FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we conclude this second term I would like to thank you for helping to grow and nurture our community. Every little thing you can do whether it is covering books, helping in canteen, reading with children or even just coming to an event helps to build our community. We know that this has a wonderful effect on our children when their parents are involved. Even if you didn’t manage to attend an event or help in any way I hope that you regularly take time to read with your children and genuinely talk with them as this greatly supports your child’s learning. Thank you to all the parent helpers and SCG members who regularly assist in so many ways – your help is invaluable. Secondly I’d like to thank the staff for their tireless support of our children. Your extra care and attention is making a difference to learning, behaviour and faith. Special thanks for helping with St Anthony’s day, Dance Fever and the recent student led conferences! Thirdly I’d like to thank the children who have worked so consistently this term. I was very impressed with the children whose reports showed so many CONSISTENT EFFORTS! This shows that you are working hard to develop your learning. Thank you to our student leaders who are so devoted to helping and improving our school. Well done. And finally I’d like to thank my leadership team and Fr Paul for their great efforts, dedication and commitment. They have certainly honed a sharper focus on learning especially in literacy, numeracy and religious education. Thank you Fr Paul for your spiritual direction and parish devotion.

Looking forward to a great term 3,

Attila Lendvai
Principal

VALE

We extend our prayers and sympathies to Mrs Luisa Onorato, Mrs Linda McKinnon; Mrs Belinda Martin and Mrs Vicki Baiada on the recent deaths within their families. May strength from the Holy Spirit help you through these difficult times.

JOKES OF THE WEEK

Monday 14th July is Yr 6’s Week!

Jokes: From Mr Lendvai

Knock Knock,
Who’s there?
Tank
Tank Who?
You’re welcome.

Knock Knock
Who’s there?
Little old lady.
Little old lady who?
I didn’t know you could yodel!

Knock Knock.
Who’s there?
Ya.
Ya Who?
What are you so excited about?

PROTECTED ACTION BALLOT

You may be aware that teachers and school employees in Catholic Schools, in the Diocese of Parramatta and the other 10 dioceses across NSW, are currently undertaking a consultation process in regards to a new
Enterprise Agreement. On 25th and 26th of June a ballot was held in schools to vote on proposed industrial action regarding the agreement. Please note that this does not necessarily mean that teachers and staff of St Anthony’s will take industrial action. I will advise you of the outcome of the ballot as soon as it is known and if any industrial action will take place.

**STAFFING UPDATE**

It is with great sadness that I inform you about the retirement of one of St Anthony’s longest serving staff members. Our Financial Support Officer, Mrs Carole Brigden will be retiring at the end of August after 27 years! More details about Carole’s farewell will be forthcoming next term. I am sure that you will find some time to say thanks and farewell to Carole for her outstanding commitment.

**MUSICAL SHOWCASE**

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the recent Music Showcase as well as our music teacher, Mrs Khoury. The children presented a range of songs through choir and instrumentation. Thanks also to all the parents who came to support their children.

**STUDENTS OF THE TERM**

Our regular Students of the Term awards will be presented on Friday 18th July at 9:00am. All parents are warmly invited to attend this important celebration. Awardees and their families will be invited to morning tea in the Hub straight afterwards. Parents of awardees will be notified shortly.

**SPRING FAIR HELPERS**

Our Spring Fair is moving along and it’s time to start thinking about what sort of help you may be able to provide. Before the day we are still after stall holders and co-ordinators. On the day we will need EVERY family’s support for at least one hour. We hope that EVERY family will be able to answer the call and support our school with our major fund raiser / social event for the year.

**TERM DATES**

Term 2 finishes on Friday 27th June 2014 and the children will have 2 weeks of holidays. ALL children then return to school on MONDAY 14th July 2014. Please ensure that your child is on time on the first day back so that they don’t miss the special welcome event!

**LATENESS**

Parents are asked to ensure that their children are on time EVERY day for school. Over this term we have had MORE THAN 490 children late/leaving early! Children who miss the Monday morning assembly miss out on prayer and community activities. Missing even 5 minutes means that your child may not know what they are doing first thing. It is imperative that children are at school BEFORE 9am.

**SCHOOL DISCO**

It’s not too late to dust off those boogie shoes and get tickets to the school disco being held TOMORROW NIGHT! Tickets are $5 and you can leave your money for the SCG at the school office.

**THE CATHOLIC GUY IS COMING**

Join the Catholic Guy, Bruce Downes and The Catholic Guy Team for a parish event and be inspired, renewed and changed. Click on the video below to see what you can expect! [https://www.youtube.com/user/thecatholicguytv](https://www.youtube.com/user/thecatholicguytv) This event is guaranteed to be an excellent experience for everyone: regular parishioners, those who haven’t attended church in a while and those whom you may wish to bring with you. No matter your age, young or old, you will enjoy this experience.

Cost: FREE! Contact the parish office for more details or see the flyer sent previously.

