

# FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL - MEGAN LOVERING

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of All Saints

In Term 3 we will welcome 17 new Reception children to All Saints. Over the last two weeks the children have experienced their transition visits and are beginning to settle into their new classes. We extend a warm welcome to our new families as they begin their time with us, as well as more children joining us, in other year levels.

### Safety

Please remind your children the importance of being aware and alert when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. If they are approached children should not respond and should not accept offers of rides or gifts. Children should seek the assistance of other nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible.

### **NAIDOC** Week

This week the children across the school engaged in a variety of learning activities focusing on NAIDOC Week. The theme this year is 'For our Elders'. Celebrations have been held across Australia to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and to participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth.

### **Uniform**

As mentioned in the last newsletter, we are currently in the process of reviewing our Uniform Policy and would like to ask our community for some feedback to help develop the next iteration of the policy into the future. Please find the survey link to the right. Whilst a number of questions are posed about our current uniform, it will also ask some questions about what you would like to see the All Saints uniform look like going forward. At this stage, we are looking for information from the community that can be fed back to the School Board. The survey will be closing soon.



### **Toilet Upgrade**

The Reception/Year 1 toilets will be opened at the beginning of Term 3. The builders will begin demolition on the Senior toilets in the school holidays to minimise the impact to the Reception and Year 3 classes. The temporary fencing around the Reception toilets has been moved to extend around the Senior toilets. The Reception/Year 1 toilets will be accessible via the Courtyard.

# Staffing

This term we will say goodbye to Alistair Fleming and Clare Yeates in addition to David Donnelly and Liz Wright mentioned in the last newsletter. Alistair has chosen to take on a new opportunity in a Year 6 class at Our Lady of Grace School, Glengowrie to support the needs of his family. Clare is taking leave for 12 months to work at an International School in the city. We will be sad to see Alistair and Clare go as well as David and Liz but wish them all well in their new roles. Kylie Roesler and Imogen Dwyer will teach Year 5 Fleming for the remainder of the year, Fiona Graff will teach fulltime in Year 6 Graff and Dolores McCluskey will teach fulltime in Year 1 Yeates.

### **School Closure Days**

Just a reminder that our School Closure Days for the remainder of the year are:

Monday 24 July, Tuesday 25 July & Friday 15 December

Finally, I hope that you find some time for a restful and enjoyable holiday period away from the routines of school. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Wednesday 26 July for the beginning of Term 3.

Best wishes, Megan Lovering



# FROM THE APRIM - STEPHANIE CROWE

# St Vinnies Winter Appeal 2023: PJ DAY

One of the ways we put our faith in action is by helping those in need. Mary MacKillop one of our patron saints said, "Never see a need with out doing something abut it."

This year our CRC's held a PJ day to support the St Vinnies Winter Appeal. Children were asked to donate a gold coin donation or bring in donations for our Vinnies bins. We raised a total of \$727.10 and our three bins were overflowing with winter warmers. Thank you all for your kind donations.

Some of our Year 6 children have seen a need and stepped forward to make things happen. They have been promoting the St Vinnies Winter Appeal by making and selling bracelets and necklaces during play times. Through selling the jewellery they have raised \$250.

To find out more about the St Vinnies Winter Appeal click below <a href="https://www.vinnies.org.au/">https://www.vinnies.org.au/</a>

## Sacramental Program

On Wednesday night children from All Saints, joined with children from St John's and the Noarlunga Seaford Parish in a celebration of First Reconciliation. Reconciliation is the second sacrament of initiation; it is a time when children reflect on unloving choices they have made and the ask for God's forgiveness.

In Term 3 the children will begin preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our first meeting is on Wednesday 2nd August at 5:30pm.

Please keep Alexander P, Aria R, Charlotte S, Beatriz D, Connor B, Zalia H, Imogen B, Makenzie P, Amelia P, Carlie Mc, Imogen P, Oskar M, April C, Tennayah Mc, Eva Mc, and Eddy in your prayers. May God bless them as they journey through faith.

# **Family Mass**

Please add 13th August to your calendar. All Saints children will be leading Mass at 10:45 at Seaford Christian Communities (previously SEM). During this Mass, 5 of our children will be welcomed into the Catholic Community through Baptism.















What a busy term we have had in 3M!

In English we have created YouTube-like 'how-to' videos, teaching others how to master a skill with a procedural text that we have drafted, refined, edited and published. We are also focused on adding extra detail to our writing to make it more interesting for our readers.

In Religion we have been investigating the seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church. Students are about to create a quiz and a poster about all they have learnt to inform others of the special meaning behind these events.

In Mathematics we have been focusing on strategies that help us calculate addition and subtraction strategies accurately and more easily.

In HASS and Technology, we have just presented PowerPoint Presentations on a chosen topic and its changes throughout history. Using laptops for the first time at school regularly this year, we have learnt lots of new presentation and word processing skills. The students and I were very proud of their final results!

In Health we have been fortunate to have an Occupational Therapist visiting our class to work on the Zones of Regulations with us. We have worked on identifying what zones we (and others) might be in, what strategies we can use when we need to regulate our bodies and listening to our inner coach rather than our inner critic.

We have been learning about heating and cooling in Science. Last week we conducted an experiment testing the difference in temperature of warm water when it is placed in cups of different materials. We discussed the benefits of knowing this type of information. For example, we wouldn't want a hot chocolate to go too cold too quickly. And we wouldn't want a milkshake to get warm too quickly!

In cooking, we have cooked some delicious recipes including pasties and fresh pasta and we have worked on our cutting skills.



It has been a very productive time. We are now looking forward to a rest and recharge over the holidays, before leaping into our next term, ready to continue once more!

