

# St Augustine's Parish School

# NEWSLETTER No. 10 – Term 2 Week 10, 2019

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ABSENTEE PHONE: 8182 7915 OR ABSENTEE SMS: 0407 664 190 WHOLE SCHOOL PRAYER every Monday (9.10 am) STUDENT BANKING every Wednesday PLAYGROUP every Monday, 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.



On Friday in Week 7, Year 2 students went on an excursion to Monarto Zoo. The excursion was in conjunction with students learning about how to research and compose information reports as well as investigating different habitats around the world.



Throughout the day students participated in the 'My Cubby' program which saw them work as a team to use the nature around them to construct a 'cubby' for a shelter. Students created some awesome shelters that were shared together at the end of the program.



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	Fri 5/7	TERM 2 ENDS		
.50 am.		(12.30pm)		
	Fri 19/6	Uniform Shop Open		
		(9.00am - 3.00pm)		
	Mon 22/7	TERM 3 BEGINS (9.00am)		
	Tues <b>30/7</b>	Northern Areas Soccer Carnival		
	Tues 6/8	Volunteer Induction		
		(9.15am - 11.00am)		
	Wed 7/8	SACPSSA X Country Carnvial		
	Thurs 8/8	Feast of Mary Mackillop		

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The second part of the excursion saw students take a bus tour of the zoo. Students travelled around the zoo park with our tour guide Peter, sightseeing many animals; emus, giraffes, rhinos, chimpanzees, hyenas, wild African painted dogs, cheetahs & lions, just to name a few! Everyone had a great day exploring Monarto Zoo, building shelters and seeing many different animals from around the world.

ADVANCE NOTICE: MSP SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON TUESDAY 13 AUGUST AND FRIDAY 16 AUGUST. SHOULD YOUR CHILD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THESE DATES AND YOU WISH FOR YOUR CHILD TO BE INCLUDED PLEASE CONTACT MSP PHOTOGRAPHY ON 8132 1148

# HIGHLIGHTS

#### Final Week of Term 2

The final week of the Term opened with Year 2s celebrating Acts of Kindness in their prayer and song. The children captured the essence of what it means to be a member of a Catholic Community reaching out to others and showing kindness in any way we can.

#### **Catholic Schools Music Festival**

The Catholic Schools Music Festival choir performed for the school community on Monday morning with their rendition of the song "Glorious". The choir is to be congratulated for their beautiful singing. Thank you to Ms Nowosilskyj, their choir trainer, for guiding the children to this point of excellence in their performance.

#### Whole School Mass

Last Friday the school celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart at a whole school Mass. We thank Fr Vimalraj for officiating at this special Mass. Children from the Liturgical Choir provided support with the singing, while Daniel E (Year 4) impressed us all with his drumming and other members of the teaching staff provided the musical accompaniment. Aliyah H (Year 6) sang the Responsorial Psalm which was a deeply moving experience for everyone in the church.

#### Welcome

We warmly welcome Fr Shibu back from his trip to India and thank Fr Francis, Fr Sam, Fr Vimalraj and Deacon Arturo for caring for the Salisbury Catholic Parish community in Fr Shibu's absence.

#### **Attendance**

One of the areas that we would like families to focus on in Semester 2 is the attendance of their child or children, this includes late arrival and early departure. The importance of attending school regularly cannot be overstated. Children who struggle at school can often trace the reason back to poor attendance. Late arrival also has an effect on children's learning. Our classes begin the day in a calm and orderly manner where everyone knows what is going to happen for the day. When children arrive late their learning is affected because they don't know what is happening or what they are supposed to be doing. Their anxiety levels rise and they find it difficult to focus.

