Last week R/1 Boland and some other Reception/Year 1 classes went on an excursion to the Port Noarlunga Reef. We discovered a spider crab hiding under the rocks and the instructors showed us the jaw of a wobbegong shark. Afterwards we enjoyed playing games on the beach.

“My favourite part of the excursion was when we were looking at the magic shell box. We saw the shark jaws and were told they have four rows of teeth, two at the top and two at the bottom.” – Lucas

“It was so exciting looking at the different kinds of animals from the sea.” – Sian

“When my group were out on the boat our instructor let us put our hands in the water to help steer the boat.” – Maximilian

“We went in the bus first and it was fun. We played on the sand after we saw the reef and I saw birds on the reef.” Lily R

“I liked playing football with my mum on the sand and seeing the crab with big nippers.” Charlie

“I liked riding in the boats. I also liked looking at the teeth of the shark and the crab. The crab was all gooey underneath.” Alana
From the Principal

Thank you to everyone: children, staff and families who have welcomed me back so warmly on my return from leave. I had an amazing 8 week overseas trip travelling with my husband to Russia, Norway, The Netherlands, Germany and Italy. It was a great experience especially places like Moscow and seeing glaciers in the mountain ranges of Norway. When we returned, we had another 6 weeks to rest and do a million jobs around the house and of course to wait for the birth of our first grandchild, Mason, who arrived on 17 September. I can’t describe this amazing feeling of becoming a grandparent. So my last few weeks at home were filled with caring for my daughter Grace as she began her role as first time mother and lots of cuddles and kisses with my beautiful little man. Our whole family including his new papa and his aunts are just over the moon. I can tell you all it’s truly an excitement that is surprising!

The pace of school always begins slowly and now, by Week 3, we are streaming ahead. I have visited all the classes and I have been impressed overall by the children’s calm and focussed attention to their learning. It was such a delight to see the children, many looking so much taller and grown up! They are so proud when I tell them they are looking ready for the next year level. So well done children and teachers.

Soiree

We celebrated two wonderful nights of music last week on Wednesday and Thursday as the children demonstrated their musical talents. I always feel like a proud parent myself as I watch the children performing. They are so courageous and clearly so talented! Thank you to Russell, Sean Osler & Lisa Almond who prepared the children for their performance. I also acknowledge Lauren Barley for her work as a music tutor at All Saints. I understand Lauren has now moved to the country.

Thank you also to the parents/carers for your love and support of your children and your attendance at the Soiree. These children will remember these important occasions when they grow older. Thank you to the staff who helped on the night and particularly Meredith Smith who did the bulk of the organising. Finally thank you to the children – you make the All Saints community very proud.

Staffing for 2014

We have some changes to staffing for next year. Unfortunately we farewell Maureen Hanrahan who has done a superb job as Acting Deputy Principal and Acting Assistant Principal (RE). We will miss Maureen’s happy smile and calm, organised approach to her duties. We wish Maureen well in the future particularly as she seeks further leadership opportunities.

We also farewell Sarah Dodd. Sarah has been appointed to a permanent teaching position at Calvary Lutheran School at Morphett Vale. We appreciate Sarah’s contribution to All Saints this year and we wish her well for the future.

We also farewell Rebecca Moore who very graciously stepped into the role of Year 7 teacher this year as she replaced Meredith Smith while she took on the role of Numeracy Coach. This all happened very quickly in Week 1, Term 1 of this year and so we do appreciate that Rebecca was able to take the Year 7’s. We sincerely thank Rebecca for all her work and wish her all the best for the future.

Last term, Helen Thompson conducted interview panels and as a result Jenna Knight and Alcicia Farina were offered permanent appointments. Nick McDermott, Jessica Robinson, Sharmaine Gawley and Carina Dallwitz were offered replacement positions for 2014. Sarah Vincent has also been offered a replacement position at All Saints next year. As a new staff member we welcome Sarah to our school community. We congratulate all these people on their success and look forward to working with them next year.

