



ANTONIO
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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PHOTOS FROM OUR WELCOME NIGHT



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FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome Night

Thank you to those families who were able to attend our Welcome night yesterday. We were blessed with wonderful weather and my heartfelt thanks goes to our OSHC team and an incredibly generous group of volunteers who prepared the food. I trust our new families felt warmly welcomed to the Antonio community and enjoyed themselves.

If you were not able to come you can access the Annual Community Meeting reports from our website or, if you prefer, obtain a hard copy from the office.

State Election March 17

With only 4 weeks to go until the election, there will be a number of ways I will be sharing education policy information from the different parties.

Until recently – Catholic schools in South Australia received the lowest level of funding in the country.

In November, the State Government announced that it would increase recurrent funding to our schools. This equates to a \$14.3 million increase in 2018 and brings us into much closer alignment with the amount Catholic schools receive in other parts of the country. The State Government also announced a capital grant of \$5.5 million indexed annually to CPI.

While this is good news for our schools, there is much more that can be done to ensure our schools receive adequate support.

You can read more at: www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/news/fair-funding-campaign

I also have a template letter for parents to send to their local candidates if you are interested. I encourage you to email me (rhiggins@antonio.catholic.edu.au), if you would like a copy for you to personalize.

In short, it's time kids in SA catholic schools received a better deal!

Lent

This week we celebrated **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of the **season of Lent**, a time of 40 days leading up to Holy Week and Easter. LENT is a time where we are encouraged to pray and to reflect on those things we take for granted in our daily lives, and to give a little to promote social justice for the less fortunate than ourselves.

Special Offer

This week I received the following offer from one of our new parents which you may be interested in. Please see me or contact Adam directly if you think he can help you.

Dear Families of Antonio, Leading Building and Pest Inspections is a specialty business which helps in all areas of purchasing properties, we would like to offer you the chance to help your children raise money for their school, we are offering Antonio 10% of all generated income from any jobs we book where the client mentions Antonio School. This amounts to around \$40 per job we will donate to the school, as you can see over a year this could add up substantially and could help in many ways.

Our services are: Pre-Purchase Building Reports - Pre-Auction Reports - Tax Depreciation Schedules - Asbestos Audits - Methamphetamine Residue Testing - Dilapidation Reports

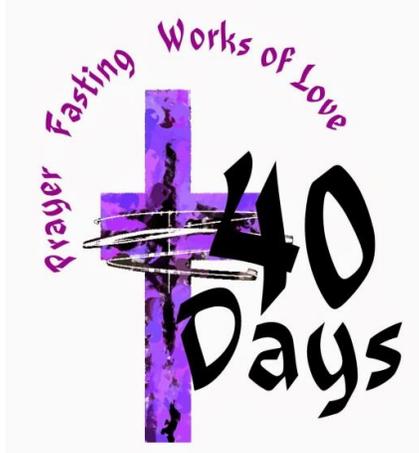
Special School Event March 23

Please keep an eye out for information coming home regarding a student enterprise day we are planning to hold on Friday March 23rd. Staff are very excited about this and to ensure success we will need as many parent and grandparent volunteers as possible. More news next week!

Regards and Blessings

Ray

NEWS FROM OUR APRIM



LENT - What a gift!

What are you doing for LENT? It offers us some time and space to stand back and look at the picture of our lives - the picture of our humanness within the possibilities of divine love. A well- practiced LENT could result in feeling restored both physically and psychologically.

LENT is the opportunity to change what we could change but have not.

LENT is a time to forgive, to reconcile, to give and to pray.

LENT is about becoming, doing and changing whatever is blocking the fullness of life in us right now.

LENT is a time to repent, not to feel guilty but a time to be honest, clear sighted and courageous enough to change direction.

LENT is a time for almsgiving, the giving and letting go of time or money to those in greater need than you. Real giving - anonymously, modestly and without anything in return, even a good conscience.

LENT is a gift in more ways than one.

These words were inspired by the writings of Joan Chittester and Laurence Freeman

by Lillian Van Brussel

APRIM (Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission)

STUDENT LUNCHES

What an incredible response to our request for BBQ volunteers. Many thanks for your spirit of generosity by helping with preparation, cooking and delivering lunches for our students.

BBQ LUNCHES for Term 1 2018 will be held every Friday. Orders to be returned to the school office or classroom office box on Thursdays. No late orders can be accepted.

SUBWAY LUNCHES will be available every Wednesday. Orders must be in the office by 9.30am ready for collection by the Subway staff. If you can arrange to have the correct cash with the order, which will make the office "girls" job much easier.

MINI EXPLORERS

Our Mini Explorers enjoyed engaging their senses using their feet today.

When children are given the opportunity to explore different textures and explore with their feet, they are discovering their environment in a different way.

A sensory path was developed where they can use their feet to balance on slippery, slimy, crunchy surfaces and step through the different materials helps engage their gross motor skills and by squelching and squeezing the materials through their toes it helps refine fine motor skills.

All of this is supported with the safety and comfort of their caregiver by their side, making them feel safe and secure to try new things.



MUSIC LESSONS



MATTHEW WINTER ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

In 2018 I am offering music lessons on Mondays during school hours.

- These lessons are for half an hour once a week.
- Students will be expected to practise at home, in-between lessons, for the best results.
- Students can choose Guitar (also half price Guitar Group), Piano, Drums, Bass, Flute, Violin, Singing Etc.
- Family discounts are available as well as referral discounts.

Phone 0427 534101 for further information and to book your child's place.

COMMUNITY NEWS

RAISING BRILLIANTLY BEHAVED CHILDREN :

Are you the parent of a 5 - 12 year old? Want fewer behaviour dramas at home?

Hear psychologist, parenting author and commentator Jodie Benveniste talk about:

- dealing with challenging behaviour in ways that bring out your child's strengths and true character
- alternatives to discipline and punishment
- encouraging cooperation rather than conflict

Presented by Parenting SA. For more information about raising children visit www.parenting.sa.gov.au or www.cyh.com

When: Wednesday 21 March 7.00 - 9.00pm

Where: Adelaide Convention Centre North Terrace, Adelaide Riverbank Room 7 & 8 (easy access via West entrance)

AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

FEBRUARY OPEN CLASSES: Come along and try a free class at your local rehearsal venue! For more than 30 years, the Australian Girls Choir has played a role in the growth and development of girls across the country.

We provide an experience that goes far beyond the stage; your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime. Our senior performers have entertained everyone from Queen Elizabeth II to Oprah, and have shared the stage with a long list of artists including Hugh Jackman and Pharrell Williams. We are proud of our 20 year relationship with Qantas singing at live events and in the 'I Still Call Australia Home' advertising campaigns.

JOIN US AT OUR FEBRUARY OPEN CLASSES! CALL 1800 338 142 Glenelg and Glen Osmond

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Phone John: 0410 859 775 Web: www.tugrashanmartialarts.com/

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***Learn Self Defence Increase Self Respect & Respect for Others Build Confidence Self Discipline
Stop Bullying***

**ANTONIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL GYM Entry to Gym Via rear Car Park at 25 Stanley St Morphett Vale
WEDNESDAYS: Juniors 4:30pm/ Adults 6pm**

**FLAXMILL SCHOOL P-7 gym 80 Flaxmill Rd, Morphett Vale
TUESDAYS : Adults 6:30pm THURSDAYS: Juniors 5:30pm/ Adults 6:30pm**

KARATE/ KICKBOXING/ SELF DEFENCE JUJITSU/ GROUND DEFENCE/ WEAPONS 1st Lesson Free

