



# St Augustine's Parish School

## NEWSLETTER No. 4— Term 1 Week 8, 2019

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

**STUDENT BANKING** every Wednesday

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

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

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

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

All children welcome.

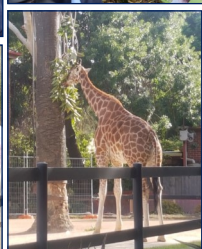
## ZOO SNOOZE



"I thought the zoo was awesome. The best thing was the night walk". Grace (5ML)



"My favourite part about the zoo was seeing Mr Percival and hearing the lions roar". Ashley (5ML)

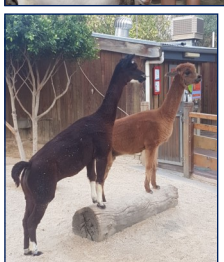


"My favourite animals were the penguins, meerkats, koalas and seals". Aleesha (5ML)



"Zoo Snooze was the best! Sleeping without our parents." - Tisha (5MH)

"My favourite part was sleeping in the tent with my friends and hearing the lions chatting to each other at night". Bailey (5ML)



"We saw the penguins and tiger get fed. I loved the BBQ tea and the night movie". Emmanuel (5ML)

"Zoo Snooze was amazing. You could hear the birds and the monkeys in the morning and the wolves in the night." - Hayden (5MH)



"Zoo Snooze was great! I loved it when we went to bed and we could hear the wolves and birds." - Jaiden (5MH)

"It was an amazing , once in a lifetime experience." - Madison (5MH)



"Zoo Snooze was fun because we had a BBQ and we got to see behind the scenes." -Jake (5MH)

**END OF TERM 1 - FRIDAY 12 APRIL (12.30 PM)**

### DIARY DATES

Fri 22/3	National Ride2School Day
Mon 25/3	Learning Conversations Week
Tues 26/3	Nude Food Day  Parents & Friends meeting - Siena Hall (9.15am) All Parents/ Caregivers welcome
Wed 27/3	Community Hub - English Class (9.15 -11.15am)
Thurs 28/3	Yr 1 Liturgy in Church (10.00am)  Yr 3 & 5 Online NAPLAN practice
Mon 1/4	Yr 1 NM, MC & IA Excursion
Tues 2/4	Nude Food Day  Reception Liturgy in Church - (2.30pm)
Wed 3/4	Community Hub - English Class (9.15 -11.15am)
Thur 4/4	<b>SPORTS DAY</b>
Fri 5/4	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
Mon 8/4	<b>HOLY WEEK LITURGIES</b>
Tues 9/4	Nude Food Day
Wed 10/4	Community Hub - English Class (9.15 -11.15am)
Fri 12/4	Term 1 Ends (12.30pm)

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Annual General Meeting

The School Board, Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) and Parents & Friends (P&F) held their AGM on Monday 18 March 2019. The night was very well attended and Georgia shared the Annual Report and the AGM Booklet which included reports from OSHC, P&F and this year Playgroup.

In the absence of the Chair of Finance, Liz Polljonker presented the financials for 2018 and the Auditor's Report which had been ratified by the School Board at a prior meeting. Nominations were called for membership of the School Board and we are pleased to announce that Katrina Hockley and Kim Moffatt were elected. They join Natasha Shields, Rose Musolino, Elisha Kenyon, Parisa Mohammadi, Kevin Blake, Mel Stockdale, Georgia Dennis and Fr Shibu (President) as voting members of the 2019 School Board. Kerri Dent, Liz Polljonker, Veronica Cox and Vicki Blackwell also attend School Board Meetings as co-opted members (no voting rights).

We would like to thank outgoing members: Andrea Smith (previous Chair) and Karen Peirce (Chair of Finance Committee) for their service to the school. Andrea has retired as our School Board Chair after many years of service to the School Board both as a voting member and a very capable Chairperson. We thank Andrea for her dedication and commitment to the school in this role and wish her every blessing and success as she follows her children through their secondary schooling at Thomas More College. Families who would like to read the school Annual Report will find it on our website or a hard copy is available at the Front Office.

## Zoo Snooze

Last week children in Year 5 attended the annual Zoo Snooze sleepover. Over the two nights children and teachers learned about the zoo after hours and the care that is required to maintain a functioning, ethically responsible zoo. The children slept on top of the building in tents after enjoying night time excursions around the zoo and a hearty dinner. For those who were up early there was abundant opportunity to see keepers, vets and volunteers at work feeding animals and cleaning enclosures. The zoo never sleeps!

## Playgroup

Our Supported Playgroups in Catholic Education (SPiCE) Playgroup is growing and we have extended availability to two days a week. We are now finding that we probably need more days when parents can come with their children and we are surveying families to find the most appropriate day. Thank you to Carole Smith and Natasha Burdett and, on occasions, Michelle Barnett, for all of their hard work and creativity in providing engaging and meaningful sessions for families and their preschool children.



