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St. Andrew's Christian School

NEWSLETTER



Principals Report

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

It has been a very busy start to the term with new enrolments. We have now started new enrolments for 2019.

The school 20 Year Celebrations will be held on the June long weekend. On the Saturday (9th June) we will be commencing with a free BBQ lunch at 12 p.m. in the school covered outdoor learning area. There will be a tour of the school buildings and viewing displays of student work. Cathy Irons has an interesting collection of photos which will include photos of the early days of St. Andrew's. A basketball game between students, ex students and staff will be held in the afternoon. An evening dinner has been organised at the South Grafton Services Club commencing at 6 p.m. A Thanksgiving Service will be held on the Sunday at the Presbyterian Church, Oliver Street, Grafton on the Sunday morning commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Next Tuesday 5th June commencing at 6.30 p.m. in the Library an Information Evening will be held for students electing to enter Year 11 in 2019. The school offers a large range of subjects and levels of study. I would encourage both parents and students to attend this most important evening.

The Shell Questacon Science Circus will visit St. Andrew's on Thursday 7th June. This programme will be attended by all students from Prep-Year 10. The Science Circus presents an exciting in-school show which aims to engage, stimulate and challenge students to explore Science for themselves.

Psalm 95:7 He is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Mr M Lindsay
Principal

Key Dates:

Year 12 UNE Booster Days	3/6-5/6
Primary Choir at Grafton Eisteddfod/Year 11 Information Evening	5/6
Shell Questacon Science Circus K-10	7/6
20th Year Anniversary Celebrations	9/6-10/6
Year 7-10 Half Yearly Exams	12/6-15/6
Parent/Teacher Interviews	27/6



'NO NUT POLICY'

FOR SOME TIME NOW OUR SCHOOL HAS HAD A 'NO NUT POLICY'. IT IS

ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT AS MANY OF OUR STUDENTS HAVE LIFE

THREATENING ALLERGIES TO NUTS.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND PRODUCTS THAT LIST ANY KIND OF NUTS ON THE INGREDIENTS LIST.

Things to Remember

- Canteen Volunteers Needed
- If your child has lost items of clothing, please check lost property.
- Teacher supervision of students (8.15 a.m. in the morning until final departure of the last bus (approx. 3.40 p.m.))
- Parents & Carers must sign in at the office and pick up a visitors sticker when visiting the school for any reason.

Secondhand Uniforms

For Sale at the School Office

Boys Grey Trousers: Size 6 x 2, Size 8 x 1 &

Size 10 x 3

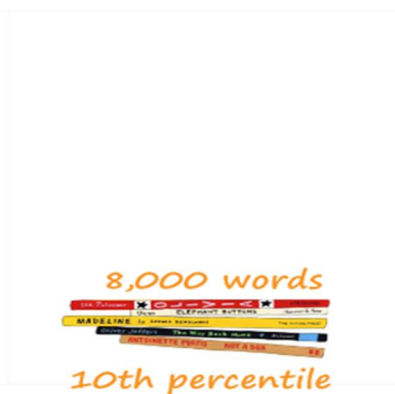
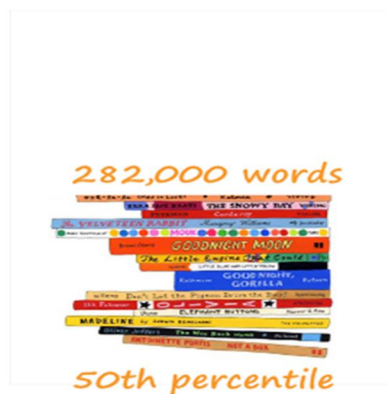
Trousers are \$5

Read With a Child It's the Most Important 20 Minutes of Your Day

Child "A"
reads **20 minutes**
each day
3,600 minutes
in a school year.

Child "B"
reads **5 minutes**
each day
900 minutes
in a school year.

Child "C"
reads **1 minute**
each day
180 minutes
in a school year.



By the end of 6th grade, Child "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Child "B" will have read only 12 school days.

Which child would you expect to have a better vocabulary?

Which child would you expect to be a proficient reader?

Make the commitment today to read with a child; it makes a difference.

Source: Nagy & Herman, 1987



Christianity Explored Course

This course is being run so people with little or no understanding of Christianity can freely ask questions.

The seven-episode series explores the identity, mission and call of Jesus.

Where: St. Andrew's Christian School

84 Washpool Rd, Clarenza

When: Mondays 5pm – 6.15pm

Starting Monday 30th July 2018

Cost: Free

Hosts: Dr John and Heather Bradshaw

RSVP or Enquiries Ph: 0437 517 472



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20th Year Celebration

2018 marks the 20th year since this great school commenced in the grounds of the Presbyterian Church Grafton.

The celebrations will be held on the Saturday of the June long weekend, Saturday 9th June.

The celebrations will commence with a free BBQ commencing at 12 noon on the school grounds which is now located at 84 Washpool Road, Clarenza via Grafton. On the Saturday afternoon there will be a basketball game of ex-students vs current students/staff teams. These games will be held at the school's sports centre.

