FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Carers,

FAREWELL FR PAUL & FR LARRY!

We farewell our parish pastors, Fr Paul and Fr Larry who have recently been appointed to new parishes within the diocese. Fr Larry will be moving to the St Andrew’s Marayong community as Assistant Priest in 2 weeks. Even though Fr Larry has only been with us for 11 months, we will miss his devotion to the sacrament of reconciliation, his jovial character and especially his High Fives!! Fr Paul, after 7 wonderful years in our parish, will be taking up a new appointment as Parish Priest at Our Lady Queen of Peace parish, Greystanes. Fr Paul will be greatly missed at St Anthony’s for his deep faith and compassion and his great work in building God’s kingdom here in Girraween and Toongabbie. School farewells will be taking place soon. Details next week.

STAFFING UPDATE

New Appointment

It is with great pleasure that I announce that Mrs Margaret Hopley has been appointed as our new Financial Support Officer beginning on the 1st September. Mrs Hopley is currently the Financial Support Officer at Mother Teresa Primary, Westmead. She will be replacing Mrs Carole Brigden who will be retiring after 28 years at St Anthony’s! More news about Mrs Brigden’s farewell next week.

It is with great pleasure that I announce that Mrs Amanda Khoury is pregnant with her second child. Congratulations Amanda and Johnny.

Mrs Louise Korny is currently on Long Service Leave and will return to St Anthony’s on Monday 4th August.

CROSS COUNTRY

Hannah Hamilton, year 5, competed at the State Cross Country Championships held at Eastern Creek last Friday. In a field of over 70 competitors, the best runners in

NSW, Hannah managed to come in the first 25 runners, an EXTRAORDINARY feat! We’re all very proud of you Hannah!

STUDENTS OF THE TERM

Congratulations to all our students of the term for term 2.

| KG  | Matilda Gorrall | For always trying her best and never giving up on things she finds hard. She is a well-mannered and motivated student who has been a pleasure to teach. |
| KW  | Jack Herc      | For displaying increased confidence in his learning and always listening very carefully to instructions. He always attempts all tasks with diligence. |
| 1G  | Jade Seghabi   | Being a diligent student who works to the best of her ability in all learning tasks. She always displays a Christian attitude towards others. |
| 1W  | Zack Phillips  | Being a conscientious and caring student who is a wonderful role model to others. |
| 2G  | Jason Rubijono | For being a conscientious student who attempts all tasks with diligence and care. |
| 2W  | Darragh McKenna| Being an enthusiastic and caring class member, who always strives to do his best and with a smile. |
| 3G  | Lumena Batlikha| For showing enthusiasm for all learning and asking lots of great questions. She is a kind and caring member of Year 3. |
| 3W  | Isabelle Talato| For consistently applying herself in all aspects of learning and demonstrating great care towards her peers. |
| 4G  | Tarni Sutton   | For being a conscientious, kind natured student and always displays beautiful Christian values. |
| 4W  | Vansh Thakker  | For being an independent and conscientious class member who is also a kind caring student. |
| 5G  | Aaron Franklin | Being a diligent and caring member of our class who makes a consistent effort with his learning. |
NEW STUDENT
Congratulations and welcome to Crystal Bhambhania who started at St Anthony’s this week!

GRANDPARENTS’ DAY
St Anthony’s will celebrate the gift of grandparents on Tuesday 29th August. All of the day’s events will take place at school, starting at 12:30 pm:

12:30pm  Mass
1:30pm  Shared Lunch (students to bring own lunch)
2:15pm  Choir performance and Open classrooms

We invite all grandparents to come and join us on this day as we give thanks for the special role you play in our lives.

SPRING FAIR
The Spring Fair is getting closer and closer. We are proposing something new and exciting – a Henna Tattooing stall. However, we are in need of a suitably skilled person who could do this. If you have these skills or can suggest someone, please contact Fair Coordinator Miki Luong 0458 040 749 or the school office.

Enjoy the week.

Attila Lendvai
Principal

SCHOOL FEES
School fees have now been issued and are due by 19th August, 2014. Please contact the school without delay if you need to discuss payment of this account.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

THE NED SHOW

Yesterday all students K-6 enjoyed The NED Show. The dynamic and comical presenter Sarah, along with her fictional cartoon co-presenter, NED, delivered a 45 minute whole school assembly to spread the NED message – NEVER GIVE UP, ENCOURAGE OTHERS and DO YOUR BEST.

Through storytelling, comedy, audience participation and yo-yo tricks we learnt all about how NED can be put into practice through our daily choices, words and actions. The poem above is a summary of the NED message that applies to all areas of school and of life. It complements the work we are doing this term with the Bounce Back program on wellbeing and resilience.

Visit [http://www.thenedshow.com/parents.html](http://www.thenedshow.com/parents.html) to access the NED message through assembly recaps, student activities and video demonstrations for yo-yo tricks.

For students: A note about the sale of NED merchandise and yo-yos went home on Tuesday. These items will be

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on sale for the rest of the week from the HUB verandah each morning before school and during Recess. Yoyos are to be taken home and are not to be played with at school.

