



# St Augustine's Parish School

## NEWSLETTER No. 9 – Term 2 Week 8, 2019

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**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.



### 4AP

**Physical Science Forces Incursion  
Lab on Legs**

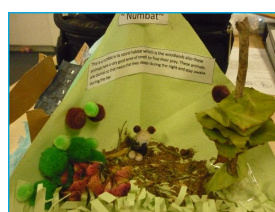
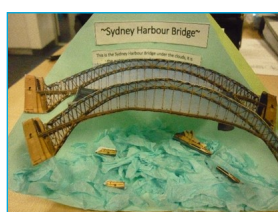
Our unit of work on Forces culminated in a fantastic incursion which involved the students working through a number of practical force experiments.



### 4DM

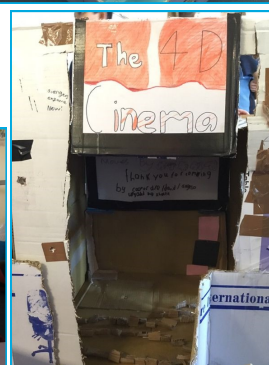
### 3-D Quadramas

*The last few weeks our class has been working on something called a "quadrama". A quadrama is a four-sided triangular pyramid. We have been putting some information about Australia and in each quarter there is a different presentation. The students have been allowed to choose their own 2 sections but the other 2 had to be a famous tourist attraction/landmark and a native animal in Australia in their natural habitat. For each quarter there is a section of writing and a way of showing their research in a 3D form. (Written by Sanjana, Yulu and Madeline)*



### 4DC

This term we created a "Mini Shopping Centre" out of cardboard boxes. We spent a lot of time getting them looking just like the real shops!!



### DIARY DATES

- Fri 21/6 Year 3 Mass (9.30am)
- Year 2 Excursion
- Tues 25/6 Little Augustine's (9.00am - 2.30pm)
- Wed 27/6 Year 3 Excursion
- Thur 27/6 RRV & RTH Excursion
- Year 1 Liturgy (10.00am)
- Fri 28/6 RSN, RAH & RCR Excursion
- Tues 2/7 CSMF Choir excursion
- SACPSSA Girls Netball Carnival
- Canteen Special Lunch order day
- Wed 3/7 St Thomas's Day - Thomas Sports House members can wear RED t-shirts
- Fri 5/7 Term 2 Ends (12.30pm)
- Mon 22/7 Term 3 begins (9.00am)

**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

## PUPIL FREE DAY

On Friday 7 June Staff engaged in a thought provoking Professional Learning Day with Marianne Farrugia from CESA. Marianne guided teachers through using the General Capabilities from the Australian Curriculum as a lens for their programming. The General Capabilities include Literacy and Numeracy, Personal and Social Capabilities, Information and Communication Technology Capacity, Ethical Understanding, Critical and Creative Thinking and Intercultural Understanding. These capabilities develop those human qualities which enable successful engagement with learning and life and are the qualities that drive success for children and young people now and into the future.

## LITTLE AUGUSTINES

After the Public Holiday and a very busy Catholic Education Week, the school has settled back into routine and we welcomed our Little Augustines to their third transition visit where they stayed for lunch. There were many high vis vests in the yard at both Recess and Lunchtime to ensure that our newest children enjoyed their extended day. Our aim is to make the transition to school as seamless as possible.

## SPiCE PLAYGROUP

On Monday, Georgia and Carole Smith presented at the Early Years Symposium of Catholic Education showcasing the St Augustine's Parish School SPiCE Playgroup and the many benefits it provides for preschool children and their families. The activities of our Playgroup embrace the principles of STEM as well as our whole school philosophy of the capable, competent and intelligent child. This soft entry into school enhances children's ability to seamlessly transition into the Early Years and beyond. Carole Smith was applauded for the quality of her presentation and teachers from Our Lady of Hope, Greenwith, and Jane Lemon from CESA have booked a visit to the Playgroup for this Friday.

## WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

On Friday 28 June (Week 9) the school will come together for a whole school Mass celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart. This will be a lovely opportunity for us to all come together before the end of the term. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## STUDENT REPORTS

Teachers are putting the final touches onto the progress reports. This year reports will be produced using Accelerus. Teachers input the data into a customised program for St Augustine's Parish School. The program is cloud based and enables teachers to access their report templates from a variety of locations without creating variations in the report formatting.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS

On Monday evening we hosted very successful Parents and Friends and School Board Meetings. The attendance at the P&F Meeting has indicated to us that the new time of 6.00pm before the School Board Meeting suits many more parents and some exciting plans were discussed for whole school events into the future. We welcome, as part of our P&F committee the following members: Rose Musolino, Parisa Mohammadi, Josh Henderson, Suzie Lorenz, Mel Salerno, Amanda Davey, Daw Ni, Tanya Walding and Ni La. Please check this newsletter for upcoming dates for P&F meetings.

## SCHOOL BOARD

We met with our new School Board for 2019 with Mr Kim Moffatt elected as the Chair of the Board, Natasha Shields elected as the Deputy Chair, Veronica Cox as Secretary. We are still waiting to appoint the Chair of the Finance Committee. If there is anyone in the school community with financial expertise and time to attend Finance Committee Meetings and Board Meetings, please contact Georgia Dennis or Liz Polljonker to discuss the role.

## ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for 2020 are now being finalised and we invite all families with children who turn five years of age by 30 April 2020 to ring Deb to book an enrolment conversation with a member of the Leadership team. If there are any families with children who turn five before 30 October and would like their child to commence school this year in Term 3, could they please call Deb on 81827900 to book an enrolment conversation as soon as possible as we only have two places left for this mid year intake.