A celebration dinner will be held at the South Grafton Services Club. Dinner will be available from 6 p.m. with a 2 course smorgasbord dinner at 6.30 p.m. onwards.

The evening function will cost \$30 per head which includes live music for dinner and dance.

Grafton Eisteddfod

The Primary Choir will be performing at the Grafton Eisteddfod on Tuesday 5 June. Most students in the 4/5 and 5/6 classes will be singing. The remaining students will also be attending to support their fellow students and listen to other schools performing.

The day commences at 9.30am at South Grafton High School Hall. If you would like to attend, St Andrew's is performing in the 8th section in the program (with most sections containing 3 – 5 schools).

We will be leaving at 9.00am and returning when our section is adjudicated. Hopefully back for lunch but it may be later.

Full formal school uniform should be worn on the day.

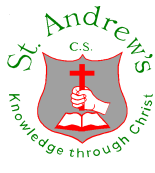
Permission notes have been distributed to students. Please return by Monday 4 June.



Our school hosted a Biggest Morning Tea on Friday, 4th May 2018. We were exceedingly blessed with cupcakes and donations and as a result raised an amazing \$550. This money has been forwarded to the Cancer Council and will help support those suffering with cancer and fund further research.

A huge thank you to our school community for supporting this worthwhile fundraising event and especially to all our wonderful parents and staff who contributed cupcakes for us to enjoy.





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PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the May edition of the Parents and Friends Newsletter. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who have volunteered their help in Term 1 and the first half of Term 2. We would also like to thank all those children who purchased gifts at our Mother's Day Stall. It was an outstanding success with over \$550 taken over the two days.

P & F Meeting – Friday 15th June 2018

The next P&F Meeting will be held on Friday 15th June in the School Library at 2pm. All are welcome to attend.

School Athletics Carnival – Friday 22 June 2018

The school's athletics carnival will be held on Friday 22 June 2018. The P&F will be running the canteen and the BBQ on the day. Volunteers are needed to help in the canteen and with the BBQ so if you would like to help please contact Ruth Zylstra for the BBQ on 0422 282 255 or Janella Murphy on 0411 484 234 for the canteen.

St Andrew's Jacaranda Fair – Saturday 27 October

The annual St Andrew's Jacaranda Fair will be held on Saturday 27 October in the school grounds from 10am to 2pm. Initial planning meetings are currently underway for the big day. If you would like to be involved in planning the event, please contact the school office.

Upcoming Events in Term 3 and Term 4

Bunnings BBQ – Saturday 25 August 2018

Father's Day Stall – Thursday 30th and Friday 31st August 2018

St Andrew's Jacaranda Fair – Saturday 27th October 2018

School Banking

Just a reminder that School Banking takes place Friday weekly during term time.

Children with banking should drop their books into the canteen before school on a Friday. The books are being processed over the weekend by the School Co-ordinator and returned to the school on Monday afternoon for collection at the office. If your child is in Prep or K/1, bank books should be given to Mrs Harris or Miss White who will send the books up to the canteen with the Friday lunch orders.

If you have any questions concerning the packs or anything about the school banking program, please contact Debbie Simpson, School Banking Co-ordinator on 0411 795 792.

Canteen Volunteers Needed

In order to keep the canteen open for the school three days a week, we are in need of some more volunteers to help out either on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday. No experience is necessary and full training is provided. So if you could spare a couple of hours on any of the days above and are interested in helping, please contact Jannella Murphy on 0411 484 234.

Working with Children Check

A working with children check is a requirement for all regular volunteers. If you have a current working with children number please give your number to the front office. If you don't have a current working with children number please go online ASAP and apply for a volunteer one, it does not cost anything www.service.nsw.gov.au search working with children check and follow the prompts. For those who can't go online please let the front office know ASAP and a day will be made for you to access a computer at school to apply.

P&F Executive

ZONE SOCCER GALA DAY

On Thursday 24th May four teams travelled to Tweed Heads to compete in the CSSA North Coast Soccer Championships. Our senior girls team was coached by Mrs Corrigan. They were unable to come away with a win on the day. However, they represented well and challenged all teams for their win. The highlight of the day was the final game for the girls where they were tied at two goals each causing the deciding outcome to go down to a penalty shootout. Unfortunately, we were unable to capitalise on their early success and went down by two goals. Special mention must be made of April Pateman who scored on the first 15 seconds of the final game.

The senior boys were coached by Mr Anderson and came away with a win, a draw, and four very close losses. The highlight of the tournament for the boys was their draw against Coffs Harbour, where they were the only team on the day to score against the championship winning team.

The junior boys were coached by Mr Browning who led them into a final position of third overall at the end of the day. This was a great team effort and it was great to see the boys playing as such a cohesive unit throughout the day.

The primary team was coached by Mr Kidd, and although they were unable to come away with a win on the day they forced Casino Christian School and Heritage Christian School into two hard fought drawn scorelines. Special mention must be made of Nathan Waterson who struck the first goal early on in the game against Heritage and played aggressively with skill and technique for the entire day. It was very encouraging to see our team, who had a wide range of skill and experience play so well in both attack and defence and become a formidable force on the field by the end of the day.

