Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest…learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matthew 11:28-29

Dear Parents

Last week, the PP – Year 2 classes enjoyed their Tabloid Athletics Carnival on the school oval. Congratulations to every child who participated on this great day, showing a love of physical exercise and team spirit.

Earlier this week the students were entertained by Musica Viva Fiddlesticks in our hall. Fiddlesticks is a string trio, made up of three musicians. Incursions such as this are a very special part of the school’s curriculum, fostering a love of the Arts and opportunities to learn more about the various musical instruments involved in the performance.

On Wednesday morning our Pre-Primary students had their excursion to the Art Gallery, once again promoting the Arts in the curriculum. The students enjoyed the excursion and represented their school proudly! Staff at the Art Gallery even commented that they were the best Preprimary group ever!! Well done Preprimaries!!

We had an outstanding assembly this morning by Year 3B. Their message was all about caring for teeth and their singing, dancing and acting was amazing! Well done Miss Cooney and Year 3B students.

Next Wednesday, our Year 5 students will be going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church. This Sacrament is also known as Penance or Confession. It’s a wonderful opportunity for people of all ages to talk to a priest about things we have done that we know are wrong and restore relationships with our creator. Parents are welcome to come along.

God bless,
Fintan Archer
Acting Principal

NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK:
St Vinnies Christmas Appeal, School Choir and Year 5 Reconciliation

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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Many Happy Returns to..........  
Jessica M, Ludwig d, Rosie M, Sid D, Henry T, Chenkou B, Charli W, Joshua B, Ruby D, Kynan D

## MERIT AWARDS – 6 NOVEMBER 2014

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**MATHLETICS AWARD YEAR 3 – Nicholas H**
UNIFORMS: Summer uniform orders are now ready to be collected from the uniform shop. The uniform shop is open on Tuesday afternoons from 2.00pm-3.00pm and Friday mornings from 8.00am to 9.00am.

School Board Annual General Meeting: This important school community meeting is scheduled for 6.30pm on Wednesday 26th November in the school hall. I invite all parents to attend this community meeting. There are positions available as members of the Board. Written nominations are required. Forms are available from Mrs Rafferty at the office. 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. Mrs Judith Birchall completes her 6 year term on the School Board this year and I would like to thank her for all of her wonderful service. Judith has been Board Chair in recent years, has worked on several sub committees and has displayed strong leadership skills. Her wise counsel and astute people skills have been repeatedly witnessed and both Eileen Climo and I extend our deepest gratitude for all she has done for the school. Thank you Judith!

School Fees: Thank you to the families who have already met their fee commitments for the 2014 school year. I remind all other families that unless you pay by direct debit, credit card or B-Pay your school fee account should be fully met ideally by the end of Week 4, Term 4 or by 28th November which is the deadline. As you can imagine schools operate on sizeable budgets and the paying of school fees has a determining factor in meeting expenses.

NO THREE YEAR OLD PLAYGROUP ON WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER DUE TO KINDY GOLD 2015 ORIENTATION MEETING.

Year 4 Parents: The Principal from Irene Mc Cormack Catholic College will be attending St Andrew’s on Friday 21 November at 2.00pm. He will be providing enrolment information for children attending high school in 2017. All parents/guardians are welcome.

Junior Primary Meetings: There are a number of very important meetings coming up over the next few weeks:

1. 2015 Kindy Orientation Meeting. Monday 17th November. 1.30pm – 2.30pm OR Wednesday 19th November. 10.00am – 11.00am in Kindy Gold. (NO PLAYGROUP ON THIS WEDNESDAY)
2. 2014 Kindy White Transition to Pre Primary 2015 Parent Meeting. 1.50pm in Pre Primary classroom on Wednesday 26 November.
3. 2014 Kindy Blue and Kindy Gold Transition to Pre Primary 2015 Parent Meeting. 1.50pm in Pre – Primary classroom on Thursday 27 November.

Class Lists for 2015: Class lists for 2015 will be compiled in the last few weeks of Term 4. There are going to be staff changes in some year levels. If you have information about your child that may be relevant to the setting up of classes for 2015, please advise me in writing prior to Friday 21 November. Selection of a particular teacher is not an option, 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 is in strictest confidence and must be in writing to the Principal.

More on Fiddlesticks – From Mrs Clare Mulholland: Fiddlesticks entertained our students with a selection of extracts of classical music. One of the favourites was “In the Hall of the Mountain King”, composed by Edward Grieg. The musicians encouraged our students to interact and invited some children to play instruments along with the music. Fiddlesticks really brought classical music to life for our pupils and introduced string music in an exciting, entertaining and relevant way.
We visited the Art Gallery as part of our History topic on British Settlement. Here are just some of the experiences we had ...

**Absent for excursion: Nukuroa**

**Sarah.**
I really liked drawing the sky and water for our group artwork.

**Ellyannah.**
My best memory was seeing the ‘Down on his Luck’ painting because my Grandad has the exact same one on the wall upstairs in his house! Jarrod.

**Logan.**
In the art workshop my job was to draw the man and lady holding the axe, getting ready to chop the tree down. John.

**Destinie.**
Our group’s reproduction of the ‘Foundation of Perth’ painting was really good!

**Keira.**
My favourite part was the group work because I’m proud of the British guard that I drew.

**Emily-Rose.**
I liked looking at the different types of flower paintings.

**Anthony.**
I loved the art workshop – I drew the people with the axe!

**Kasey.**
The tour of the Art Gallery was my favourite bit. We had a really nice tour guide.

**Alyssa.**
We had a really nice tour guide. She taught us loads of stuff.

**Alyssa.**
I learned that the British settlers painted things in Australia differently to how they really looked.

**Tayissa.**
I think the man in the ‘Down on his Luck’ painting was looking for gold, but never found any.

**Charli.**
I enjoyed the tour of the Art Gallery because I found out lots of interesting things.

**Cyle.**
I liked the painting where they were transporting all the bricks down the Swan River on a boat.

**Sarah.**
I felt sad for the man in the ‘Down on his Luck’ painting.

**Sienna.**
I learned that the British settlers painted things in Australia differently to how they really looked.

**Jarrod.**
My best memory was seeing the ‘Down on his Luck’ painting because my Grandad has the exact same one on the wall upstairs in his house!

**Hayden.**
I saw an interesting portrait of a man with a large chair. I remember that painting the most.

**Charlie.**
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**Sienna.**
I learned that the British settlers painted things in Australia differently to how they really looked.

**Cyle.**
I liked the painting where they were transporting all the bricks down the Swan River on a boat.

**Sarah.**
I really liked drawing the sky and water for our group artwork.

**Keira.**
My favourite bit was when we learned about how long it used to take to make bricks. Now we have machines to do all that kind of stuff quickly!

**Christian.**
I enjoyed learning about how they used to make bricks from clay. It reminded me of a Minecraft game I have!

**Krystel.**
I found it surprising that people used to put their initials on the bricks they made!

**Destinie.**
Our group’s reproduction of the ‘Foundation of Perth’ painting was really good!

**Kasey.**
The tour of the Art Gallery was my favourite bit. We had a really nice tour guide.

**Anthony.**
I loved the art workshop – I drew the people with the axe!

**Olivia.**
We got to pretend we were the bad people in the old courtroom!

**Hayley.**
My favourite bit was when we went into the old courtroom!