Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to a new term! Both staff and students have returned to school having enjoyed a pleasant break that also included the Anzac Day public holiday. Hopefully large numbers of our school community joined in with the many Australians who celebrate Anzac Day with great nationalistic pride.

From time to time we welcome student teachers into our school. This term we are pleased to have Michelle Shimmen from ECU working in 4B with Mrs Forzatti. Michelle is a graduate of Saint Andrew's Catholic Primary School. Welcome home Michelle! We also acknowledge the return of Bonnie Carroll who was a student teacher on placement with us last year. Bonnie will be working in 1B with Mrs Stokes and Mrs Dennis. Bonnie, an ECU student, loved her time with us so much that she asked us to invite her back; we happily obliged. Welcome back Bonnie. We welcome Nicolette Figliomeni a student teacher from NDU who will be working in 3B with Mrs Young. Please make all three ladies most welcome.

Father Robert is away on leave. Father Robert has taken a four week break from Easter Monday until late May. In his absence the school will be in the care of Father Rainier.

On Wednesday 7th May we will be celebrating a School Mass in honour of Mothers. We invite all mothers along to this mass in honour of Our Mother Mary and, all of our lovely Mothers within our community. On Thursday 8th May, 5W will present their school assembly based on the theme: Mother's Day. From 10.00am there will be a P & F facilitated Mother's Day Stall. On Friday 9th May the P & F will also be hosting a Mother's Day Afternoon Tea in the Hall between 1.45pm and 2.45pm. Please come along and enjoy a scone and cuppa!

On Thursday 8th May there will be a meeting in the Church for all parents who have a child wanting to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist. This meeting commences at 6.30pm and concludes at 7.30pm. All parents in attendance will have the opportunity to enrol their child in the Parent – Student Workshops and select which Mass they would like to attend as a family when their child receives the sacrament.

Parent Meeting for Parents of the 2015 Kindergarten intake who have siblings in the school: This meeting is scheduled for Friday 9th May at 8.40am in the Hall. It is vital that each sibling has a parent / responsible adult in attendance. This meeting will provide you with an overview of what will be happening with regard to the 2015 Kindergarten programme. Each family representative will have some paperwork to complete for the school records.

God bless

NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Mr Warren Smith
Principal

Pizza Day Wednesday 14th May
Religious Education Unit Year 5
Morning Fitness/Running Club PP-Yr 6
DATE TO REMEMBER

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<td>Eucharist Parent Meeting 6.30pm-7.30pm Church</td>
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<td>Monday 12 May</td>
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SCHOOL NEWS

Happy birthday to Anthony F. We hope you have a great day!

Parent Teacher Interviews: Last term, Magical Moments and Windows of Work packages were sent home and incorporated in the packages was an evaluation sheet that indicated whether a teacher wanted an interview. Please endeavour to make an appointment to see your child’s teacher if such is the case. In the event that you wish to initiate an interview please do so by filling in an interview request form which is available at reception. It is quite acceptable to pass on important messages through the office. We have quality office staff and they will gladly help with relaying important messages to classroom teachers and specialist teachers.

Magical Moments and Windows on Work: These were sent home at the conclusion of Term One and are due back in the week beginning Monday 12th May.

Canteen Term 2: It has been decided that the canteen will be open at recess from Monday Week 1, Term 2. Children will make their way up directly from play when the 10.30am bell goes. They may not return to the classrooms first. Mrs Cross will have three or four items only for sale – popcorn, pizza, pikelet or drink. Children will purchase only one item which will supplement other healthy morning tea items brought from home. There will be two ‘feature days’ a term. The first is a PIZZA day on Wednesday (14th May) of Week 3.

Mother’s Day Events:

Wednesday 7th May: There will be a Mother’s Day Mass in the Church from 8.40am.

Thursday 8th May: There will be a special Mother’s Day Assembly presented by the students of 5W commencing at 8.40am in the Hall. After this assembly when the groundsman has cleared the carpets and chairs, the P & F Committee will hold a Mother’s Day Gift Stall commencing at approximately 10.00am. All children should bring a gold coin donation which will be exchanged for a voucher. They will then inspect the display tables and having selected one gift for Mum will then hand over the voucher.

Friday 9th May: The P & F Committee will be hosting a Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea from 1.45pm – 2.45pm in the School Hall. Please feel free to attend and enjoy a delicious scone and lovely cuppa!
Term Two Calendars: These were sent home at the conclusion of Term One. They contain essential information for events held within the community this term. From time to time changes are made but these are always mentioned in the weekly NEWSLETTER which is online. If you need a hard copy please see the reception staff.

