

FROM THE PRINCIPAL NICK WRIGHT



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Well, we have finally made it to the end of the 2023 School year and what a fun filled year it has been for all here at All Saints.

End of Year Concert

Last Wednesday we had our End of Year Concert out on the oval. This is always one of my favourite nights in the calendar. It was great to see the students up on the stage performing for their parents and family.

Thank you to Mr Roberts for putting the concert together and all the work he does tirelessly to make it a success. Also, thank you to the community for supporting this event.

Year 6 Graduation

On Tuesday night we came together for the Year 6 Graduation. This was a time for the students and their families to celebrate their Primary schooling over the last seven years. It is also a special milestone for them as they move into their middle years of learning at High School. The students were presented with their memento pack and Ms Sumner, Ms Graff and Mr Martinsen spoke about how wonderful the students in their classrooms have been this year. We wish all our Year 6 students every success in High School and beyond, and look forward to hearing about them in the future.

Farewells

As part of Mass on Tuesday morning and at Assembly this morning we farewelled a number of staff members who are moving on from All Saints to pursue a variety of new opportunities in 2024. We farewelled: Caitlyn Hawke, Michelle Gardiner, Kristy Fode, Georgina Rowe, Rebecca McPherson, Imogen Dwyer, Cherie Barker, Taryn Burdett, Ollie Wright and Cynthia Geldenhuys. All have worked hard and given their all to the service of this community and we thank them for the time they have given and wish them well in their future endeavours.

In saying goodbye, we also say hello and welcome to Megan Sinclair, Phoebe Watkins and Ashlee Fensom, who join us as Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 teachers respectively. Ben Currie, Tanya Gramola and Benjamin Hardy join us as our new Curriculum ESOs along with Connie Francis as Media and Communications, Tyler Boileau as Sports Assistant and Carly Best as School Counsellor.

Earlier on in the year, we were lucky enough to have John Harker join us as Head of Maintenance and we also had a number of teachers who attained permanency; Stephanie Schetter, Ali Doolette, Heidi Jak, Brittany McKay and Casey Swansson.

Please join me in wishing them well as they begin or continue their roles here at All Saints.

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Family Conferences

As is custom here at All Saints, Monday 29 January is a School Closure Day and the day set aside for Family Conferences for Reception to Year 6 students. This is a time to meet with your child's classroom teacher to discuss the forthcoming year. Please refer to the information sent out with your child's report.

Starting back in 2024

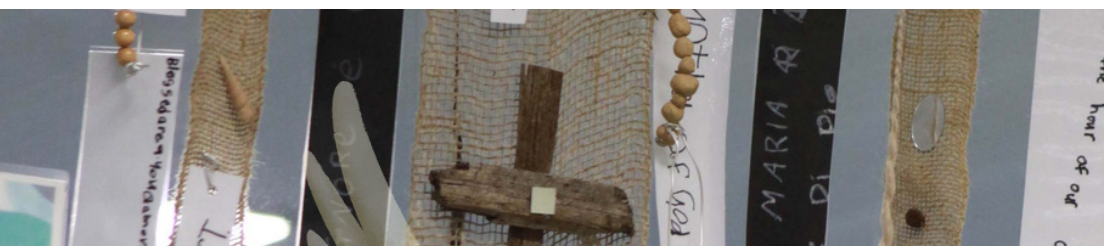
Please note that we will officially begin the new school year at 8:45am on Tuesday 30 January 2024. We look forward to seeing the children in their full Summer uniform as we begin our 30th Anniversary year here at All Saints.

Before I end, I would like to say a great big thank you to all the amazing staff here at All Saints for their continued work over the last year. It has been a year of change for everyone and I especially thank the Leadership Team of Megan Lovering, Sherrilie Burton, Stephanie Crowe and Louise Whitehouse for their constant support since I arrived back in May.

We all look forward to coming back next year refreshed after a well-deserved break.

Last but not least, thank you to you as the community of All Saints; we could not do what we do as a school without your constant support, so thank you!

Wishing you all a very happy and holy Christmas and a great New Year. Enjoy the break and we will see you all back in January.



