All Saints

Newsletter

Term 1 Week 9
28 March 2013

“My family is special because they took me from Ethiopia to Australia.” Tariqua

“My family is special because we come from the UK.” Gracie

R/1 Rose Family Portraits

In History we have been exploring our families and what makes them so special to us.
We painted our own family portraits with Caterina. She is an artist from Reggio Emilia in Italy.

“My family is special because they give me lots of surprises.” Harry

“I love my family because we all love each other a lot and look after each other.” Jack

“I love my family because we are all girls except Dad.” Azalea

“I love my family because they take me on lots of trips.” Ania

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From the Deputy Principal

Liturgical Celebrations
This week, during Holy Week, we have experienced many beautiful liturgical moments. R/1 Knight and R/1 Nearmy began our journey as we remembered Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem amidst shouts of approval and recognition of Jesus as the Messiah. Palm Sunday is a call for us to reflect upon our faith journey at a deeper level. The Holy Thursday liturgy focused on sharing the Last Supper that Jesus had with his disciples with the children from 3 Bellifemini. During this story Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and this action reminds us that we need to show love and care for all people. Today 5 Richards & 5 Robinson commemorated the suffering and death of Jesus on the Cross in the Good Friday liturgy. The passion story evoked our emotions and senses as we remembered the gift that Jesus gave us through the giving of his life. Good Friday is a time to reflect upon God’s great love for us. It can also be a time to reflect upon our own crosses and painful experiences. We know that the story is not over. We can look forward to Easter Sunday when we celebrate Christ’s rising from death to life. When we return to school our Easter liturgy will be conducted by the Middle Years’ children on Wednesday, 3 April. Easter Sunday gives us meaning to our lives and our commitment to love and care for each other. Please join us in the courtyard at 9.15am.

Learning Conversations
Learning Conversations will be held next week. These are important conversations between the child, parent/carer and teacher to reflect on the children's learning this term. During these conversations the children will be encouraged to talk about their learning. This will include those aspects where they feel successful as well as any challenges they may be experiencing. Parents/carers will have the opportunity to ask questions and to clarify classroom programs and expectations.

Learning Conversations are an important part of our reporting to parents/carers as well as an opportunity for children to play an important role in their learning. We expect all families to take up this opportunity. You would have recently received a form from your child(ren)s teacher regarding times for these conversations. Please return these forms promptly so that meeting times can be arranged.

Staff Retreat
A reminder that Monday, 8 April will be a student free day as the staff attends our annual retreat. We will spend the day with Rev Dr Richard Leonard SJ who will lead us through ‘What Makes a Catholic School Catholic?’ This workshop includes investigating recent Church documents that argue the role of a Catholic School is to assist parents/carers in learning how the Church prays, imparting the richness of the Catholic Traditions and preparing children for full membership of the Church now and in the future.

This retreat day is very important to us, as there are few occasions when the whole staff gather together and spend time away from our school duties to further develop our relationships and reflect on our faith and spiritual life.

Staff Changes
Kelli Rose will leave us from the end of this term as she awaits the birth of her baby. We thank for all her work at All Saints and wish her all the very best on her new exciting journey. Sharmaine Gawley will join our staff next term and take Kelli’s class. I will be on long service leave in Term 2 and Maureen Hanrahan from St John the Apostle will become Deputy Principal during this time. We know that Maureen and Sharmaine will be warmly welcomed to our All Saints community.

Term 2 Date Reminder—Early School Closure
Tuesday, 7 May
The Board has approved an early closure for the school on Tuesday, 7 May at 2:00pm. The teaching staff will be attending an exhibition from Reggio Emilia Italy entitled “The Hundred Languages”. This exhibition has travelled the world and is a wonderful professional learning opportunity for the staff to expand their knowledge and understanding of the Reggio Emilia philosophy.

OSHC will be available on this day for those families that require it. Please phone 8386 0972 to make a booking.

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Year 6 Retreat
On Friday, 15 March, the Year 6 children had their annual retreat. It was an opportunity to reflect on the qualities that the world needs – helping the vulnerable in the world. I extend a special thank you to the young people from Cardijn College who also helped out.

Year 7 Retreat
On Monday, 18 March, the Year 7 children attended their annual retreat at the Christies Beach Surf Life Saving Club. Our focus was ‘The Walk To Emmaus’ and the day invited the children to reflect on the important people in our lives. It was also an invitation to our children to recognise the face of Jesus in all we meet.

Southern Vales Catholic Schools Regional Youth Mass
Friday, 3 May, 10:30am Cardijn College Oval
The Principals of the Southern Vales Catholic Schools would like to extend an invitation for you to join us in our Regional Youth Mass on Friday, 3 May at 10:30am at Cardijn College oval.

The Southern Vales Catholic Schools have organised a special Mass to be held at Cardijn to focus on Jesus’ message to ‘Go make disciples of all nations.’ These words are echoed in the World Youth Day Mass which will be celebrated in Rio De Janiero later in the year.

The schools gathering at the oval are Emmaus, Antonio, St Johns, All Saints and Galilee Catholic Primary Schools, Cardijn College and Marcellin Technical College.

All Saints children will travel by bus to and from the oval. More information including permission slips will be made available soon.

The school will be closed from 9:15am – 12:30pm for the morning as all staff and children will be attending this special event.

All parents/carers wishing to attend need to register. A note will be sent home shortly regarding this.

Sacrament of Confirmation
In Term 2, children will be preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If your child is in Year 4, has been baptised Catholic and has received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, then they are ready for this next important Sacrament. Please contact me if you require more information.

Baptism
Congratulations to the Tanzer family on the baptism of Jessica and Xavier on Sunday, 24 March! Our next Baptism will be on Sunday, 26 May at the SEM. More details later.