Students are invited to participate in the NED colouring competition and include a written paragraph telling us how they will apply the NED message to their life. Place entries in the NED box in the HUB by Friday 1st August – The winner will receive a COSMIC SPIN YOYO, the advanced yoyo for major tricks!

PARENT PICK UP – CAR SIGNS
Many of our parents and carers use the kiss and drop zone in the afternoon on Girraween Road to pick up their children. If you have a NAME sign on display in your vehicle, please ensure it is an adequate size (A4), is clearly visible and easy to read (large, bold, black text). This makes it easier for the staff to read from a distance and to call your child so that they may be waiting for you in the green pick up zone as this allows the traffic to run smoothly. Thank you for your cooperation with all the Kiss and Drop procedures.

ICAS DATES FOR TERM 3
If your child in Years 3-6 has registered for any of the ICAS competitions, please note the dates below as the following assessments are scheduled throughout term 3.
Parents who have registered their children should ensure that their children are at school on that day as making up the test is generally not permitted.
**English** - Tuesday 29 July
**Mathematics** - Tuesday 12 July

KINDER AND YEAR 1 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
All parents and families are welcome to join us for the Kindergarten and Year 1 Athletics Carnival. The carnival will have a Commonwealth Games theme so join us for some fun and fitness. If you can offer your time as a parent helper, please return the note that went home on Tuesday.

**Date:** Friday 1st August, 2014
**Time:** 11.30am-1.15pm Sports Activities
1.15-1.45 Picnic Lunch with Families
**Venue:** Playground

Kind Regards

Linda Ducksbury
Assistant Principal

SKOOLBAG UPDATE
We’re now up to 360 app downloads! Please encourage your school friends to download if they haven’t already done so. It’s one of the most instant ways to stay in touch!

How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**iPhone Users**
Simply search for your school name in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

**Android Users**
Simply search for Skoolbag St. Anthony’s in the Google Play Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

FROM YEAR 6
FR PAUL – SAYING GOODBYE
Fr Paul Marshall our parish priest, is unfortunately leaving St Anthony’s Parish. Fr Paul is leaving our parish to join Our Lady Queen of Peace in Greystanes. On 15th August we will be having a special celebration to thank Fr Paul.

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for all of his service and for his contribution to our school and parish. We would like to thank Fr Paul for all he has done for us and all the good memories we’ve shared with him. We would like to wish Fr Paul good luck and all the best in the future and we hope to see him again soon!

By Emily and Keane

THE NED SHOW
On 23rd July a show called the NED Show came to our school to teach us to:

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do your best.

Ned taught us this and more, and Sarah presented the show in a very creative way. She did it with yoyos, which are now available to purchase. Everyone enjoyed the NED Show. Special thanks to Sarah for running the show.

By Brad and Josh

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
On Thursday 5th August some students of St. Anthony’s will attend the Zone Athletics Carnival to represent the school in events such as shot put, long jump and sprints in 800m, 200m and 100m. We wish all competitors representing our school the best of luck for all events. Come on St. Anthony’s, give it your best!

By Jacob M and Leo

NETBALL GALA DAY
In August we are having a Netball Gala Day. Every student that signed up isn’t guaranteed to get a spot. To assure a place in the team we need the right amount of parent helpers. Without them, we will not have enough supervisors. We need parents that know a bit about netball. We hope that all the students get a chance to participate in the sport. We appreciate all your time.

By Sian, Jorja and Gabbie.

JOKES OF THE WEEK

Monday 28th July is Yr 4’s Week!

J. What do you call a bear that is left in the rain?
A. A drizzly bear.

J. What do you call an ant that is 100 years old?
A. An antique.

J. What did the big phone say to the little phone?
A. You’re too young to be engaged.

J. Knock Knock
Who’s there?
Orange.
Orange who?
A. Orange you glad I didn’t say Banana!

Hannah Hamilton
Rahul Hosakere
Tatiana Haddad
Harry Knight

CALENDAR

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CANTEEN ROSTER

28th JULY – 1st AUGUST

Monday | Biddy O’Malley
Tuesday | Margaret Sainsbury
Wednesday | Margaret Sainsbury
Thursday | Margaret Sainsbury
Friday | Liz Phillips

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

The Uniform Shop will be open on Monday 28th July, 2014 from 2:30pm – 3:15pm. Orders can be placed through the office at any time.

UNIFORM STOCKTAKE SALE

Tomorrow is the last day to get your orders in to purchase the following items at reduced prices:

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

This sale ends tomorrow Friday 25th July, 2014.

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STUDENTS OF THE TERM
Term 2 2014

Daragh McKenna 2W
Zack Phillips 1W
Jade Seghedi 1G
Jack Here KW

Keane McKenna 6W
Jason Rubierno 2G
Isabelle Talano 3W

Vaniha Thakker 4W
Terri Sutton 4G
Lumena Bratkha 3G

Michaela Ferrer 6G
Aaron Franklin 5G
Kailon Pascua 5W

Matilda Ovraj KG