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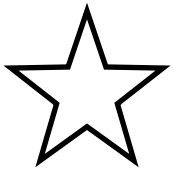
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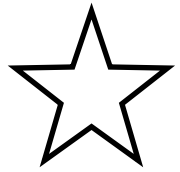
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Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4



Parent Forum Next Week



Where? Stage 3 (Yrs 5/6)

When? Wed 8th Nov

Time? 7pm

Hope you are free to join in the rich discussions about the learning at St Aidan's.

People who have attended previous meetings have enjoyed the open and frank discussions about learning strategies, assessing and tracking student growth, our learner centred approaches with teaching and a range of topics of interest to the parents.

Topics for discussion include:

- ▶ **Technology changes at St Aidan's (Now and into the future)**
- ▶ **BYOT (bring your own technology)**
- ▶ **Website upgrade and use of social media**
- ▶ **PBL maths task.**

We are looking at live streaming the meeting for those with family commitments and responding to any questions raised electronically by viewers.

Hope you can join us!!

Dates coming up...

Week 5

Mon 6/11

Week 5 of term 4

Tues 7/11

- ▶ Melbourne Cup Day

Wed 8/11

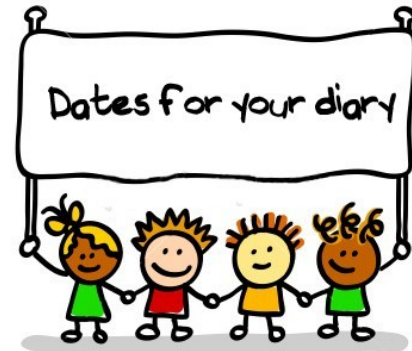
- ▶ Kinders 2018 Transition # 5
- ▶ Parent Forum - 7:00pm. Join us for the live stream!

Sat11/11



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest We Forget



End Of Year dates

Wk 9 Fri 8/12

Christmas Concert(evening)



Wk 10 Tues 12/12

Year 5 students attend St Agnes High School for a **TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE** day of activities (**Our thanks to St Agnes school For supplying the buses and activities**)



Wk 10 Wed 13/12

Meet Your Teacher for 2018

Year 6 Farewell Liturgy and Social(evening)

Wk 10 Thurs 14/12

Year 4 students attend St Agnes High School for a real life **NATIVITY PLAY** with real animals.

(Again our thanks to St Agnes school for supplying the buses and activities)



Congratulations

Mrs Matthews (Yr2)

Best wishes to Allison Matthews and her family with the joyful arrival of Emmaline last weekend.

Mum and bub are now home with Rodney and the boys. Best wishes for the days and weeks ahead.



Tips for ending the year on a happy note

As we all know this time of year is when children become more tired and irritated and very ready for both holidays and the next step in the learning journey.

It is a time when they might find it easier to remember and talk about any negative concerns at school and to forget the exciting things they are learning or the fun experiences they are having with their friends.

Tips for ending the year on a happy note (cont'd)



To help out with a positive end to 2017 we would encourage you to try and use the following at home:

1. Encourage a good sleep routine. This is critical to their wellbeing each day.
2. Ask about one thing they learned today
3. Ask about one thing they enjoyed on the playground

Hopefully this will help students, parents and teachers have a more positive end to the school year. We have many great events coming up in the weeks ahead and we want everyone to finish happily and in good spirits.



All Saints Day @ ST Aidan's

All Saints' Day is Holy Day of Obligation for the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. We dedicate this day to celebrating the amazing lives of the saints of the Church. Year 4 prepared a beautiful and reverent mass attended by the whole school community where Father Carlos spoke straight from the heart during his homily and reminded the students that they are also seen as saints in the eyes of God for they are listening to and following Jesus' example.

Our students were totally captivated by Father Carlos' insight into the lives of the saints as he outlined the path to total salvation. His message was clear and resonated with our students in that we must listen to the words of the gospel and put into practice what Jesus preached. In doing so, we too will fulfil our time on earth and join the saints in heaven.



*On this All Saints' Day,
may all peoples be blessed
by the Lord and the Lamb,
and may all give thanks
to him and those that have
followed his path.*



A special thank you goes out to every
St Aidan's student!!!

