

St Augustine's Parish School

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Year 3's Easter Garden

The Year 3 children have been focusing on Easter as a special celebration in the Liturgical Year. They created Easter Gardens to display the significant symbols associated with Holy Week and the Resurrection of Jesus.

















HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Families

As we embark on the fourth week of the term, it is wonderful to **reflect** on the way that families have embraced the call to **'return to school'**. We are delighted to have all of the children back engaging in face to face learning with only a couple of families keeping their children at home due to health concerns. Teachers have spent a great deal of time making sure that learning has been **accessible** to all of the children and I am sure that they feel a great sense of relief that we are all back at school and engaging in this new normal which is a life somewhat different to our pre COVID existence.

School continues to be a **place of safety** as families cooperate with the need to stay on the other side of the school fence. This need will continue for some time in our staunch efforts to ensure that St Augustine's is a safe place for children and their teachers. Thank you to all of our families who have observed the "**No parents on site**" request. Only the parents of Reception children are permitted on site. This measure is to enable the school to stay safe and open for learning.

Please remember collection for your children is from the Carey St Gate or the Church Car park gate in the afternoon.

The Front Office is not a collection point as the space only allows us to have five adults in the Administration area at any one time. Similarly, if you wish to order uniforms or your child's lunch, please do so by phone and we will process your requests. Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.

Working from home is the new normal for many families and so the **Church Car park** and the **Chapel car park** have become somewhat congested in the afternoons in particular as more families collect their children from school rather than using OSHC. Extra staff are present each afternoon in both the **Church car park** and on **Carey Street**. Please help us to keep everyone safe by observing the road rules and driving in a way that suits the conditions. Doing u turns in Carey St is not helpful and in some situations is downright dangerous. **PLEASE** be careful and consider the safety of all of our community. Arriving a little after 3.15 pm will ensure that you get a park and MISS THE RUSH!

Please ask your children to wait for you at either the **Carey St gate** or the **Church car park gate** in the afternoon.

As restrictions have eased, we have been able to re-open **Breakfast Club**. Like all good cafes the **Sunshine café** is offering **take away menu only**. Strict distancing is being observed and each child must use sanitiser as they enter the hall for their toasty.

Our **prayers and thoughts** go out to the staff and children of All Saints Catholic School at Seaford this week. One of the children at the school, Sienna Walker Brown passed away last week. The loss of such a young life is always a tragedy and our hearts go out to Sienna's family and friends as well as the community of All Saints. May Sienna's soul rest eternally in God's loving embrace.

Blessings and Peace, Georgia Dennis & Kerri Dent.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Vinnie's desperately need food for families in need.

Cans of soup, vegetables and tuna Packet meals to cook at home

Packets of pasta and rice Biscuits – sweet and savoury

We know this a difficult time for many of our families, but many people rely on Vinnie's to get through another day without going hungry.

Thank you so much for any donations you are able to make.

DIARY DATES

Fri 5/6 PUPIL FREE DAY

Mon 8/6 PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Fri 3/7 TERM 3 ENDS

PLAYGROUP

Hi Everyone

Playgroup can now be accessed on-line, Please come and join us on Facebook, we have a closed group site where we have been reading stories to the children each week, creating crafts, exploring our environment and learning new songs, it's been a valuable and fun way to stay connected with our Pre-School community.

If you have young children and would like to join in on the fun please contact Carole on 81827987 or email childcare@saps.catholic.edu.au for more details or follow the Facebook link at St Augustine's Parish School



Carole Smith Playgroup Co-ordinator

TERM 3 2020 ENROLMENTS

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

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

LUCKY BOOK CLUB

All orders for Lucky Book Club Issue 3 are online. Should you wish to place an order please follow the link for ordering and payment.

https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/

Closing date has been extended to Monday May 25 2020 and the orders will be sent to school and distributed to your child's class.

Please contact the Front Office for assistance.

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

Congratulations to RSN and 5DC who won the awards for Performing Arts Classes of Term 1. These classes demonstrated amazing listening and put in their best effort with dance activities.

The Performing Arts trophies will remain in their classrooms until the end of this term, and each student received a reward to take home.

We are now on the hunt for the Performing Arts Class of Term 2, with our Music activities!

Mrs Giugliano (Performing Arts Teacher)







"It's exciting to live in the Festival State." - (Xian)

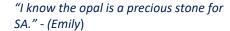




The Year 2 classes have been learning about the states and territories of Australia. This week 2CM went on a magical mystery tour all over our wonderful state of SA. We learned some exciting information about our home state and shared some places we have visited.

We did some amazing art work of Cape Willoughby Lighthouse and wrote detailed information reports about South Australia that we are going to send to our Scottish







(Houda)

"The hairy nosed wombat is the official animal of SA." - (Quentin)



"South Australia is the Wine State."-(Joel)

"Adelaide is named after King William IV's wife". - (Shiv)



In 2JS we have been learning about our connection to Australia and other places in the world. We have been looking at Sydney in particular and decided we wanted to draw the Sydney Harbour. We used a range of arts supplies such as black markers, oil pastels and water colours to create our master pieces. We have all grown a love for art.