Community Consultation—Child & Family Welfare Worker

Each year the Federal Government requires us to gather information on the effectiveness of our Child & Family Welfare Worker Program. Mary Hopkins works at All Saints in this capacity for 3 days a week. She offers support to children and families when the need arises. Mary also can connect families to outside agencies in the local area to provide specific assistance when required. If you have any feedback in regards to this program can you please either write to me and bring it to the front office or send an email to info@allsaints.catholic.edu.au.

Cardijn 2015 Year 8 Enrolments

Year 8 enrolments for 2015 are closing on 15 November. Please ensure your child is enrolled to ensure acceptance.

Carla Rinaldi—2 Day Program

This week Kate Turner, Milli Boland and I attended a 2 day program with Professor Carla Rinaldi—president of the Reggio Children in Reggio Emilia. As many of you would be aware All Saints seeks inspiration from the Reggio principles to inform not only our teaching and learning but in all our relationships within the school community. This was again a wonderful opportunity to listen to Carla and to reflect on our work at All Saints. This was also the first time we gathered as a sector from Catholic Education as a community of learners to listen and be inspired by this amazing woman. Carla encouraged us to think deeply about what kind of school we want for our children and families and what kind of educators we want to be.

I always come away from these days totally in awe and inspired by what Carla has to say. Milli, Kate and I discussed how we might share our new insights and how to plan for the future.

Do You Have a Worry or Concern About Something?

In all communities there are always going to be times when we feel unhappy about something. If you have a concern or worry please make sure you let us know. We encourage respectful conversations to resolve problems. Please do not gather amongst yourselves and discuss concerns as often this only breeds discontent. As Principal, my role is to support all children and families and so my door is open and welcoming to all. I encourage you to look at our Positive Resolution Policy for Parents & Carers. It includes a flow chart of the steps that can be taken but remember, it can often be resolved by making an appointment with the person involved and talking it through.

Class Placements for 2014

Please make an appointment to meet with Helen Thompson, Maureen Hanrahan or myself if you have any concerns about your child’s placement for next year. This is an important process as we strive to place children where they will have the best opportunity for learning. Please remember that families cannot request a specific teacher. Reception children will remain with their current class.

God Bless
Helen Ward
Principal
**RE News**

Spring is in the air in spite of some chilly days last week. The children have been captivated by a little bird’s nest with some eggs in it, the ducklings are often seen on the oval, the garden is being mulched and even Mrs Cusano is busy collecting sticks for something special she is creating in the Library. I wonder what that could be?

**The Angelus Bell**

It has been a few months now since we introduced the Angelus Bell at midday each day when the whole school stops for prayer. Children and staff have found that this has been a centring and peaceful interlude in our day. In some classes the Angelus prayer is said while other classes say another prayer together or even meditate. The children have adopted this routine enthusiastically and no matter whether they are on the oval or in the middle of talking they become still and silent when the bells begin. Staff who may be in the middle of meetings etc also stop and reflect on how Jesus came among us. Below are some comments from a few children on this practice.

- “At that time (the Angelus) I get to pray about Mum or Dad when I miss them.” Indy
- “I like having some quiet time to pray.” Jessica
- “I have my own word to God.” Harry
- “It reminds me to think about people who have died.” Mackenzie
- “I pray for people who are sick.” Summer
- “You get time in the middle of the day to just stop and be with God.” Caitlan
- “It is nice and peaceful and you get time to pray and be with God.” Tahnee
- “It is a silent moment to yourself.” Grace
- “It is very calming and soft.” Blake
- “It is a peaceful time for us.”, “It is time to be with God and think about Jesus.”, “We feel happy, safe and calm.” R/1 B

**RE News (Continued…..)**

- “The Angelus is a sacred time for me.” Jessie
- “When I hear the Angelus bells ring I have good feelings and it reminds me of the people that have died in my family.” Kiera
- “When I hear the Angelus bells I stop and pray to God for the things I wish for and the things I love. It makes me feel very calm and relaxed.” Tiahni
- “You have a chance to put all the equipment down and to be still and silent and pray to God.” Ben
- “I think the Angelus is a time to be quiet and is a time to pray for my family and for people that may have lost their homes.” Kade

**Reconciliation Workshop**

Just a reminder that the first workshop for parents/carers will be on Wednesday, 6 November at 7:00pm at St John the Apostle School.

