



# NEWSLETTER

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## *Welcome Jodie Veldhoen*

Imogen and Riley from Year 1/2 have interviewed Jodie Veldhoen our new Finance Officer to find out a little more about her and ask some tough, significant questions.



***What is your favourite colour?***

Red.

***What is your favourite food?*** Lasagna.

***Do you have any children?*** Two boys.

***What is your favourite type of pet?***

Dog.

***Where do you like to go on the weekend?***

The beach.

***Do you like drawing?***

Yes.

***What is your favourite***

***thing about working in the office?***

Meeting the children, staff and parents.

***What do you most like about working here at Antonio?***

Everyone is so friendly.

Welcome to Antonio Jodie!

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I have been extremely thankful and impressed with the leadership shown by our students and staff in recent times. There are so many examples that I see daily where students and staff are 'stepping out' to ensure strong outcomes for everyone are achieved.

These examples include:

- Staff co-ordinating and coaching the after-school netball games with other local Catholic Schools when the regular competition could not proceed due to court resurfacing
- Students extending their writing capabilities through our R-6 Writing project – learning new skills, increasing their stamina, writing drafts and growing from feedback
- Leading and reading at assembly so confidently and strongly
- Senior student mentors supporting younger students at R-2 Soccer
- Staff reviewing student progress in literacy and numeracy and working with students to plan for future growth and progress
- Staff, students and families coming together to celebrate achievements and embrace challenges

### Welcome Jodie

Last week we welcomed Jodie who is our school Finance Officer. Jodie brings a wonderful set of skills and experience to our community and is committed to working with the leadership team to provide a financially strong and high-quality Catholic school.

### Staff Faith Formation Day – Pupil Free Day

You will have noted in previous '*What's Happening This Week at Antonio?*' posts on Seesaw and in the school newsletter that our entire staff are attending their annual Faith Formation Day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September. This engages the entire staff (including OSHC staff) in faith development activities. If your child normally attends OSHC on a pupil free day, we ask you to make different arrangements for their care. Thank you.

### Master Planning

As we complete the Nature Play Development, we revisit our school master plan to focus on the improvements to our Year 2 – 6 and shared learning spaces which includes the main building and the Hoskin building. At Antonio we are committed to providing the highest quality teaching and learning utilising contemporary teaching practices, resources and learning spaces.

### REMINDER - Living Learning Leading Framework Survey

This is the final week to contribute your feedback to inform our ongoing school improvement through the survey. I would appreciate hearing your feedback for our work in key areas such as teaching and learning, resources, development, and programs in connection with your child and family. If you haven't completed the survey, you can access it using the code and details below and clicking on this link [www.NSIPartnerships.com.au](http://www.NSIPartnerships.com.au)



The banner features a QR code on the left. To its right, text reads: 'To respond the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey at Antonio Catholic School in 2021: Parents go to [www.NSIPartnerships.com.au](http://www.NSIPartnerships.com.au) and enter the code ACSLLL in the Start Questionnaire field'. On the right side of the banner is the NSI Partnerships logo, which includes a colorful splash graphic and the text 'NSI Partnerships'. Below the main banner is a solid orange bar with the text 'LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey' in white.

### Nature Play Update

This Thursday the team look forward to engaging in the final walk through to inspect the development. The final walk through is designed to ensure all aspects of the development meet the design brief and the current standards for play equipment.

Following this successful inspection, we will arrange for home groups to visit the areas prior to us opening it up for investigating during outside learning times.

Kind Regards,

Anthony Garton  
Principal

### FROM THE APRIM

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Food for Thought

**Mary Mackillop said 'Let not your weakness make you discouraged' 1876**

It's been said that God writes with crooked lines. As young people, we probably thought that love was supposed to be nothing but bliss. Then came the story of our lives and failure were a part of the package. Izumi Shikibu's poem captures what happens:

*Although the wind blows terribly here,  
The moonlight also leaks between the roof planks of this ruined house.*

Dear God, we thank you for this house, built of story and struggle. May we take heart from the light of your love, which never dims.