## Learning Conversations

Learning Conversations begin next week with the late night being on Wednesday. It is expected that all families will attend these very important sessions with teachers and students. Teachers have sent home letters offering times to families. If you have not been able to book a time, please contact your child's teacher. St Augustine's Parish School requires 100% attendance at all important learning conversations.

## Year 1 Excursion

Two of the Year 1 classes went to the Urrbrae Wetlands this week. The Urrbrae educators engaged the children with provocations surrounding the plants and the animals of the Wetlands. Everyone was very busy finding bugs and testing the water for plant and animal life.

## Harmony Day

The school celebrated Harmony Day remembering our three very important school rules of BE KIND, BE KIND, BE KIND. Harmony Day this year is particularly poignant in the light of events in New Zealand and The Netherlands. St Augustine's Parish School prides itself on being a welcoming community with a wonderful diversity of cultures, faith traditions and nationalities. We treasure this gift and our wonderful families who bring to life God's message of respect for the other and the dignity of the human person.

**HARMONY  
DAY**

### Ride2School Day

Friday 22 March is Ride2School Day and children are encouraged to ride or scoot or even walk with their families to the school gate. This is an opportunity for children to be actively engaged in safe journeying to school that does not include the use of a car. Riding and walking and scooting to school are much kinder and gentler to the environment and offer children the opportunity of early morning exercise which promotes physical strength and fitness, as well as brain health.

### UniSA

Kerri Dent has been working with Julie Trinidad from UniSA and preservice teachers who are studying the Catholic Studies Stream. The students come to St Augustine's and observe teachers teaching a highly engaging and contemporary Religious Education curriculum using cutting edge pedagogy and bringing to life the Catholic faith in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. This week the preservice teachers taught their own lessons and received feedback from the teachers and the university lecturer. This partnership with UniSA has been reciprocally fruitful as many of the younger teachers in our school, be they temporary relief or contract teachers, have come to us through this program.

### Easter Raffle

This year we will be having an Easter Raffle with a difference. We will not be asking families to buy raffle tickets but each child in the school will be given a ticket and a chance to win. This Easter Raffle will be an in-house event just for the children. We hope that this raffle will enable children to celebrate the new life of Christ without placing financial burden on families.

We wish everyone a week filled with peace and tolerance and we pray for those people in our world who have suffered loss, grief and trauma.

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

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# PE NEWS

### **SAPS Swimming**

Congratulations to Nicholas N and Krish T who have been selected to compete in the SAPSASA Metro Championships On Thursday March 28, week 9. Fantastic effort by both boys.

### **Auskick Clinics**

Well done to all girls who have been refining their footy skills over the last 6 weeks at our girls only Auskick clinics on Thursday afternoons. These girls will now put their skills to the ultimate test in front of a packed Adelaide Oval Crowd as they play at half time in the Crows v Geelong game on Thursday April 4. Go well girls!

Nick Skewes  
Physical Education Co-ordinator



## CANTEEN



### **Term 1 Week 9: 25 March - 29 March**

Monday	Rosie & Toni
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger - Assistance required
Thursday	Alex & Estrella
Friday	Estrella & Chris

### **Term 1 Week 10: 1 April - 5 April**

Monday	Rosie & Toni
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger - Assistance required
Thursday	<b>SPORTS DAY</b>
Friday	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>

# School F E E S

## Term 1 Fees – Now Overdue

On Friday 8 March, Term 1's fees (one quarter of full year's fees) were due. If you have not updated your payment plan for 2019 or paid Term 1 fees please do so immediately to **avoid an overdue fee of \$50 being added to your account**. If you are experiencing difficulties or require a negotiated payment plan, please contact me via the Front Office or email me at [finance@saps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@saps.catholic.edu.au)

## School card

If you have already applied for School Card this year and have received a letter from the School Card Department stating that you are ineligible, please come in and see either Kate Uren or myself to apply for a re-assessment. This needs to be done prior to our next submission date 5 April.

Also if you have not already applied THIS YEAR, please do so immediately to avoid paying full fees. We cannot apply for this after the final submission date. **You must apply for School Card every year. Failure to submit a School Card application will result in reversal of the discounts already applied on your statement. (Additional charges will apply.)**

## Entertainment Books

2019/20 Entertainment Books will be available for purchase from the Front Office from Monday 8 April.

Order your new Entertainment Digital Membership or Book online now at <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1637s56> or complete the order form and return to the Front Office to secure your book before the school holidays.

*Liz Polljonker – Business Manager*

# NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2019 FRIDAY 22 MARCH

## ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH SCHOOL

are excited to be celebrating  
**National Ride2School Day on Friday 22 March 2019.**

In the spirit of embracing a healthy and happy start to the day, we encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go.

National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active transport for our community.

If you can't actively travel the whole way, consider parking the car nearby and riding or walking the rest of the way.

*It's going to be a wheelie good day and we hope to see you there!*