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STEPHANIE CROWE

As the year draws to a close and the spirit of Christmas envelops us in warmth and joy, we reflect upon the incredible journey we've embarked on together as a faith-filled community at All Saints. It has been a year filled with growth, compassion, and unwavering commitment to our shared values.

This year, our school community has embraced the true meaning of Christmas through various acts of kindness and the generations donations made for our St Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal. These donations have a positive impact on the lives of those in need and truly reflect the spirit of giving and love that defines the Christmas season.

As we bid farewell to 2023 and welcome the promise of a new year, let us carry the spirit of Christmas in our hearts. May the coming year be filled with hope, love, and endless possibilities for each member of our All Saints' family. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

Christmas & New Year Mass Times

Christmas Eve - 24 Dec

Seaford Christian Churches
6pm Mass

St. Luke's
7.30pm - Mass
11.40pm - Christmas Carols
Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - 25 Dec

St. Luke's
9.00am - Mass

New Year's Eve - 31 Dec

Seaford Christian Churches
10.45am Mass

St. Luke's
9.00am Mass
5.30pm Mass
Midnight Mass

New Year's Day - 1 Jan

St. Luke's
9.00am - Mass

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Celebrating Grandparents/Special Persons Day: A Liturgical Delight

We thoroughly enjoyed our heartwarming celebration of Grandparents /Special Persons Day! Our little ones shared the joy of reading with their beloved grandparents or special persons during a heartwarming liturgy. It was a special time to connect, explore, and create lasting memories. Questionnaires were a delightful part of the day, providing a glimpse into the shared experiences and cherished moments.

To sweeten the celebration, our young learners indulged in the joy of sharing cookies with their loved ones. We enjoyed a day filled with love, laughter, and meaningful connections!



RS- "My favourite part of Grandparent's/Special Person's Day was the cookies!" - Darcy

RS- "Grandparents/Special Person's Day was special because my Nana came and saw my learning." - Ariel

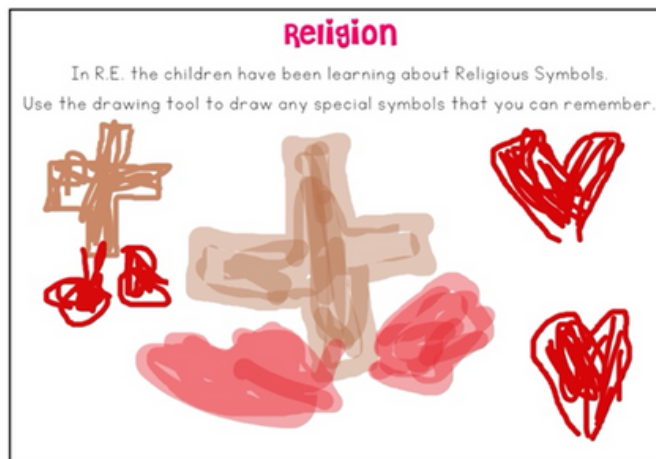
RH- "I liked that my grandma was there with me on Grandparents Day." - Tuk

RH- "We got to share cookies together!" - Avery

Faithful Explorations: Symbols of Unity

In Religious Education, we embarked on a sacred exploration of Catholic symbols. From the meaningful cross to the gentle embrace of the dove, each symbol carries a story of faith and unity.

Our young disciples not only learn about these symbols but embody their essence in daily activities, fostering a sense of community and spiritual connection. Together, we engage in moments of prayer, creating a bond that transcends the classroom walls. Our journey in faith is not just a lesson; it's a shared experience that illuminates our hearts and minds.



