Heavenly Father,
I’m praying for children everywhere,
That they may have parents who truly love and care for them;
who show that love in actions and in deeds taken on behalf of them.
That they put them to bed early at night, help with homework,
chastise them gently when needed, read stories to them daily and talk to them about Jesus,
show them love and teach them general things that they need to know.
That they communicate in a positive way with schools and teachers,
in an effort to provide academic assistance for them throughout their schooling.
So that they may grow up healthy, well adjusted, happy, productive and knowledgeable human beings in which they can be proud to say ‘that’s my child’.
I pray that each child have energetic, academic focused, caring teachers who love children
and the teaching profession, who teaches to the child’s academic strengths
so that they may overcome their academic weaknesses. Amen

Dear Parents,

All children in Years 3 and 5 will participate in the Archbishop’s Religious Literacy Assessment tomorrow, Friday 31 July. Results will be available, next term and will be forwarded to parents as soon as they arrive. Good luck to all involved in the assessments.

Some of the Year 6 students represented St Andrew’s School at the Catholic Performing Arts Festival Opening Mass. They represented our school community with pride and reverence and I am so proud of them. A special prayer was said and I would like to share it with you all.

God our Father in Heaven, May we always cherish the gifts that surround us,
and share our blessings with each other. May the word of the Lord give us courage to preach your Word through the creative means of music, dance and drama! Lord teach us what we should do. Let our thoughts and actions be guided by your grace, and may your Spirit help us in promoting the Word of the Lord to others. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PLAYGROUND USE AFTER SCHOOL: Due to insurance constraints, the school playgrounds will not be available for use after school. We are sorry if this causes inconvenience to some families but I thank you for being so understanding in this situation.
TRAFFIC AROUND THE SCHOOL: Parents are reminded to observe all of the speed limit signs and parking restriction signs positioned around the school. (40kph zone) We have been advised that the Council Ranger will be in attendance for the next few weeks.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations are extended to Ellyannah M, who obtained second place in a calisthenics/dance competition over the weekend. Congratulations is also extended to Amelia S who obtained honours in her recent piano exam. Well done girls!

God Bless

Sam Fontaine
Principal

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.

SCHOOL NEWS

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Happy Birthday to those children who are celebrating their birthday soon….
Tayissa H, Amelia M, Samuel P, Mary G, Will L, Francis L, Rudraksha B
COMMUNITY NEWS

OSHclub: Here at OSHclub we provide a fun caring environment for before and after school care for children of St Andrew’s. So if you are interested in enrolling your child come along and have a look at what we are getting up to. This term the children have wanted to continue exploring the world we live in and countries around the world. So far for the start of the term we began in South Korea and this week we flew into the land of the cherry blossom, Japan.

Other countries that the children want to explore are The United States of America, India, Greece, Antarctica/North Pole, Italy, Egypt and Russia. The children will then explore the cities and Planets in our solar system. So join us as we continue our trip around the world and feel free to contribute any ideas, resources or recipes.

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All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
In Term 3, Kindy Blue is learning about Fairy Tales. The first Fairy Tale we read was Jack and the Beanstalk.

We decided that we would also like to grow some magic beans to see how they change and grow. We discussed that the beans would need time, water, and sunlight to grow. Mrs Whitaker and Mrs Thomson helped us wet a piece of paper towel and put it with a small bean into a snap lock bag. We have hung them on the window to receive sunlight. We wondered how long they might take to grow and predicted that a little stalk or leaves might sprout out soon.

What do you think will happen to our magic beans?