



# St Augustine's Parish School

## NEWSLETTER No. 12 – Term 3 Week 4, 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.

## 4 DC

In 4DC, we have had 3 students who have spent the last two Terms competing in the Oliphant Science Awards.

This competition is very challenging and only 150 students from SA entered their division.

Riley L, Carter C and Seth J developed a computer that teaches students about 'Gravity.'

They have then created four mini games, which allow students to practice what they have learnt.

We are very proud that they have represented St Augustine's Parish School so successfully at such a prestigious Science event.



### DIARY DATES

- Fri 16/8** Wakakirri Dress Rehearsal and School performances
- School Photo Make up day
- Mon 19/8** BOOK WEEK - "READING IS MY SECRET POWER"
- Yr 3/4 Hot Shots Tennis Carnival
- Tues 20/8** Northern Areas Cluster Yr 4-6 Football Carnival
- Wed 21/8** Book Week Parade (9.15am) - All Welcome
- Thur 22/8** Wakakirri Performance at Adelaide Entertainment Centre
- Fri 23/8** SAPSASA Boys Soccer carnival
- Wed 28/8** St Augustine's Day Whole School Mass (9.30am) & \$2 Fun Fair
- Thur 29/8** CSMF Rehearsal - St Marys College
- Fri 30/8** Father's Day Breakfast - Siena Hall (8.00am) & Liturgy (9.15am)

**ADVANCE NOTICE: PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER — OSHC IS NOT AVAILABLE**

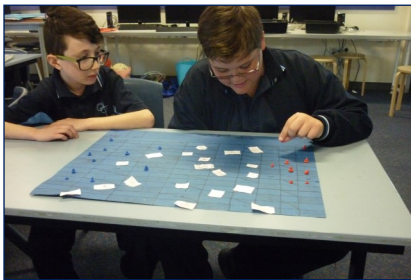
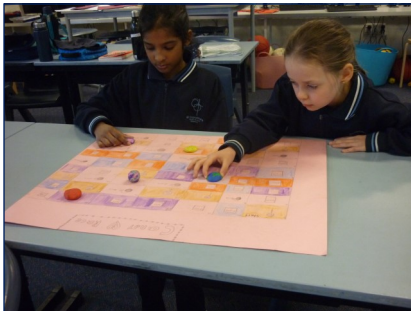
# 4 AP

This Term 4AP have been learning about the moon and if it will one day be possible for us to live on a different planet. We have drawn some pictures of space, the moon's surface, satellites, rockets, planets, astronauts and moon buggies. Here are some of our creations.



# 4 BM

As part of our Literacy and Technology program in Year 4 BM, students in our class were set the following task: Create an indoor board game of chance played by two or more people. Invent a name for your game and write the instructions of how to play the game. Include all steps the players follow to play the game and use illustrations. List all the materials you will need to play the game. List the elements of chance in your game. Record the tools of the game, for example a dice that is used in the game. Present the game that you have created to the class.



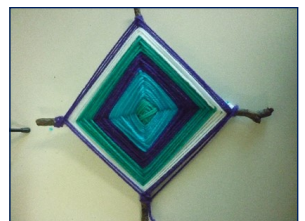
# 4 DM

Ojo de Dios – 'The Eye of God'

Ojo de Dios is a Spanish piece of art. It means in English 'the Eye of God'. Getting started to make it was terrifically hard, but once we had the hang of it, it was easy. Ojo de Dios is a diamond shaped relaxing calm object to make. It uses wool. What I enjoyed about making it is that it's really easy to make once you get the hang of it and it's really pretty once it's finished. Ojo de Dios is from the countries of Mexico and Bolivia. The 4 meanings of the ends of the sticks are; earth, wind, fire and water. The 2 reasons why the Ojo de Dios were made because it represents the birth of a child and stops at their 5<sup>th</sup> year alive. It is also used as a symbol to watch over people praying.

Other people liked making it because it's a spiritual thing which is easy and relaxing. We hope you enjoy our God's Eyes on this page.

Written by Imogen from 4DM





# HIGHLIGHTS

## Diocesan Visit

Week 3 was an extremely busy week at St Augustine's Parish School and in the Parish itself. The Diocesan Pastoral Team visited the Parish and its schools over eight days, meeting with members of the Parish Leadership team, different Ministries, viewing schools and talking with teachers and, most importantly of all, talking with the children. Sarah Moffatt, Acting Chancellor, and Deacon Tim Gruel visited the school and spoke with the delegation of students about what they like about their school and how they experience Catholic Identity each day. The special Mass on Friday was a whole school and Parish Mass celebrated by Fr Philip Marshall who brought his friend, Hosanna, along to meet the children and to talk with them about how they live their lives. Fr Philip was a huge hit with everybody and his stories of Hosanna's antics will stay with the children for a very long time. Later after school, the School Leadership team met with the Diocesan team and other members of the Parish Leadership. The feedback from the visitors was very positive, especially about the children and the outreach works of the schools. The visit was concluded with a huge Mass on Sunday at 10.30 am and a shared lunch afterwards in the Parish Family Centre.