**God gives strength to the weary and empowers the powerless. Isaiah 40:29**

*(Adapted from 'A Daily Cuppa with Mary and Julian')*



Antonio 'What the Art' Quiz Night Just like the Taoist Tale 'Good event, "Bad event, good event, who knows?" We have had to postpone our Quiz night for COVID reasons. Parents, Friends and Community Quiz Night Team met on Friday to reschedule the Quiz night and we have set it for **Saturday October 30th** with a creche.

The Silent Auction Site is still 'live' <https://www.32auctions.com/AntonioArtsQuizNight> Student art is still for sale through QKR, credit card or cash at \$5 per piece through the front office. Student art will come home after the Quiz Night as we would like to exhibit it on the night.

Good Event, Bad Event, Who Knows?

In this Taoist tale, an old peasant has only one son and one fine stallion with which to farm his land. All the other farmers in the valley pity him for his poverty but the old man says of his situation simply, "Bad event, good event, who knows?"

Then, one day, the farmer's only stallion bolts from his hitching post and thunders up into the mountains, leaving the farmer and his son to do all the back-breaking work by themselves. Neighbours commiserate but the old man says simply, "Bad event, good event, who knows?"

Suddenly, the next morning, the stallion races back down the mountain and into the corral, followed by a whole herd of wild horses. The neighbours are astounded by the man's new wealth and congratulate him, but the old man says simply, "Good event, bad event, who knows?"

Soon after, one of the wild stallions throws the son, falls on him and breaks his legs, crippling him for life. The peasants grieve such a loss, but the old man says simply, “Bad event, good event, who knows?”





Then, one day in the fall, just at the beginning of the harvest, the local warlord rides into the valley and conscripts into his army every young man there with one exception: the crippled, limping, apparently useless son of the old farmer. The other farmers in the valley wail in despair at their misfortune and the old man’s luck, but he says simply, “Good event, bad event, who knows?”

*(Retold here by Joan Chittister, 2011)*

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS

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**FREE PARENTING WORKSHOP**


**Restorative Practices In Your Child’s School: What’s It All About?**

**Tuesday September 7th**  
Supper & Cuppa at 6pm  
6:30pm start - 2 Hour Duration


**Antonio School Gym**  
8 Bains Rd, Morphett Vale

**School Aged Crèche Available**

This highly engaging 2 hour parent evening gets right to the heart of what it means to set high expectations for behaviour, offer high levels of support to meet these standards and hold people accountable when they fail to meet standards.



with  
**Bill Hansberry**



For bookings contact the front office on  
**8325 4500**

### **Antonio Ants Football**

Well done to all on another amazing game this week with awesome team work.

Antonio Ants 13.5.83

Woodcroft College 3.2.20

Training this Wednesday

### **Diary Dates for Term 3**

Please be mindful we are adjusting events on our calendar as COVID safe recommendations from our State Government and Catholic Education SA.

### **Week 6**

Final Walk Through of the Nature Play Development this week

Friday 27th August Year 3/4 Liturgy 9.15am

### **Week 7 - Children's Book Week at Antonio**

Tuesday 31 August SACPSSA Touch Football Carnival

Thursday 2nd September Early Explorers Transition

Fri 3rd Sep. Book Week Assembly hosted by Ms. Noble and Mac's Rec. classes, PFC Meeting

### **Week 8 – Dental Clinic at Antonio**

Tuesday 7th September School Photo Day, Bill Hansberry Parent Workshop

Thursday 9th September Early Explorers Transition, Finance Comm. 5pm, School Board 7pm

Friday 10th September Year 5/6 Enterprise Day, Rec-Yr. 2 Liturgy 9.15am

Saturday 11th September Principal Tour 10am

### **Week 9**

Thursday 16th September Early Explorers Transition

Friday 17th September Whole Staff Faith Formation Day – Pupil Free Day – OSHC will not be available as OSHC staff are also attending

### **Week 10**

Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd September Year 5/6 Camp

Thursday 23rd September Early Explorers Transition