OshClub at Saint Andrew’s: This national company has a branch at our school which operates Monday – Friday from 7.00am – 6.00pm. The OshClub room is located in the classroom next to Year 1W. If you are interested in booking your children in for Before School, After School or Holiday Care please see Lisa Collins (Leader), get information from the office or go on line. Morning sessions are from 7.00am to 8.30am where breakfast is served. Afternoon sessions are 2.45pm to 6.00pm and children have fresh fruit and afternoon tea.

Winter Uniforms: As we gradually head into the cooler and wetter months of the year please see that you label and or relabel your children’s clothes. Uniforms whether new or second hand are not cheap! It is amazing how the lost property table rapidly fills with misplaced or lost clothing, most of it unlabelled. Many relaxed parent’s makes for a happy home and school!

Forward Planning for the Sacrament of Eucharist (Holy Communion): A reminder of the need to post the following dates in a diary or calendar. Involvement in each event is compulsory:

- Parent Information Evening: Thursday 8th May at 6.30pm in the Church.
- Parent – Child Workshops: Either Thursday 22nd May at Brighton CPS or Tuesday 27th May or Wednesday 28th May at St Andrew’s CPS.
- Reception of Sacrament: Over one of the following choices of weekend: 7/8 June, 14/15 June, 21/22 June or 28/29 June.

Did anyone mention High School? If you are considering your children attending a Catholic high school may I suggest that placing your child’s name on an interview list at the earliest age possible is the best way to go. Geographically the closest Catholic high schools are: Irene McCormack College at Butler, Prendiville College at Ocean Reef and Mater Dei College in Edgewater. Many of our families have established allegiances with one of these schools but overwhelmingly our students tend to transition to Irene McCormack college. Nowadays, high schools tend to interview students in Year 5 with enrolment in Year 7. The days of assuming that entry to high school is automatic based on attendance at a Catholic primary school are long gone. All three schools have waiting lists that can be lengthy.

CAR PARK AND SAFE DRIVING ON AND NEAR SCHOOL PROPERTY: Please observe the following protocols:

- If you are turning left into the kiss n’ ride driveway from the south and the entrance driveway is full of cars please drive north to the next roundabout and return in a southerly direction.
- Please don’t block Victorsen Parade. Be warned. The local neighbours are on the brink of phoning the Police Traffic section.

There are many legal parking spaces available in the vicinity of the school.

Before School Routine: It is vital that all parents read this note. If you drop your children off at school between 8.00am and 8.20am then they must come to the undercover area to be supervised by the rostered duty teacher. Should you personally walk your children in at this time then you are responsible for them if you choose to wait outside the classroom. No school aged children or siblings are allowed on the playground equipment before school. The undercover duty teacher is the only one on duty before school. All other teachers are readying themselves for the school teaching day which commences at 8.20am.
Early Childhood Intervention Australia WA – Education Options for My Child 2014

Forums: These forums are for parents and carers who have a child with developmental delay or disability. There will be a focus on children who will be attending Kindergarten, Pre – primary or Year 1 in the near future. The forum will provide an overview of all the education opportunities for your child. Presenters include representatives from: Department of Education, Catholic Education Office of WA, Association of Independent Schools of WA, Home Based Learning Network, Local Area Coordination – Disability Services Commission (DSC) and the Equal Opportunity Commission. Representatives from DSC funded school age therapy providers will also be available to talk to. The nearest meetings to Clarkson are being held at the Connolly Community Centre, 5 Glenelg Place, Connolly, between 9.30am – 12.30pm and 6.30pm – 9.30pm on Monday 23rd June, 2014.

The '5 Golden Rules' Designed To Help Parents And Carers Help Their Children Enjoy Social Media In A Safe Digital Environment:

1. **Show me** - Ask your child to show you the sites they use.
2. **Low profile** - Ask your child to set profile settings to private.
3. **Just ask** - Ask your child about their online friends.
4. **Photo check** - Ask your child to only share photos that they wouldn't mind showing you first.
5. **Don't worry** - Ask your child to tell you if they are worried about something online.

Parentingideas School contd. (Written by Michael Grose)

This is an example of our Wider Partnerships in action bringing positive ideas to our school community.

