



# St Augustine's Parish School

## NEWSLETTER No. 3 – Term 1 Week 6, 2020

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**WHOLE SCHOOL PRAYER** every Monday (9.10am)

**STUDENT BANKING** every Wednesday

**PLAYGROUP** every Monday, Tuesday & Friday (9.00am – 11.00am)

**OCCASIONAL CARE** every Wednesday (9.00am – 11.30am)

**UNIFORM SHOP** every Tuesday 8.30am – 9.00am and

Thursday: 8.30am – 9.00am and 2.45pm – 3.15pm

**SUNSHINE CAFÉ** every Monday to Friday in Siena Hall from 8.30am – 8.50am.

All children welcome.

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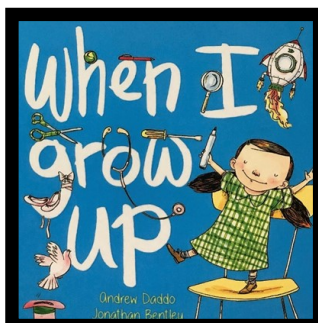


We read the big book 'When I Grow Up'  
written by Andrew Daddo.

We are developing our sense of **identity**.

We talked about what we want to be and do when  
we grow up. There are so many possibilities!

Look at what we will be in the future...



### DIARY DATES

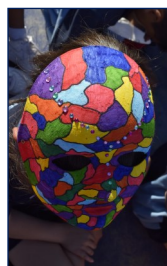
Fri 6/3	Year 5 Mass
Mon 9/3	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 10/3	5DC Zoo Snooze
Wed 11/3	Occasional Care (9.00am - 11.30am) 5MH Zoo Snooze
Thur 12/3	5ML Zoo Snooze
Fri 13/3	National Ride 2 School Day SACPSSA Swimming Carnival Year 4 Mass
Mon 16/3	School Board Annual General Meeting (7.00pm) All welcome
Wed 18/3	Occasional Care (9.00am - 11.30am) Phil Cummings Visit
Thur 19/3	St Josephs Day (Joseph Sports House members may wear Green t-shirts) Year 3/4 Soccer Carnival
Fri 20/3	Year 3 Mass National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Carnevale

Week 5 was once again a very busy time for the school as we celebrated Carnevale with a very colourful parade and the traditional pancakes. Carnevale is a celebration which occurs the day before Lent. The pancakes are part of Shrove Tuesday, when in times gone by, people used butter, milk and eggs as well as delicious spreads so that they would not be tempted to eat these things during the 'fast' of Lent. Today we acknowledge that Lent is the beginning of a time of reflection, self-improvement, prayer and acting for those on the margins. Lent, of course, began with Ash Wednesday; the Early Years children celebrated with ashes and classroom Liturgy while Years 3 to 6 attended Mass at St Augustine's Church. Fr Shibu gave a homily about metanoia (change of heart) which is something we strive for in Lent. We pray that our hearts will be turned to Christ in our thinking and our actions.

Thank you so much to the fantastic parents who prepared, cooked and served the pancakes to the 614 grateful children.



## Nude Food

We reminded the children at morning prayer of our school rules about showing kindness to ourselves, our families and others, as well as the planet. The Year 4s have embarked on a project of changing the thinking of the children in saying no to single use plastics and yes to reusable plastics, nude food, whole foods and less packaging. As a school, we are moving towards nude food on Tuesdays and Thursdays and we ask for family support in reducing plastics and waste in our school as we strive to educate our children and young people in an ecological conversion of the heart.



## School Board

Our School Board AGM will be held on Monday 16 March and all members of the school community are invited to attend at 7.00pm in the Library. This is an opportunity for the community to hear about the work of the school and the Board. We are seeking nominations for the School Board and we warmly invite parents and caregivers to nominate themselves or someone else for this very worthwhile work for the whole of St Augustine's Parish School community. Please complete a Nomination Form (attached to this Newsletter) and return to the Front Office. We hope to see many of you on Monday 16 March at 7.00 pm.

## Parent Survey

Thank you to the respondents of the recent Parent Survey which was overwhelmingly positive. Thank you very much for your feedback which helps us shape and form school performance and delivery for our families and their children. While this is an annual survey, please always feel free to contact us if you have suggestions, celebrations or concerns to share. We appreciate hearing from you at any time.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

*All of our classes are under the Catholic Education SA recommended class size in both Early Years and Primary Years. Knowing the needs of our children we keep our class sizes small to enable children to best flourish and thrive.*



### Project Compassion

With the commencement of Lent, we now turn to ways that we can help others during this season. We began our week with a Liturgy focussing on Project Compassion and encouraged children during this time to 'pray, serve and give'. Classes have been given Project Compassion collection boxes and in class, children are learning about the ways that Project Compassion supports people in Australia and overseas.

### Caritas Just Leadership Day

Last Monday, Year 6 leaders travelled with Ms Dajeman and Mrs Johnston to the Cathedral Hall in the city to participate in a leadership day focussing on the work of Caritas through Project Compassion. On this day, students heard some frightening statistics about people in need and engaged in activities that helped them to 'walk in another's shoes'. They were able to learn about the many and varied ways that people are supported through the work of Caritas and were encouraged to think of ways they could use their position as school leaders to support Project Compassion.

Blessings and Peace, *Georgia Dennis, Kerri Dent & Phillis Johnston*

## Year 4 Lab on Legs Incursion

On Tuesday 3 March the Year 4 classes enthusiastically participated in a hands on activity called Lab on Legs which was held in Siena Hall. This activity was closely linked to their Science program for Term 1 Forces: Physical Science: Push and Pull. This 90 minute activity was a fabulous opportunity for students to discover forces and interact with each other. During this time students were involved in carrying out a range of scientific experiments and recording their results. Students were well behaved and immersed in the activities. Many thanks to the parent volunteers who assisted students during the activity.



