Later this term, many of our Year 6 students will be making the sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare for receiving the Holy Spirit.

**Prayer for students preparing for Confirmation**

Come, O life-giving Spirit, transform us. 
Stir up in us the flame of love which is Your gift. 
Give us wisdom to see as You see. 
Give us understanding to hear as You hear. 
Give us courage and strength to walk the way of justice. 
Holy Spirit, fill us with Your love and guide us in the choices we will make. 
This we ask in Jesus’ name 
Amen

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been pleasing to speak to students and hear about their involvement in various ANZAC Day ceremonies and masses over the weekend. This is a significant event in the culture of Australia and helps us to understand the commitments made by others for the collective good of everyone. It also helps us to communicate respect, appreciation, acknowledgement and tradition. Congratulations to parents and carers who made it possible for their children to attend such ceremonies. Thank you also to families who supported the ANZAC Day Whole School mass at St Anthony’s Church on Friday.

This week, school climate surveys were sent home to sixty randomly selected families. This is an opportunity to provide information on how you perceive aspects of our school are operating, identifying strengths and areas for development. Please take the time to complete the survey as this helps us to make St Anthony’s School the best school possible. A good school continues to improve and the feedback you provide will help us to determine future directions. Our Year 6 students, as well as the school staff, will also be completing these surveys.

Last term, as part of our recently upgraded Reporting to Parents Outline, selected student workbooks were sent home for families to discuss together with their child. The opportunity was also provided to complete a reflection sheet identifying areas of success, areas of growth and perhaps a focus area for this term. If you have any feedback on this process and what your child learned from this, please email your thoughts to admin@stanthonyswann.wa.edu.au

The school motto, *A Light Beneath Our Feet* is something we can continuously express and model to our students. In real terms, we encourage them to be a light beneath the feet of others by providing care, support, encouragement and positive examples. Our school values, which were developed last year, are outlined below:

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*Our Vision Statement*

*St Anthony’s School community works collaboratively to teach and live the values of Christ.*

*While respecting tradition, and to meet the demands of a rapidly changing society, it strives to educate our children to reach their full potential.*

*Lucerna Pedibus Meis*
This sign and one containing our logo and motto will soon be installed in the under cover area as a reference point for our community and also to help us to communicate these values to our students.

Parents and friends are invited to join us for the Year 4 Assembly tomorrow morning at 8.40am in the undercover area.

God Bless

Mark Marando
PRINCIPAL

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**PARENT CONEQT-P ACCESS FOR SCHOOL REPORTS**

St Anthony’s School uses Coneqt-P for parents to access their children’s school reports. Parents have previously been issued with login details, which still work, however, these will be reissued to new and existing parents in the next couple of weeks.

At present, the school office is receiving a lot of requests to print school reports that can be done by parents online.

The Coneqt-P login page can be accessed at

[https://stanthonys.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/](https://stanthonys.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/)

The link can also be found on the school website under the Publications menu.

Janine Maitland
ICT Teacher
PARISH SACRAMENTAL DATES - TERM 2, 2015

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**FAITH and RELIGION NEWS**

**Purple Day**

Purple Day is a global day that raises awareness for epilepsy. Epilepsy is a condition that is often misunderstood. Epilepsy effects many Australians and has had devastating effects on a number of families at St Anthony’s.

The global awareness day was on March 26. We will be having our own awareness day on **Tuesday the 5th May**. Students are asked to wear purple or to come in free dress. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin donation. Donations made will go to Epilepsy Australia to assist with counseling, support and information to all who access their services. Epilepsy Australia is committed to raising awareness and understanding of the very real issues faced by those living with epilepsy.

**SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEY**

Insight SRC are assisting Catholic Education Western Australia to conduct a number of surveys at Catholic schools across Western Australia. Information will be gathered from staff, the School Board, parents and Year 6 students. The survey will assist St Anthony’s School to find out how each group feel about the school. The results from the survey will be used to identify areas that could be improved and areas that we excel in.

Random families were selected from each year group and surveys sent home on Tuesday this week. We ask that if you were selected that you take the time to give honest feedback to assist us with future planning.

The survey needs to be completed on-line by Friday, 8th May.

Thank you

Nic Gaglia
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS WHO WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING AWARDS

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (Friday Assembly): Nate Cooper, Jasper Kaeser, Noah Woodward, Solomon Freeman, Rachel Ngenda, Jonathan Bonner, Savannah Della Mora, Samuel Hughes, Angelina Hayes, Kane Rooney-Maher, Gabrielle Neveldsen, Chiara Concanen, Paige Agrela, Mark Britz, Joshua Gullotto, Lucy Rodrigues, Rihanna Louis, Siobhan Utete, Kayla Pender, Jade Craske, Joshua Lane, Seekara Wilson, Eyoal Asefa, Vincent Ta, Maggie Beckwith, Maya Porojan, Luke Guida and Alex Ikin.

THERE ARE A FEW VACANCIES AVAILABLE IN PLAYGROUP, WHICH IS HELD ON A THURSDAY MORNING AT ST ANTHONY’S.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE PHONE DRINA ON 0438 956 147

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CANTEEN ROSTER - 28th April - 1st May

As you can see from the canteen roster Mrs Musca requires help next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If any of the current volunteers, or someone new, is able to assist on any of these days, please inform the office.