Many parents, including those at their wit’s end, don’t seek help. That’s remarkable given the level of discomfort and uncertainty they feel. Discomfort and uncertainty is avoided by seeking help. Here are 8 reasons to get help instead of waiting.

1. The quicker you act, the **easier** it is to change things.
2. Many problems, even serious ones, have remarkably **simple solutions**.
3. Getting parenting advice is not therapy – it’s **healthy**. It doesn’t mean that there is anything wrong with you.
4. No matter how **capable** and in control other parents look, most struggle at some stage.
5. Times of transition almost always cause a struggle. **Knowledge** about your child’s next stage averts struggle and angst.
6. Your child wants **relief** as much as you.
7. You’re not alone and that’s a **wonderful** feeling.
8. Everyone is capable of learning to manage, to better lead, and to **improve** their situation.

Parenting Club provides help for parents. It gives developmental help, practical help, and educational help. For more information on this and other parenting topics go to: [http://www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au)

St Vincent de Paul: We recently received a letter from Jeff Trew, State President of SVDP Society acknowledging and thanking St Andrew’s School for supporting Vinnies and their work in the West Australian Community. Mr Trew says “with your support we can make a difference”. That’s a great feeling to know we have in some way, large or small, been able to help our fellow man. Mr Trew also said the he was grateful for our ongoing support. This letter confirms our school’s commitment to helping others less fortunate than ourselves. Thank you to the very kind people who have donated food to our food basket in the office and have actually filled it! When the basket is emptied this week it means that we need to fill it again. Please continue your very generous donations of food for this great cause. SVDP is one of our Wider Partnerships. Helping the Society has a positive benefit on our students and families who give, and those members of society who receive.

Bridget Jones (Assistant Principal)
**Total Football Academy:** The Total Football Academy are going to start an after school program on Fridays, starting on 16th May from 3-4pm. They are coming in to school to give demonstration lessons on Friday 9th May and details will be given to the students regarding joining the after school program - costs etc.

**School Banking Token Redemption Day For 2013 Rewards:** Students can swap their tokens from 2013. There will be a Token Redemption day on Monday 5th May at 10.20am. Students who have 10 tokens or more left over from last year can swap them for a selection of reward items in the Library. Addy the Dollarmite will also be there to say "Hi" to our School Banking students. School Banking tokens collected this year will be automatically counted on the School Banking system so please let the Banking Co-Ordinator know which reward item you would like when you have collected 10 tokens. The 2014 reward items are displayed in the office.

**Uniform Shop:** The uniform shop will have new opening hours on Tuesdays. Opening time will be at 2.00pm to 3.00pm.

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**ST ANDREW’S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**
**TERM 2, PLANNER (WEEK 1 – WEEK 5) PARENTS**

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<td>30 May Staff Professional Development Day Pupil Free Day</td>
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Looking back over Term One, Year 3 White has had some wonderful experiences together!

Here are some of our favourite and most memorable parts of the year so far!

My favourite experience in Term 1 was when we pretended we were Palaeontologists in our Science lesson. We got to carefully remove fossils (chocolate chips from cookies) using special Palaeontologist tools. (Joyce)

I really enjoyed making my First Reconciliation. I feel like all my sins were gone and I was clean. I will try not to sin again. (Heath)

Making my First Reconciliation was wonderful! It felt so peaceful when I came out of the Church. (Eoin)

I love learning my times-tables. I was our ‘Class Times-tables Champion’ three times in Term One! (Declan)

I really enjoyed presenting my Australian animal talk to the class on the green sea turtle. (Emma)

I really enjoyed participating in dressing up for Heroes Day. We raised money for St. Vincent de Paul. (Georgia)

I love going to Swimming Lessons because we learnt different stuff about swimming! (Maper)

I loved learning how to play basketball during Sport lessons. We learnt skills such as dribbling and shooting for goal. We also played fun games! (Cayden)

I have enjoyed our Culture lessons with Mrs Birchall. She teaches us how to say Aboriginal words. (Abbey)

My favourite subjects are Religion, Maths and Art. I also love writing expositions. (Dylan)

I enjoyed Art lessons. We drew an Echidna. (Jaylin)

I have enjoyed watching all of the fantastic assemblies so far this year! I also like to hear about what’s going on in the week! (Mahlia)

I loved the Swimming Carnival. We also did some Fire Work Art. (Lachlan)

I love completing End Of Unit Spelling Tests because I scored 100% in every spelling test in Term One! (Shaye)

We are loving Year Three! We are excited to see what fantastic experiences the rest of the year holds!