Kim Marchetta 3M Teacher

# VISUAL ART TIFFANY OKAZAKI

Year 2s Emily, Charli & Summer made this for the children in the Hub to enjoy!

What a beautiful piece of art to decorate the room!





For Naidoc Week this year children created indigenous animal artworks using mixed media! We hope you enjoy our Echidnas!





# **MUSIC DANIEL ROBERTS**

Last week, a large group of children auditioned for Mr Roberts and Charlotte (our singing teacher).

From there, 1-2 students for each song were selected to try out for a Festival Solo at the Catholic Schools Music Festival Hub Assessment.

These children auditioned for a solo in front of about 150 children from five different schools. We will hear back early in Term 3 as to whether any of these children were selected to be a Festival Soloist.

Fingers crossed!







# FROM THE COUNSELLOR - CYNTHIA GELDENHUYS

Hi Families,

This week we are focusing on self-control. Below is a description of what it is and ways that you can help your child learn about self-control through reading about it and practicing it. What is self-control and why it is important?

**Self-control** is the ability to stop and think before making a choice. Learning how to control one's own impulses allows children to get along better classmates, teachers, and parents. Self-control is a skill that will follow children throughout their lives, helping them get along with others and not do the first thing that pops into their heads. Helping children learn self-discipline by encouraging their good behaviours can also help them learn self-control.

## How to teach children self-control

Self-control is a behaviour most children can be taught. The best way to teach this behaviour is to model it for children. When a teacher, parent or adult becomes frustrated or angry, s/he needs to take a moment before reacting. Instead of yelling, using harsh language, or even physically reacting to a situation, if an adult can show self-control when in super charged state, this subsequently demonstrate to children how to react appropriately to volatile situation.

If a teacher of parents sees a situation in which a child may jump to react to something verbally or physically, s/he can help that child by teaching them to breathe deeply and inwardly consider the consequences of their reaction to a situation.

# Read about it:

Here are some books to help learn more about self-control:

- Clark the Shark by Bruce Hale
- What were you thinking? By Bryan Smith
- Katie loves the kittens by John Himmelman

**Practice it using games** as it teaches them to learn to stop and think about their next move, and regulate their thoughts and emotions. E.g.

- Red light/green light
- Simon Says
- Jenga
- Freeze tag
- Traffic lights

Take care, Cynthia Geldenhuys Counsellor/Wellbeing

# REMINDERS





0418 117 541

Please remember to send an SMS every day that your child is absent from school.

The SMS should include the child's name, class and reason for absence. Please also state if your child will be absent for more than one day.

Any absence of 5 or more consecutive days requires a medical certificate or *Exemption from School Form* (available from the Front Office).



# IF YOU HAVE <u>ANY</u> SYMPTOMS, PLEASE STAY HOME

Runny noses, coughs, and sneezes are common this time of year. By sending your child to school they are passing these on to others in their class and our teachers. Please keep our community safe and keep your child/ren home when they are unwell.



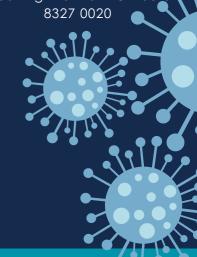
# COVID-19

If your child tests positive to COVID-19, please inform the school so that we may report our current cases and keep our records up to date.

You can do this via email to info@allsaints.catholic.edu.au or directly to your class teacher on their email

via SMS: 0418 117 541 OR

by calling the Front Office of



# CALENDAR - TERM 3 2023

WEEK 1	
24 July	School Closure Day
25 July	School Closure Day
WEEK 2	
2 August	Year 2 Mass at Seaford Christian Churches (SCC) 9.15am
WEEK 3	
8 August	Mary MacKillop Liturgy - Whole School 9.15am in the HALL
8 August	SAPSASA Basketball
10 August	SAPSASA Cross Country
WEEK 4	
13 August	Year 2/3/4 Family Mass 10.45am at SCC
14 August	SAPSASA Netball - Girls Round 2 at All Saints
15 August	Feast Day - Assumption of Mary Whole School Mass 11.30am
16 August	Year 3 Mass at SCC 9.15am
WEEK 5	
21 August	Catholic Schools' Open Week 21 - 26 August
21 August	Book Week 21 - 25 August Theme: Read, Grow, Inspire!
22 August	Principal's Tour 9.30am
22 August	Sacrament of Confirmation - St Lukes 7.00pm
23 August	Year 6 Mass at SCC 9.15am
25 August	Book Week Parade
26 August	Principal's Tour 9.30am
WEEK 6	
28 August	SAPSASA Netball State Finals
30 August	Year 5 Mass at SCC 9.15am
1 September	Father's Day Event

# CALENDAR - TERM 3 2023

WEEK 7	
6 September	SACPSSA Touch Rugby
6 September	Year 4 Mass at Seaford Christian Churches (SCC) 9.15am
6 September	Sacrament of Reconciliation Year 4 Mass at SCC 5.30pm
WEEK 8	
10 September	Sacrament of First Communion St Lukes 9.00am
12 September	Year 6 Camp 12 Sept - 15 Sept
WEEK 9	
19 September	Parent Conversations
20 September	Parent Conversations
20 September	Year 1 Mass at SCC 9.15am
21 September	Parent Conversations
WEEK 10	
25 September	Catholic Schools Music Festival 25 Sept - 29 Sept
27 September	Reception Classes Mass at SCC 9.15am

Please note these dates and mark them in your calendar/diary. These dates are subject to change. We also ask that families check current Newsletters, the School Star App and Seesaw on a regular basis for any updates/changes through-out the term.

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