

NEWSLETTER



Have you ever built a cubby house?

Principal - Anthony Garton

Dear Antonio Families,

It has been a tremendous beginning to Term 3 with so many amazing events, achievements and things happening.

I would like to thank you for your contributions in helping your child to be ready for the new term by reading the information provided, ensuring they have great food to eat at school, a clean and warm uniform to wear, plenty of sleep and being ready at school on time to start with their friends and teachers.

Welcome

This term we welcome our new students in Reception and other year levels and their families. Welcome to Ava, Archer, Kelvin, Owen, Mackenzie, Maya, Mason, Cole, Thomasz, Madison and Marley in Reception and also Oakley and Max in Year 1/2. We also welcome their families and we look forward to working with them all to support their learning and wellbeing.

Living Learning Leading Surveys

Next week Year 2-6 students and all staff will be completing the Living Learning Leading Surveys to share their perceptions of our school performance in connection with their engagement, learning and development. There will also be the opportunity for you to share your perceptions of our school performance through the parent survey that will be sent to you via Seesaw next Monday. I value the information gained through this survey as I analyse it as a principal in connection with our school leadership team, the staff and the school board to identify areas for future improvement. We have a great deal to celebrate in our school community and we also wish to identify how we can continue to improve.

Hoskin Building Redevelopment Update

We are looking forward to meeting with three architects and reviewing their proposals for the redevelopment of the Hoskin building to providing high quality learning spaces for Years 3-6 students. We are looking to create learning spaces that support student and staff teaching, learning and wellbeing.

Lighting Upgrade

During the term break we upgraded the lighting in admin and learning spaces across the school (except the Hoskin building) to LED to provide a better quality light, have a lighter impact on the environment and require less maintenance.

Accessibility Parking

The accessibility parking at the front and rear of the school are reserved for those with a permit only. We have recently had a permit holder unable to access the school safely due to non-permit holders parking in these spaces. We also have a 'no parking' section in the front car park which is to be always kept clear to allow permit holders to access the accessibility car park by the entrance. Your co-operation in keeping these parks and areas clear is appreciated.

Bains Road Pedestrian Crossing

You will have noticed the changes to Bains Rd recently to ensure there are clear markings to guide traffic along the front of our school. Our Year 5 and 6 students have undertaken updated crossing monitor training which has included a new approach to managing the crossing. The monitors will be opening and closing a yellow chain across the entrance and exit to ensure pedestrians walk across when it is safe to do so. Please keep an eye out for them and follow their directions.

Parents & Friends Committee

Thank you to our active PFC team who are helping us to reintroduce Friday lunches, coordinating our upcoming school disco and other community events to come in the second semester. It is exciting to see us have those opportunities to celebrate, live and learn together as a community again.

APRIM - Kim Calderbank

It is lovely to be returning this term in the role of APRIM, and I am looking forward to continuing the work I started during Term 2 and becoming more familiar with the Antonio community. My role encompasses working with the community (for example in the PFC), enhancing Catholic identity in the school, supporting the teaching and learning of the Religious Education and MITIOG curriculum, liturgical celebrations, faith formation of staff and students, supporting social justice actions (such as in Mini-Vinnies) and engaging and offering professional learning opportunities. I look forward to continuing the great work that Lillian has done here at Antonio, as well as finding new ways and opportunities for growth and change.

Since returning from the holidays, the students have been curious about some of the changes that have been happening in our environment. The blossom on the almond trees has been a source of much joy for many, as the tree has filled with a white and pink glow amidst the cold winter days, a promise of spring being just around the corner. In the blossoming of the almond tree, I am reminded of the connection Pope Francis draws between the almond blossom and God's love. He believes that in these small things, God's love is realised here on earth. The almond blossom is among the first to bloom, just like God is first for us.



*“God is like that: God is always first.
God’s the first to wait for us, the first
to love us, the first to help us,” -
Pope Francis*



During these first few weeks of Term 3, we have several significant events and celebrations that call us to join together as a community to support each other and the wider community.

Some of the events to be aware of are:

Monday 8th August- Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop
We will celebrate with some liturgical celebrations and activities in our homerooms.

Friday 12th August- Farewell Assembly for Lillian Van Brussel
Rainbow Day for Vinnies
School Disco

Monday 15th August- Feast of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
We will celebrate with a whole-school mass in the church, all welcome!

Tuesday 16th August- MITIOG parent information session.

Friday 26th August- Bookweek Assembly
PFC Meeting

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Next Monday, the 8th of August, is Saint Mary Mackillop's Feast Day. The Antonio learning community will celebrate Saint Mary, Australia's first Saint with some activities in the Old Church across the road, this is the church where St Mary's excommunication was lifted in 1872.

Saint Mary Mackillop lived and worked right here in Morphett Vale at some time in her full and blessed life. As a child Mary lived in Melbourne with her parents and her seven brothers and sisters. She loved her family very much. Her father would go away for sometimes months at a time and Mary would help her mother who had many worries and not much money to look after her brothers and sisters. Mary had tough, sad times but she knew that God loved her and would look after her and her family. When Mary grew older, she wanted to help people and tell them that God loved them too. She travelled all over Australia by Cobb and Co. Coach to teach children and care for people.



