Dear Parents and Carers

This week we celebrated NAIDOC Week with an assembly on Wednesday led by our Year Ones. The NAIDOC Week theme for this year is We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate. The theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea. The theme is an opportunity to pay respects to country; honour those who work tirelessly on preserving land, sea and culture and to share the stories of many sites of significance or sacred places with the nation. As the oldest continuing culture on the planet, the living culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is intrinsically linked with these sacred places. Sacred places can be geographic features like a river or lake, a beach, bays, inlets, hills or mountain ranges or ceremonial grounds, galleries of rock art or engravings or places used for gathering for cultural practices. Long before European arrival, these places had traditional names - names that now reflect the timeless relationship between the people and the land. Often sacred places are connected with Dreaming stories or tell of the meaning of an area. It is important that we recognise the contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have made and continue to make.

It was great to see students and families returning and making a positive start to Term Three this week. The student, family and staff enthusiasm displayed is sure to make a positive impact on the learning ahead. On Monday, our staff came together with staff from Whitford Catholic Primary School and Brighton Catholic Primary School to develop skills in the teaching and learning of Mathematics. This is an area which causes much fear amongst students and this generally comes from our own attitudes and feelings towards Mathematics. It is important that we are positive about Mathematics especially in the presence of our children. Part of our PD focused on financial literacy and some excellent resources can be found at the MoneySmart website. It is essential that we expose our children to finance activities especially in a society where students rarely see money and witness a card being used for purchases and transactions. This makes it difficult for students to truly understand the impact of financial decisions and risks in their lives. The link to the moneysmart website is: https://www.moneysmart.gov.au

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

A Prayer for Our Earth
From Pope Francis’ Encyclical Laudato Si’

All-powerful God,

you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to
recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as
we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Amen
Our Education Assistants also worked with colleagues from Whitford Catholic Primary School. They covered areas including:
- Working with small groups of students with differing learning styles;
- Using effective questioning skills; and
- Using information technology professionally and with small groups of students.

Hopefully, students had an opportunity to share their learning on the holidays utilising the reports and workbooks that were sent home. It is crucial that students realise that they are responsible for their learning guided by staff and parents and that they have the opportunity to share their successes and set goals for the term ahead. A student’s attitude and effort has a direct correlation in the results they achieve and progress they make. Thank you to parents who took the time to allow their children to share their work. Please return all workbooks to school so that they can continue to be used this semester.

We welcomed new staff members Antonietta Hastie, Jacky Lisi, Kylie Warnock and Linda Joliffe to our school this week. Antonietta will be in Year 2 with Mrs Salsano, Jacky will be in Pre Primary, whilst Kylie and Linda will be in the office replacing Mrs Geddes when she is on Maternity Leave in a few weeks time. Please make them feel welcome and I look forward to working with them as integral members of our team.

Our P&F is presenting a Maggie Dent evening on August 11. Maggie is a much sought after presenter and renowned speaker on child development for all ages. Please see the flyer attached with this newsletter and secure your ticket. These will be available to the general public also, so make sure you take advantage of this opportunity and secure your tickets as soon as you can. Approximately 30 staff members are also attending. Thank you to the members of our school community who have made this possible.

We are investigating the possibility of running our 3+ program for a full day in 2016 and will commence enrolment interviews shortly. If you are interested in your child attending the program next year, please send expressions of interest to admin@stanthonyswann.wa.edu.au so that costing and logistics can be finalised.

Tomorrow, the Beginning of Term Whole School Mass will take place at St Anthony’s Church. All community members are invited to attend.

God Bless

Mark Marando
PRINCIPAL
SAINT OF THE WEEK: St Brigid

St Brigid and St Patrick are the Patron Saints of Ireland

Tomorrow we celebrate the first Whole School Mass for Term 3. Mr Marando and myself, together with six of our Performing Arts students, will be attending the Opening Mass for the Performing Arts tomorrow morning.

Next week the Year 3 and 5 students will participate in the Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment, and they will sit these tests in class time.

Over the next three weekends we especially pray for the children making their First Holy Communion in the Parish.

God Bless
John Topliss
Assistant Principal

COMMUNION PHOTOS

Savvy Photography will be the official photographers taking photos during the Communion Masses on Saturday 25th July, Sunday 26th July, Saturday 1st August, Sunday 2nd August, Saturday 8th August and Sunday 9th August at St Anthony's Parish. They will be available to take Family Portraits on Saturdays from approximately 5.45pm to 6.25pm and after the Mass from approximately 7.35pm to approximately 8.00pm. On Sundays they will be available to take Family Portraits from approximately 8.30am to 8.55am and after the Mass from approximately 10.05am to approximately 10.45am.