## PE NEWS

On 28 February our upper primary students participated in the SAPSASA Swimming carnival at Salisbury swimming pool. I commend our swimmers on their bravery and commitment to compete in a high-pressure atmosphere against other schools in our Salisbury district.

Our students competed in various 50m and 100m swimming events throughout the day, which resulted in St Augustine's winning the district flag for 2020.

A special mention to Ruby S and Thomas C who were selected to represent the Para-district team at the metro carnival, where if successful they will be selected to represent the state in swimming. Well done team, you should be very proud!



Kas Pillay  
Physical Education Teacher

### TERM 3 2020 ENROLMENTS

If you have a child who turns 5 before 31 October 2020 we invite you to enrol them to begin in Reception Term 3 2020 or Term 1 2021.

Applications are available online (<http://www.saps.catholic.edu.au/Enrolment>) or from the Front Office.



# CANTEEN



## Term 1 Week 7: 9 March - 13 March

Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger & Sally
Thursday	Carolyn & Estrella
Friday	Estrella & Sally

## Term 1 Week 8 16 March - 20 March

Monday	Rosie
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger & Sally
Thursday	Carolyn & Estrella
Friday	Estrella & Sally

Please use current Canteen Price List dated 28/01/2020.

## NOMINATION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

(return to Veronica Cox via the Front Office)

I would like to nominate ..... for the School Board (you may nominate yourself)

Nominated by: ..... Signature: .....  
(Please print name)

Seconded by: ..... Signature: .....  
(Please print name)

I accept the nomination:..... Signature: .....

## School F E E S

### 2020 School Card Applications

If you believe you may be eligible for school card this year, please complete the school card application form (available from the Front Office or <https://www.education.sa.gov.au/sites/default/files/school-card-application-form-a.pdf?v=1547006889>). Our next submission date is this Friday 6th March. If you require assistance completing this form please come in and see us, we are more than happy to help.

### Term 1 Fees – Due by 6th March

Please be reminded that Friday 8th March, Term 1's fees (one quarter of full year's fees) are due. Remember, if you have a direct debit or a Centrepay deduction in place, please ensure your current deductions cover your 2020 fees in full by the end of the year to ensure you are not charged a late payment fee. To increase or decrease these amounts, please contact the Front Office or email me at [finance@saps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@saps.catholic.edu.au)

### Last Chance To Receive Your Discount For Fees Paid In Full

Just a reminder that if you pay your fees in full by 6<sup>th</sup> March you will be entitled to a discount (as listed in the School Fee letter sent to all families November 2019 – additional copies are available from the front office).

Liz Polljonker - Business Manager

## ADVANCE NOTICE

**THURSDAY 2 APRIL - SPORTS DAY**

**FRIDAY 3 APRIL - PUPIL FREE DAY - OSHC bookings available on 8182 7987**

**THURSDAY 9 APRIL - TERM 1 ENDS (12.30PM)**



## Information for schools and early childhood centres, students and their parents

If students or staff have travelled from mainland China or Iran, or been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus, special restrictions apply.

This information sheet should be read in conjunction with the 'What you need to know' and 'Isolation guidance' information sheets at [www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)

## Can students or staff members attend schools and early childhood centres?

Students or staff **can not** attend school or early childcare centre if they have:

- left, or transited through mainland China in the last 14 days (they must isolate themselves for 14 days from leaving mainland China)
- left, or transited through Iran on or after 1 March (they must isolate themselves until 14 days after leaving Iran)
- been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus in the last 14 days (they must isolate themselves for 14 days after the date of last contact with the confirmed case).

The relevant school or childcare centre should be notified. Students may want to seek alternate arrangements for remote learning keeping in mind the isolation period, provided the person remains well, is a maximum of 14 days.

## What does isolate in your home mean?

People who need to isolate must stay at home and not attend public places, including work, school, childcare or public areas of university, higher education and vocational education campuses. Only people they usually live with should stay in the home. Do not see visitors. Where possible, ask others such as friends or family, who are not required to be isolated, to get food or other necessities.

If the person in isolation must leave the home or residence, such as to seek medical care, they are instructed to wear a surgical mask if they have one.

## What if a student or staff member becomes sick while in isolation?

Symptoms include (but are not limited to) fever, cough, sore throat, fatigue and shortness of breath.

If a student/staff member develops mild symptoms, they must:

- Isolate themselves from others at home and use a separate bathroom if available;
- Put on a surgical mask and if they don't have one, practise good sneeze/cough hygiene;
- Practise good hand hygiene; and
- Call a doctor or hospital and tell them the recent travel or close contact history.

If they have serious symptoms such as difficulty breathing:

- Call 000, ask for an ambulance and notify the officers of the recent travel or close contact history.

If unwell, staff and students should be excluded from attending the school or early childcare centre until they are assessed by their primary care provider. The primary care provider will liaise with the local public health authority to determine when it is safe for them to return to usual activities.

## How can we help prevent the spread of coronavirus?

Practising good hand hygiene and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence against most viruses:

- wash hands frequently with soap and water, before and after eating, and after going to the toilet
- cover coughs and sneezes, dispose of tissues, and use alcohol-based hand sanitiser
- and if unwell, avoid contact with others (touching, kissing, hugging, and other intimate contact).

## More information

While coronavirus is of concern, it is important to remember that most people displaying symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat or tiredness are likely suffering with a cold or other respiratory illness—not coronavirus.

For the latest advice, information and resources, go to [www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)

Call the National Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you require translating or interpreting services, call 131 450.

The phone number of your state or territory public health agency is available at [www.health.gov.au/state-territory-contacts](http://www.health.gov.au/state-territory-contacts)

If you have concerns about your health, speak to your doctor.