Thank you very much

Peanut and Nut Aware School

Nuts, peanuts or any products containing nuts or peanuts are NOT allowed.

Please wash hands. Clean hands help you to stay healthy and keep our friends safe.

Thank You!
MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA - Please note, parents attending the Mother's Day afternoon tea, the starting time is 12.30pm - 2.45pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - Purchase your new Entertainment™ Membership before 5th May 2015 to receive over $135 in Early Bird Offers! Purchase now for Mother's Day and receive your book on May 8th.

Buy a NEW 2015/2016 Perth Entertainment™ Membership for Mum this Mother's Day and, for only $65, she'll receive over $20,000 worth of valuable offers that can be used from now until 1 June 2016. Let Mum choose what to do and when she wants to do it!

Forms are coming home today or you can order online using the link below:

Thanks
Mel, Gill and Alison

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Book Club was delivered to all classes last week so all students should have received the brochures by now.

Last day for orders is MONDAY 4th MAY. Orders may be processed via the school or the new SCHOLASTIC LOOP application.

Many thanks for your continuing support.
Margaret Parker

OSH CLUB NEWS

Everyone has had a great time getting to meet our new assistant Ryan. He feels very welcomed into the OshClub service. He has enjoyed getting to know the children and their parents as well as all the lovely staff here at St Anthony’s.

This week we have been at the circus. We have made some juggling balls so we could learn how to juggle. We also have been very creative with doing some chalk drawings about the circus.

We have been getting outside in the fresh air and playing some group games together. We have been playing a bit of basketball and football, practising our throwing and catching skills.

Next week’s theme is learning about Transport. We will be learning and investigating all kinds of transport from the past and present. We will be creating some planes and cars in our art and craft activities.

If you have any toys or equipment that you would like to donate to OshClub, that are in good working order, feel free to bring them down to the room where I’m sure the children will put them to use.

We offer breakfast until 8.00am and provide an afternoon snack after school. We also provide a range of indoor and outdoor activities suitable for all different ages.

Hours of operation are 6.30am-9am and then from 2.40pm to 6pm. Please feel free to pop in and see us or you can contact us on 0428 161 879.

Kind Regards
Tina and Ryan

GYM MEMBERSHIPS - $500 for GOLD MEMBERSHIPS

Yes it's that time of year again. I have again managed to strike a deal with Aquamotion to allow staff and parents, who take an active involvement around the school, to grab a great deal for gym memberships. This means partaking in classroom rosters, P&F, School Board, working bees, PALS Program, canteen, library etc. Generally, anyone who gets in and helps around the school in some capacity is eligible. All applications have to be approved by the Principal before Aquamotion will accept them.

The offer includes Gold Membership - allowing access to all classes, gym and pool facilities for the duration of one year. This membership is normally $770, so the opportunity to save is an enormous $270! The $500 price includes $10 towards our P&F.

Strictly cash only and must be paid by FRIDAY MAY 8th as one transaction. No memberships can be added at later dates.

Times and location for payment will be posted as soon as I have them.

Thank you for your continuing support.
Margaret Parker
LIGHTNING CARNIVAL - Students in Year 5 and 6 are now settled into their sports for the Lightning Carnival on 5th June. I will definitely need two parents to assist with netball teams on the day as team managers. If you can help please let me know.

BADMINTON - After school Badminton will be on Wednesday this week finishing at 4.00pm.

TABLE TENNIS - Table Tennis is available for Year 4-6 after school on Wednesday. Students need to register with me before the day. There are 12 places available.

DANCING - Dancing with Kay Gilkison begins today with students in Pre Primary, Year 1 and Year 4. Kindergarten, Year 2 and Year 3 will have their first session on Monday.

RUNNING CLUB - We had our first running club session yesterday and a small but enthusiastic group of students came along. The training lasts for just 30 minutes so be brave and come and join us. All year levels welcome.

WATER - Even though the weather has cooled please ensure your child brings a bottle of water to school each day particularly when they have physical education sessions. We often go on the oval and students are not allowed up to the drink fountains until the end of their class.

SWIMMING CLUB - Claire Hewson-Low will be our new club coach at least until the end of the year. Claire is an experienced swimming teacher, pool lifeguard and was a state swimmer herself. Please make Claire feel welcome into a school community. Training started this week. Please see me if you are not continuing to swim this term. There are still a few places available for those who would like to join the club. Contact either myself or Julie McManus on 0416156743.

HEALTH COMMITTEE/HELP WANTED - If there are any parents who would like to be part of a health committee, which focuses on the following issues, please let me know:

- Sun Smart Schools Program
- Asthma Friendly Schools Program
- Kids Safe
- CHAT (Changing Health, Working Together) This is the program that we achieved bronze status in last year and are now looking to move to silver status. Our focus this year is on building community understanding and knowledge about road safety, drug education and resilience.
- Recycling / Litter Reduction

Time commitment is minimal. Meetings are twice a term!

BATTERY RECYCLING - I am amazed at how few batteries are placed in our collection for recycling considering how many families we have in our school. All batteries contain chemicals and heavy metals which can damage the environment if placed in general rubbish and sent to land fill. Please collect and send your batteries to the sports shed for recycling!

Yours in sport
Ann Shakespeare