



11 December 2020 TERM 4 ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWSLETTER

This is our last newsletter for the year, and I would like to thank all the students, parents, and friends of St Augustine's for another great year and wish you a safe happy and holy Christmas.

The dance night was a great way to celebrate the year as a community and I would like to congratulate the staff and students for providing us with such wonderful entertainment on the night. A special thank you to our choir who started it all off so beautifully.

YEAR SIX GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020

On Tuesday morning we held a very special graduation ceremony, as our beautiful Year 6 class makes the transition from primary school. Congratulations to our award winners and to all of you on your contribution to the St Augustine's Community. You have an incredibly exciting life ahead of you and I urge you to not just take but give, in equal proportion, and I am sure your life will not just be exciting but happy and fruitful! Good luck and God bless.

SCHOOL CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS 2021

Over the past 18 months we have been working on planning and funding to develop the block next door as extra play space for our students and to upgrade the Early Childhood outdoor area. The School Board is delighted to announce that we have just received approval and support through grants and low interest loans to commence the project in 2021. A wonderful Christmas present indeed! We look forward to sharing developments with you in the new year.

"One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly."

— Andy Rooney (American writer, producer, humorist)

Lord

We thank you for our year together, and ask you to bless us as we come to the end of term.

We pray that you guide us this Advent,

Keep us safe and help us to be Good News people.

God Bless and have a very happy and safe Christmas break.

From all the staff at St Augustine's

STAFFING 2021

Next year we will see minimal changes to staffing. We say farewell to Mr Papineau who has taken a full-time position at St John Bosco's College and to Mrs Mc Cormack who is retiring. We thank them for their service here at St Augustine's and wish them well in their future endeavours. We will welcome Ms Meinck back from her illness and look forward to her re-joining our community as Year 5 teacher.

CLASS TEACHERS

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| Kindergarten | Mrs Jerelyn Tierney |
| Pre-Primary | Miss Ella Yensch |
| Year 1 | Mrs Melissa West |
| Year 2 | Mrs Mary McLure Mrs Christine Khose |
| Year 3 | Miss Amanda Barrett |
| Year 4 | Mr Alex Pensini |
| Year 5 | Ms Renai Meinck |
| Year 6 | Mrs Alex Field and Mrs Samantha Twomey |

SPECIALIST STAFF

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| Students with Disability | Mr Andy Di Carlantonio | |
| Learning Extension | Mrs Samantha Twomey | |
| The Arts (Music) | Mr Andy Di Carlantonio Mr Steven Ostaszewskyj | Kindergarten to Year Two Year Three to Year Six |
| The Arts (Visual) | Mrs Alexandra Field | |
| Information Communication Technology | Support | Mr Andy DiCarlantonio |
| Physical Education | Mr Andy Di Carlantonio | |
| Italian | Mrs Natascia Morlotti | |

TEACHER ASSISTANTS

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| Kindergarten | Mrs Nadine Scott Mrs Carmella Reed |
| Pre-Primary | Mrs Susie Kennedy |
| Education Support | Mrs Kellie Ryan Mrs Ersilia Bordoni Mrs Luisa Borges |

LIBRARY OFFICER

Mrs Luisa Borges

ADMINISTRATION

Mrs Anna Rimmer

FINANCE

Mr Steeve Lee



TO OUR YEAR 6 GRADUATES, GOOD LUCK & GOD BLESS!!

2021 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1 - Monday 1 February to Wednesday 31 March
Term 2 - Monday 19 April to Thursday 1 July
Term 3 - Monday 19 July to Thursday 23 September
Term 4 - Tuesday 12 October to Friday 10 December

2021 PUPIL FREE DAYS

Term 1 - Thursday 1 April
Term 2 - Friday 2 July
Term 3 - Friday 27 August and Friday 24 September
Term 4 - Monday 11 October

P&F NEWS

A BIG Thank you to STA Parents and Caregivers for your generous support of P&F fundraising efforts in this unusual year!

In 2020, the P&F was able to provide cheques to the school for

- Library renovation (\$20 000)
- Classroom and playground resources (\$6000)
- Scavenger Hunt prizes (\$140)
- Year 6 Leavers' jackets embroidery & Graduation Party (\$605)

P&F NEWS Cont.

Funds raised over the year include -

- \$1310 from the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- \$930 from the Father's Day Raffle
- \$1043 from 2 Special Canteen days
- \$219 from the Faction Carnival Food Stall
- \$657 from the Xmas Raffle (TBA)

Retiring Committee members...Many thanks to Zoey Fior, Olivia McKeon and Jenny Spence for their time, spirited effort and hardworking service to the St Augustine Primary Community over the past years.

Important Diary dates for Term 1, 2021

- Welcome Picnic Friday ~19 February 2021
- Election Day Sausage Sizzle and Bake Stall ~ Saturday 13 March 2021.

A Happy, Healthy and Safe Christmas and Holiday season to all.

PARISH CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

ALL WELCOME! Please INFORM, INVITE AND ENCOURAGE ALL you can . . . so we can all participate in the JOY AND SPIRITUAL LIFE this Christmas Season brings. Please refer to the below following times and dates ~

TRIDUUM MASSES

21st December: 6:00 pm Mass - Monday
Blessing of Families and children

22nd December: 6:00 pm Mass - Tuesday
Blessing of Parish Ministries and Young Adults

23rd December: 6:00 pm Mass - Wednesday
Blessing of Elderly, Seniors and Prayer for Healing

CHRISTMAS EVE

24th December - Thursday - 6:00 PM Mass St Augustine's School ~ Undercover Area
N.B.: Please Bring portable Chairs or Mats

CHRISTMAS DAY

25th December - Friday - 9:00 AM MASS Church

NEW YEAR'S DAY

1st January 2021 - Friday - 9:00 AM MASS Church

CHESS CLUB 2021 TBA

Chess will return in 2021. Start date and day is TBA during Term 1 2021.

KEYED UP MUSIC Keyed Up Music will be teaching keyboard and guitar group lessons next year during school. Lessons start from \$18.65 for a group of 4. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument, ring Therese on 1300 366 243 or enroll at www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form

CARLISE DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

The dental centre will be *CLOSED* from 11.00am Thursday 17/12/20 to Friday 29/01/21 and re-opening Monday 01/02/21. In case of emergency, please contact ~ **18/12/20 to 22/12/20** Wattle Grove Dental Therapy Centre PH 9453 6969. **23/12/20 to 18/01/21** Mt Henry Dental Clinic PH 9313 0555. **19/01/21 to 29/01/21** Wattle Grove Dental Therapy Centre PH 9453 6969. For After Hours Emergencies, please contact your local private dental practitioner or, if eligible, the afterhours emergency service on 1800 098 818.