Many Blessings
Maureen Hanrahan
Acting APRIM

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**Christies Beach Christmas Pageant**

This year for the first time All Saints is going to participate in the Christies Beach Christmas Pageant! The date is **Sunday, 24 November**. We are hoping to have a representation of children across all year levels and will also be inviting some of our Playgroup families to be involved. Our theme will be ‘The Nativity’.

We are looking for a generous person who has a ute or car and trailer that would be willing to drive along in the pageant. At this stage we are just calling for interested people to contact Sandra Partridge and further details will follow shortly.

Sandra Partridge
spartridge@allsaints.catholic.edu.au

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**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)
Mark Le Messurier Book

Raising Beaut Kids—a book of recipes for parents on when to say ‘yes’ and how to say ‘no’ is now available to order.

To order please go to:

Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide
Ministry Formation Program

If you have an interest in
- Knowing more about our Catholic Faith tradition
- Becoming skilled for a ministry in your parish
- Undertaking a leadership role in your parish or community
- Discerning a call to the permanent diaconate
- Theological studies in the Catholic tradition

Applications are now open to study the following:
- Certificate in Practical Ministry
- Graduate Certificate in Ministry
- Graduate Theological Studies

For more information see the flyer on our website or contact Sue Vieceli on 8416 8479.

All Saints Soccer

Please ensure all soccer strips are washed and returned to the front office as soon as possible, any misplaced tops will incur a replacement fee of $25.

We are looking for a coordinator for the canteen and BBQ on Saturday mornings for the 2014 soccer season. The canteen and BBQ will be run with the support of teams being rostered on each weekend. If interested please contact the office.

Hayley Mundy
2013 Soccer Coordinator

SCHOOL BANKING

Bank SA have informed us that School Banking will now be collected every fortnight. The next collection date will be Tuesday, 12 November in Week 5.

If you have any further questions please contact the All Saints front office or Dora at Bank SA on 8382 1276

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.
Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop is in need of a volunteer to work on Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

If you have a spare couple of hours on these days, have a current Catholic Police Clearance and are interested in this volunteer position please leave your details at the Front Office or see me in the Uniform Shop.

Fran Doody
Uniform Shop Coordinator

The Italian Corner

Ciao a tutti! (Hello to all!)

During the past couple of weeks i bambini (the young children) have been describing the foods and drinks they like for each of the meals of the day: La Colazione (The Breakfast), Il Pranzo (The Lunch) & La Cena (The Dinner). To help the children learn these words and increase their fluency we have been playing games using the interactive whiteboard that stimulate conversation and dialogue using the new vocabulary.

Nel frattempo (in the meantime) the children in the older year levels have commenced working on assignments that allow them to create and design their own Italian restaurant menu, or alternatively they can create a brochure for an Italian supermercato (super market). The children will research and analyse a range of Italian resources before using these ideas to make their own adaptations, some of which will be put on display at Carnevale 2014.

Many of the children have decided to name their restaurants and shops using Italian variants of their own names – if you would like to find your name in Italian you can check www.behindthename.com, although I need to say many names don’t have an Italian equivalent.

Grazie come al solito (thanks as always),
Il Signor Vaudo & La Signora Pardoe

DIARY DATES

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Congratulations!

Congratulations to Frank Vucic (6L) who came 5th in the state SAPSASSA Golf Championship. Frank also made the U12 state team and will now compete in Victoria for the National Primary School Championships in November.

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:

- Multicultural Festival 2013—November 3 in Rundle Mall
- Infant massages—Hackham West Community Centre
- Daytime/Nighttime Screentime—presentation for parents
- Seahawks Youth Group
- VacSwim - 2014
- Games, Games, Games—Noarlunga Library
- An Inclusive Education For Your Child—Workshop