

NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 6

All Saints Catholic Primary School

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL NICK WRIGHT



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

With three weeks to go and so much more to pack in before the end of term we are excited for the rest of the term and the enjoyment that the end of year events bring us at school.

Arts and Music Showcase

On Friday 8 November, our annual Arts and Music Showcase presented an array of artistic and musical talent from our students. It is always a fantastic event and doesn't just happen. Thanks to Miss Tiff and Mr Roberts for all the organisation and delivery of another successful Showcase.

30th Anniversary

Next week will see the celebration of our 30th Anniversary Mass, which will be officiated by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. We look forward to celebrating this event on Thursday 28 November at 10 am with past and present community members and are hopeful for good weather. If you have not already sent an RSVP for the event, please do so via this [link](#).

Builders chosen

Following a successful tender process, we have engaged Cook Building, which we are very excited about. Cook has begun in the background and will be onsite in the next few weeks to start some initial works. The building construction should be completed by the end of Term 4 2025 in preparation for welcoming new students into the contemporary learning spaces for the 2026 academic year. As the building progresses, more information will be shared with the community.

Extra-curricular Instrumental Lessons 2025

Unfortunately, due to several factors, including increased enrolments in Reception and across the school, providing spaces for curriculum activities and interventions and the upcoming building work we are unable to provide the spaces for extra-curricular instrumental lessons in 2025. Therefore, there will be a pause in this program during 2025. This was not an easy decision to make and numerous scenarios were thought about, prior to making this decision. In 2026 we will have more space available for the instrumental program to resume.

End of Year Concert

Our annual End of Year Concert will take place on the Oval on Wednesday 4 December. This year to coincide with our 30th Anniversary there will be a variety of songs through the decades as well as the usual Christmas songs. The concert will begin at 5:30, please bring your own picnic, chairs and blankets for a great evening of music. If you are not bringing a picnic there will be Food Trucks onsite providing food and drinks. We look forward to seeing you all there to celebrate the end of the school year.

Have a great week everyone.



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*Celebrating 30 years of education on
the Fleurieu Peninsula!*

We cordially invite all past and present community members
to our 30th Anniversary Mass, celebrated by Archbishop
Patrick O'Regan.

Thursday, November 28, 10 am

*The Mass will be held in the Courtyard,
followed by Morning Tea.*



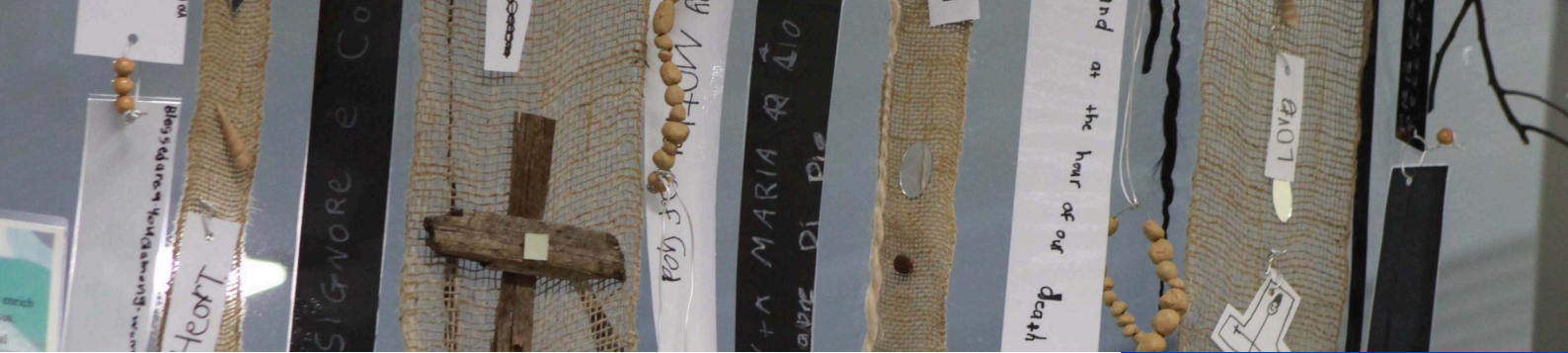
Please scan the QR code to RSVP.
Please RSVP by Friday, 15 November.