## MID YEAR INTAKE

Many families ask what mid year intake is like for children who commence school at this time. These children operate in a play based environment with a STEM focus which is supported by the Early Years Learning Framework and two expert Early Years teachers. The learning environment reaches beyond the classroom to spaces and places where children can play in the forest and/or engage with creative activities in a garden environment. Learning is monitored by their teachers and parents given an opportunity to engage with their children's learning in real time via the See Saw App. Families are warmly invited to visit and engage with the daily program with their child. The program has an oral language focus and encourages children to use their words to articulate their learning and to share their wonderings.

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

# Sacramental Program

Do you think your child may be ready to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion? The Parish Sacrament Team will be running two pre-enrolment/information sessions on the following weekends:

**Saturday 29 June 2019 from 4:15pm.** Repeated on **Sunday 30 June 2019 from 10:15am**

**AND**

**Sunday 27 July 2019 from 4:15pm.** Repeated on **Sunday 28 July 2019 from 10:15am** in the **Family Centre**.

Parents are invited to come along to one session from each weekend detailed above. Children do not need to attend these first two enquiry sessions.

Please pick up an '**expression of interest**' form from the Front Office and return it to Phillis Johnston. Further information is also available from the Parish Office or by contacting Louise Svensdotter (Sacrament Program Coordinator) on Wednesday mornings under St Joseph's Pavilion or on 8281 9603.

A reminder that there will be a thanksgiving mass held for families of children who have recently undertaken their sacrament journey.

## School F E E S

### TERM 2 SCHOOL FEES – NOW OVERDUE

Please be reminded that Term 2 school fees are now **overdue**. If you are experiencing difficulties, please contact me to discuss.

### 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 me to apply for a re-assessment. This needs to be done prior to our next submission date, 21 June 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 at [finance@saps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@saps.catholic.edu.au) or on 8182 7900 or to arrange an appointment. All discussions will be kept confidential.

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Not all good books must come to an end! We have 2019/2020 books available for purchase from the Front Office for \$70.00. They can also be purchased online –

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1637s56>.

Please feel free to contact the administration staff should you have any queries with your school fee account.

*Liz Polljonker – Business Manager*



## CANTEEN



### Term 2 Week 9: 24 June - 28 June

Monday Public Holiday

Tuesday Judith

Wednesday Inger & Sally

Thursday Alex & Estrella

Friday Estrella & Chris

### Term 2 Week 10: 1 July - 5 July

Monday Rosie & Toni

Tuesday Judith (Special Lunch Order day)

Wednesday Inger & Sally

Thursday Alex & Estrella

Friday Recess only



# PE NEWS

## HOUSE CAPTAINS

On Wednesday 22 May the St Augustine's School Sports House Captains and Mr Pillay had the opportunity to be part of the SACPSSA/ ACHPER Student Leadership Day hosted at Blackfriars Priory School. During the day our students were joined by student leaders from surrounding schools to listen to presenters discuss the qualities needed to be an effective leader in our community. The second half of the day focused on creating games, which our captains then taught to other students. The day provided our captains with some great tools that they are in the process of implementing in our school through our 'Leadership Program', by running warmups in P.E lessons and also through the coaching of our school football teams.



Well done to the students who attended on the day, we appreciate and commend your constant effort and dedication to helping those around you.

## SACPSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Monday 17 June St Augustine's attended the SACPSSA Section 4 and 5 Athletics Carnival at Santos Stadium, Mile End. Our school was extremely well represented by all 42 athletes, who displayed incredible effort and respect throughout the day. We collected place ribbons throughout the day in a number of track and field events across all age groups and finished 4th out of 9 for both boys and girls in Section 5, missing out on third place by only a handful of points, an amazing achievement by all involved.

Congratulations to Bentley D (Section 5 Year 3 boys) and Cooper D (Section 5 Year 4 boys) who both took out the age champion award for their respective divisions against some very tough competition. Our Year 3 boys athletes also won the overall award for Section 5 Year 3 boys, with a 2nd place in the 4x100 relay edging us just in front for the win.

We are extremely proud of all our students for the way they conducted themselves throughout the carnival, displaying fantastic effort while competing and always encouraging their team mates and competitors while in the stands.

A very big thank you must go to Mr Cottrell and Miss Dajeman for all the training and preparation leading into the Athletics carnival. Their commitment and coaching is very much appreciated by all. We would also like to thank Kristy Evans and Mel Salerno for their tireless effort in supervising and supporting our athletes whilst they waited for their events.



## SACPSSA NETBALL

Initially St Augustine's was attending SACPSSA Netball on Wednesday 3 July, but due to full registration for that day the date has now been changed to **Tuesday 2 July (week 10)** at Netball SA Priceline Stadium for year 4-6 boys and girls. Consent forms have been sent home to all participants.

Nick Skewes & Kas Pillay  
Health & PE Teachers

# COMMUNITY HUB



Our morning tea in the St Augustine's Community Hub brought families together to get to know each other and raise money for the Cancer Council. Our donation will fund life-saving research, prevention programs, and help support people impacted by cancer.

The Hub program is slowly developing beyond weekly English classes. The women have expressed a desire to grow food from their different cultures in the school Community Garden and we've been allocated two large garden beds.

We are also planning to hold weekly sewing classes. If anyone has the skills to teach other people how to sew, knit or crochet please let the Front Office know.

If you would like to help in the English class, crèche or to offer help in any other way please contact the school. We would love to meet you and talk about your important role in helping the successful settlement of new families

Margaret Hayman  
Community Hub Co-coordinator