Savvy Photography will also be the official photographers taking photos of the children throughout the Mass and Group Photos. Please come as early as you can to ensure no one misses out on having their photos taken. If you have any queries please contact Veronica on 0405 133 799 or 9401 6004.

Kind Regards,
Veronica Saverimutto
Savvy Photography

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENT WHO WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING AWARDS

CARE AWARD (Monday Assembly): Jacinta Saunders, James Croxall, Jasmine Letchford, Elsie Mbenjele, Jayme Saunders, Aiden Denton, Tyra Jackson, Holly Bryant, Sienna Warr, Jaeden Coutinho, Finley Reeves, Caitlin Maloney, Raya Hukin, Javana Centena, Zaide Stampalia, Kathleen Smith and Bara Surur.

SILVER AWARD (Monday Assembly): Sophia Cosentino and Taylah Preston.

READING RECOVERY (Monday Assembly): Hayden Morris and Michael Darovic
NAIDOC assembly

This week we celebrated the indigenous people that are the custodians of our land. The following students told us information about the indigenous peoples heritage and culture.

The Theme of NAIDOC Week is - We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate * This highlights the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea.

In Maths we have been learning our friends of ten by playing lots of fun games.

Writing

We all enjoyed writing about what we did on our holidays. Lots of us went away to different cities and some of us even went to different countries.
Towards the end of Term 2, both Pre Primary classes learnt about ‘The Gift of Communication’ and ‘Me and My Body’. In the first half of the term the children learnt ways people can communicate and identified why they communicate with each other. The children also expressed ways Jesus communicated to show people God’s love. In the second half of the term, students explored the different ways that they can use their bodies, their senses and the gift of memory.

During Integrated Studies/Art the students painted a picture of what they used their bodies for, as well as an illustration of which animal they thank God for. The students also drew a picture of how they can communicate, and places where they can pray.

This term we have started with the students thanking God for their feelings and learning about Jesus’ feelings from Bible stories.
**Parents and Friends Federation of WA Inc.**

*Last chance to nominate for the 2015 Awards of Excellence in Building Positive School Communities*

The Awards presentation cocktail evening is set for **Wednesday 5th August** to be held at **The Classroom**, 1/356 Charles St, North Perth from 6pm to 8.30pm. The **closing date for entries** in the four categories has been extended to **Thursday 30th July**. Nomination forms for this year can be found on our website at [http://pff.wa.edu.au/building-positive-school-communities-awards/](http://pff.wa.edu.au/building-positive-school-communities-awards/). This is a fantastic opportunity to recognise and celebrate the amazing work being done in our schools to build positive school communities, so if you have an amazing **Principal**, awesome **P&F**, outstanding **Parent** or wonderful **Parish**, please nominate for these awards. Anyone in the school community can nominate their Principal, P&F, Parent or Parish. Applications are welcome from all Catholic schools however, only affiliated schools are eligible to win a prize. The venue for this year's presentations is aptly named, "The Classroom", a bar and restaurant in North Perth. This is a free event for everyone in our schools and drinks and snacks will be provided.


**RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA** - **Pit Stop – a parenting Tune Up for Fathers** – **Wednesday 29th July** x 6 weeks. This course covers: Why Dads Matter To Kids, Developing a Healthy Parenting Style, Improving Family Communication and Closeness, Steering Your Children Through Stressful Stages, Disciplining the Kids, Without Losing It, Balancing Life, Work and Family, Working as a Team (Partner’s Evening) Identifying and Implementing Change. For further information please phone 9489 6322.
Hi and welcome back to Term 3 of the school year. We hope you all had a safe and happy holiday break. This term will be a busy one. We are going to be focusing on our environment inside and out. We will be changing our inside environment a little.

We are going to change our home corner into a vet/rescue area. If you have anything at home that may make our rescue area more exciting please feel free to drop it into us.

We are also going to create a garden outside that we will need to clean, plant and look after for the term. If you have any old spare gardening tools that are not needed, we would be more than happy to take them off your hands.

We have introduced a new construction area using recycled materials. We are always in need of recyclable materials so drop them off to us and I’m sure the children will be very creative with them and it will free up some space for you.

