Term 1 Week 3
14 February 2013

**WELCOME TO THE **
* SUPERSTAR CLASS OF 2RAF!* 

“Congratulations to our very responsible class SRC’s: Caitlin & Harry and to our Deputies: Poppy & Ryan. We know you will do us proud!”

“In Year 2 I would like to make some new friends. I like the classroom, it has a big love heart in it.” Aydan

“We do a homework grid in Year 2. There are fun things on the homework grid. I am looking forward to it.” Emily

“Year 2 is challenging because Miss Raf always makes us do hard stuff like homework. I like Year 2 because everyone is nice.” Jack

“Everything is different in Year 2 because back in my Year 1 room stuff was different. I really like the painting and the beautiful plants.” Madhav

“We do lots of writing and we are independent. I am trying not to be in other people’s business. I like it in Year 2. It’s fun!” Charlotte

“I like Year 2 because it is much harder. We do all different things and you have to be independent. I relax by myself now.” Alizah

“TEAMWORK is key in 2R
“I am a team player because I am a good listener.” Riley

“TEAMWORK is key in 2R. “I am a team player because I play fair.” Jess T

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“I am a team player because I am friendly.” Shaya

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A Busy Start to 2013!

We have had an amazing start to the year. It has been incredibly busy, both in the classroom and with other school activities. I absolutely commend the children on their responsible attitude and behaviour in all their activities.

We had a wonderful turn out for the 2012 AGM & Meet the Teacher evening. I had the opportunity to speak with many parents and carers and the atmosphere was very positive. It was also exciting to have 6 impressive women stand for School Board for 2013. Towards the end of the evening and after counting the votes I announced that Andree Brown, Tanya Galbraith and Cath Kennedy have been appointed to the Board. We also announced that with the support of Fr Charles & Fr Fred, Stewart Lawrie has been appointed as the Parish Representative. I sincerely thank Monica O’Neil, Monica Slaven and Mel Olsson for their nominations.

It was also an important occasion for families to meet their class and specialist teachers for 2013. If you were unable to attend please ensure you receive the handout each class teacher prepared, which has information about the class expectations and learning program for the year.

On Wednesday, 6 February Fr Fred led us in a beautiful Mass to celebrate the beginning of the school year. The children sang beautifully and participated reverently. I felt very proud of them all, especially our brand new Receptions who sat and listened so well.

Getting to Know Each Other—The First 2 Weeks

You may be wondering what we actually do in the first 2 weeks at school. All Saints is committed to placing relationships at the heart of good teaching and learning, therefore in these first 2 weeks the teachers and children work together to know and understand each other. If you happened to attend the assembly last Friday with Leah Bellifemini’s Year 3 children, you would have seen how the children explained how respectful it’s going to be in their room, so that it becomes a calm and safe place for good teaching and learning. I know they also talked about remembering to have Nude Food in their lunch boxes and how to be cyber safe and smart when using computer technology. This is very important learning that underpins all that will happen for the remainder of the year. Well done to Leah and all teachers and classes for starting the school year in such a positive way.

Shrove Tuesday

This year Lent starts quite early in the term. Last Tuesday the children enjoyed pancakes—a tradition of the Catholic Church as part of Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday which is the first day of Lent. I sincerely thank the parents and carers who supported the school by making the pancakes for the children. I know the children and staff enjoyed them!

Carnevale

Last Saturday I attended the Italian festival called Carnevale. Each year All Saints has a display of the work undertaken in Italian classes from the previous year. I thank Martino Vaudo and Margherita Pardoe for their time in preparing the work and its display. I am always so proud to see the children’s work. It’s quite a fun day so you might think about attending next year.

Staff Changes

I wish to inform the school community that Heidi Hill will conclude her work at All Saints this Friday, 15 February as she awaits the birth of her baby. We wish Heidi and her husband Kym all the best and hope that all goes well. Kelli Rose is also expecting a baby and will conclude her work at All Saints at the end of this term. We are currently in the process of appointing a new teacher to begin in Term 2. Carina Dallwitz has been appointed to take Alison Olsder’s Year 3 class each Wednesday. Alison will be released to take Science for the Year 2 & 3 classes. We welcome Carina to All Saints and hope she enjoys her time with us.

God Bless
Helen Ward
**RE News**

**Lent and Project Compassion**
You would have received a Project Compassion box this week from school. Each year we are asked to provide care for the poor. The box is used to put in money and is a sign of our care for them. Families provide what they can afford as a sign of our commitment. Please give generously if you can. The Project Compassion boxes will be collected towards the end of March.

**Ash Wednesday Mass and Liturgy**
It was great to see the children receive ashes on their forehead on Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, the ashes remind us that old habits can sometimes get in the way of developing good relationships. We are reminded by the Catholic Church that Lent is a time of letting go of all that stops us from being happy and at peace with others. Let us focus on improving our hearts during Lent and ‘letting go’ of what hardens our hearts.

**Commissioning Mass**
You are all warmly welcome to attend our Commissioning Mass on Sunday 17 February, 10.45am at SEM. During this special ceremony, the staff are invited to receive a Blessing from Fr Fred. The commissioning highlights the importance of working together as a community. Those present at the Mass also affirm the work and ministry of All Saints. We would love to see you there!

**Family Mass**
Our first Family Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 24 February, 10.45am at SEM. It will be hosted by the Year 2 and 3 children. The Family Mass is a lovely way to experience the extended community at All Saints because it is celebrated with parishioners. Our children regularly experience Mass as either a year level or as a whole school. The Family Mass extends their experience to be part of a larger, supportive community. Come along and share this time with the children. Everyone is very welcome.

