Dear Parents and Friends of St Anthony’s

MERRY CHRISTMAS

SCHOOL CAPTAINS FOR 2012

Last Monday morning, we announced the School Captains, Vice Captains, Councillors and House Captains at the assembly and also welcomed their parents. The School Leaders are as follows:

School Captains: Claire Burgess
Joshua Dodds

Vice Captains: Vanessa Daher
Andrew Herlinger

Councillors: Jennifer Jo
Serena Olatona
Rachel Tran
Nicolas Jahshan
Mark Lazro
Suruthi Soumyraj

House Captains:
Green Captains: Melanie Veidre
Ben Yates

Red Captains: Georgia Nobbs
Jack McFadden

Yellow Captains: Senitila Lino
Jack Norman

Blue Captains: Freya Tanner
Christian Longo

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

On Tuesday night year 6 had their graduation Mass and dinner. Father Paul celebrated the Mass with us at our Church. We started by walking down the aisle to the entrance hymn. The years 4 and 5 choir sang as well. We had some readings, prayers of the faithful and we performed a liturgical movement to “The Blessing Song”. Then we went to the dinner at Fox Hills Golf Course. The food was yummy and there were balloons and a beautiful sign decorating the room. We all got an award for our hard work this year and a graduation medal. Elijah, Neishanka, Hannah and Matthew were awarded special awards from our invited guests. Then we danced the night away with Mr Hine as our DJ. It was so cool.

By Ben O’Brien and Alisha McDonald

YEAR 6 END OF YEAR OUTING

On the 14th of December year 6 had their outing to Stanhope Gardens Blacktown. We did many activities in the morning such as: Squash, Basketball, Soccer, an obstacle course and a jumping castle. They were very fun, exciting and some of the games we had never played before. We then had our lunch and finally got to go in the pool. We were split up in to three groups and we did three activities which were the wave pool, inflatable and a swimming course. Overall the day was very fun and enjoyable.

By Con and Imogen

REFLECTION

This year has been brilliant and I can’t wait until next year because it will be even more brilliant and I can’t believe how much more easier the work has gotten for me because of the new open learning. The sport was 10/10 and we had our very first,…

SHOWCASE

By Reece Murray
Year 4 Student

BUS PASSES

Hills Bus has informed us those children currently in Year 2 going into Year 3, who hold a bus pass, will need to re-apply for a bus pass for next year. Applications need to be lodged as soon as possible to enable Hills Bus to plan their services for next year. Applications are available from the office.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Don’t forget to check the school website as the Newsletter and notes and stationery requirements are all there with some other wonderful photos and articles about what is happening around the school.

Merry Christmas
Have a safe and happy holiday
STUDENT OF THE TERM

KG  Isabella Falzon  KW  Ethan Nguyen
1G  Michael Trute  1W  Kelvin Perera
2G  Freya Lipping  2W  Clark Edillo
3G  Jayden Leeder  3W  Gabrielle Touma
4G  Celeste Carrozza  4W  Natasha Lette
5G  Tracy Manito  5W  Joe Mbarak
6G  Anthony Picman  6W  Benjamin Law

COMMUNITY NEWS

UWS PENRITH OBSERVATORY

The UWS Penrith Observatory will be running the following activities for the School Holidays in January.

**Kids Fun Day** – Thursday, 20 January 11am – 1 pm. Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Come along and watch a water rocket being launched. Our prominence filter will give kids a SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun.

**Kids Astronomy Night** – Saturday, 28 January – 8pm – 10pm. Our Place in Space, become more familiar with our neighbourhood and have a closer look at our solar system, sun and moon Cost: $15 adult, $10 child/concession, $40 family To Book: Phone Roslyn 47360135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au

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CANTEEN NEWS

A reminder that there will be NO CANTEEN tomorrow as it is closed for cleaning.

CALENDAR UPDATE

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UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open next year before school starts on **Tuesday 24th January, 2012 from 9am - 12noon and 1:30pm - 3pm.**

EMU MATH PROGRAM

Year One students who participated in the EMU Math Program received an award at assembly today for all their hard work throughout the year. Well done to Michael Beshara, Elia Ashor and Bul Deng.

PARISH NEWS

Come and celebrate the holy feast of Christmas when God dared to. You can also join the Parish Family as they recall the Christmas Story in word and song.

**Christmas Mass times:**

- **Christmas Eve**
  - Saturday 24th December 6pm Children’s Mass
  - 8pm Family Mass
  - Midnight Mass

- **Christmas Day**
  - Sunday 25th December 9:30am

**Reconciliation:**

2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held at St Anthony’s Church on Tuesday 22nd December at 7:30pm.

CAROLS IN THE CARPARK

Family Carols will be held on Sunday 18th December. The evening will begin with a BBQ from 6pm. Carols start at 7:30pm. Song books and candles will be on sale on the night. Raffle tickets will also be on sale.