





## NEWSLETTER



















Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and slightly warmer than it has been in recent months.

Welcome to all of our new students and families who have joined us this term. Antonio is an amazing community of learners who are supported by dedicated staff and passionate families. I hope you are able to quickly make connections with all of the wonderful people here.

#### Living Learning Leading Survey 2023

At Antonio we strive to create the best learning environment for every child by working in partnership with you and your children. To help us in this task I invite you all to let us know what we are doing well and what areas we can improve by completing the Living Learning Leading Survey. The survey will take just 3 - 5 minutes to complete and your contributions will be anonymous. Details about the survey and how you can access it follow this article.

#### Wakakirri Performance

This coming week will see our school perform at this year's Wakakirri Story Dance Competition for the second time. Students and staff are so excited after months of dedication and hard work both during and after school times. A big thank you to Lisa Cannizzaro our music teacher, the staff, parents, carers and students who have all been involved. It is wonderful to see so many children participate in an extra curricula activity that involves the performing arts.

#### **Enrolments for 2024**

We are receiving many enquiries for Reception and some other year levels for 2024. We aim to have these finalised by the end of August so we can confirm our class structures and classes for next year. If you are aware of any friends who are considering enrolling their child please ask them to contact us ASAP on 83254500 or through the enrolment enquiry button on our website.

#### **Uniform Reminder**

All children are required to be in full uniform each day at school which includes mainly white sports shoes, school colour hair ties, the school jumper and school pants rather than other versions of these. If you require replacement uniform items, Lowes is having another 20% sale in the coming weeks so it is a great time to purchase any uniform items at a reduced price. At the beginning of September your children will be required to wear their hats for outside learning activities so it is time to make sure they have a clean, labelled hat ready. If you require a new hat they can be purchased at the front office. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **Coffee Van at Assemblies**

The Express-o Coffee Van will be at the back gate area prior to each assembly this term. Purchases can be made prior to assembly beginning so make sure you arrive in time to order and grab your coffee before assembly begins at 9.15am.

#### Drinking Water to Learn and Play

At Antonio we encourage our students to be ready to learn by drinking water to keep their minds and bodies hydrated. We can sometimes forget to drink as much water when it is cooler. This weekend is a great time to check your child's water bottle and ensure it is still there, they are able to use it and they are filling it up each day and refilling it if they require more water while at school.

#### Front Car Park Reminder

The front car park by the front office is designated for OSHC drop off and pick ups, visitors and deliveries. There is a disability access car park as well. This disability access park is for people with a disability only. Thanks for your co-operation in respecting this.

Have a wonderful fortnight and thank you for your ongoing support and contributions to our community.

Anthony Garton Principal

#### **APRIM and Leader of Wellbeing – Kerry Cornelius**

Dear Families,

I hope you have all had a wonderful start to the Term. Being new to the Antonio Catholic School Community, I wish to thank all students, staff and families for your very warm welcome. I have had a fantastic start to my new role, and I am excited to work with you all in partnership well into the future.

#### Staff Formation Day - Educator Wellbeing with Madhavi Nawana Parker

On Friday last week, our entire staff (Teachers, ESO's, OSHC staff and Leaders) came together for our Staff Formation Day which was held onsite this year in the Antonio Gym. The focus for our day together was Educator Wellbeing and we were so very fortunate to spend the day with Madhavi Nawana Parker, a leading Wellbeing and Resilience expert. Madhavi is the director of Positive Minds Australia and has over 25 years of experience in her field.

Our day with Madhavi was special and unique because it was a day focussed on ourselves. As educators, it is in our nature to go above and beyond for those we serve and love and while we wouldn't have it any other way, sometimes our wellbeing can be impacted or challenged if we are not careful. Madhavi provided us with a toolbox of preventative and responsive strategies to help us all look after our wellbeing so we that we can continue to be dedicated in supporting those we care deeply about, including our students and families at Antonio.



In the afternoon, we tried something a little different, a Kung Fu session with Nick Bennett, who also works for Positive Minds Australia! Throughout the day, there were many spots of laughter and moments of team building which was beautiful to witness. We will continue the work that we began with Madhavi throughout the rest of the year, building on what we learned and using Madhavi's book on Educator Wellbeing as a reference point for further growth.