At the end of the mass, Father Carlos commended our student's reverence, participation and behaviour during the service. He was especially pleased with your attentiveness during his homily and the beautiful singing during mass.

ComPletely
Totally
PRoud of
you

St Aidan's Celebrates the Melbourne Cup



Next Tuesday is the world famous Melbourne Cup Festival and what better way to mark the occasion than an excuse to dress up.

Join the teachers in some fancy dress attire.

Girls can come to school wearing a fascinator, headband or a fancy ribbon.

Boys may come to school with a tie and a fancy hat.

Best-dressed girl and boy from each grade will win an ice block.

Looking forward to seeing your wonderful creations!



NUMERACY NEWS

ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION STRATEGIES

By the time children start Stage 2 (Year 3) they should be able to solve most 2 digit addition and subtraction questions in their head without relying on an algorithm.

Children are exposed to different strategies they can use to solve the questions (Place Value- Split strategy, jump strategy, bridging to the next 10 etc).

Children are encouraged to explain how they got their answer and recall the strategy they used the answer the question.

Ask your child these questions below.

$15+35=$

$51+11=$

$85-17=$

$55-32=$

$67+84=$

$90-15=$

$68+32=$

$87+27=$

$102-86=$

$99-24=$

How did they go?

It is important to continue practising these at home as it will help them to solve questions mentally and give them opportunities explain their thinking without using an algorithm.

What Mathematics will you notice, discuss and explore with your children this week?





Being on Time

Attendance is not just about being at school but also about being on time. Being late 5 minutes a day equals 25 minutes over a week, 250 minutes a term or 4 hours per term, or the equivalent of 3-4 days per year and over the schooling years is equivalent to one whole term of missed learning time. When a student arrives late they have often missed the introduction to a lesson and they have missed time socialising with their peers.

EVERY LEARNER, EVERY DAY is our school slogan for 2017. It is our combined responsibility **to have our children at school every day and on time.**

Attendance is a major focus for St Aidan's this year.

Week 2 attendance level is 78.8%

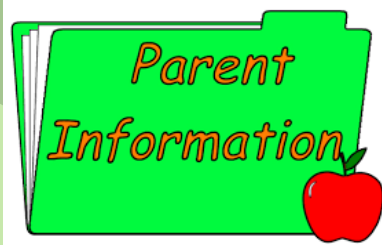
Week 3 attendance level is 80.4%

Week 4 attendance level is 78.9%

**Attendance level target for all
Diocesan schools is 90%**

COME ON ST AIDAN'S WE CAN GET TO 90%!





LEAVING BEFORE THE END OF YEAR?

If your children are not attending school in the last weeks of school, can you please let your teacher know because of involvement in end of year activities like report cards, year 6 farewells and concert.



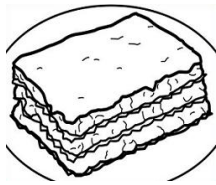
NOT AT ST AIDAN'S IN 2018?

Please let the school office know if your family are moving elsewhere next year. We need to know ASAP if others are seeking to enrol at St Aidan's.

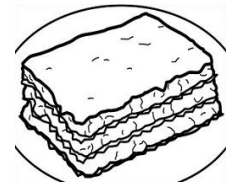
Please find below the names and numbers of the van drivers who currently drop off and pick up St Aidan's students:

Van Drivers 2017	
Hernandez	0409 655 836
Montenegro	0416 673 965
Doug	0433 948 004
Transport Service	0433 463 385
Calma	0405 949 393
(Jojo) Joel	0450 607 110
Mrs Favor	0433 831 122

CANTEEN NEWS



**Vegetarian Lasagna is available
at the Canteen for \$4.00 each!**



Meal Deals \$5.00 from Mon 30th Oct to Fri 17th Nov

Meal deal 1



- * Chicken & lettuce sandwich
- * Juice popper
- * Messy Monkey wholegrain bites



Meal Deal 2



- * Sausage Roll
- * Juice popper
- * Messy Monkey wholegrain bites

ELECTRACON ELECTRICAL

LED Down lights,
Fans, Powerpoints,
TV/Data/phone
from \$60 + gst

AIR CON

Splits, Ducted
From \$1680 + gst

SECURITY

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