

NEWSLETTER



GET UP!
STAND UP!
SHOW UP!



From the Principal - Anthony Garton

We have come to the end of Term 2, the first Semester of the 2022 academic year. This time provides an opportunity to reflect on our growth and improvement during the first two terms. As I look around our community and think about what has transpired I am filled with gratitude, hope and inspiration.

My gratitude is with our students and their engagement and commitment to collaborating, listening and risk-taking. There have been changes to the way we learn, who we work with and the spaces we learn in and out students have engaged with such trust and energy through these challenges to grow in a capability and wisdom.

Our staff have been extremely flexible, resilient, resourceful and patient through the challenges to the point where they have managed their own engagement and also inspired and supported their students learning and wellbeing.

I would like to thank both Julie and Alex Field who replaced Tiffany Reubenicht this term in Year 3/4. Their contributions have opened up new opportunities for growth and achievement for the students and staff in and beyond these teams.



I am also grateful for Nichola Merrett who has been a regular relief teacher for us this year. Nichola has been extremely committed to supporting the continuing of learning for all of the children from Reception to Year 6 and has worked so well with all of our staff.

I am also thankful for your support and collaboration with our staff and students from home, over the phone, in person at school or via Seesaw. Your co-operation is vital in our work and ensures we can achieve the best outcomes for your children.

I am hopeful as I look ahead to the second Semester and the opportunities for further growth and improvement for every student in our care and for our entire community. Our community is blessed to have so many wonderful people who contribute so much to it with the focus on each of our children.

As you know this term we have been reflecting on our school value of inspire. A number of children across our community have shared with me who inspires them and how they inspire others.

Meelad

My family inspires me when they help me with things that I have trouble with.

Lucas

Charlie inspires me when he lets me play in his games. I inspire Charlie, Aidan and Chris when I let them join in my games.

Brooklyn

My teacher inspires me by making me feel loved and cared for and by her talent as a teacher. I inspire Bowie and Savannah when I teach gymnastics.

Bowie

My teacher inspires me when she helps me learn. I inspire everyone when I show kindness.

Leah

My teachers inspire me by teaching me new things and helping me with my learning.

Charlotte

I inspire myself by believing in myself.

Diya

Malala Yousafzai inspires me. She is a young activist. I want to change the world just like her.

Yannick

I inspire myself when I keep going if I sometimes think I can't do it or I'm feeling down.

Aidan

My sister inspires me. She is one of the strongest siblings I have and she is really funny.

The children of Antonio inspire me each and every day. Their kindness, welcome, creativity, thinking and problem solving fill me with hope, warmth and good will to share with the people I meet each day.

I lead tours through our school with great pride, especially when we have the opportunity to encounter our children while they are exploring, thinking, negotiating, playing or just walking by. Our children keep me grounded and remind me about the reasons I entered teaching many (many, many) years ago and why I am still inspired each and every day.

It is important for me to make the time to be open to these opportunities and not allow the administration tasks to overwhelm me and become the most important things to focus on. They help us ensure our school is a thriving, growing, organised environment while the inspiration drives so many improvements and achievements.

I wish you all a safe term break time and hope that it brings time and space for you to be with your children to enjoy their ongoing growth and development, humour, creativity and love.

Take care and many blessings.

Anthony Garton
Principal

From the Acting APRIM - Kim Calderbank

"Let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment' Pope Francis.

This term has been inspired by these words of Pope Francis, reminding us to protect creation, protect others and protect the environment. These are all part of God's plan and help us in creating a world that God desires. To live out this plan in word and action, we have engaged in many special events, fundraising efforts and opportunities to engage with our natural environment. We celebrated Mary help of Christians day, Pentecost, Reconciliation Week, Laudato Si' Week, NAIDOC Week, International Mud Day and much more.

Our Mini-Vinnies social justice group helped to protect others, by planning and running a successful Milo Day, raising a total of \$434 for the St Vincent de Paul Society. This was supported by the whole Antonio community. Mini-Vinnies also participated in the Vinnies Winter Sleepout, standing in solidarity with people who experience homelessness in their lives and raising another \$105 to donate to Vinnies.

The students helped to protect God's creation, our environment, by helping Bob in the garden, engaging in Nature Play at Outside Learning and beginning a new environmental group called 'The World Game Changers'.

As an Antonio community, we wish you a very safe and enjoyable holidays. One in which you can have the opportunity to rest, refresh and renew; whether it be sleeping in, walking on the beach, spending time with loved ones or simply reading a book.



"Lord, teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light."

Laudato Si'- A prayer for our earth

Say a little Prayer- Family Prayer Booklet

Last week your family should have received a little prayer booklet that was gifted to each family from Catholic Education South Australia, to commemorate the World Meeting of Families, 2022. Please take the time to enjoy this with your child and family. The booklet explains some of the prayers and rituals that are important to Catholics.

Some other resources have been created to support your family in understanding and engaging with the Catholic faith, as part of being in a Catholic school. Scan the QR code below to access these resources.



Say a Little Prayer

A Family Prayer Booklet



5 Finger Prayer

Your child may already be familiar with this way of praying. This is a lovely way to support children to think of others when they pray.

Pope Francis' 5 finger Prayer



Showing kindness and love

The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes have been talking about how they show kindness and love to others. They celebrated a mass on Friday 8th July with this theme. The children engaged in these readings, to help them to understand God's message of loving one another.

Colossians 3:12-13

'... clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another...'