**Reconciliation**
All families who were enrolled in the Sacrament of Reconciliation last year will have received their letter about our next workshop: **Tuesday, 19 February, 5.30pm in the hall.** Please make sure you attend as it will be a workshop that explains how the Sacrament will be administered when the children receive the Sacrament on **Tuesday 5 March, 6.00pm at St Luke’s Church.**

**Baptism**
Thank you to families who have returned their enrolment forms for Baptism. I will be in contact soon about the next step of the journey. Please contact me if you would just like a chat if you want more information.

**Parents & Friends**
You are all warmly welcome to our P & F Meeting on Monday 18 February, 9:15am in the Community Room. There will be a special morning tea for all parents, carers & friends of All Saints.

Rachele Tullio
APRIM

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**Southern Cross Online**

The Southern Cross is now available in an easy to read format online at: www.thesoutherncross.org.au.

**Volunteers Needed**
SEM are looking for volunteers to help in the Cafe, Op Shop and other programs.
For more information please contact Helen on 8392 4524 (9am - 1pm Mon - Thurs)

**Morning Tea Committee**
If you are a registered volunteer with a current Catholic Police Clearance and would like to help twice a term with morning tea for new families to the school & Principal’s Tours please contact Rose Davis via the front office.

**Clean Up Australia Day 2013**
This year our annual School’s Clean Up Day is on Friday 1 March at 10.00am. We will meet as a school in the courtyard first and then clean up our designated areas in and around the school. Registered volunteers must have a current Catholic Police Clearance and are welcome to come along and lend a hand.

Children need to bring their own gloves and bags to collect rubbish.
Yours in the Environment
Alison Olsder

**Playgroup**
Playgroup sessions are held on Tuesdays & Thursdays in the Community Room, 9.00—10.30am.
You are welcome to join us for fun play, games, stories and making new friends.
Please bring along a hat, drink and healthy snack for your child.

**Noarlunga-Seaford Parish**
Cnr New Honeypot Road & Goldsmith Drive
Tel: 8382 1717 Fax: 8326 7999
Parish Priest: Fr Charles Gauci
School Chaplain: Fr Alfred Farrugia

**Masses:**
SEM: Wednesday 9.15am, Sunday 10.45am
St Luke’s: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 9.00am & 5.30pm (Youth Mass)
The Italian Corner

Ciao a tutti, quasi tre settimane sono già passate! Mamma mia, il tempo vola! (Hello to all, almost three weeks have already passed! My, the time flies!)

In questo momento (at this time), i bambini (the children) have been revising basic vocabulary. This includes i colori (the colours), i numeri (the numbers), la famiglia (the family), i giorni della settimana (the days of the week) and i mesi dell'anno (the months of the year).

The new Reception children have learnt how to greet the teachers in the yard and some fun songs to help them learn familiar greetings in Italian such as ciao (hello/bye), buongiorno (good day), arrivederci (see you later), come stai (how are you), molto bene (very good) and cosi' cosi' (so so).

As we enter La Quaresima (the period of Lent) we will be teaching the children about Carnevale and preparing masks to be used for the Carnevale parade which will take place during Italian Day on the last Thursday of Term 1.

As in previous years, this past weekend we proudly displayed work children completed last year at the 2013 Carnevale at the Wayville Showgrounds. It is always a great opportunity to show the rest of the Italian community what wonderful work our children do here at All Saints.

Keep an eye out for more information about Italian Day and requests for parents, carers and friends to help out on the day to make it the huge success we know it will be!

Alla prossima volta,
(Until next time)
Il Signor Vaudo e La Signora Pardoe

DIARY DATES

February
- Friday 15th: Assembly, 9:15am in the hall (Student Leadership)
- Sunday 17th: Commissioning Mass, 10:45am at SEM
- Monday 18th: P & F Meeting, 9:15am in the Community Room
- Tuesday 19th: Reconciliation Workshop, 5:30pm in the hall
- Friday 22nd: Assembly (5Ro), 9:15am in the hall
- Sunday 24th: Family Mass hosted by Yr 2 & 3, 10:45am at SEM
- Tuesday 26th: Principal's Tour, 9:15am

March
- Friday 1st: Clean Up Day, 10:00am Meet in the Courtyard

Soccer

Registrations are now open for the 2013 soccer season. Registration forms will be handed to your child’s class and forms will also be available from the front office. If your child is interested in playing soccer please complete the form and return ASAP to guarantee your child’s place in a team. We are looking for coaches and volunteers to assist with the running of the BBQ. If you are a registered volunteer and available to assist in any way please don't hesitate to contact me at hmundy@allsaints.catholic.edu.au

Hayley Mundy
Soccer Coordinator

RESOURCES CENTRE

Helpers Wanted
If you are a registered volunteer with a current Catholic Police Clearance, have some spare time & would like to help cover books please contact Gina in the Resource Centre.

Gina Cusano
Resource Centre

SAPSASA Information

SAPSASA (South Australian Primary Schools Amateur Sports Association) events provide opportunities for children with specific sporting abilities to participate in a variety of sporting activities. These events are held throughout the school year, but are not directed by the school. Children are taken to these carnivals and supervised by their parents/carers. To facilitate this, a link to the SAPSASA website, which contains all relevant information and competition details, is available on the All Saints website. If you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Meredith Smith

Community Notice Board

Please Note—The services & events contained in this section are in no way connected with the school & are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents/carers need to make their own enquiries & assessments about the suitability of these events & services for their needs and those of their children.

Please see the notice board for further details of the following community notices:
- Take Home a Big Brother or Sister
- Cardijn College—Open Night & Principal’s Tour
- Basketball SA Clinics
- Autumn 2013 ‘Praying with the Mystics’ one day retreat
- Host Families Needed for Exchange Students
- JamaeRaw School of the Arts
- Cardio Pilates—Seaford/Moana Community Centre
- Kanga Cricket—Players wanted