#### World Youth Day 2023

For those youthful members of our community aged between 16-35 years of age, there will be a World Youth Day celebration in Adelaide this weekend on Saturday 5th August which will include interactive workshops, activities, a special WYD liturgy and a concert at Sacred Heart College, Somerton Park. Tickets are \$20, which includes access to all workshops, the liturgy and the concert. If you or someone you know might be interested, head to the WYD website for further information:



#### Made in the Image of God (MITIOG)

You may or may not be aware that this term, our teachers will be delivering the Made in the Image of God (MITIOG) Human Sexuality Program. Please stand by for communication from me via Seesaw around the content that will be covered in each year level relevant to your child, and also an invite to an OPTIONAL Parent Information Session should you find yourself with more questions about the program.

#### **Catholic School Parents – Tricky Behaviours with Andrew Fuller**

Clinical Psychologist, Andrew Fuller, will be presenting on the topic of 'Tricky Behaviours' either in person or online on the evening of Thursday 10th August. If you have not already registered for this workshop, please consider doing so as Andrew is phenomenal at what he does, and I know that many of us could stand to benefit from what he presents. Details of how to book can be found on the brochure and these workshops are free to all parents and carers of students in a Catholic school.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend ahead whereby you can hopefully find some time to rest, relax and enjoy the company of those you love.

Warm Regards, Kerry Cornelius



#### Wakakirri

Next Tuesday, August 8, is our Wakakirri performance day. We will be traveling to Norwood Concert Hall to perform with other schools. Wakakirri is a national festival supporting performing arts. We create a performance using dance, drama and music to tell a story of our choice.

Our troupe, comprised of students in grades 3-6, have been working very hard on Thursdays after school since the start of Term 2 and they have come so far! We are really looking forward to sharing our story-dance 'True Colours Shine', which is about accepting others and celebrating diversity. Please join me in wishing all our performers well:

Annabel, Ethan, Aiden, Piper, Alfie, Arizona, Niki, Sophia, Annika, Esmee, Astrid, Amaya, Zoe, Alex, Savannah, Aiesha, Ryan, Charlotte, Caleb, Brooklyn, Max, Lotus, Molly, Joanna, Maddi, Sibella, Taliyah, Lachie, Emma, Riley, Armani, Blaire, Milania, Kelsie, Aila, Reanne, Leah, Jacob, Belinda and Aria.

A note of gratitude too, to our families who have supported these students, and the many staff members who have volunteered their time to help prepare and supervise the students at after school rehearsals. Thank you!

Lisa Cannizzaro Music Teacher

#### **100 Days of School**

To start the term off, the reception learners celebrated hundred days of school. The reception learners have been counting each day how many days they have been at school for. It was very exciting to reach 100 days. Learners had the opportunity to dress as one hundred-year-olds for the day. It was amazing to see all the different dress ups across three classrooms. Learners participated in a range of activities that focused on the number 100. From creating headbands, necklaces, artwork, glasses, and writing. Well done reception learners for being 100 days smarter!

#### Important to me

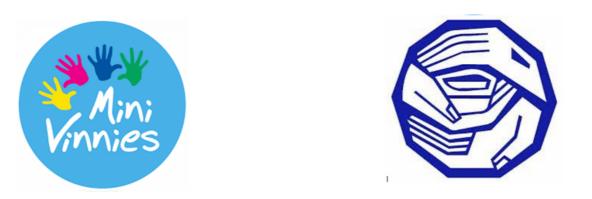
In Term 1, Year 1/2 students from Antonio Catholic School submitted artwork into the Communities for Children Onkaparinga 'Important to Me' children's art project. They were part of an exhibition at Woodcroft Library during Families Week in Term 2, where members of the community could vote on the hundreds of submissions across a variety of schools.



Over 240 votes were entered, and fifteen winners were decided. The winners will be featured in the 2024 state-wide Creative Kids Family Calendar. We were excited to receive notification this week that two of the fifteen artists came from our school!

Congratulations to Darcy Rowe and Pearce Stone from Year 1/2JF, whose beautiful artwork and thoughtful responses will be included in the calendar. They received a certificate of acknowledgement and when the calendar is printed later in the year, they will receive their own copies. Thank you to all students who participated and shared what is important to them.

#### **Mini Vinnies**



Friday Week 9, the Mini Vinnies Group from Antonio Catholic School joined with Emmaus College for a Winter Sleepout in our school gym.

Fr Christopher welcomed us and led prayer before we welcomed Jenny Papps from the St Vincent de Paul Society (SA). She is the General Manager of Organisational Support and spoke to us about the special role Mini Vinnies plays in supporting the wider organisation.

We shared a meal that was representative of what is provided by St Vincent de Paul through one of their services such as Fred's Van. This included hot toasties and a cup of soup, and a treat that was kindly donated.



