



ANTONIO

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## 2019 YEAR 5/6 CAMP



### *Mylor Baptist camp*

*This year was my first year at Mylor Baptist camp. There are so many things to do, there was a challenge course, a flying fox, raft making and lots of other fun stuff to do. We were all split up into 4 different groups and I was in Tanya's group...*

*Canoeing was super fun. My partner was Kaide. I was a little worried because I've never been canoeing before. When I got in the canoe I had that feeling where you're about to start something and you just want to scream. If there's one thing I learned it's you should never mess with Tanya.*

*The second most fun thing was the night games.. in night games I loved playing survivor. Survivor is basically hide and seek but once you're found you go to the camp fire. I hid in the bushes with Kaide. We both were wearing black so we were practically invisible. Kaide and I won both rounds of survivor. Camp 2019 was one to remember.*

*Om Kulkarni*



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Greetings everyone and welcome to Term 4 at Antonio.

I have enjoyed seeing the smiling well rested faces of all the children this week as I have joined them at inside or outside learning times. There have been so many wonderful stories about family activities during the term break or from our great Vac Care program.

### Welcome to our new families

This week we welcome more new students and their families to our learning community.

- Brodie Street joins Sarah Sweeney's Reception home group
- Summer Street joins Michelle Starr and Lou Akerman's Reception home group
- Joshua Davey joins Sue Giles and Christie Jensen's 3/4 home group
- Imogen Green and Bailey Mangan join Tiffany Reubenicht's 3/4 home group

We trust that you will all enjoy your time with us and we look forward to working with you to support your learning and development.

### Master Planning and Nature Play Space Update

During the term break, Rachel from Dirtworks met with us at Antonio to consider including the pavers area between the main building and the oval in the nature play development. This space is an important connecting space for members of our community. Rachel has now completed this design work and we have forwarded this along with a capital development application to Catholic Education SA for consideration and endorsement. We look forward to receiving favourable feedback so that we can consider starting work possibly in December this year. I would like to thank staff, students, School Board members, Russell and Yelland architects John and Hariklia, Peter Smith from CESA along with Rachel and Simon from Dirtworks for their support in this important process.

### Parent Survey

This week you will receive an invitation to contribute to our ongoing planning and work across our school community through the annual school parent survey. This invitation will come to you both via a hard copy letter home and through the SeeSaw app. We value your feedback which informs our ongoing planning for 2020 and beyond. The children and staff will also engage in their own version of the school surveys in the coming week too.

The key points for you to consider about this survey:

- The purpose of this survey is to find out about the climate at **our** school
- This is an opportunity for you to inform school staff how things are going for you and your children
- The feedback does NOT include the data of individuals; rather, feedback involves a graph based on feedback from all parents.
- To ensure anonymity, aggregated scores are not provided for groups of less than four parents
- It is your impressions that we are seeking to include for our planning and there are no right or wrong answers
- The response format requires you to consider how often each statement takes place in terms of: Almost Never, Rarely, Sometimes, Often and Almost Always

We look forward to receiving your feedback for our planning and analysing it alongside the feedback from staff and students. **The closing date for the survey is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.**

I hope you are able to enjoy the increasing sunshine with your family in the coming days and weeks.

Thank you for your ongoing support and contributions to our wonderful community.

Anthony Garton  
Principal

## **SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS**

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Scholastic magazines are coming home this week.

Can all orders be back at school by Monday 29/10/19 and any orders using online option be done by Monday 29/10/19.

Please remember to put your child's name and classroom teacher's name on the order form. Thank you.

### **Andrew Chinn Workshops and Concert**

**On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**, Australian songwriter and singer, Andrew Chinn, will be visiting our school to share his songs with our children. Andrew's songs, such as "These Hands", "Rainbow", "An African Blessing" and "Ubuntu" are used in classrooms and liturgies around Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada. Parents/parishioners are warmly invited to be a part of the celebration and fun.



During the day Andrew will work with all year levels and the choir to put together the evening concert. The free concert which will take place in the school gym, at **6.30pm** with a **70 minute duration**. We look forward to seeing you there.

*Andrew Chinn was a teacher for 20 years in Catholic schools in Sydney, taught all grades from kindergarten to Year 6 (was a kindergarten/prep teacher for two years). He has been song writing since 1993. Andrew has released 11 CDs, 6 picture books, and 5 DVDs. His music is used in schools across Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada and he has visited more than 1000 different schools around those countries. Amongst his best-known songs are These Hands, Rainbow, Shine Among Them, An African Blessing and Ubuntu all of which are favorites with our students who choose these songs for their masses and liturgies. Andrew lives in Wollongong with his wife, Bernadette, youngest daughter, Eleanor, and a couple of Shetland Sheepdogs called Mollee and Elbee, who love going to the beach. He is a proud Sydney Swans supporter and has his own website: [www.butterflymusic.com.au](http://www.butterflymusic.com.au), where you can listen to some songs, watch some video clips, and find out a bit more about his music. Andrew's music is available on iTunes.*

**DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT.  
COME ALONG ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR A 6.30pm START TO ENJOY THE  
FRUITS OF THE DAYTIME WORKSHOPS IN CONCERT. IT IS A GUARANTEED  
FUN NIGHT.**

## YEAR 5/6 CAMP CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT PAGE



On the second day of camp, we had four activities and one of them was the Flying Fox. To get there, we had to walk through the muddy, wet paddock, then up a steep hill.

Once we got up to the platform, we had a safety talk, then we got numbered. I was number eight so I had time to get my nerves out.

By the time number six went down the flying fox, I was extremely excited and not so nervous. When the instructor called me up to the releasing platform, I got the jitters again.

As soon as I jumped down from the platform, I yelled out "FREEDOM" and felt much better.

That is why I liked the Flying Fox.

Alyssa R



My favorite part of camp was canoeing. It was so cold before we had even got into the water. We put on our lifejackets and got into our canoes. I was in a canoe with Lauren. I was nervous about canoeing because I knew it was going to be freezing. After around 5 minutes of paddling, Michael and Tanya grabbed a lifejacket and hopped into a canoe. Of course, they started splashing us! Signora didn't know that they were there, but she soon found out... Signora started paddling like crazy! Olivia was paddling in her canoe except she was trying to tip it over! Michael and Tanya came up with the plan weeks before we went on camp because she didn't want to get wet. Signora was so worried that she jumped into the freezing river before they even got her tipped over! All of a sudden, Shane and Patrick jumped into the river! Signora tried to drown Michael and Tanya but she ended up in the river again. After a while of Michael and Tanya splashing us and us trying to paddle away from them, mine and Lauren's hands were hurting like crazy! We held onto one of the instructor's canoe and Sophie's and Maddy's canoe, we were in the middle and we held on for dear life!!! Finally, we could relax but our canoe was still drenched and so were we! I thought I was going to hate canoeing but it was actually really fun!

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