I would like to thank all students and coaches for their hard work in planning and preparation and for the effort and results that we achieved on the day.

Yours in sport

James Kidd



A Note from Mrs Rowe

We have had busy term thus far with no sign of slowing down.

Upcoming events throughout the Secondary School:

- Current Year 10 students are thinking about course choices for **Year 11 2019**. An **Information Evening** will be held at the school on **Tuesday, June 5 at 6:30**. Staff will be present to discuss courses and answer questions
- Year 7-10 (and primary) will participate in a **Questacon** visit on June 7
- Whole school, past and present - Our **20th Anniversary** takes place over the June long weekend. Three events: Saturday 12 noon – BBQ; 6:30 – Dinner; Sunday 9:30 Church Service
- **Year 7-10 Exams** are scheduled for June 12- June 19
- Year 7-8 English and Year 8 HSIE **revision guidelines** were distributed on Friday June 1
- Athletics Carnival – Friday June 22
- **Parent Teacher Interviews** – June 27 – *Reports will be handed out on this evening*
- Year 12 had a terrific opportunity to gain additional study notes and HSC experiences at UNE, Armidale on June 3-5. Thanks to Miss Tucker for organising this and Mr Baxter for driving

Other messages

- Please **label** your child's school **jacket/jumper/hat** etc
- Please review the winter uniform guidelines (copy in the student diary)
- Please encourage your child to come to school prepared. Just as they need certain equipment in their future workplace, they do so at school. We encourage the students to take hold of the basic skills they need for working / adult life.
- Year 12 **personalised HSC timetables** were released to their Student Online account in early May. Students should check to ensure they are enrolled in all the correct subjects for HSC Examinations.

Mrs Janelle Rowe—Deputy Principal

Prep News

This term we have been working on a new number each week. We started at the number 2, and are now up to number 6. We will look at one number per week until the end of the term when we will cover number 10. There will be some simple worksheets for the children to take home over the holidays, to complete as “homework”.

In our PreLit program, we have looked at many different areas of literacy including rhyming, alliteration, syllables, segmenting words with 3 sounds and blending words with 3 sounds. We have also looked at the letter sounds of m, s, t, d, f, a and i.

This term, we have been eating recess and lunch at the same time as Primary, but eating inside our fence. From the 12th June, we will be eating with Primary for recess time. We will go out earlier, so that the Prep children have extra time to eat their recess, before being allowed to get up and play with the older children.



Chaplains' Report



Hi everyone! What a blessing it is to work here at St. Andrew's Christian School. I am always grateful to be able to be here to support students, families and staff with any needs. It is such a pleasure to see the unity, love and care amongst the staff and how dedicated they are to seeing every student grow and mature in their learning and faith. I want to thank all the students, families and staff who have utilized the chaplaincy service, and for those who have asked for bibles and devotional materials. I would like to encourage you with the words of

Colossians 3:17

Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the father through him.

What wonderful work we do here at St. Andrew's Christian School teaching, guiding, mentoring and training our young ones preparing them for their future lives. Sometimes this can be difficult due to life's situations. I have had many conversations with students one on one helping them navigate through different circumstances that they face in their lives and it is a real blessing for them to know that they are never alone and have support from all the staff, myself and not, least God

It is a wonderful promise to know that you can trust God through any situation, and if you trust in him he will always be there to help you through whatever the situation. This has been my experience as I have watched God work through many students' lives.

Please continue to pray for our mission team who are in initial stages of preparation for our trip to Mama Sayang Orphanage in Jakarta middle of next year, pray for them to be able to raise the funds needed and that as we train we would bond together in unity and purpose to be able to serve the orphans well. If you would like to support any student to be able to attend this mission trip please contact myself or Joanne Gutteridge at the school office during school hours.

Unfortunately we will not be hosting any Korean students this year as I am not sure whether Moonkkang Academy is still operating, I have tried to make contact several times without any success. Please pray that we may continue to host overseas students for next year as this has been a wonderful experience for our whole school. Thank you all for your support, please contact me any time from Monday through to Thursday for anything that I may be able to help.

May God bless you and guide you in all you do.

Mick Schilling—Chaplain

Year 8 Science

The Year 8 Science class has been studying forces including electrostatic forces. A Van De Graff generator was used to generate some hair-raising experiences for our students. Fun was had by all and more importantly, no shocks were received.

Mr. Maybury



Parents/Carers

If your child / children borrow underwear or school uniforms from the school office due to 'little accidents' could you please wash them and return them to the school office as soon as possible as they are used on a regular basis.

Thank you

Year 11 2019 Info. Evening June 5 @ 6:30

FOR: All current and interested 2019
YEAR 11 PARENTS, CARERS AND STUDENTS

On Tuesday 5 June our school will hold a
2019 Year 11 cohort Information Evening
in our school Library. 6:30 sharp - 8pm.

This evening will include:

- ☐ NESA requirements to achieve a HSC
 - ☐ Course outlines by the teachers
 - ☐ What is Life Skills?
- ☐ An opportunity to informally chat with teachers over tea, coffee and dessert