RS- "I liked learning about love hearts and crosses. It was fun to paint them." - Mikayla

RS- "Making a cross was fun because it was about Jesus." - Ella

RH- "We have the purple cloth to celebrate special events." - Rylee

RH- "I like to pray to God." - Allegra

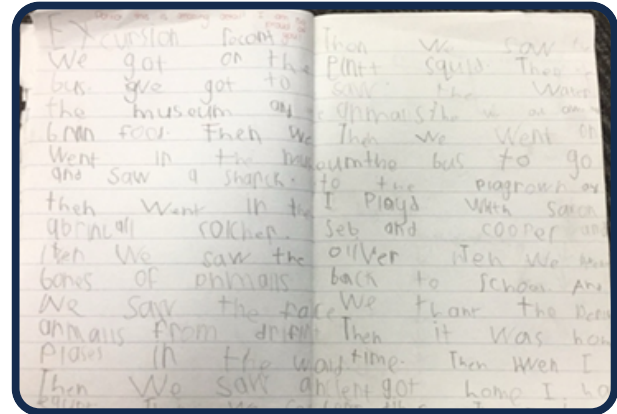
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Literacy Corner: Unlocking Words and Stories

In our dynamic literacy sessions, our young scholars are not only decoding words but unlocking the magic of stories. We delve into a variety of texts fortnightly, from enchanting tales to informative gems. Through guided reading, our little explorers navigate the terrain of new vocabulary, expanding their linguistic horizons.

Sentence construction becomes an art as we encourage each child to weave tales with vivid details, fostering a love for both reading and storytelling. Keep an eye out for our emerging authors as they embark on the thrilling adventure of creating their own books!



- RS- "This year I have loved writing interesting sentences by adding when, where or why something happens."-Patrick
RS- "My favourite book we looked at this year was jetty jumping during book week. I liked it because she became brave and jumped in!" -Willow
RH- "I love that sometimes Ms Hawke lets us write ANY sentences we want!"- Christianson
RH- "I love scrambled sentences because we get to try and find out what it is"- Ivy-Lee

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Mathematical Adventures: Measuring the Fun!

Our mathematical journey is a playground of exploration. In the realm of measurements, we quench our curiosity by investigating capacity and volume. Hands-on activities and interactive challenges make learning about measurements a joyous experience.

Numbers come alive as we engage in abstract thinking through playful additions and subtractions. It's not just about solving problems; it's about understanding the magic behind the numbers and building a solid foundation for future mathematical endeavours.



- RS- "In Maths I have so much fun counting and singing to 100." -Blake
RS- "I love playing number name tennis because it's fun and I learn how to count and how to practise at home." -Harper
RH- "I love learning new numbers and doing sharing problems." - Hudson
RH- "We can count in 2's and 5's in our class." - Lyla



Stay tuned for more detailed updates on the captivating adventures of our Reception classes at All Saints Catholic Primary School!