#### **Volunteer Screening**

We would like to alert the community to new changes to screening laws as at 1 July 2019. Stronger, more effective and transparent screening laws for people working or volunteering with children have been introduced in South Australia. The new screening laws were recommended as part of Federal and South Australian Royal Commissions, to help keep children safe in our communities. The new laws mean that from 1 July 2019 everyone working or volunteering with children must have a valid child -related check. From 1 July 2019 the current system for child-related employment screenings will be replaced with a Working With Children Check (WWCC). This new check is coming in to better protect children by providing a monitored and more thorough assessment of a person's eligibility to work or volunteer with children. Because the check is monitored, immediate action can be taken if a person is charged with a concerning offence. A WWCC is valid for five years and is portable across roles and organisations throughout South Australia. Under the new law, people who have a current, valid DCSI screen can keep using it until it expires. Then they will need to get a WWCC. If you are currently volunteering or would like to volunteer at St Augustine's Parish School and have any queries about how this will affect you, please contact Deb Applebee at the Front Office on 8182 7900 or <u>enrolments@saps.catholic.edu.au</u>. For further information, please access the Government website below: <a href="https://screening.sa.gov.au/screening-process/child-related-employment-screening/working-with-children-check">https://screening.with-children-check</a>

#### Sunshine Café

During these cold mornings, we are pleased to report that our Sunshine Café (Breakfast Club) has been serving over 60 breakfasts each morning. Thank you to our patrons and the families who come to share this special beginning of day meal with other members of the school community. Thank you to our very hardworking volunteers: Mel Stockdale, Sonya Oldfield, Linda McEvoy, Jayne Brown, Alison Sajkunovic, Nick Skewes and Simone Dajeman. These people ensure that any child or family member who needs breakfast will be given a warm, nutritious meal and a welcoming smile to start their day.

#### Community Hub

We are pleased to announce that the Australian Government has agreed to continue funding Community Hubs. This is great news for our Hub and Margaret Hayman, our Co-ordinator. Margaret is currently exploring the idea of sewing classes in the Hub. If you are interested, or have some skills to offer, please contact Margaret in person on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday or by email on <u>margaret@saps.catholic.edu.au</u>.

#### SPiCE Playgroup

Congratulations to our SPICE Playgroup which hosted staff from Our Lady of Hope School and Jane Lemon from Catholic Education last Friday. They came to gather ideas and see the wonderful things we are doing and were very impressed with what they experienced. We are part of a group called "Encounters With Playgroup" and were chosen earlier in the year to be a showcase playgroup for others in the state. We look forward to Jane bringing other visitors to our Playgroup in September.

**Student Reports for Semester 1** will be coming home on Friday and Learning Conversations based on those reports will be happening in Week 3 of next Term.

As always, please be safe over the school holidays, look after each other, and have fun! We look forward to seeing you all back safe and well in Term 3.

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

### **2020 ENROLMENTS**

If you have a child due to start school in 2020, we invite you to enrol them now.

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



#### SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

School holidays are now upon us but you are still able to pay your school fees by utilising the BPAY system. At the bottom of your statement, there is a BPAY section showing the school's BPAY (Biller) ID and your individual reference number. This reference number is unique to your bill.

Just contact your financial institution (Bank) to find out how easy this is to set BPAY up if you do not already have this facility. BPAY makes it easy to pay your bills from the convenience of your home telephone or internet any time of the day by using your Cheque, Savings or Credit Card account.

#### 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 and see either Kate Uren or myself to apply for a re-assessment. This needs to be done prior to our next submission date, 2 August 2019.

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.

#### ARE YOU HAVING DIFFICULTIES PAYING YOUR FEES?

If you would like to discuss a fee payment arrangement, please feel free to contact me on 8182 7900 or <u>finance@saps.catholic.edu.au</u> to arrange an appointment. All discussions will be kept confidential.

Liz Polljonker – Business Manager

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Term 3 Week 1: 22 July - 27 July		Term 3 Wee	Term 3 Week 2: 29 July - 2 August	
Monday	Rosie & Toni	Monday	Rosie & Toni	
Tuesday	Judith	Tuesday	Judith	
Wednesday	Inger & Sally	Wednesday	Inger & Sally	
Thursday	Alex & Estrella	Thursday	Alex & Estrella	
Friday	Estrella & Chris	Friday	Estrella & Chris	

Our Canteen Volunteers are greatly appreciated and a very big thank you to Rosie, Toni, Judith, Inger, Sally, Alex, Estrella, Chris, Rose, Mel and Katrina for their assistance throughout the year. Anthea Dobbin Canteen Manager

# **PERFORMING ART NEWS**

#### What a busy and loud term we have had, with our Music focus in Performing Arts this term!

R-2 students have participated in an 'Elements of Music' focus. They have learnt about beat, rhythm, pitch and tempo in different ways. They played a variety of percussion instruments including maracas, bells, tambourines, glockenspiels and African djembes. They also joined in with chants, songs and movement to help them learn and remember these elements of music.