Rachele Tullio
APRIM

Italian Day
Italian Day will be held on Thursday, 11 April. This will be a wonderful day of yummy food and interesting activities. The order form went out last week and is due back Tuesday, 2 April. If you have not returned the form you may access these from the website.

Sports Captains
Congratulations to the Sports Captains and Vice Captains who proudly received their badges at a recent assembly. It was wonderful to see the Year 7 children taking on these leadership positions and becoming role models for the younger children. The Captains and Vice Captains will lead their teams on Sports Day and be responsible for looking after the school sports equipment.

Blue Wrens
Captains: Ryan & Taylor (7Mc)
Vice Captains: Isaac (7Mc) & Celeste (7Mo)

Yellow Corellas
Captains: Josh & Georgia (7 Mo)
Vice Captains: Poppy & Abi (7 Mc)

Green Lorikeets
Captains: Will (7 Mo) & Chrissy (7 Mc)
Vice Captains: Luke (7 Mo) & Megan (7 Mc)

Red Rosellas
Captains: Charlie (7 Mc) & Emily (7 Mc)
Vice Captains: Jamie-Lee (7 Mo) & Tom (7 Mc)

I wish everyone a happy and safe Easter and look forward to working with you again in Term 3.

Helen Thompson
Deputy Principal

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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)
Welcome to the World

Congratulations to Thomas (6L) who has a new baby brother. Jayden Thomas was born a few weeks ago weighing 8lb 14oz.

Also congratulations to Eve (3B), Sam (4M) & Alec (7Mc) who now have a new baby sister. Layla Rose was born last week weighing 9lb 2oz.

All the best to both families.

Woolworths “Earn and Learn” and Coles “Sports for Schools”

Thanks a million ... well at least 45,666 points worth of thanks. It was a fantastic response last year and the children of All Saints would like to thank everyone who collected dockets and/or stickers and brought them into the school. However, these things don’t just happen, it involves quite a bit of work. So we would also like to give a special thank you to Gayle Mercer for her tireless efforts in counting, organising and encouraging everyone.

With the points earned through these promotions we were able to buy a terrific assortment of materials, sports equipment, models and teaching aids at no cost to the school.

The items ordered included light tables, resource kits for the light tables, mini-beast identification kits, wind and solar power models and kits, junior science kits, School Safari “Critter Collection” kits, rock and mineral samples, Italian food sets, Maths Geometric models, counters and mosaic tiles. Sports equipment included footballs for both junior and seniors, soft balls and “air goals” for the hall, class sets of soft balls, bean bags and “bean bag toss” targets, and equipment for maintenance. The children are already making great use of the resources and it has generated lots of enthusiasm and excitement (particularly the mini-beasts).

These promotions allowed us to acquire some great resources, so we would encourage you to support the school again. While we are not suggesting that you should change your shopping habits, but if you, or any relatives, neighbours or people you know shop at Woolworths or Coles it would be great if their dockets were able to be donated to our school.

Finally, another big thank you to everyone who was able to support our children through this promotion.

Do you shop at WOOLWORTHS?

If the answer is YES you can collect your sticker cards from the Front office and place them in our Woolworths sticker bins in the school front office or Seaford Woolworths, so we can earn points to purchase educational resources for our school. More details can be found at woolworths.com.au under the ‘Community’ tab.

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2014 Enrolments

All families wishing to enrol their children in Reception for 2014 must lodge a completed Application for Enrolment form (including siblings of existing students). Application close on Friday, 12 April.

Interviews will take place during Term 2. An Application for Enrolment form is available from the School Office.

Contact Michelle Gaffney, Enrolments Officer, on 8327 0020 for more information.
**The Italian Corner**

Ciao a tutti! (Hello to all),

During the last couple of weeks i ragazzi (the children) in the older year levels have been painting and decorating the modrok maschere (masks) that they have made. They have also been busy designing and creating a range of props and costumes for their plays for Italian Day. Ci sono molti artisti bravi qui ad All Saints (there are many great artists here at All Saints)!

With many of the classes we have been looking at Il Segno della Croce (The Sign of the Cross) and discussing what Dio (God) means to us. Below is the Italian translation for the children to practice whenever they have the opportunity.

*Nel nome del Padre, del Figlio e dello Spirito Santo. Amen.*

Il Giorno d’Italiano (Italian Day) is drawing closer. Per favore non dimenticare (please don't forget) if there are any registered volunteers that would like to help out preparing lunch for our ragazzi fantastici (fantastic children) please let the P&F committee know. Notices went out Friday last week for special Italian Day lunches. Please remember to fill them out and return them by Tuesday, 2 April.

zie per l’attenzione (Thanks for reading),
Il Signor Vaudo e La Signora Pardoe

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**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:

- Kanga & Girls Cricket for Beginners
- Circus Workshops—Carclew Youth Arts
- Theatre Workshops—Carclew Youth Arts
- School Holiday Netball Clinics—Netball SA
- Junior Basketball—Noarlunga Leisure Centre
- Smart Moves Chess Sessions—Noarlunga Library
- Blue Light Under Age Rage
- Holiday Activities for 7—12 Year olds, Active Ed Holiday Camp
- Junior netball—Seaford Rec Centre
- School Holiday Basketball Clinics—Morphett Vale Stadium

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**All Saints Soccer**

Thank you to the children who have registered to play soccer for All Saints. Registrations are now closed and teams will be released soon.

Thank you to our coaches who have volunteered their valuable time to coach our children. If you can help in any way throughout the soccer season please contact me at hmundy@allsaints.catholic.edu.au. If you still have a strip at home from last year please return it ASAP.

Hayley Mundy
Soccer coordinator.

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**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.