



# NEWSLETTER

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**At Antonio, our students...**



**Collaborate**



**Lead**



**Stretch**



**Achieve**



**Create**

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## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This past fortnight has been filled with opportunities for reflection and acknowledgement.

At home my daughter has celebrated her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday in a very quiet way (at this stage) due to her work and study commitments. Looking through all of the photos which have captured her life across many years, I have been filled with bucket loads of joy, pride and happiness, thinking about what she has achieved, how she has grown and how she has overcome challenges along the way. There are so many things that we have shared such as the moments of learning to walk and talk, coaching her netball team, working through scary mathematics homework tasks and exploring the big wide world. All things are possible and achievable when we share our experiences with friends, family and others.

This year we have all experienced change challenge in many different ways in our lives. These challenges sometimes seem impossible to overcome, especially if we feel we are alone. At Antonio we know it is important to establish and maintain relationships that support wellbeing and learning for every student. We work hard to maintain these relationships even through the challenging times.

Our Year 6 students are currently reflecting on their time at Antonio and will no doubt be filled with great memories and feelings, no matter how long they have been with us. I am proud of all of our students at Antonio and especially at this time, our Year 6 students who have led each other and their peers in what has been a challenging year. As a team, they have supported, acknowledged and challenged each other to be the best they can be. They show leadership during inside and outside learning and especially when they represent the school. Their teachers Tanya and Josh along with their co-educators, Caleb and Ann-Marie in partnership with their families have ensured they have had the toolkit to meet the challenges that this year has presented.

It is a pleasure to see all of our children continue to learn, grow and thrive as a result of strong relationships that nurture and stretch their capabilities.

### **School Climate Survey – Share your perceptions with us**

It is not too late to share your thoughts and feedback with us to inform our planning and work for school improvement and development. At this stage we only have 8 responses, and our target is 40.

Please click on the link below to undertake the survey. It will take 10-12 minutes. After clicking on the link, please enter the code **PACS20A** in the Start Questionnaire field.

**[Start the Parents and Carers School Climate Survey](#)**

If you do not have access to a device at home, please come in and see the admin staff to complete the survey on a device at school in connection with drop off and pick-up times. This year when you complete the survey your name will enter the draw to win **Gold Class tickets to the movies.**

We look forward to receiving high quality feedback from all families to inform our continual improvement and development. The survey will be open until Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

In the coming weeks we will be keeping you updated through Seesaw with updates about 2021 including Nature Play, class structures, teachers and new programs to be introduced during and after school.

Kind Regards,

Anthony Garton  
Principal



Congratulations to all of our students who participated in this year's Premiers Reading Challenge. At Antonio we value reading, and this was evident with the number of students participating and receiving their certificate or medal in 2020. It was a pleasure to see how excited every student was whether receiving their first certificate, bronze, silver, gold, champion or legend medal. A special mention to those students who received their Hall of Fame certificate for completing the challenge for seven years.

Thank you to all of our staff and families who supported the students to complete the challenge.





*Congratulations to all of our fantastic readers!*

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS

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Our school chaplain Michelle would like to share the following resources and services with you:

### CAFÉ CONNECTIONS:



Parents and Caregivers are most welcome to gather for tea, coffee and biscuits on Friday mornings after Assembly. Now the weather is improving, and the feeling of spring is in the air, Friday mornings are now a perfect time to reconnect with each other in our community. After Assembly, make your way to the OSHC Room. We look forward to chatting with you in the coming weeks.

### *DIARY DATES – Term 4*

#### **Week 6**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Basketball Clinic, Early Explorers 9.00-11.45am

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Year 5/6 Mass, Mini Explorers Playgroup 10am–12pm

#### **Week 7**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Year 1/2 Planetarium Excursion

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Basketball Clinic, Early Explorers 9.00-11.45am, School Finance 5.00pm, School Board 6.00pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Mini Vinnies Biscuit Stall, Year 3/4 Mass 9.15am, Mini Explorers Playgroup 10am–12pm

#### **Week 8**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec.

R-2 Dress Rehearsal for Nativity Performance

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.

R-2 Nativity Performance, Mini Explorers Playgroup 10am–12pm

#### **Week 9**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Volunteers Morning Tea, School Thanksgiving Mass  
2.00pm

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Year 6 Graduation

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Can Extravaganza in the Gym

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December

PUPIL FREE DAY

## MINI EXPLORERS PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is on each Friday at 10am in the Community Room with lots of fun, learning and exploring for everyone.

Remember to keep in touch by 'liking' the Mini Explorers Playgroup group on Facebook [Click here](#)



# GIRLS' DAY OUT

Wednesday 6 January 2021 10.00am—3.30pm

9 to 12 years  
Cost \$20  
Includes lunch, snacks and take home bag of goodies  
10.00am to 3.30pm  
**Bookings Essential**  
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/girls-day-out-tickets-127820485513>

**Girls' just want to have fun!**  
Come and join us in making new friends, learning new skills and hearing from some amazing guest speakers. Activities will include crafts, Op-Shop "best dressed" competition, creating a healthy lunch and everyone will leave with a bag full of goodies!

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