



St Anthony's Primary School

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Welcome to Year 2 – 2021

Mr Robert Barden and Mrs Christina Nubla (2G) and Mrs Jessica Camilleri (2W)

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome the students and families to Year 2 for 2021.

We welcome Mrs Camilleri, who will be joining the teaching staff at St Anthony's next year, and teaching 2W. Mr Barden is new to Year 2 next year, coming from Year 4. As part of his role as Leader of Learning - Catholic Faith and Life, Mrs Christina Nubla will continue to work in Year 2. Mrs Nubla will teach 2G on Fridays and every second Thursday.

We are looking forward to having a positive, engaging and rewarding year. We believe that children are the best learners they can be when they possess the five learner qualities - Personal, Creative, Reflective, Collaborative and Active Thinker. We can't wait to create a classroom environment that provides many opportunities for learners at St Anthony's to grow. You and your child will be working equally hard to make this year a successful and rewarding experience. One thing we are especially looking forward to is how we will be using technology as a tool in our space to develop innovative and creative students who are problem solvers.

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 2, 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, rubber, sharpener, scissors, glue stick, and twist crayons
- 30cm ruler (not metal please)
- Earphones (inexpensive variety to be used with iPads and laptops)
- Poly Waly
- 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

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.

<https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/News-and-Events/Whats-On/EDSRC>

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 joy and we hope that this becomes the central part of your celebrations.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year.

Regards,

Mr Robert Barden, Mrs Jessica Camilleri and Mrs Christina Nubla
Year 2 Team