Mary Mackillop's beauty and grace were mirrored in her ways of relating. Mary was gifted with great skills in communicating and relating to others. She used these gifts wisely and creatively to enrich the lives of others. In her work of educating children, Mary showed in practical ways that children are important members of society, she taught compassion and a way of being of service to the poor. She had a great love and respect for those in need and treated everyone with kindness and love even when people were unkind to her. Mary had many tough challenges in her life as a child and as an adult. She used her gifts of leadership, initiative, imagination, organization and assertiveness with her gifts of love, compassion, forgiveness, endurance, wisdom, kindness and courage to be of service to others. Mary used to say, "Never see a need without doing something about it."

Mary died at the age of 67 on the 8th August 1909. Her memory lives on today as people work in her name to bring education and opportunity to children who are poor and marginalized. WOW!!!! What a role model for us all. We are so blessed that Saint Mary and the Josephite sisters were implicit to our Catholic Education today.

We look forward to celebrating the life of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and learning more about her in our activities. We also see the work of St Mary reflected, through the work of our Mini-Vinnies social justice group, as they take action in our community to help the lives of people in need in our local community, through things such as the Vinnies winter appeal donations and Rainbow Day.

Mini-Vinnies

Our Mini-Vinnies social justice group have been busy organising the Rainbow Day for Vinnies. On Friday of Week 3, students are invited to wear an item of clothing or an accessory in their Year level colour. Normal school uniform must be worn with this. Students are also asked to donate an item, which will go to the St Vincent de Paul Society, to support local families in need. We hope the whole community can support this great student-led initiative!



World Game Changers!

On Wednesday of this week, Jeremy from Green Adelaide visited our school to meet our enthusiastic environmental action group. We had a look around our school at all of the fantastic things already happening, such as compost, gardens, nature play, chickens and much more. Then we chatted with Jeremy about some of our ideas for how we can promote sustainability in our local community. Next Tuesday, some of our World Game Changers will visit Tatachilla for the local 'Youth Environment Forum', where they will meet other likeminded young people, learn more about environmental sustainability and come up with a plan of action for here at Antonio.

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 ASAP. The due date for Instalment 3 is Friday 26th August.

Online School Card applications for low income families have now been processed and applied to all approved accounts. If you still need to apply please do so now via this link or come in and see me as it only takes a few minutes:

Form A (Income Assessment) -

<https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/application-for-school-card.html>

Form B (hardship, change of circumstances or self-employed)

<https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/form-b-hardship-or-circumstance-or-self-employed.html>

If accepted, this will allow us to reduce your tuition fees by 40%, so please apply and let me know you have done so ASAP.

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

Parents & Friends Committee

The wonderful Parents & Friends Committee have been very busy recruiting volunteers now that we are able to have more support on the school grounds. This means the Parents & Friends BBQ is back up and running on Fridays for lunches.

Orders must be completed via Qkr by every Wednesday at 2pm, when the ordering for the current week automatically stops - no late orders can be accepted. Please see Qkr for a list of what items are available for purchase. Thank you to Morphett Vale Butcher and Baker's Delight for their quality goods.

It is important you check you have your child listed in the correct class group so please update their 'profile' before first use.

Qkr is our only option for our fundraising events as it collates all order and produces a tally and report which the volunteers can then easily use to ensure no child is missed. No other option is available so please download Qkr to your phone if you wish to order BBQ, attend the upcoming disco or be part of future fundraising events.

**Friday
BBQ
is back**



Brighten up the lives of those in need



Rainbow Day for Vinnies

Friday 12th August

- Wear an item of clothing in your rainbow colour e.g. beanie, scarf, gloves, hair accessory.
- Bring a donation for the St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations

Rec Hall- Long life milk and juice

Rec Munroe- Cereal

Rec Naughton-Female Toiletries

1/2P- Biscuits and Crackers

1/2N- Treats and Chocolates

1/2S- Male Toiletries

1/2J- Socks and Gloves

3/4OV- Scarves

3/4R- Tinned food

3/4TV- Beanies

Year 5- Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate

Year 6- Tinned and Dried Fruit

Colours of the Rainbow

Reception- Red

Year 1- Orange

Year 2- Yellow

Year 3- Green

Year 4- Blue

Year 5- Purple

Year 6- Pink





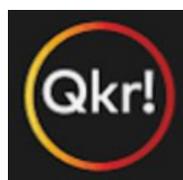
School Disco with "Bop till you Drop"

**when: 12/08 6pm - 7:15 pm (R to y2)
7:30 pm - 9pm (y3 to y6)**

price: \$5.00

**Included: glow stick /chips or
popcorn / water or juice box**

Payment to be made on



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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Pupil Free Day
Friday 9th September
OSHC not available

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 - Assembly Year 3/4 (Lillian Van Brussel's farewell)
Friday 12th August - Rainbow Day
Friday 12th August - School Disco

Week 4

Monday 15th August - Mass Whole School - Feast of the Assumption
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)
Friday 19th August - Mass 1/2 EN & 1/2 SS (REHN to attend)
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 - Assembly Year 1/2 & Book Week

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 - Mass Yr 5 attending
Friday 2nd September - Father's Day Stall

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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 - Mass Year 1/2SP & 1/2CJ (REJM to attend)
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 - Assembly Reception Classes
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
Friday 30th September - Mass Year 3/4

EVERYONE MATTERS...AND MATTERS ABSOLUTELY!