

St Augustine's Parish School

NEWSLETTER No. 13 – Term 3 Week 6, 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.

BOOKWEEK































DIARY DATES

Fri 30/8 Father's Day
Breakfast - Siena
Hall (8.00am) &
Liturgy (9.15am)

Mon 2/9 PUPIL FREE DAY
NO OSHC
AVAILABLE

Tues 3/9 Yr 5/6 Excursion

Thur 5/9 R - 6 GKR Anti Bullying

Workshops

Fri 6/9 Year 5 Mass (9.30am)

Mon 9/9 STEM WEEK DESTINATION
MOON
Stem Expo

(3.30pm - 4.00pm)

Tues 10/9 Stem Expo (8.30am - 8.50am)

and

(3.30pm - 4.00pm)

Wed 11/9 Stem Expo

(8.30am -8.50am) (3.30pm - 4.30)

(5.30pm - 6.30pm)

Thur 12/9 Stem Expo

(8.30am - 8.50am)

Calvary Hospital

R - 6 Cricket Clinics

Fri 13/9 Liturgical Choir

Visit

REMINDER: PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER — OSHC IS NOT AVAILABLE

HIGHLIGHTS

Busy Term

During the last couple of weeks the school has been very busy with Wakakirri, a number of sporting carnivals, Oliphant Science Awards, Robotics, Book Week, ReLAT, St Augustine's Day and Father's Day Breakfast and Liturgy.

Wakakirri

Congratulations must go to Paula Giugliano and the Wakakirri troupe for their excellent performance last Thursday night at the Entertainment Centre. The children received awards for:

Show Night Awards: Best T.Shirt Design, Best Backstage Team

Story Award (State): Best Health and Well Being Story

Performance & Production Awards: Excellent Ensemble, Well-Rehearsed Performance, Excellent Group Dance, Excellent Overall Set Design, Excellent Set Movement and Staging.

Every child gave of their best and we also thank teachers and families for their support of this very worthwhile creative endeavour.

Oliphant Science Awards

Over the last two Saturdays, Dave Cottrell has taken a small team of enthusiastic and talented scientists to Pulteney Grammar for the Oliphant Science Awards. Our boys, Carter, Riley and Sethaniel, were awarded 1st prize in the Years 3-5 category for their coding and game on gravity. The boys competed against 260 other schools to achieve this excellent award. We thank the families, the teachers and the boys themselves for all of the hard work that they put into achieving this well-deserved result. The boys are taking their game around to each of the classes in the school to show the other children how to play the game and to encourage them to participate in the Oliphant Science Awards next year. Families will be able to see the boys and their winning game at our STEM Expo in Week 8.

Robotics

The Robotics Team under the expert guidance of Jayne Brown are to be congratulated on doing extremely well with their Soccer, Rescue and Dance Robots. The team grew in expertise as the sessions progressed, to achieve very successful outcomes by the final assessment.

Book Week Parade

Last Wednesday, despite awful weather, we celebrated our annual Book Week Parade in Siena Hall. Everyone dressed up and despite the cramped conditions, families were able to see the children and join in the festivities to celebrate the importance of books in the lives of children, young people and adults. The theme of Book Week this year was "Reading is my Secret Power".

Book Fair

The school's Book Week Fair continued throughout the week and we thank Vicki Nunn and Jill Heuts for their part in ensuring a very successful Book Fair for all of the children at St Augustine's Parish School. Thankyou to everyone who supported our Bookweek Bookfair. We have received \$680 worth of books for our library.

St Augustine's Day

This week we celebrated St Augustine's Day with a whole school Mass. Due to the inclement weather our \$2 Fun Fair was postponed until Friday. Teachers and children have spent considerable time preparing the activities for the whole school to enjoy. The Mass at 9.30 am was a beautiful celebration of the life of St Augustine. We thank Phillis Johnston and Kerri Dent, the choir and musicians for making this Mass an engaging and memorable Liturgy.

ReLAT Testing

In Week 6, the Year 4 cohort are sitting the Religious Literacy Assessment Tool (ReLAT) test. As the name denotes we are testing children's Religious Literacy, not assessing their faith. We look forward to sharing the results with you.

Staff Car Park

In recent weeks families have been using the Staff Car Park for drop off and pick up. This has resulted in a number of staff cars being damaged and teachers being unable to leave for inservice and other appointments/meetings. People have parked in the ambulance zone at the side gate, thus preventing emergency vehicles from being able to access the site. The risk to children and the inconvenience to staff have become very serious. The staff car park is not a safe place for children to walk. We ask all families to utilise the ample parking and kiss and drop zone supplied in the Church car park and to respect that the Staff Car Park is for Staff and the Visitors' car park is for short term visits to the school and is a not a kiss and drop space. We thank you for your co-operation and support with this matter.