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2025 SCHOOL FEES

We are pleased to inform our school families that there will not be an increase in school fees for the 2025 school year. It is at the heart of Catholic Education that our schools are affordable and accessible to all. If any family has financial concerns, we ask them to contact Terence Corcoran, Business Manager, to confidentially discuss additional support through fee remissions.





FROM THE APRIM STEPH CROWE

Remembrance Day

At All Saints, it is a cherished tradition for our Year 6 students to lead the Remembrance Day service for our school community. This year, they conducted a respectful and moving service on Monday, 11 November, at 11 am. It was a beautiful tribute, made even more powerful by the sight of 560 children sitting silently for one minute, honouring the sacrifices of those who made it possible for us to live in such a wonderful country. We are deeply grateful to our staff for their dedication in preparing the students and guiding each class in creating the stunning wreaths that were laid during the service.

30th Anniversary Mass

Next Thursday at 10am we will gather to celebrate a remarkable milestone in the history of All Saints Catholic Primary Schools 30 years of faith, knowledge, and community. In 1994, All Saints was established with a mission to support a Christian community, striving to live a life where Gospel values, within the Catholic tradition, are present. It has been and continues to be a place where friendships are formed, shared values are reinforced, and a sense of belonging is cultivated.

You are all welcome to attend our celebrations, If you have not already sent an RSVP for the event, please do so via this [link](#).

True Meaning of Christmas and Advent

The Christmas Pageant has always been a highlight for me. I love the floats, the music, the excitement of the children and of course the grand entrance of Father Christmas! While the pageant captures the joy and festivity of the season, it also reminds us to pause and reflect on the deeper meaning of Christmas and the season of Advent.

Advent, which begins four Sundays before Christmas, marks a period of preparation and anticipation for the coming of Christ. It is a time of reflection, prayer, and spiritual renewal. The Advent wreath, with its four candles symbolising hope, peace, joy, and love, serves as a weekly reminder of the values that guide us toward the true spirit of the season.

Christmas is more than gifts, decorations, and celebrations—it is a time to remember the birth of Jesus Christ and the message of hope, love, and peace Jesus brought into the world. It is a season of gratitude for the blessings we have received and an opportunity to share kindness and generosity with others, especially those in need.

Christmas is a time of giving and for many it is a time of loneliness and hardship. Every year, All Saints supports The Vinnies Christmas Appeal by giving generously. The Vinnies Christmas appeal has helped families in need for decades. This year we invite you to donate what you can to support our community members in need. Each class will have a tub ready for donations of non-perishable foods, unwrapped gifts and clothes.

Please see the Catholic School Parents Advent Activity Calendar [here](#)



Christmas Mass Timetable

CHRISTMAS EVE TUESDAY 24 DECEMBER

St Luke's 6.00pm
Carols 11.20pm
MIDNIGHT

SCC 7.30pm

Willunga 7.00pm
MIDNIGHT

Aldinga 6.00pm

Normanville 6.00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY WEDNESDAY 25 DECEMBER

St Luke's 9.00am

Willunga 9.00am

Normanville 9.00am

Signs Your Child Is Looking for ◆◆ Emotional Connection ◆◆

As parents, we sometimes miss the signals that our children are craving more connection and misread them as defiance. Recognizing these signs can make a big difference in fostering a close, loving bond. Here's how to know when your child needs more of your attention and what you can do to reconnect in meaningful ways.

Demonstrate with a Visual Lesson

1. They interrupt you more often.

Your child keeps interrupting conversations or tasks to get your attention.



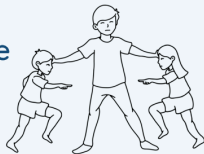
2. They constantly ask you to watch them.

They want you to see every little thing they're doing, from playing to drawing.



3. They give you a hard time.

Their behavior becomes more challenging, with defiance or emotional outbursts.



4. They are more emotional than usual.

They seem more sensitive, frustrated, or upset over small things.



How to Reconnect with Your Child

1. Daily Review:

Spend 10 minutes talking about their day and their feelings. Ask questions like, "What was the best part of your day?"