## CEO Visit

Prior to the Diocesan visit, staff from the Catholic Education Office (CEO) came and visited the school on Thursday morning. The emails of thanks for the welcome these people received and the positive impressions they received when talking with staff and children were very affirming. We are very proud of our school and what we do and it is also very nice to hear our views affirmed by visitors. The CEO staff shared morning tea with the staff and engaged in some lively conversations about school life and the various services that St Augustine's Parish School offers to the community. Leonie De Garis, Principal Consultant, and Andrea Richardson, Inclusive Education Team, shared that they were deeply impressed with the quality of the children's learning, the highly engaging pedagogy and the welcoming learning spaces in the school. Leonie was particularly interested in our SPiCE Playgroup and our Early Years classes. Everyone commented on the importance of having a Community Hub and the feeling of genuine welcome as you walk through the door of St Augustine's Parish School.

## Wakakirri

The children have been rehearsing and practising for their Wakakirri performance on Thursday next week (22 August). Thank you to the children, Paula Giugliano and all the staff who have been supporting this all important event. Please come and support the children at the Entertainment Centre on 22 August. Tickets can be purchased from Ticketek.

## Book Week

Next week we will be celebrating Book Week – "Reading is My Secret Power" - with our annual Book Week Parade on Wednesday 21 August at 9.15 am. Come along and enjoy our special parade.

## Sunshine Café

St Augustine's Parish School works in conjunction with KickStart to provide free breakfast for children five days a week in the Sunshine Café in Siena Hall from 8.30 am until 8.55 am. Members of staff donate food and consumables to this worthy service, as well as volunteering their time to ensure that children start the day with a nutritious breakfast. All families are welcome but we do ask that you allow us to feed the school children first, especially those who have waited politely in the line. We thank people for their goodwill in donating time and goods to our Sunshine Café Breakfast Club and hope all families feel very welcome to access this service for their children.

## Car Park Safety

The car park in front of the Administration Building is a visitors' car park and not a drive through. We are seeing more children being dropped off in this car park to run through the Front Office to access the school. This car park is very busy and very unsafe for children to be running around in. The Church car park and the Chapel car park offer more than adequate parking for all families. They also offer the safety of crossings and staff supervision. We ask all families to use the Church car park or the Chapel car park or the parking along Carey Street in the morning and in the afternoon. Members of staff are monitoring the gates and like to greet and farewell children each day. This practice ensures that we know who has come and who has left the school grounds. We ask for the co-operation of all families in keeping our children safe at all times.

## Learning Conversations

Our Learning Conversations were held in Week 3 and the overall feedback about these meetings was very positive and constructive. If you have not had an opportunity to meet with your child and their teacher, please contact the class teacher to make a time as we expect to have a conversation with EVERY family. These conversations are critical for sharing information and supporting children's successful learning.

## Catholic Charities

A reminder that St Augustine's Day is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August. The day will begin with a whole school mass and our \$2.00 Fun Fair will be held between recess and lunch. All of the money raised from the Fun Fair will go in support of the Catholic Charities 2019 Appeal. More information will come home about this soon.

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



# CANTEEN



## Term 3 Week 5: 19 August - 23 August

Monday	Rosie & Toni
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger & Sally
Thursday	Alex & Estrella
Friday	Estrella & Chris

## Term 3 Week 6: 26 August - 30 August

Monday	Rosie & Toni
Tuesday	Judith
Wednesday	Inger & Sally
Thursday	Alex & Estrella
Friday	Estrella & Chris

## School F E E S

### TERM 3 SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE

School Fees for each term are due by the end of Week 2 of that term. Therefore, any fees in arrears from Term 2 and prior have been charged a late fee of \$50. If you are having difficulties in making your payments on time, please arrange an appointment to meet with me to discuss. This also includes Direct Debit, Centrepay deductions, BPayments and Direct Credits that will not repay this year's fees by the end of the year. If you need to check your calculation to ensure that your fees are paid in full, please contact me either in person or by email.

Can't get into the school to pay your fees? Keep forgetting to pay by the due date? An easy and hassle free way to pay your school fees is to set up a continuous direct debit. All you need do is complete a "Direct Debit Request" form indicating from which bank account the direct debit payments will be taken. Continuous payments can be made on whatever day you like, either on a weekly, fortnightly, monthly or quarterly basis. See the Front Office staff for more information.

