



St Anne's Catholic School

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THOUGHTS

One of our old girls, May Alsayyad (25 yrs) died suddenly at her work last Friday, RIP. Our sympathies are extended to her mother Tatiana, her twin sister Maria, sister Nada and brother Alex. Her younger sister Nada arrived at school on Monday and it was a real credit to what we are about as a school, that she felt she could come back and share her grief and be given support by her old school.

Gaylene Price, a very highly regarded and respected advisor of literacy at the University of Canterbury was looking at writing across all class levels yesterday. Her comment that St Anne's could be proud of its high standard of writing is a credit to the professional efforts of the teachers, and the hard work and application of our students. I was very proud on your behalf to hear this great news.

Remember the Disco this Friday night. Time to have fun and enjoy each others company.

Kind regards

Peter Callanan (Principal)

A few things to remember :

- ◆ By now all children should be in the correct summer uniform including a hat. Long pants are not part of the summer uniform.
- ◆ Be careful when dropping off/picking up children. Please don't drive into the school grounds, block the gateway or do U-turns in front of the school! As the Christmas season approaches our minds are easily distracted.
- ◆ Please pay outstanding school accounts as this ensures we can continue to offer these extra-curricular activities to everyone. Automatic Payment is the easiest way to control these accounts. Contact the office if you wish to set up a fortnightly or monthly payment. This is our preferred option if you are unable to clear the account immediately.

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 7 Assembly & Mass Rms 1 & 2
Disco 6-8.00pm Mission Centre
- 11 Zone Athletics
- 13 A & P Show Rms 1 & 2
- 14 SHOW DAY holiday
- 21 School Athletics 11am-12.30pm Hansen Park
- 23 Parish & School Mass
- 28 JNS Assembly
Assembly & Mass Rm 6

DECEMBER

- 3 Canty Athletics Champs
- 5 Mr C's farewell
- 8 Yr 8 leavers Dinner
- 11 Rm 4 & 5 class trip
Yr 8 Retreat
- 12 School Picnic
- 15 Prize Giving Mass
- 16 Rm 1 & 2 Christmas Concert
2.15pm
- 17 School Finishes following final
assembly 11-12noon

Cups & Trophies

If you have a St Anne's Cup or Trophy can you please return it to the school office a.s.a.p. to allow us time to prepare it for this year's recipient.

Thank You

Thank you

Sunday 2 Nov—All Souls

GOSPEL READING - Matt 11:25-30

Last Sunday's Gospel reading was about All Souls. Catholics all over the world remember and pray for loved ones who have died, and pray for all the Holy Souls. To do this inevitably reminds us that death will be a reality for all of us.

REFLECTION/ACTION.

How important will the burdens we carry now be when we reach the point of death? Will we regret time we spent on work and not on family? Was the care of others something that helped our spiritual growth or made us resentful? Did we enjoy being a martyr to our burdens?

Jesus said: "My yoke is easy and my burden light". It might be time to sort through the bundle of burdens we carry and ask ourselves some questions.

Faith Facts

Pope Francis invites us all to share the joy of God's gift of the Gospel to others. The quotes in this term will be from the beginning pages of Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis – **Evangelii Gaudium, the Joy of the Gospel** – A reminder that the entire document can be found at - <http://vatican.va/evangelii-gaudium/en/index.html>

I invite Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unceasingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord". The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; **whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms.** (EG 3)

CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION— Thanks to Fr Dan Fr Mike Father and Fr Kevin Burns for providing the children of the senior school the opportunity of confession.



Junior Neighbourhood Support

Canterbury



The year is fast coming to its end so we must acknowledge our students who prove to be good neighbours acting in ways that would most definitely make Jesus happy. Please nominate any child who deserves an award for being an outstanding citizen at school, home or in your community. Forms are available from the school office or Mrs Reddy.

Dental Care over the Xmas ./ New Year School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:30am until 12:30pm for the following times:

Monday, 5th January to Friday, 30 January 2015 (excluding weekends and public holidays)

This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 84 69 83.



OUR Principal Mr C is retiring.

You are invited to join us at

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL

Ferry Road, Woolston

December 5th, 6.00 - 8.00pm

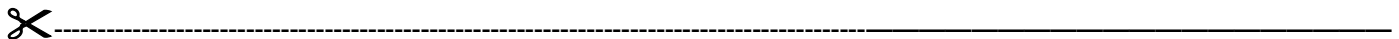
**PLEASE BRING a plate and a bottle
to share.**

PARISH & SCHOOL MASS - 23 November 2014

On Sunday, 23 November, the whole school will join the St Anne's parish for the 10.30am Mass in the St Johns Hall. Students will be taking part in a variety of ways and their involvement at Sunday Mass is an important aspect of our school's special character and student faith development.

Would you please fill in the form below with the names of the students attending and return it to the class teacher by Wednesday 19 November. Thank you.

The form is to be returned whether children are attending or not.



Parish & School Mass - Sunday, 23 November 2014 Participation In Sunday Mass – 10.30am

My child / children (will / will not) be able to participate in this Mass.

Name : _____ Rm: _____ Name : _____ Rm: _____

Name : _____ Rm: _____ Name : _____ Rm: _____

Parent / Caregiver : _____ (Please print) Signed: _____ Date: _____

DRESS UP DISCO

Friday 7th November
St Anne's Mission Hall

5.30 – 8.00pm

Entry: Gold Coin Donation

Lollies and Glow Sticks 50c

Spot Prizes proudly sponsored by
'NATURES DISCOVERIES'

Music – DJ Bobby Tables

Singing, Dancing, Games

Fancy Dress Prizes



Dress up and have a fun night!