



# St Anne's Catholic School

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## THOUGHTS

It was great to see such a fabulous turn out for the St Anne's Feast Day Grandparents celebration last Friday. We all enjoyed the class items.

At St Anne's we have an annual plan which gives details for the year ahead. Under spiritual development the comment is made, *Catholic School Special Character is reflected through teaching and the way we relate to each other and to those we meet.* Now, words are easy to write but it is living out the actions that is hard.

One of my favourite songs from my teenage years has the line "*I am who I am, You are who you are.*" By this, I take it to mean that we as individuals cannot change, we are set. As teachers and parents that can never be true! We must be open to change and the most important aspect is relationships. We have to be genuine in our relationships as children can pick up quickly if we are not really interested in who they are.

I sing a lot, often with pupils. My favourite song at the moment is *Each of Us is Special in God's Circle of Love*. If we truly believe this, then we have the opportunity to grow and to make each individual a better person/pupil for having met you, each day.

Interviews based on mid year reports will be held on 11 & 12 August for Pupils from Room 4 and up. Please book your times as soon as possible using the booking sheet attached.

Kind regards

*Peter Callanan* (Principal)

## COMING EVENTS

### August

- 1 Art Box excursion Rms 1 & 2  
Assembly 9.00am (PC)
- 3/4 Mr C away at conference.
- 5 Zones Winter Tourn. Hagley Pk  
Rms 4, 5 & 6.
- 8 Assembly Rm 2  
Scholastic Book Orders close
- 11 Book Week
- 11/12 PLP Interviews Rms 4—6
- 13 Mini Commonwealth Games
- 14 Cultural Festival Ticket orders last day.
- 15 Assumption Mass
- 22 Assembly Rm5  
room 4/5 to Airforce Museum
- 27 Canty Winter Tournament
- 28 Assembly Rm 1

### September

- 5 Cultural Festival performance
- 12 Introduction to Cricket Rs 1 & 2  
Assembly Rm4
- 19 Assembly Rm 6
- 24 MISSION FAIR
- 26 Last Day of Term 3

**Term 4 starts Monday 13 October**

*Scholastic Book order forms sent home today. Close off for orders Thurs 7 Aug.*

## St Anne's Mini Commonwealth Games

Wednesday 13 August 11am-12pm

To promote and celebrate  
the spirit of the Commonwealth Games  
children will partake in short, fun activities.

They will be assigned a colour to wear for this day.  
(Weather permitting)

### St Anne's Altar Servers

Saturday 2 August 6.00pm

- 1. Harley Brown
- 2. Jeremey Gomez
- 3. Zana Solodi

Sunday 3 August 10.30am

- 1. Lingas Fido
- 2. Asa TiaTia
- 3. Anna-Naina Aileone

## Readings for Sunday 3 August

**Reading 1**— Isaiah 55: 1-3

**Reading 2**— Romans 8: 35, 37-39

**Gospel**— Matthew 14: 13-21

*This particular reading is on forgiveness. Peter asks Jesus how he should forgive those who sin against him... and Jesus replies not seven times but seventy seven times. And then goes on to tell the story of the king taking pity on the servant who owed him money, and freeing him of the debt.*

### Reflection and Action

*We follow the teachings of Jesus and are called to share those teachings with others. Encourage your children s to pay attention to the Eucharistic moments with family and friends every day, not just as Sunday Mass.*

## *Faith Facts*

from *Evangelii Gaudium*, The Joy of the Gospel Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis

You are encouraged to read and discuss them with family and friends. *Evangelii Gaudium* can be found at: <http://www.vatican.va/evangelii-gaudium/en/index.html>

Our faith in Christ, who became poor and was always close to the poor and the outcast, is the basis for our concern for the integral development of society's most neglected members. (EG 186)

## RE PROGRAMME – TERM 3

From the recently released Bishops document “*The Catholic Education of School Aged Children*”

*Religious Education belongs to the stage of ‘growth in knowledge’...All students, whatever their level of faith development, need some **understanding** of the theological content of their faith, not just an understanding of the cultural elements of Catholics. For those students who already have a committed relationship with Jesus Christ the religious education programme must **deliver at the level needed to sustain their desires to grow in knowledge and understanding** (para 61)*

Our Religious Education Programme is taught to achieve what is in the above paragraph through the RE Strands and Modules.

The major strands for the term will be SACRAMENT and JESUS Level 1 to Level 4. The students will be involved in active ways to expand their knowledge and apply their learning in their every day lives.

You shall be informed of the content of studies in each class through your child’s RE exercise book which will be sent home on a regular basis with home activities to be completed with your support. This exercise enables you to understand the learning objectives and to know what your child is learning in RE.

We shall also be studying another part of the Prayer Module –Imaginative as well as the Assumption in the Liturgical Year module.

Towards the end of the term we shall also be looking at the social justice theme for 2014 in preparation for the Mission Fair in the last week of the term.

The Family Whanau book is an invaluable resource for parents to have at home as it gives you all the necessary information about the RE programme from Year 1 to Year 8. It is available online or you can borrow one from the school office.

We look forward to celebrating our Masses and assemblies which you will be informed of through the weekly school newsletters.

Thanks to all of you who provide a daily commitment to God by practising the gift of faith and setting an example for your children. We appreciate your support.

We had a lovely feast day celebration last Friday with grandparents and friends. God bless.

*Grace Reddy (DRS)*

# Parent Ticket Order Form

Our school is performing on **Friday 5 September 2014** between **12.30 and 2.30pm (Matinee session)** at the CBS Arena



**YES** please. I want to order Parent Discount tickets for Cultural Festival 2014.

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Child Name \_\_\_\_\_ Room No \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10 per person (discounted from \$15) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$8 per person (13 years & under) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL to pay school** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: Tickets for St Anne's students do not need to be purchased as the school will be attending the performance in support.*

**Please return this order form to the school office , with payment by Thurs 14 August 2014**

## PERSONALISED LEARNING PLAN INTERVIEWS (Rms 4, 5 & 6) Monday 11 August & Tuesday 12 August

Your follow up interview based on the Report sent home at the end of Term 2 will be held on Monday 11 August & Tuesday 12 August which will allow you as parents/caregivers, your child and teacher to look at Areas of Success, Next Steps in Learning and Social Development of Key Competencies for your child.

**Please complete and return** the form below to the office by **Wednesday 6 August** to enable us to confirm your interview time by way of a timetable to be sent home Friday 8 August.

We will endeavour to accommodate your preferred time however this will work on a 'first in' basis.



### INTERVIEW TIME REQUEST FORM (Each interview will be 15 minutes)

Dates and Times:

Monday, 11 August - 3.00pm to 7.45pm & Tuesday, 12 August - 3.00pm to 5.30pm

Child's Name :

Room No :

Preferred Date and Time

(Rms 4, 5 & 6 only)

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