



St Andrew's Primary Marayong Newsletter

2019 Term 4 Week 2: Friday 25th October 2019

Message from the Principal - Mrs Baird

P&F Meeting

The P&F meeting will be held on Monday the 28th of October at 7pm in the School Library. All parents are welcome to attend.

Enrolments for 2020

We are at the end of our enrolment period for Kindergarten 2020. I ask that if you intend to send your child to school next year that you please submit an application ASAP. Over 100 letters of invitation have already been sent to our families. There is a possibility that your child may be placed on a waiting list.

Fundraising Initiative for Term 4

This week you would have received a letter regarding our fundraising initiative to raise money for two projects. Project one- a living garden and project two- a sensory/music garden. Both projects are designed to enhance the learning opportunities for our children. Please refer to the note sent home on Monday for information regarding the purchase of mushroom kits. I have one at home, and the oyster mushrooms are quick growing and very yummy. I appreciate your support in this endeavour. This campaign ends on the 10th of November.

Lost property

We have many lost items of clothing in our front office. If your child is missing an item, please ask at the office. To ensure the safe return of your items, please mark your child's name clearly on all items.

Infants Carnival

Last Friday I experienced my first infant's carnival. What an absolutely delightful day of school spirit and sportsmanship! I wish to sincerely thank the teachers for all their hard work in preparing the event, as well as the P&F for providing our yummy sausage sizzle lunch. All monies raised at the event will be

used to purchase IT equipment for the students to use to enhance their learning.

Little Big Shots

The energy is buzzing around the school with the knowledge that Little Big Shots is only days away. I wish to thank the children for putting themselves forward to perform on the day, as well as the teachers under the coordination of Miss Spencer-Salt. We are also very blessed to have Mr Richard McGuinness as our key judge on the day. Mr McGuinness is very special to us as he was a long serving Principal at St Andrews. On behalf of our community I wish to thank Mr McGuinness for his generosity of time.

Showcasing our Learning

Today we were visited by 12 very special people from around Australia who have heard about the great learning and St Andrew's. The CEO from Google Australia as well as other educators and people from the business sector viewed our learning in action. I wish to thank Mr Haynes and staff for organising this exciting event. The children, as always shone with their knowledge and enthusiasm for their learning.

Are you Leaving St Andrew's?

If you are leaving St Andrew's at the end of the year can you please inform the office in writing ASAP. At least a terms notice is required as per our enrolment policy.

Near Misses outside our school gates

This week I was informed about a near miss on Terrigal Street. I ask parents to please instil in their children the importance of using the pedestrian crossing at all times. Our children need reminders every day about safe travel to school.

Student Safety

A reminder that the front gates do not open until 8 am. I ask that students arrive at school after this time. It is too dangerous to leave your child on the street outside the school unsupervised prior to this time.

Tell Them From Me Survey Outcome

This year every school in the Parramatta Diocese completed the Tell Them From Me Survey.

Students, Staff and Parents were invited to fill in the survey.

The results of our survey was very positive.

Key areas:

- Students feel that they have a positive sense of belonging
- We have a very inclusive school
- School supports positive behaviours
- Parents support the learning at home
- Parents felt that our mission and teaching of the Catholic faith is strong and supports the growth and understanding for our children and families

Areas to refine at St Andrew's;

- Communication between home and school
- More opportunities for parents to be a part of our school life
- Student relationships

As a new Principal at St Andrew's it was important for me to look, listen and question the why, what and how we do things at St Andrew's Primary school. Change in any area will only happen once a clear understanding of what has transpired, the reasons behind current policies and procedures and what makes the biggest impact on student learning and well being. I thank the parents, students and staff for giving me the year to become a part of this great faith community.

At the beginning of next year we will hold a focus group meeting with parents to discuss ways we can make St. Andrew's even better. I am really looking forward to working alongside our great community. Information regarding this process will be sent home in Term 1 2020.