Jeanne and Brenda from the Morphett Vale Charter were also present. Jeanne is a regular attendee at Antonio's weekly Mini Vinnies Meetings and Brenda at Emmaus.

After dinner and games, the students set up their sleeping arrangements for the night ahead, before settling to watch the movie Highschool Musical.

At 10pm it was 'Light's Out'. Some slept soundly – while others had limited sleep.

After breakfast we said our farewells and recounted how the experience allowed us all to consider those who are not so fortunate to return to a comfortable and warm bed the following night, after having something to eat and a warm shower.

We look forward to next year's Winter Sleepout and being able to make a difference to someone's life through the fundraising efforts of Antonio School's Mini Vinnies Group, with the generous support of the wider Antonio School Community.

#### Finance - Jodie Veldhoen

School fee statements will be posted out in the next fortnight to those who have a balance. Thank you to the many people who have paid in full, set up regular payment plans or paid the instalments in Terms 1 & 2. If you have not yet made your instalments please do so, the due date for Instalment 3 is Friday 25th August.

Camp is coming up for the Year 5/6's in a few weeks and for the Year 3/4's at the end of the term. Please make sure you have paid your camp fees at least two weeks prior to camp. If you are unsure if you have already included this in your payment plan, please contact me.

As always if you have any queries or if you are having trouble making payments please email me on <u>accounts@antonio.catholic.edu.au</u>, phone me on 83254500 extension 3 or come in and see me Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm.

Jodie Veldhoen Finance Officer







## Welcome to our new Volunteers Holly and Kylie





Say Cheese



School Photo Day is: Tuesday 12th September



### **ANTONIO MUSICAL BINGO NIGHT**

WHEN: 19TH AUG 7PM - SATURDAY PRICE: \$20 PER PERSON - TABLES OF 10 MAX AVAILABLE CRECHE (\$10/CHILD) AVAILABLE IF MINIMUM NUMBER OF 10 CHILDREN BOOKINGS VIA QKR B.Y.O. DRINKS AND NIBBLES BRING COINS



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#### TERM 3

#### Week 3

Monday 7th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Tuesday 8th August - Wakakirri Performance 7.15pm Wednesday 9th August - School Tour 9.30am Thursday 10th August - Finance Meeting 5.30pm Thursday 10th August - School Board Meeting 7.00pm Friday 11th August - Year 1/2 Assembly Friday 11th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Saturday 12th August - School Tour 9.30am Week 4 Monday 14th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Tuesday 15th August - R-2 Liturgy 11.30am Tuesday 15th August - Year 3-6 Mass Friday 18th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Saturday 19th August - Music Bingo Night 7pm Week 5 Catholic Schools Open Week Monday 21st August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Wednesday 23rd August to Friday 25th August Year 5/6 Camp Friday 25th August -Year 3/4 Assembly Friday 25th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Week 6 Monday 28th August - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Tuesday 29th August - mini Vinies Milo Day Wednesday 30th August - Rec (Jasmin Munro) Liturgy Thursday 31st August - Year 5/6 (Beau Lee) Mass Thursday 31st August - Early Explorers Friday 1st September - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Week 7 Monday 4th September - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Tuesday 5th September - Year 3-6 Touch Football Carnival Wednesday 6th September - School Tour 9.30am Thursday 7th September - Finance Meeting 5.30pm Thursday 7th September - School Board Meeting 7.00pm Thursday 7th September - Early Explorers Friday 8th September - Reception Assembly Friday 8th September - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Saturday 9th September - School Tour 9.30am Week 8 Monday 11th September - Rec - Yr 2 Soccer (after school) Tuesday 12th September - MSP Photo Day Wednesday 13th September - Rec (Nicole Zan) Liturgy Thursday 14th September - Early Explorers Thursday 14th September - Year 5/6 (Madelene Ireland) Mass Friday 15th September - Year 5/6 Enterprise Day Friday 15th September - Rec - Year 2 Soccer (after school) Week 9 Thursday 21st September - Catch up & sport / groups MSP Photos Thursday 21st September - Early Explorers Friday 22nd September - Year 5/6 Assembly Book Week Assembly Week 10 Tuesday 26th September - Year 3/4 one night Camp Wednesday 27th September - Year 1/2 (Christie Jenson) Liturgy Thursday 28th September - Early Explorers Thursday 28th September - Year 5/6 (Meagan Friday) Mass Friday 29th September - PFC Special Lunch