### 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 or myself to apply for a re-assessment. This needs to be done prior to our next submission date, Friday 6 September.

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.

### SIBLING ENROLMENTS - ENROLLING NOW FOR 2020 AND 2021

Parents of students already attending St Augustine's who also have children nearing school age still need to complete an Enrolment Form – please contact the Front Office immediately if you require a Reception place in 2020. We are currently enrolling children for Term 1 intake (turning 5 before 30 April) and Term 3 intake (turning 5 before 31 October). If your child turns 5 after 31 October, they will commence school in Term 1 of the following year.

### CONTINUING ENROLMENTS

This week forms were sent home requesting you to indicate your continuity of enrolment. By completing and returning this form it enables us to budget to meet the needs of our students and to assist in the placement of students into classes for 2020. Please complete and return to the office at the earliest convenience.

### CHILD LEAVING - SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION

The following is an excerpt from the current School Fee Policy:

- "4) a) Parents whose child leaves the school during a term will generally be charged for the whole term's fees. Normally a full term's notice of intention to leave the school during a school year is required. Failure to provide a term's notice may result in fees being charged for the following term dependent upon the circumstances. This is in recognition of the fact that the school is committed to maintain the employment of teachers on the basis of known enrolments from one term to the next.
- b) Parents who have a child intending to leave the school at the end of the school year are asked to give at least one term's notice – that is by the end of Term 3. This applies to students enrolled in Reception to Year 6 inclusive. As staffing requirements are planned during Term 3 for the following year on known enrolments, parents who fail to provide notice of intention to leave the school before the end of Term 3 will be charged fees for the first term of the following year."

### 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 [finance@saps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@saps.catholic.edu.au) to arrange an appointment. All discussions will be kept confidential.

**Liz Polljonker – Business Manager**

# PE NEWS

On Wednesday 7 August St Augustine's Cross-Country team competed against students from a variety of schools across Adelaide in a 2km race.

The carnival was held at the East Parklands where students raced through a variety of tricky terrain. Adding to the already difficult race was the cold and rain experienced during the morning.

The school would like to thank those students who nominated for the day and exhibited great perseverance by attending multiple trainings leading up to the carnival but also representing the school well, braving the cold conditions and competing against close to a hundred students in each event.

A special congratulations to Caitlin H who placed 11<sup>th</sup> in her division out of close to 80 Year 6 girls. Well done Team.

*Kas Pillay*

*Health & Physical Education Teacher*



## AMAZE YOURSELF!

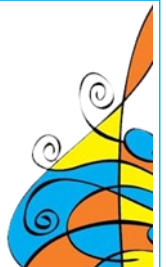
### LEARN TO PLAY AN INSTRUMENT!

Learning Through Music provides fun and educational instrumental music lessons which are during school hours at the school, once a week.

We currently have some availability for Guitar lessons and please phone us to register interest in drum lessons

Complete an enrolment form (available at the Front Office) and return to Learning Through Music via post or email or return to St Augustine's Front Office

Phone the office on 0401 398 120 or email [info@ltmusic.com.au](mailto:info@ltmusic.com.au) for more information.



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## 2019 VOLUNTEER INDUCTION – RETURN SLIP

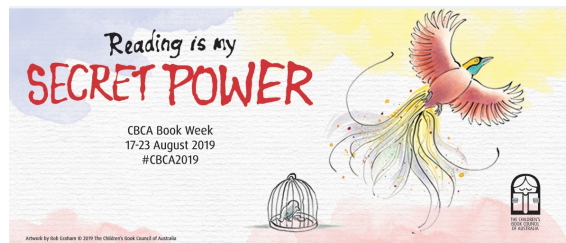
I will be attending the **Volunteer Induction** session on:

**TUESDAY 20 AUGUST at: 9.15am - 11.00am**

Name: .....Contact No.: .....

Eldest Child name: ..... Class: .....

# BOOK WEEK 2019



## BOOK WEEK PARADE

WEDNESDAY 21 AUGUST

9.15AM

ON THE TENNIS COURTS

*All children are invited to dress to the theme or come dressed as their favourite book character.*

*Parents/Caregivers are warmly invited to watch.*

There will be a BOOK FAIR in the library before and after school

(8.30am-9.00am and 3.00pm-3.30pm each day)

with Books and Novelty Items for Sale.

CASH SALES ONLY!

## Community Hub News

Our Community Hub is offering information sessions to do with personal health care.

The next session will provide information about the South Australian Bowel Screening Program.

**When:** Tuesday August 20

**Time:** 10.45am - 12.00pm

**Where:** St Augustine's Parish School

This session is particularly for men and women from backgrounds where English is not their first language

Morning Tea and Creche provided.