John 15:12-14

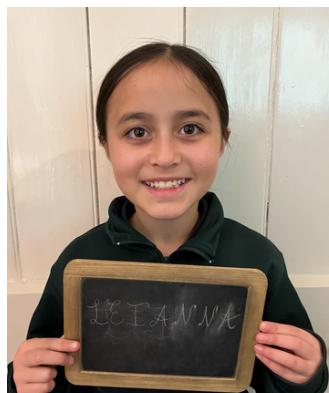
'My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command'.

Year 3/4 excursion - Migration Museum

Over Wednesday the 6th of July and Thursday the 7th of July, the Year 3s and 4s travelled to the city via bus to visit the Migration Museum and Botanical Gardens.

During HASS, they have been learning about the First Fleet and Children of the 19th Century. They explored household items from 150 years ago, re-enacted games children played (such as Knuckles and Quoits), saw a gaol cell, considered the Indigenous Australian viewpoint and practised writing in cursive on slate boards.

We then adventured to the Botanical Gardens to explore and play games to finish the day. Many students were excited to enjoy the bus ride, see the city and explore the history of our country.



Naidoc Week

Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!

In Reception, Mrs Jasmin's class celebrated NAIDOC week. We recognised the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We celebrated their history of storytelling and their love for the land.



Finance - Jodie Veldhoen

School fees for 2023

We are pleased to inform our school families that there will be no increase in school fees for the 2023 school year.

As South Australians continue to feel the impact of COVID-19, Catholic Education SA has announced it will freeze fees at its 86 Diocesan schools for the 2023 school year and the 2023 Term 3 reception intake shall continue to be offered to families free of charge.

"These decisions are part of our continued COVID 19 response as we seek to support families at a time when they are being impacted by rising costs and inflation," says Dr Neil McGoran, Director, Catholic Education SA.

Since 2019, Catholic Education SA has been implementing the Making Catholic Education More Affordable Initiative to ensure our schools are accessible to any family who wants their child to have a Catholic education.

Dr Neil McGoran said the fee-freeze would not impact the quality of education.

"We're committed to keeping school fees as low as possible and ensuring a Catholic education is affordable and accessible to all."

In addition to the fee-freeze, fee remissions are available to any family who is struggling to pay school fees due to financial pressures. Families should contact me for more information on accounts@antonio.catholic.edu.au or phone 8325 4500 extension 3 or come in and see me Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 1

Monday 25th July - Pupil Free Day (OSHC not available)
Friday 29th July - PFC Meeting 10.00am
Friday 29th July - Year 5/6 Assembly



Week 2

Monday 1st August - Wakakirri Rehearsal (after school)
Tuesday 2nd August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Friday 5th August - Year 6 attending Mass

Week 3

Monday 8th August - Wakakirri Rehearsal (after school)
Tuesday 9th August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Wednesday 10th August - Wakakirri Performance 7pm
Thursday 11th August - Soccer Year Rec – 2 (after school)
Thursday 11th August - Finance Meeting 5.30pm
Thursday 11th August - Board Meeting 7.00pm
Friday 12th August - Rainbow Day
Friday 12th August - School Disco

Week 4

Monday 15th August - Sporting Schools Touch Year 3-6
Tuesday 16th August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Wednesday 17th August - School Tour
Thursday 18th August - Soccer Year Rec - 2 (after school)
Saturday 20th August - School Tour

Week 5

Catholic Schools Open Week
Book Week
Monday 22nd August - Sporting Schools Touch Year 3-6
Tuesday 23rd August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Wednesday 24th August - PFC Special Lunch Day
Thursday 25th August - Early Explorer Program
Thursday 25th August - Soccer Year Rec - 2 (after school)
Friday 26th August - Book Week Assembly

Week 6

Monday 29th August - Sporting Schools Touch Year 3-6
Tuesday 30th August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Thursday 1st September - Early Explorer Program
Thursday 1st September - Father's Day Stall
Thursday 1st September - Soccer Year Rec - 2 (after school)
Friday 2nd September - Father's Day Stall

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 7

Monday 5th September - Sporting Schools Touch Year 3-6
Tuesday 6th August - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Wednesday 7th September – SACPSSA Touch
Thursday 8th September - Early Explorer Program
Thursday 8th September - Soccer Year Rec - 2 (after school)
Thursday 8th September - Finance Meeting 5.30pm
Thursday 8th September - Board Meeting 7.00pm
Friday 9th September - Pupil Free Day (OSHC not available)

Week 8

Tuesday 13th September - MSP School Photo Day
Tuesday 13th September - Netball Year 3-5 (after school)
Wednesday 14th September - School Tour
Thursday 15th September - Early Explorer Program
Thursday 15th September - Soccer Year Rec - 2 (after school)
Friday 16th September - Year 5/6 Enterprise Day
Saturday 17th September - School Tour

Week 9

Tuesday 20th September - Sporting Schools Hockey R-2
Wednesday 21st September - Sporting Schools Hockey R-2
Wednesday 21st September - PFC Special Lunch Day
Thursday 22nd September - Early Explorer Program
Thursday 22nd September - Instrumental Concert 7.00pm
Friday 23rd September - MSP Sport Teams and catch up day

Week 10

Tuesday 27th September - Sporting Schools Hockey R-2
Wednesday 28th September - Sporting Schools Hockey R-2
Wednesday 28th September to Friday 30th September - Year 5/6 Camp
Thursday 29th September - Early Explorer Program



EVERYONE MATTERS...AND MATTERS ABSOLUTELY!