2. Morning Routine:

Incorporate a quick, special activity you can do together in the morning, like a 5-minute game or a silly dance.

3. Snack Conversations:

Use snack breaks as a chance to chat. Sit together and have an open, relaxed conversation.

4. Compliments:

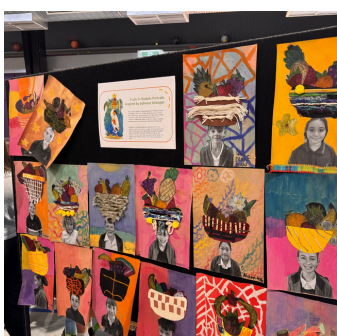
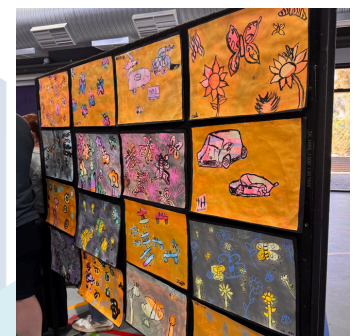
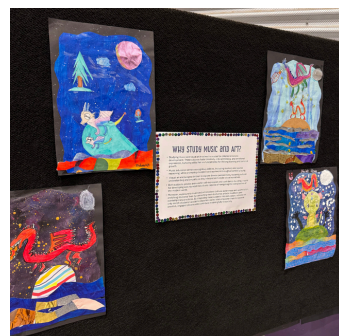
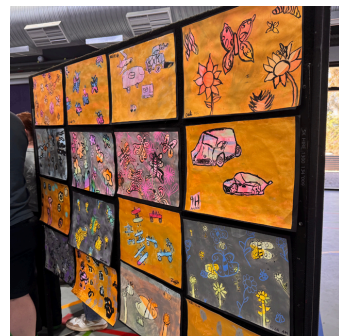
Offer sincere compliments, noticing small but positive actions they take. Acknowledge even the little things they do well.

Your child's behavior can be a window into their emotional needs. When they show these signs, it's not about discipline—it's about connection. By taking simple, intentional steps, you can build a stronger bond and help your child feel loved, seen, and understood.



ART & MUSIC SHOWCASE

What an incredible evening at our Art & Music Showcase! We were thrilled to see our talented Junior and Senior Choirs perform, along with our amazing instrumental students. The artwork displayed from all classes captured the creativity and spirit of our school! A huge thank you to Miss Tiff and Mr. Roberts for their dedication and hard work in making this event such a success. We are so proud of all our young artists and musicians!



CALENDAR - TERM 4 2024

WEEK 7	
25 November	Year 6 Surf Education, Moana Beach
27 November	Year 3 Aquatics - Port Noarlunga Surf Life Saving Club
27 November	Class Mass - Year 2 & 6
28 November	30th Anniversary of All Saints Mass
29 November	SAPSASA Softball
29 November	Year 5 Surf Education, Moana Beach
29 November	Reception Transition Morning - Visit 6
WEEK 8	
4 December	Year 4 Aquatics, Port Noarlunga Life Saving Club
4 December	End of Year Christmas Concert - 5pm
6 December	Reception Transition Morning - Visit 7
WEEK 9	
10 December	Year 6 Graduation
10 December	End of Year Assembly
11 December	Year 6 Excursion
12 December	Last day of Term 4 for Reception - Year 5
13 December	School Closure Day

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 website and Seesaw on a regular basis for any updates/changes through-out the term.

REMINDERS

Sick Room Seeking R-2 Uniforms:

The sick room frequently lends out uniform items to students in need. To help us replenish our stock, we are kindly seeking donations of any spare uniforms, particularly for students in Reception to Year 2. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated and would ensure that we have enough items on hand when needed.



Please make sure all your child's uniform is labelled clearly. Any lost items can be found in the Front Office.

LOST PROPERTY!

ABSENTEES

0418 117 541

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

The SMS should include the child's name, class, reason and length of absence.

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

IF YOU HAVE ANY 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.

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

OR

via SMS: 0418 117 541

OR

by calling the Front Office on 8327 0020