



Dear Parents and Carers,

I provide the following update for you and our community in lieu of our newsletter which would normally be sent home at the end of Week 1 each term.

Thank you and Well Done

While this wasn't the start to Term 3 that we were expecting, I want to thank each student and family for the way you have handled the challenges of this week. I also want to thank our staff for their care, professionalism, and resilience as we have moved to remote learning.

I have been so impressed with everyone's efforts to complete their home learning activities and share it with their teachers. I know this method of learning is new to many and I thank you for your patience, persistence, and communication with each other. Challenges such as these can provide a new opportunity for growth and learning.

Some of my highlights from student learning at school and home this week include:

- Listening to student voice recordings explaining what they have achieved
- Reading and listening to teacher feedback that is encouraging and stretching student thinking
- Reading how our senior students collaborate to answer each other's questions and acknowledge super efforts
- Watching energetic students' complete fitness activities

Monday and Tuesday Next Week

As you are aware, the lockdown will continue next Monday and Tuesday and we will update you as more information becomes available.

Our school will remain open on Monday and Tuesday for the care of children of essential workers and any other family that requires urgent access. As always, students should not attend these services if they are unwell or are required to self-isolate by SA Health.

We are prepared for home learning to continue next week, and your child's teachers will forward further information about this via Seesaw or Teams.

Thank you to all essential workers who have completed the booking sheet via the link in Seesaw informing us your child will be attending school during the lockdown. If your work shifts change and your child was not booked in, please book them in as this helps us ensure we have the appropriate staffing on site. Our staff are also working mainly from home currently. You can do this by clicking [here](#)

Helpful Resources

Please continue to refer to the following resources for the latest information:

SA Government website

www.covid-19.sa.gov.au

SA Health Website

<https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/>

Catholic Education SA Updates

www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/alerts

SA Health - COVID mental health support resources:

<https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/public+content/sa+health+internet/conditions/infectious+diseases/covid-19/about+covid-19/help+and+advice/mental+health+support>



Our school can provide vouchers to families where food can be purchased at a reduced cost through a local Foodbank Food Hub. There is a Food Hub on Beach Road, Christies Beach - open 9am - 4pm Monday to Friday. You are welcome to contact Michelle (Chaplain) or the Front Office for confidential assistance.

SA Health will advise us directly if there is a case that impacts our school community. If you have any urgent concerns over the weekend, please contact the school via this email address info@antonio.catholic.edu.au

School Fees

If you are experiencing any financial challenges because of the lockdown or due to COVID isolation, please speak with either myself or Tracy McIntyre to discuss your situation with us. We are here to listen, understand and support.

Parent Student Teacher Learning Conversations Update

These are postponed and I will communicate the new dates to you once we are certain of our return to school.

Quiz Night

Please see the separate Seesaw message providing information about our upcoming Quiz Night on 20th August. This will be a great fun night that you can share with friends with many prizes, games, fun challenges, silent auction, student art and more. Book a table with your friends.

Nature Play Development Update

We have lost a few days of work due to the lockdown, but we are hoping for the entire project to be completed by Friday 13th August. When students return, we will recommence the class visits to the lower section, which will open beforehand. Enjoy some pictures from the lower area below.





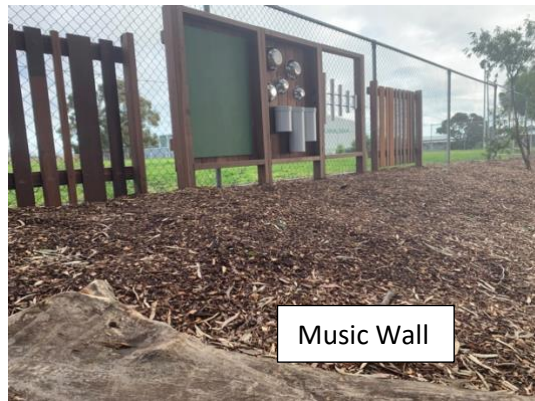
Stepping Logs



Creek



Digging Space



Music Wall

I wish you all a restful and relaxing weekend and the opportunity to strengthen connections with our loved ones and care for those who may be feeling isolated at this time.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A. Garton".

Anthony Garton
Principal