**Dates and times are:**

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**THE CATHOLIC GUY MISSION EVENT**

Early next term, our parish community will be hosting The Catholic Guy Mission Event. You should have received a flyer about this event earlier this week and will read about it elsewhere in this newsletter. The Mission Event will be a fantastic opportunity to reconnect with the person of Jesus. It is open to everyone and you do not need to commit to every session. Bruce Downes and his team will lead an inspiring, uplifting and non-threatening event – your participation is entirely up to what you feel comfortable doing. Please join us at the church next term for this event.

Keep up with all the latest news and information

[www.stanthonysgirraween.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stanthonysgirraween.catholic.edu.au)  [facebook.com/StAnthonysG](http://facebook.com/StAnthonysG)  [twitter @StAnthonys_G](http://twitter.com/StAnthonys_G)
CANNED FOOD DRIVE
Thank you to all our families who have contributed to our canned food drive. Your donations will support the St Vincent de Paul Society to assist those who are finding it difficult to get through the cold winter months in our community.

Upcoming events
Sat 28th June  First Communion Enrolment at 6pm Mass
Sun 29th June  First Communion Enrolment at 10am Mass

Kind Regards
Robert Barden
Religious Education Coordinator

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
NAIDOC WEEK PRESENTATION
ANIMALS OF THE DREAMING
This morning Kindergarten-Year 4 students enjoyed a NAIDOC week presentation on Animals of the Dreaming. Uncle Col, an Aboriginal elder, was joined by a team from Taronga Zoo and the Jarara Indigenous Education unit. They told stories of the Dreamtime, taught the children songs such as ‘Tommy the Termite’ and performed music on the Didgeridoo. They gave the children tips on how to breathe and blow when playing the didgeridoo and even got the teachers up dancing with their classes at the end. All students had an opportunity to look at and touch a diamond python, a goanna, a turtle and a green tree frog. Some lucky children also got the chance to pat an echidna and describe how it felt. We had a fun morning and learnt a lot about Australian indigenous culture and stories.

JOIN THE ST ANTHONY’S COUNTING CHALLENGE
We would love you and your family to participate in a 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!
(Have a look at the teacher’s examples to help you with your counting story).

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.

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

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

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**iPhone Users**
Simply search for your school name in the App Store on your device, and install.

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Simply search for Skoolbag St. Anthony’s in the Google Play Store on your device, and install.

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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.

PARISH NEWS
THE CATHOLIC GUY
Who is The Catholic Guy event aimed at? This event is for EVERYONE!

*The young, the young at heart and those of us who wish we were younger!! All of you will benefit from the experience of The Catholic Guy. Bruce has the unique ability to appeal to all age groups with his funny stories, contemporary approach to scripture and prayer that engages everyone regardless of where they are on their faith journey.

*This is also a great opportunity to welcome those who have become disconnected or have only a loose connection to the church and parish, to feel that they too are an important part of the community, and that they are welcome with open arms.

*If you know anyone, family members, friends or people living in the area who are in this situation, invite them along, welcome them gently and joyfully to be part of this event. Give them a brochure and remind them as the dates get closer

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.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY GROUP
Purchase your 2014|2015 Entertainment™ Membership now!
St Anthony’s School
The 2014 | 2015 Entertainment™ Membership will be available in two formats:

- **Entertainment™ Book** – offers are redeemed via Entertainment™ Gold cards and vouchers
- **Entertainment™ Digital Membership** – allows you to redeem offers directly from your iPhone or Android smartphone

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
stanthonysscg@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.
UNIFORM SHOP TIMES
The Uniform Shop will be open on Monday 14th July, 2014 from 2:30pm – 3:15pm. Orders can be placed through the office at any time.

UNIFORM STOCKTAKE SALE
Take advantage of the stocktake sale and purchase items at reduced prices:

- Tracksuit pants $30
- Tracksuit jackets $40
- V-neck sloppy joes $35

This sale will be from Monday 14th July to Friday 25th July, 2014.

CANTEEN ROSTER
14th – 18th JULY

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As it is the end of the term, Milk and Juice will not be available tomorrow, Friday 27th June, 2014.

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BABY NEWS
Congratulations to one of our staff members, Mrs Louise Korny, on becoming a grandmother again to a little baby boy, named Nicholas Hunter. Best wishes to all of Mrs Korny’s family on this happy occasion.

Don’t forget to let the school know when you have a baby so that we can let the community know.

COMMUNITY NEWS

STARLIGHTS NETBALL CLUB

Have you considered completing Years 11 and 12 at OLMC Parramatta? Prospective Year 11, 2015 students and their families are invited to discover the benefits of a senior Mercy education at the Year 11 2015 Information Evening on Wednesday, July 23 in the Edith Angel Hall at OLMC Parramatta. To attend, please contact the College Registrar on 8838 1222 or email registrar@olmc.nsw.edu.au

CAPTIVATE is inviting primary and secondary students in the Diocese of Parramatta to showcase their talents at CAPTIVATES GOT TALENT Masterclass

Are you a dancer, musician or actor? Students will gain valuable feedback and mentoring from entertainment industry professionals.

AUDITIONS: Friday 18th July (personalised time will be given on receipt of entry form)
For entry form and further details go to www.caplivate.catholic.edu.au or phone 9840 5649

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