FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Carers,

CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS
Congratulations to Hannah Hamilton who recently competed at the Regional Finals for Cross country. Out of 68 girls, Hannah came in 6th giving her a place at the NSW State Finals to be held soon. Go Hannah we’re very proud of you!!

ST ANTHONY’S GIRRAWEEN EAGLES RL FOOTBALL CLUB
Ms Ducksbury and Mr Lendvai watched our boys play rugby league last Sunday at Pendle Hill Park. All the boys played so well regardless of the results and we were very impressed with the sportsmanship and fair play. A special visitor, new mascot Rocky the Eagle, ‘flew’ in to also say hello.

ST ANTHONY’S FEAST DAY
What a fantastic evening we had last Friday to celebrate our parish and school’s feast day. The day began with games organised by the parish youth team. The kids had a ball on area C with loads of equipment to keep everyone busy. The teachers lent a hand by painting faces. Many thanks to Miss Woolcock, Miss Marks, Miss Stone, Mrs Battikha, Mrs Ward, Miss Geracitano, Ms Ducksbury, Mr Barden and Mrs Laurie for all their wonderful support. After the games the SCG looked after the sausage sizzle which fed everyone. We then settled into a wonderful open air Mass with at least 300 adults and 100 children celebrated by Fr Paul followed by a procession of St Anthony’s statue organised by our Tamil community followed by a wonderful supper presented by the parish team. Thanks to everyone for making last Friday such a wonderful success! St Anthony would have been very pleased to see such great community.

DANCE FEVER COMPETITION
Congratulations to all our children who competed in Tuesday night’s Dance Fever Competition at Homebush. All the children danced with great energy and pride and we won quite a number of best dancer awards. Thanks to all the parents who transported the children and looked after them so well. Thanks also to the many teachers who organised the children. Have a look at the photos to see our moves!

SPRING FAIR MEETING
This Monday is our next Spring Fair Meeting. We’d love to have as many people there as possible to assist with our most important fundraiser of the year. The meeting starts at 7:30pm in the Hub.

SCHOOL DISCO
It’s only 8 more sleeps until our end of term disco on Friday 27th June. Get your tickets now! (See the attached flyer for details).

STAFFING UPDATE
You may be aware that Mrs Awkar recently suffered an injury while at the recent Confirmation liturgy. Unfortunately Mrs Awkar will be on leave until the end of the term. During this time, Miss Alyssa Onorato will be teaching 2G. Please note that 2G’s Student Led Conferences will be postponed until Term 3. We will provide details for times next term. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause. I trust that you will keep Sonia in your prayers as she recovers.

Attila Lendvai
Principal

FROM THE SCHOOL CAPTAINS & YEAR 6

END OF TERM 2
We have almost reached the end of another wonderful term. At the start of the term we walked into the school seeing teachers dressed as clowns, our motto for this term was to bring skills and fun to our learning and the students have definitely done a wonderful job of fulfilling that motto.
WORLD CUP MUFTI DAY
Next Tuesday the 24th of June there will be a world cup mufti day. Students will be able to wear any soccer jerseys. Don’t worry if you don’t have a jersey you can wear any colour of any international team in the world cup. To wear mufti you need to give a gold coin donation. All the money will be going to Year 6 fundraising. NO RUGBY LEAGUE JERSEY!!!!!!

YEAR FIVE EXCURSION TO BATHURST
This week on Friday the 20th June year 5 are going on an excursion to Bathurst. This term in HSIE they have been learning about Gold so to continue on from their unit they will be going to Bathurst to learn more about gold fields and how they search for gold.

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION
From Thursday to Friday Year 6 will go on an excursion to Canberra to learn about government and Australia’s history. On the excursion Yr 6 will venture to sportex, parliament house, old parliament house, war memorial and quest-a-con. They will be sleeping in cabins in groups of 7.

SCHOOL DISCO
Make sure you bring your dance shoes and dance the night away because on the 27th of June 2014 the SCG will be holding a school disco for all of St Anthony’s students to attend. There will be two discos going at the same time, one will be in the hub for kindy to year 2 and in the multipurpose room for year 3 to year 6. DJ BO BO (Josh Spehar) will be hosting the primary disco. A sausage sizzle will be available to purchase at the start of the disco and chips and drinks will be available to buy during the night and there will also be prizes given out on the night. The entry is $5 which includes a glowstick.

SCHOOL ROUTINES
Mornings can be very busy times during the school week with getting ready, making lunches, traffic etc. Recently an increasing number of students have been arriving to school late which is impacting on classes in 2 concerning ways:

- Students are missing part of the first lesson of the day which affects their learning;
- The first lesson of the day is being interrupted by children arriving late.

To assist in delivering quality learning and teaching outcomes, parents are reminded that:

Playground supervision begins at 8:30am. School then starts at 9am with assembly on Monday mornings only and then straight into literacy. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this matter.

ST ANTHONY’S SKOOLBAG
Have you downloaded the FREE St Anthony’s Skoolbag app to keep updated with all events and news? We’re up to 316 downloads and counting! Download it now.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES
Student Led Conferences are a major element of the reporting process at St Anthony’s. These will be held in your child’s classroom next week on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th June. Please ensure that you do avail yourself to come and participate in this valuable learning conversation led by your child. You are invited to make your booking as soon as possible to enable you to get your preferred time.