Congratulations to Ella and Kiara

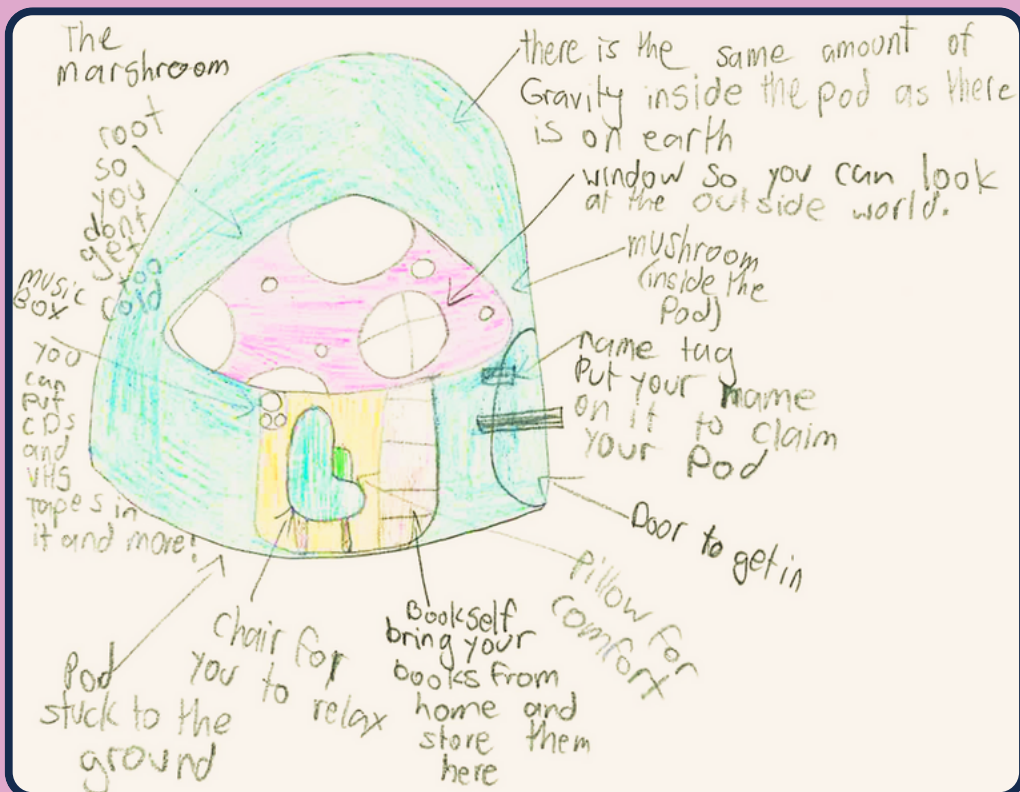


Congratulations to Ella and Kiara from Year 6 as they have been included in the **TOP RATED DESIGNS FOR 2023** listing for the Digital Commissioner's Challenge.

Another year of incredible entries into the Commissioner's Design Thinking Challenge! The Commissioner was very impressed with the creativity and innovation shown by all students who completed her design thinking challenge. All of the top rated designs for 2023 will feature in the Space to Dream Travelling Exhibition which will be on display at the Australian Space Discovery Centre throughout December 2023 and January 2024 and travelling to local libraries around South Australia in 2024.

THE MARSHROOM

Our design is called the Marshroom because it is going to Mars. It works by going up to one and claiming the pod by putting your name on it and then opening the door to then sit in the chair and start your relaxing experience.



The reason it is a perfect toy for someone my age who is going to Mars because it is calming for you if you have had a rough day and its perfect for you if you're bored and want to read some of your favourite books. You can listen to your favourite songs too, so it'll distract you from anything that you are worried about. It also has a window in the roof so you can see the blue sunset setting. In conclusion it is a perfect distraction from the worries and doubts, so you'll feel at home, and you won't need to worry about a thing.

By Kiara and Ella, Year 6, All Saints Catholic Primary School

[Click here to see all of the Top Rated Designs for 2023](#)

Minecraft Virtual School Tour by Beau, Jett, Ace & Levi Year 6

Last week Beau, Jett, Ace & Levi presented their Year 6 Minecraft project to our Principal, Mr Wright. He was amazed at the effort these students had put into their project and congratulated them on such a polished end product!

The 4 boys built the school in Minecraft as a way of supporting children transitioning to the school who may feel nervous about coming to All Saints. It has the intent of helping to calm them on a platform that most children know well.

It has taken them 3 terms to create and they needed to work collaboratively, communicating well and as a team, deal with problem solving, to get the task done. They videoed the world and had overlay the recorded audio.



The best part of designing our school in Minecraft was having fun trying to replicate the school as a team with my friends. When there was a problem, we solved it by talking. Jett 6G

I felt a little nervous presenting to Mr Wright but was happy it was finally done. I hope it helps children who feel shy and nervous coming to their new school. Beau 6G



Service and Stewardship Award from Chris Picton MP



Congratulations to one of our graduating students, Nicole (Kiki), for receiving a Service and Stewardship Award from Chris Picton MP.

Kiki also received the Saint John Bosco Academic Excellence Award from Mr Nick Wright, Principal.

We wish Kiki and all our graduating students the best of luck in their future endeavours!

All Saints Choirs Spreading Christmas Cheer

Under direction from Mr Dan Roberts, our Music Teacher, the All Saints Choirs, together with some class choirs, took a range of classic Christmas Carols to the Seaford Shopping Centre and the Central Markets.

The children received many a compliment from passers-by who were cheered by the beautiful voices.

A big thank you to Mr Roberts for preparing the children, to the teachers and volunteers who assisted them in their travels and finally to the children for warming hearts wherever they went with their Christmas Carols!

