



NEWSLETTER



Principal – Anthony Garton

Dear Antonio Community members,

I hope you are in a position to enjoy some restful time with family and friends this long weekend. We have had a strong, busy start to the new year of learning at Antonio and I am really proud of the students and staff for their incredible focus and work so far.

Highlights

Some of the highlights for me as I walk through the school include:

- The implementation of the Playberry literacy program across the school seeing children across the school actively engaging in quality teaching and learning
- The staff and students engaging in prayer and liturgy across the school using inside and outside spaces
- The number of students engaging in sports and performing arts after school activities on offer across the school
- Our generous volunteers who are providing lunches every Friday
- Our lunch time clubs where children can engage in making, lego, drawing, dance and more across the year



Time Capsule

It was wonderful to meet the past students, staff and community members who joined last week's assembly for the opening of the time capsule we found in the Hoskin building. Our past community members had so many great memories and stories to share that have sparked interest in our school's history and achievements across the years. Many of the children have asked about contributing to a new time capsule that could be placed in the new building along with the recent one we found. This is something we will definitely be looking to include in the new building project.

Our school community that we are a part of today is a wonderful place because of the contributions of so many people young and old over many, many years. It is important for us to learn about these contributions and understand our responsibility for contributing to our community and beyond today.

School Board

Our School Board met for the first time last week with a focus on formation for the year and work ahead. We are blessed with many new members this year and we will be introducing them in the next newsletter. In our recent meeting we completed formation work that included:

- Induction into School Board purpose and processes
- Confirmation of roles of members of the School Board
- Digging deeper into key areas of responsibility for the School Board
- Developing a strong sense of the broad range of interests, strengths and capabilities of our School Board members

Finance Committee and new Finance Officer

Our Finance Committee is due to meet for the first time in three weeks along with Gary Sampson our new Finance Officer. We have welcomed Gary to the staff this week. Gary has been working closely with Anthony Filipi and the CESA team to be inducted into school and system processes and finance packages. Gary comes to us with a significant background in banking, finance and community involvement. We look forward to introducing Gary to the community at next week's assembly.



Thank you for your ongoing co-operation and contributions to our community.

Have a great fortnight everyone.

APRIM and Leader of Wellbeing – Kerry Cornelius

Dear Families,

As we reach the halfway point of the term, it's incredible to see how time flies when we're having fun and learning together!

Lent

As we approach the Fourth Sunday of Lent, we continue to journey through this special time of reflection and preparation. Our students have been practicing acts of kindness and self-discipline as we get ready for Easter. We are learning about the meaning of Easter and how it is a time of renewal and hope. We continue growing closer to God and each other as we look forward to celebrating Easter together very soon!



Project Compassion

As we embrace the spirit of compassion and generosity, we extend our thanks for your continued support of Caritas Australia's Project Compassion campaign. Your contributions, whether through prayer, education, or fundraising, make a significant impact. Just a reminder that Project Compassion boxes are due back by the end of term. We appreciate your partnership in making a difference in the lives of others.



How to be a 'Good Egg' and purchase Ethical Chocolate Eggs this Easter!

As we prepare for Easter celebrations, it's important to consider the origin of our sweet treats. Please take a moment to explore the information provided below and consider indulging in responsibly sourced chocolate this Easter. By choosing brands committed to eliminating slavery from their supply chain and looking for certifications such as Fair Trade and Rainforest Alliance on chocolate packaging, we can ensure that our treats are sourced and produced in an ethical and sustainable manner. Feel good about the chocolate you purchase and consume this Easter!

Indulge Responsibly



Treat yourself with responsibly sourced chocolate this Easter, supporting brands committed to eliminating slavery from their supply chain.

Learn the truth

A significant portion of chocolate available in Australia is produced using cocoa beans harvested by child labourers, many of whom endure enslavement and exploitative working conditions.

Indulge responsibly, select ethically sourced chocolate, and support companies working towards eliminating slavery from their supply chain this Easter.

Here is how:

1. Join the one billion people who read the Be Slavery Free Chocolate Scorecard (<https://www.chocolatescorecard.com/>) last year to discover their chocolate's true origins and evaluate their favourite brands' ethical practices.
2. Seek out the Fairtrade and Rainforest Alliance certifications on chocolate packaging.

Note these certification seals mean the certified ingredient was produced using methods that support social, economic, and environmental sustainability.



Take action and
make a difference today!



2024 – The Year of Prayer

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee year, Pope Francis has announced 2024 as the Year of Prayer. As a Catholic community, we are invited to reawaken the importance of prayer in our lives, both personally and as a group. This year, we will focus on exploring various prayers, seeing them as opportunities to deepen our connection with God. Through prayer, we aim to strengthen our faith, support each other on our spiritual paths, and create a stronger sense of togetherness within our school. It's nice to embrace this special time of prayer and we look forward to the many blessings that prayer will bring to our school community.



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Regional Assembly – This Weekend!

It's not too late to register for our Regional Assembly in the South which will be happening tomorrow. Please refer to the information and the link to register on the flyer below:



Adelaide Archdiocese

Regional Assembly - The South

The Regional Assemblies, building on the 2021 and 2022 Diocesan Assemblies, aim to enhance local participation, communion, and mission. They provide an avenue for parishes, communities, and schools to engage in mutual listening, address shared needs, and collaborate for action. This is an invitation to participate in our Regional Assembly for the south, to discuss the following subjects...

OUR COMMUNITY

What makes a vibrant, **contemporary faith community** and how can we make it attractive enough for youth, children and their families to want to participate?

OUR FAITH

What do we mean by **faith formation** and what can we do to create opportunities for **faith formation** relevant to all ages and stages of life?

OUR CALL

How can we work collaboratively to reach out to **those most in need** in our community? What can we do at a local level to encourage our community to love and care for their **environment**?

Date: 09/03/2024

Time: 9:30am to 4:30pm followed by a Family Mass

Venue: Cardijn College (Chavoin Building)

Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CNDKK>. Please contact Garry Triffett on garbara@triffett.com or phone 0402 457 948 for further information.

Community Library Competition!

Our Social Work Students, Jack and Samarah, are currently running a school wide competition whereby students can submit a design to be considered as the feature on the roof of our new Community Library. This was announced last week at our whole school Assembly, and they have also gone to each classroom to answer any questions. If your child is interested in submitting a design, they have until Wednesday next week to hand in their entry. Please place all designs in your child's classroom office box and make sure they are clearly named.



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend! Make sure you do something or spend time with someone that sparks joy!

Warm Regards,

Kerry Cornelius
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Parents Friends and Community

Wednesday March 27th

Hot Cross Bun Morning Tea

Enjoy a Hot Cross Bun recess.
\$2 each. Orders via Qkr!



Hot Cross Bun Drive

Purchase a 6 pack of Baker's Delight Hot Cross Buns
for \$9. Orders via Qkr!



Friday April 12th - Save the dates!



Colour Run 2pm

Parent Volunteers required! If you can help - message Kirstie 0419823175.

Special lunch - Sushi & Cold Rolls.
Orders will open soon on Qkr!



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Dates to Remember

Wednesday 27th March
Stations of the Cross Liturgy
whole school
11.40am to 12.20pm

★ **Thursday 28th March**
Pupil Free Day
No OSHC available

★ **Friday 24th May**
Pupil Free Day
No OSHC available



OSHC Fun!