

# **St Anthony's Primary School**

# Serving the parish community of St Anthony of Padua, Toongabbie

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# Welcome to Year 6 - 2021

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We would like to welcome the students and families to Year 6 for 2021. We are currently planning a wonderful year for your child and we are especially looking forward to our Canberra Excursion in Term 1. We have high expectations for these children as the future leaders of our school, and know that they will do a fabulous job of living out our school motto Word and Deed.

We are very excited to get to know your children, what inspires them, what interests them and what makes them the people they are. We are looking forward to embarking on our journey of learning together with you and your children in 2021.

All students will have access to class stationery and workbooks as covered by the school Resource Fee. In addition, it is necessary for children to manage their own set of essential personal stationery items for their daily use (see list below).

In preparation for Year 6, we would like all children to have the following items. Please keep in mind that these things do not need to be new - pencils etc from this year would be great to use again for next year. Please ensure that any personal items are clearly LABELLED with your child's name. This encourages personal responsibility and ensures that lost items can be recovered and returned easily.

- A small pencil case with a lead pencil, blue, red and black pen, highlighter, rubber, scissors and glue stick
- Another pencil case for other stationary like coloured pencils or crayons, textas, sharpener
- Clear plastic 30cm ruler
- Glue stick
- Earphones (inexpensive variety to be used with iPads and laptops)
- Library bag (Available from Uniform Shop \$10)
- 2 boxes of tissues (As a part of a class supply)
- 2 pack of baby wipes (As a part of a class supply)
- Paint shirt (students can bring their previous paint shirt from 2020)
- 2021 student diary (inexpensive one from Kmart or any variety shop)

In the first few weeks of 2021, we will be sending home exercise books for covering. Could you please cover these in clear contact or plastic and label them with your child's name, class and the book name.

### Important dates for next year:

**Thursday 28 January – MAI testing day.** Please see the accompanying letter to book a time for a Mathematics Assessment Interview for your child with their teacher. This one day has been set aside especially for this assessment. It is very important that an interview time is made for each child. Some larger grades will also have interview options for the afternoon of Wednesday 27 January.

### Friday 29 January – Years 1-6 return to school for normal classes

We all know the importance of reading and how a great book can spark the imagination and creativity in us all. These school holidays, we are encouraging all students to participate in the Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge and read, read, read! If your child is interested in entering this competition and be in the chance to win a Google Chromebook, see details on how to enter the challenge. <u>https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/News-and-Events/Whats-On/EDSRC</u>

We hope that your upcoming break will be a very special time for you and your family. Christmas time is about the coming of Jesus into our world. It is a time of love and sharing and also a time for little acts of kindness. This could be as simple as giving someone a hug or a compliment, getting in touch with a relative or family friend or donating a Christmas present to charity. We hope that this becomes the central part of your celebrations.

Thank you for your support and we are looking forward to meeting you in 2021. Have a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year.

Regards,

### Miss Caitlin Dooley and Miss Vanessa Robinson

Year 6 Team