May the peace and love of God be with you

Mrs Baird

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Term 4 Calendar 2019

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	October 14th STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	15th ALL Students return 9am Yr 2 Parish Mass	16th	17th	18th INFANTS Athletics Carnival 11.30am Yr 5 Reconciliation
2 Newsletter Week	21st	22nd 9am Yr 3 Parish Mass	23rd	24th	25th Little Big Shots
3	28th P&F Meeting 7pm	29th 9am Yr 4 Parish Mass	30th	31st	November 1st 9.15am All Saints Day Mass
4 Newsletter Week	4th	5th 9am Yr 1 Parish Mass	6th 11.30am Yr 4 Reconciliation	7th 4 Green Cares Excursion	8th
5	11th	12th 9am Yr 2 Parish Mass Basketball Gala Day	13th	14th 9-11 2020 Kindy Transition 3 11.30am Yr 3 Reconciliation SAC Step up Program	15th
6 Newsletter Week	18th 4 Blue Cares Excursion	19th 9am Yr 6 Parish Mass	20th 11.30am Stage 1 Mass	21st 4 Red Cares Excursion Extra Curricular Photo Day	22nd

7	25th	26th 11.30am Yr 2 Reconciliation Readers Theatre	27th 10.15am Kindy Liturgy of the Word Readers Theatre	28th Readers Theatre	29th 9.15am St. Andrew's Day Mass
8 Newsletter Week	December 2nd 7pm Kindy 2020 Parent Info Night	3rd 9am Kindy Parish Mass Readers Theatre	4th 9am Year 5 Mass Year 2 Excursion Power House Readers Theatre	5th 9-11 Kindy 2020 Orientation Readers Theatre	6th
9	9th 2pm Meet the Teacher	10th	11th 9am Stage 2 Mass	12th 11.30am Yr 6 Reconciliation	13th Principals Awards Parent Helpers morning tea Reports go home Year 6 Disco
10 Newsletter Week	16th School Leaders & Sports Captains Excursion	17th Rewards Day Yr 6 7pm Yr 6 Graduation Mass	18th LAST DAY OF TERM	19th Staff Development Day	20th Staff Development Day

Student Of The Week Term 3 & 4 Week 10 & 1

Kindergarten Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atoosa Nejad • Lily Raymundo • Kanav Pathak • Ayra Chhabra 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethan Panol • Chayse Childs • Rian Kerai • Narella Kerry

Year 1 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annabelle Demian • Hanan Goyal • Michael Giffney • Veer Manirekar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cianna Bezzina • Adeena Renjoy • Ruby Fox • Joseph Watkins

Year 2 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Harleen Grewel• Holly Ghobrial• Malaar Kaur	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alexandra Picart• Anaya Suther• Auristo Husada

Year 3 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Viliami Tuipuloto• Angeline Rentoy• Aadi Sharma	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jack Palmer• Aidan D'Silva• Jasper Brignell

Year 4 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jayden Ferguson• Jade Marafioti• Marley Chaudary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Harley Oakley• Finn Clements• Mathis Malong

Year 5 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jacob Parnis• Kaelah Garcia• Thon Malual	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taran Mittal• Aesha Rosas• Tamika Lewis-Goode

Year 6 Students

WEEK 10	WEEK 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Reyes • Tewodros Worku • Zahra Maudave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cateleen Pardillo • Jelena Wong • Amy Sutcliffe

News Update



Saint Andrew's

LITTLE BIG SHOTS

Friday, October 25th at the School Hall 11:45am-1:00pm

A **HUGE** thank you to all students who tried out for our Little Big Shots showcase

CONGRATULATIONS

**TO OUR
FINALISTS**



GRADES	ACT 1	ACT 2
Kinder	Alexis Walker	Ethan Panol
Year 1	Arianna Faddoul Jinal Kanbi	Jacob Lim
Year 2	Leah McSweeney	Lauren Hipolito Cali Mosqueda Crissabella Magayaga Chaturvedi Elizabeth Lukudu Zoe Herft Anaya Suther Avika
Year 3	Haylee Marks Roxanne Walsh Ayeesha Mapanao	Martha Arshilo Riley McGuirk Summer Guillaumier Tahira Alaouie Aniela Kozinski
Year 4	Annastasia Russo Mykaela Beattie	Isabella Ma Jasmine Cubillo

Year 5	Krish Taneja	Darcy Cruickshank Alexis Bigeni Samanta Cardona	Mary Arshilo Lara Childs Nikola Feltham
Year 6	Vesna Kenny	Schoenel DeLa Cruz	


A BIG THANK YOU GOES ALSO TO OUR
BACKSTAGE CREW AND COMPARES FOR THE DAY!


