perth and other parts of Australia and Perth Parishioners. Also in the Cathedral to join in welcoming Archbishop Costelloe, were the heads of other faiths, including the Anglican Church, Uniting Church and the Jewish faith.

During the solemn inauguration, Archbishop Costelloe was welcomed into the Cathedral by Monsignor Michael Keating, the Dean of the Cathedral and presented with the mitre and crozier by Archbishop Hickey (who was farewelled from his position as Archbishop of Perth recently after 21 years of service to the community) and His Excellency Most Reverend Giuseppe Lazzarotto, Apostolic Nuncio.

In his homily, Archbishop Costelloe encouraged all gathered to bring Christ into their homes and workplaces. As the words of the opening song ‘Christ, be our light’, say, ‘Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come’. He also made reference in his homily, to his hope of working closely with other faiths and explained his coat of arms – Via Veritas Vita – The Way, the Truth and the Life.

We thank Archbishop Hickey for his many years of dedicated service to the people of Perth. He has guided the archdiocese with wisdom and understanding, and his commitment to the development of St Mary’s has seen us provided with a beautiful Cathedral. We wish him well in his retirement while recognising we will continue to see him as he remains active in the church in Perth.

God bless you.
Eileen Climo
Principal

**NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK**

- Interschool Swimming Carnival
- Parking

**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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SCHOOL MATTERS

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

**TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - TOMORROW**
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.

**REDUCE- REUSE- RECYCLE- RETHINK**
As part of St Andrew's continued dedication to recycling and assisting those in need, we are asking that if you have any old prescription glasses or magnified glasses that you no longer need, could you please send them to school for collection.

Many parts of old mobile phones can be reused, so if you have any old ones lying around please send them into the school as well.

Thank you to all those families who continue to collect the ring tops from cans. Brother Ollie and his volunteers are continuing to make wheelchairs for children who are victims of landmines and diseases, and the ring tops are an essential part of this process. Thank you. Karen Young

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**STATE LITTLE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Caleb Whiting and Joshua Ryan-Sprowson have both qualified for and will be competing in the State Little Athletics Championships this weekend at the athletics stadium. Caleb has qualified for Under 10 boy’s triple jump, high jump and 60m hurdles. Joshua qualified for Under 11 boy’s shotput. Both boys are members of Clarkson Little Athletics Club and will be competing for Ridgewood Little Athletics Centre this weekend. Congratulations, boys.
SACRAMENTAL PARENTS INFORMATION EVENINGS

We had an excellent turnout at these meetings held on Monday and Tuesday of this week and I thank all those who attended this first important step in your supporting your children as they progress through the sacramental programme this year for Confirmation, Eucharist or Reconciliation.  I thank Father Andrew for his presentations on the evenings and Sister Wendy for her coordination of the Parish Sacramental Programme, which is parish based, school supported and family focussed.  If you did not attend a meeting and have a child intending to receive one of the sacraments this year, you will need to arrange a meeting with Father Andrew.

SCHOOL RULES

A reminder about the school rules under which all classroom and play behaviour are based:

- Respect the rights of all students to learn.
- Respect our work and look after our own property.
- Respect the work and property of others.
- Walk on covered areas and pathways and inside classrooms.
- Help keep our school clean, tidy and litter free.
- Follow the Making Jesus Real behaviours of a WEST person.
- Carry out no deliberate, hurtful acts.
- Make no unkind comments to others.
- Wear the school uniform correctly.
- Bring no toys from home.

PARKING

A site plan of the school has been sent home today to assist you in identifying parking areas (where you can leave your vehicle) and the Kiss and Ride area (where you may not leave your vehicle). Please make sure that other people picking up your children are aware of the parking procedures. In the last few weeks we have had several incidents of people leaving their vehicle parked in the Kiss and Ride and this has caused much angst to other drivers. It is upsetting for grandparents in particular, who might not pick up on a regular basis, to be abused by another driver for parking in the Kiss and Ride. If you are proactive in advising them about the parking restrictions in this area, unpleasantness in the car park is avoided.

Several people have reported a parent who persists in leaving their children in the car while they pick up other children. You are all aware of the inherent dangers in this practice, so please don’t do it. Your children can meet you at the Kiss and Ride, or the Office gate, or the Oval gate. In each of these cases, they can come to you. The gates are also marked on the site plan sent home today, as is the Parish car park which you can use – just means a little exercise each day. Older children can meet you in the Parish car park. They can exit the school via the Office gate and walk up to you without crossing any roads. Arriving later (if you have older children) when the bulk of cars have left also helps. Just advise you children that you won’t be here until 2.55.

Thank you for considering ways to reduce congestion and aggravation in the car park.
“I like painting and playing at beach in home corner! We have a surf board!” – Blake

Laranya likes playing in the home corner with the beach fish.

“I like playing outside because we have sand.” – Poppy

Summer likes playing on our ‘Sticky Board’, making shapes with pop sticks.

“I like music and tapping sticks because tapping sticks is my favourite!” – Alexis

“I like throwing with Ben outside.” – Lewis

“I love when we have lunch and fruit time.” – Zakari

“I like playing with Poppy in the home corner.” – Kayne

“I love doing games with my friends.” – Alana

Kumeroa loves playing with the beach gear in our Home Corner.

“I love playing in the Home Corner.” – Coco

“I love the cars because they are fun.” – Izack

“I like playing with play dough. I make snails.” – Rhys

“I do some sticking.” – Charlie

“I like just playing with all the toys.” – Ben

“I love going outside to play and making things.” – Siah

“I love play dough. I make balls.” – Stephanie

“The best time at school is all kinds of things!” – Patrick

“I love painting because we use our hands and feet.” – Aubrey

“I love making circles and ovals with play dough!” – Javier

“I love playing with balls and ropes outside.” – Lauren