It is very important to ensure all your bookings are done online and within the 9.00pm cut off time, as the service is growing. On the day, bookings are not always guaranteed so it is important that you allow enough time to book in. Also if your child is booked in and will not be attending, it is essential that you call and leave a message or text to advise us on the number below.

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

Hours of operation are 6.30am-9.00am and then from 2.40pm to 6.00pm. Please feel free to pop in and see us or you can contact us on 0428 161 879.

Kind Regards
Tina and Ryan

EAT PLAY THRIVE - FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS

Ngala are offering to present their EAT PLAY THRIVE workshops to the St Anthony's School community. If you are interested in learning more about the positive impact of healthy eating and regular activity on your child’s development or are looking for inspiration in the kitchen; these workshops are for you! Topics covered in the workshops include: making shopping for healthy food stress free using the FOOD cents model, practical meal solutions on a budget, how to avoid meal time conflicts, how to entice picky eaters, there will also be a cooking demonstration with taste testers.

There are three 2.5 hour workshops in the series, which will be held at St Anthony’s School. It is envisaged the workshops will be held during Term 3. Participants will be notified of dates by email.

If you would like to attend these workshops, please complete the expression of interest slip below and return it to the school office by 31 July 2015.

For more information on Ngala or the workshops, please go to www.ngala.com.au

Ann Peart
School Social Worker

EAT PLAY THRIVE FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS

I, ........................................................................................................ would like to attend the free series of workshops presented by Ngala. My email address is:

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Please indicate your preference for time of day:

I would prefer to attend Monday mornings / I would prefer to attend Monday afternoons.

If you would need crèche facilities in order to be able to attend please give details of children requiring care eg name, age, special needs

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EXCITING NEWS - St Anthony's P&F is hosting an evening with Maggie Dent on Tuesday 11th August!

Who is Maggie Dent?
Maggie Dent is an author, educator, and parenting and resilience specialist with a particular interest in the early years and adolescence. Maggie is a passionate advocate for the healthy, common-sense raising of children in order to strengthen families and communities. She has a broad perspective and range of experience that shapes her work, a slightly irreverent sense of humour and a depth of knowledge based on modern research and ancient wisdom that she shares passionately in a common sense way (www.maggiedent.com).

She will be presenting a seminar titled “Real Kids in an Unreal World: Building Resilience and Self Esteem in Today’s Children (10 Resilience Building Blocks)”.

Please see the attached flyer for details of the event and how to book tickets. All bookings are made through TryBooking using the following URL: http://www.trybooking.com/HUQT

Any questions please contact Em Wraight, Bec McHenry or Karen Thomas.
Media Release – Your Move Wanneroo

22 July 2015

Wanneroo gets moving with free group training sessions

Hundreds of people have been taking advantage of free fitness group training sessions run by HBF as part of the Your Move Wanneroo project and there’ll be another opportunity to become involved in September.

More than 10,250 households across the City of Wanneroo have signed up to take part in Your Move Wanneroo, a six-month personalised coaching program that encourages people to be more active and choose active travel options.

With a focus on fun, engaging exercise for all ages, HBF’s free weekly group fitness sessions are being held in Butler, Quinns Rocks and two locations in Kingsway over eight weeks.

HBF Fitness head trainer Max Tamatoa said those with little or no fitness would enjoy the training sessions and would get a lot out of them.

“The HBF Fitness sessions are a low intensity workout that will suit people who are new to exercise or returning after a long lay-off, with a mixture of strength and conditioning, flexibility and aerobic activity,” Mr Tamatoa said.

“Training at a set time as a group is a great way to stay motivated and to move more, especially over the winter months. And the sessions are fun. They can help people start a journey towards being more physically active.”

The weekly HBF Fitness sessions run through to August and another eight-week series of training sessions will start towards the end of September. HBF offers year-round free fitness sessions to its members in a number of locations across WA.

They are free for all Your Move Wanneroo participants. Timetable, locations and registration information can be found at yourmove.org.au.

Your Move Wanneroo is a joint initiative of the Departments of Transport and Sport and Recreation. It is supported by City of Wanneroo and the RAC and delivered with the assistance of HBF, the Public Transport Authority (PTA), North Metropolitan Public Health Service, Heart Foundation, Nature Play WA and Diabetes WA.

ENDS

For more information or to organise a picture opportunity, please contact:

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