The Year 3 students have enjoyed learning the recorder. We followed a program called 'Black Belt Recorder', which assisted students in learning to read some music. In particular they focussed on notes B, A and G. They learnt a range of songs that can be played using these 3 notes such as: Ta aa aa aa Samba, Ta aa Mambo, BAG are my first notes, Mary Had a Little Lamb and Hot Cross Buns. They played these songs to backing tracks which made them sound interesting and exciting. They worked hard on playing the songs together as a class ensemble and listening to and following instructions.

The Year 4-6 students started out the Term with a percussion focus using the African djembes. They focussed on the 3 main sounds which are bass, tone and slap. They played beat and rhythm patterns using these sounds. Following the African djembes, their focus was an introduction to ukulele. Firstly, we discussed the history and parts of the ukulele. Next students learnt the ukulele strings GCEA, and the chant for the pitch of the strings, 'my dog has fleas'! Then they practised strumming patterns and chords including C, A minor, F, and G. We rehearsed 3 main songs as a class which were: You Are My Sunshine, I'm Yours and Riptide. More experienced students went on to play 'Don't Worry Be Happy' and some of their own songs.

We are looking forward to a change of focus (and not quite so much noise!) next term, with drama. Students will learn skills such as mime, improvisation and characterisation and will have the opportunity to develop their confidence by working with and performing to their peers.

Enjoy a well-earned break from the school routine! See you in Term 3.

Paula Giugliano Performing Arts Teacher



















On Wednesday 26 June the Year 3 children accompanied by their teachers, ESOs and parent helpers spent the day in the Adelaide CBD consolidating some of their learning from the Term.

Our day began at the South Australian State Library where we toured some of the old heritage buildings and visited the Phil Cummings exhibition. We have been learning a lot about author Phil Cummings at school, and were surprised by how much more we could learn about his stories by visiting the "stories behind the books" exhibition.



We next travelled to the Adelaide Central Market where the children practised their maths and communication skills by purchasing something of their choice to the value of \$3. There were so many fabulous smells, sights, sounds and other treats for us to explore there. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in the sunshine at the Lefevre

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The services and events contained in this newsletter are in no way connected with the school and are included for your information only. Parents and guardians need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children.

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM Monday 8 to Friday 19 July 2019

libraries and community centres









JOIN IN ON THE FUN THIS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS! To register visit: salisbury.sa.gov.au/shp



## **Citizenship Classes:** Preparation and Support

Commencing Monday 22 July (term time) Mondays, 10am to 11.30am (10 weeks) Len Beadell Library (55 John Street, Salisbury) Cost: FREE

Bookings essential.

For enrolments and class suitability: P: 8406 8319

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SACPSSA Netball Carnival was held at Priceline Stadium on Tuesday July 2. St Augustine's took 5 teams from Year 3-7 with a very successful and enjoyable day had by all. A big thank you must go out to our parent volunteers and SAPS Old Scholars who supported our players throughout the day. It was a fantastic way to finish off what has been an extremely busy Semester for PE.

Nick Skewes & Kas Pillay Health & PE Teachers









## **UNIFORM**

St Augustine's School Uniform components are only available from the St Augustine's Parish School's Uniform Shop.

Holiday Dates for the Uniform Shop: Friday July 19 (9.00am - 3.00pm)

### Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019

### Thank you

Thank you to all families who have collected Earn & Learn stickers for St Augustine's Parish School.

The promotion has now ended and we sincerely thank you for your support and we now look forward to redeeming the stickers for Educational resources.

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<b>2019 VOLUNTEER INDUCTION – RETURN SLIP</b>				
I will be attending the Volunteer Induction session on:				
TUESDAY 6 AUGUST at: 9.15am - 11.00am				
WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST at: 1.30pm - 3.00pm				
Name:Contact No.:				
Eldest Child name:				