Wakakirri 2019 - Don't Hurry, Be Happy! Adelaide Entertainment Centre Thursday 22 August



Based around the book Sloth Life – Don't Hurry Be Happy (by Forrest Greenwood), a group of busy office workers are inspired to slow down and relax after spotting a sloth family.

"Fabulous opening sequences - terrific ensemble energy and focus" - Judge's Comment















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On behalf of everyone at St Augustine's Parish SchoolCongratulations to our awesome Wakakirri Team on a fantastic performance!

Oliphant Science Awards

Recently, 3 students from year 4DC entered the Oliphant Science Awards. This competition is open to any students within South Australia and they can enter in a variety of different scientific fields.

Riley, Carter and Seth entered in the robotics and computer programming section. At St Augustine's, no one has ever entered the Oliphant Awards, so we were definitely up against it and all the schools around the state wanted to do well.

As their teacher, I am so proud of the amazing effort these boys put in. They gave up most of their lunchtimes in Term 2 and also put in considerable time at home. Well done on winning our category, lets look forward to next year when we can go even bigger and better.

Mr Cottrell. Year 4 Teacher







Monday

CANTEEN



Term 3 Week 7: 2 September - 6 September

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday Judith

Wednesday Inger & Sally

Thursday Alex & Estrella

Friday Estrella & Sally

Term 3 Week 8: 9 September - 13 September

Monday Rosie & Toni

Tuesday Judith

Wednesday Inger & Sally

Thursday Alex & Estrella

Friday Estrella & Sally



TERM 3 SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE

Payments can be made over the counter at the Front Office, BPay, Direct Credit or over the phone.

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 Uren or me 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 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 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.

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 to arrange an appointment. All discussions will be kept confidential.

Liz Polljonker – Business Manager

PE NEWS

SAPS SATURDAY FOOTBALL

Saturday 24 August saw our football teams competing in the final round of the 2019 Central Districts Saturday Morning football season. It has been fantastic to see the development of all teams over the 12 round season this year. We entered 2 Year 2/3 teams, a Year 4/5 team and a Year 6 team this year, with over 40 students playing each week. We pride ourselves on participating in this competition with a high level of effort and respect on and off the field. I would like to firstly thank our players for committing themselves each week and representing St Augustine's with fantastic spirit. Secondly, I would like to extend a great appreciation for our teachers who volunteered their time to coach our players, without you, our involvement in this competition would not be possible. I would also like to thank the parents and families who came out to support our players, volunteer as goal umpires and help with packing up ovals, your help and support is very much appreciated. As a community, we are very much looking forward to the 2020 football season.

OUTER NORTHERN CLUSTER FOOTBALL CARNIVAL

On Tuesday 20 August, St Augustine's participated in the Outer Northern Cluster Football Carnival at Ridley Reserve in Elizabeth. We took a group of 60 very enthusiastic students to compete against 250 others from Northern Catholic Schools. Despite a few showers and some cold wind gusts, it was a fantastic day for all involved. The effort and respect displayed by our students throughout the day was absolutely fantastic.



WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING?! Thursday September 5 – GKR Safety Awareness and Anti-Bullying workshops:

Rec - Year 2 students 10am – 11am, Year 3 – Year 4 students 11:30 – 12:30am.







for the benefit of our students, we would like to invite any families who are interested to attend either of the 2 sessions. Edde from GKR will also be around throughout the day to hand out information about his workshops and other programs.

Thursday September 12 - SACA cricket clinics all day, Rec - year 4 students

Friday September 20 – Outer Northern Cluster T-Ball Carnival at Ridley Reserve, Elizabeth.

Nick Skewes

Health & Physical Education Teacher / School Sport Coordinator

Tennis SA Hot Shots

On 19 of August St Augustine's Year 3 and 4 students participated in the northern cluster Tennis SA Hot Shots Carnival. The day took place at the new Playford tennis centre where the students competed in teams of doubles against a variety of other Northern schools.

Even though for many of our students it was their first carnival they all showed great enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout the day as well as exhibiting skilful play.

Congratulations to Yulu (4DM) and Oliver (4DM) who were recognised for their sportsmanship during the day. Thank you to Ms. Evans, Mr. Cottrell and Mr. Czernich who coached teams on the day.

Kas Pillay Health & Physical Education Teacher

Robotics Competition

On Monday 19 August a group of students went to the Education Centre to participate in a Robotics Competition. The students were involved in different categories and represented St Augustine's very well. The groups of students competed in Soccer, Rescue and Dance.

All groups improved in each round that they participated in and the soccer group finished in third place.

Thank you to all the students and teachers involved and a big thank you to the parents for allowing the children to be involved and the early drop off required to get the children to the competition on time.

Jayne Brown Numeracy Coordinator