COMPARES	BACKSTAGE CREW			
Edgar Tovmasian Tyra Smith	Ellie Galaxidis Ella Mates Layla Sanchez	Danielle Lau Aaron Gounder Aesha Rosas	Isabella Cardino Evie Brignell	Dominic Battikha Liam Burke

Upcoming Events

School Swimming Trials

Just a reminder that the School swimming trials are on 15th November 2019 and the completed forms need to be returned to Mr Paynter by Friday 25th October.

P&F News

Parents And Friends

Welcome back to Term 4. We hope you had an enjoyable break and are ready for some great fundraising events this term.

P&F Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 28th October at 7pm in the school library. We invite you all to attend.

Upcoming Events: With more details to come in the next newsletter

- School Discos
- Christmas Pop Up Store
- Christmas Raffle.

If you know anyone who would like to donate a prize towards our Raffle, please contact Maria on 0413180787

Infants Sports Carnival Thank you

Thank you to all those families who attended the Infants Sports Carnival last Friday. It was a very successful and fun day. Thank you to Mark Battle and Elissa Hooper who helped prepare and cook the sausages for our orders and to sell on the day. Thank you also to Tamara Westlake, Daniel Giffney, Jeannie Arndell, Sandra Morri and other parent helpers, who assisted on the day to prepare and sell sausage sizzle orders for the students and families.

The Entertainment Book Fundraiser

As a result of our fundraiser, the P&F raised \$336. Thanks again to all those who purchased a book or digital copy of The Entertainment Book.



Community

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish Information



Christmas Rehearsals for Sunday School

Dear Parents/Guardians

Sunday School once again will present the Christmas Play during the Christmas Eve Family Mass at 6pm. The rehearsals will be on every Sunday till Christmas, **starting on the 3rd of November at 9.30 to 10.20am**, the first meeting will be held in Fr. Byrne Centre.

Apart from these meetings we will be holding two very important rehearsals on: Saturday 7th and 14th December from 10.30 to 12.30pm in the church.

For further information, please contact Antonia on 98312109. Thank you and God bless

Australian Childhood Anxiety Treatment Study

For more information please [click here](#).



Australian
Childhood Anxiety
TREATMENT STUDY

Free home-based
assessment and treatment for
7 to 12 year old children with
fear and anxiety disorders.

Does your child become very afraid of certain situations or objects, worry about a lot of things, get very distressed, or try to avoid things they fear?

[About the study](#)

About the treatments

Each treatment involves your child completing treatment sessions at home on a PC, laptop or tablet.

About the study

Our team at Griffith University may be able to assist you. We are conducting a nationwide study that includes the following services at no cost to families:

- A thorough assessment of your child's anxiety with a trained psychologist via the telephone;
- Your child receiving one of two kinds of home-based treatments delivered on a PC, laptop or tablet; and
- Two follow-up telephone assessments with a trained psychologist 6- and 12-months after treatment to track your child's progress.

The study aims to find out if these two treatments are as effective as each other, and which children have the best response to each kind of treatment. This will mean that there are more evidence-based treatments available for helping anxious children.

Each treatment involves your child learning practical strategies to better manage anxiety.

- One treatment helps children learn to control the focus of their attention on helpful things around them.
- The other treatment helps children learn to think differently and approach things they fear.

Each treatment includes information, telephone or email support for parents in assisting their child to better manage anxiety.

Prior studies have shown that children who complete each treatment experience significant reductions in anxiety.

Contact us

This study is being funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and is led by Professor Allison Waters and a team of experts in childhood anxiety disorders.

For more information about our study and our team, or if you would like your child to participate, please contact us:

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 griffith.edu.au/childhood-anxiety-treatment-study



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