You have the option to choose from three sessions across the two days. Each session runs for one hour duration and the times are 3.30-4.30pm, 5.00-6.00pm and 6.30-7.30pm.

The electronic booking schedule is accessible on: www.schoolinterviews
Type in code: X88HT
Follow instructions for booking a day and session with your child’s teacher.

Keep up with all the latest news and information
www.stanthonysgirraween.catholic.edu.au facebook.com/StAnthonysG twitter @StAnthonys_G
JOIN THE ST ANTHONY’S COUNTING CHALLENGE

See the note that came home today about participating in the St Anthony’s Family Counting Challenge. Be on the look out for all the ways that you use COUNTING in your every day life and choose one of the options below to share it with us. We will display and share all of your Counting Stories in the Hub, on our Facebook page and on our school website!!

Tell us about what you were counting, the strategies you used, the mathematics involved and anything else you wish to share!

How to share it:
* EMAIL YOUR COUNTING STORY/PHOTO/VIDEO: girraween@parra.catholic.edu.au
* BRING IN YOUR COUNTING STORY / POSTER / PHOTO to school before and after the holidays and we will display it in the Hub windows.

LOOKING FORWARD TO DISCOVERING ALL THE COUNTING THAT HAPPENS IN YOUR LIFE!!

FOLLOW ST ANTHONY’S FACEBOOK PAGE? Facebook.com/StAnthonysG

SCHOOL COMMUNITY GROUP

Purchase your 2014|2015 Entertainment™ Membership now!

St Anthony’s School

The 2014 | 2015 Entertainment™ Memberships will be available in two formats;
- Entertainment™ Book – offers are redeemed via Entertainment™ Gold cards and vouchers
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Memberships will be available from early April. Order now to receive bonus offers you can use straight away! 20% of every membership sold contributes to our fundraising. Help us achieve our goal by sharing this link with your Friends and Family. Thanks for your support!

Contact: Louise Frendo sta@stanthonysg@gmail.com0414 347 277

Entertainment™ Memberships include over $20,000 worth of value 2-for-1 and up to 50% offers from many of the best restaurants, arts, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel and much more!

The Entertainment Book will be on display and available to purchase at the Disco next Friday night, 27th June.

CALENDAR

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SKOOL IS KOOL

Our school registered for the “Skool is Kool” program with Good Guys Prospect. Under this program, every time you spend $35 at Good Guys Prospect, The Good Guys will donate $1 to our school with your name. So next time you are looking for electrical appliances or gadgets, have a look around Good Guys Prospect – and don’t forget to mention St Anthony’s Girraween School when you pay for your goods.

JOKES OF THE WEEK

Next Monday is Parent’s Week!

J. Why did the baker stop making donuts?
   A. He got bored of the hole thing.  Mr Barden

J. Why is it always so hot after a soccer game?
   A. Because all the fans have gone home. Mrs Carvalho

J. How does the butcher introduce his wife?
   A. Meet Paddy. Miss Geracitano

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PARISH NEWS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Parents/Guardians ONLY are invited to attend one of two enquiry sessions to be held Saturday 21 June at midday or Wednesday 25 June at 7.30pm. Both sessions will be held in the church. Any child in Year 4 or higher is eligible providing they have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

THE CATHOLIC GUY
St Anthony’s Church is holding the Catholic Guy from 17th July to 21st July.

What is it? A series of 4 sessions that will inspire you in your faith journey, stories, scripture, music, prayer and reflection for you as an individual, no small groups, questions or public sharing.

Sessions approximately 90 minutes, time for refreshments after each session.

This is an opportunity for you to connect with members of your parish that you may not normally interact with. This is a perfect opportunity to be inspired and grow in faith.

We spend a great deal of time on growing many aspects of our lives e.g. studying to improve career prospects, training for sporting success, but often very little time on our faith development. This is a chance for some personal time, for your own quiet reflection on things that matter very deeply to us.

Can you open yourself to this opportunity? The Catholic Guy is a joyful ministry so come along prepared to laugh, and also be surprised.

If you can only come to 1 or 2 sessions, that’s fine, or you may want to attend all 4 sessions.

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES
The Uniform Shop will be open on Monday 23rd June, 2014 from 2:30pm –3:15pm. Orders can be placed through the office at any time.

HEAD LICE
Several cases of head lice have been spotted over the last week. Please check your children’s hair and treat and remove all wild life. Seriously, this is an ongoing problem at school and we ask your cooperation in trying to stop the spread. Thank you for your support.

CANTEEN ROSTER
23rd – 27th JUNE

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COMMUNITY NEWS

STARLIGHTS NETBALL CLUB

Celebrating 30 years!
Reunion

Saturday, 12 July 2014, 6:30pm
Toongabbie Sports Club
12 Station Road, Toongabbie

Tickets $50 each or $500 per table of 10
(includes 3 course meal)
For tickets go to:
or purchase from team manager
Bookings close: 5 July 2014