EARLY CLOSURE: 2.15PM FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER

Please check that the dates below are on your “Diary Dates” (Term 4 Weeks 1 & 2)

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Year Three

Archbishop Phillip with representatives from Yrs 3-5, who occupy the new classrooms

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MISSION DAY
Dear Parents / Guardians,

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL & J ROCK
Like the football season, Term 3 is also quickly coming to an end, albeit with significant celebrations that could be likened to ‘Grand Finals’! On Wednesday evening our school choir performed with about 400 other children from Catholic schools in the Catholic Schools Music Festival at the Festival Theatre. What a fantastic opportunity for our children to join other children in showing their wonderful musical gifts. Not being very musical, I am in awe of the musical abilities of these children. A splendid performance children – well done!

Tonight we have the J-Rock Eisteddfod at The Entertainment Centre, with two performances by our children (150 of our children participating). For those parents whose children have not been a part of J-Rock before, you are in for a ‘great night’! I’m sure this too will be a splendid performance!

Special thanks to Mrs Mulraney for being our school Choir Trainer (and now Mrs Mee for taking on this role in Mrs Mulraney’s absence), and to Mr Hughes, Mrs Stockdale, Miss Moss, Mrs Huddleston, Mrs Donnarumma, Mrs Evans and Miss Pill, for organising and training the J-Rock students. We are most fortunate to have staff members who willingly give their time to our students to enable performances like this to occur. Additionally, many staff and parents go to the performance early so that they can help out on the night. We really appreciate your wonderful support!

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR HELPERS!
Throughout this term many parents, grandparents and caregivers have volunteered their time to help our children in all sorts of ways – in the canteen, hearing reading, excursions, washing tables etc. Again we really appreciate your valuable time and the effort you give to helping our children in so many ways. Without you our children would miss out on so much!

FAREWELL AND THANKS!
Mrs Scungio leaves us at the end of this term to go back to Tennyson Woods College in Mt Gambier. For those of us who have come to know Sara, we have really appreciated her limitless patience, understanding and dedication to providing the best learning and teaching environment for our children and staff. We wish Sara a very happy return to her family in Mt Gambier and every success with her most promising career.

NAPLAN – YEARS 3, 5 AND 7
By now you would have received your child’s individual results and perhaps seen the overall school results on ‘MySchool’. If you need any clarification about your child’s results, please discuss this with your child’s teacher. As I said in the last school newsletter, please remember that NAPLAN testing takes place on a couple of days each year and is not as reliable or informative as the ongoing assessments that your class teacher provides to you and your child throughout the year.

In regard to the school’s results, while some children did not do as well as we would have liked, some children also did really well. For Year 3, the ‘mean’ referring to band proficiency, is 3 to 4. We had 17 children in bands 5-6 for reading, 14 for writing, 13 for spelling, 16 for punctuation and grammar and 6 for numeracy. For year 5 the ‘mean’ proficiency band is 5 to 6. We had 11 children in bands 7-8 for reading, 13 for writing, 7 for spelling, 13 for punctuation and grammar and 5 for numeracy. For Year 7 the ‘mean’ proficiency band is 7. We had 13 children in bands 8-9 for reading, 10 for writing, 17 for spelling, 17 for punctuation and grammar and 7 for numeracy. While we congratulate all children who did well, we also offer our support and encouragement to those children who are on individual education plans to support their particular needs, and find this type of assessment very difficult. Averaging results is not always a fair indicator of all children’s progress.

CLASS PLACEMENTS 2012 (REPEAT NOTICE – LAST OPPORTUNITY)
Each year I provide families with the opportunity to write to me if you have a special consideration that you would like addressed in regard to your child’s placement for the following year. This is not about requesting a particular teacher. We do not publicise what classes’ teachers have until the end of the year, for this reason. Rather it is about letting me know additional information about your child that will support their happiness at school and consequent learning ability. We already take into account children’s special education, social, emotional, behavioural and friendship needs. Writing to me does not guarantee that I can meet every request made. However, a genuine effort will be made to do so, as ensuring class placements are as ‘right’ as they can be, is in our collective best interest.

Please address your letters as follows – The Principal, Confidential, Class Placement 2011, and return them by the end of this term. Thank you!
CONGRATULATIONS
- to the Yr 4-5 football team for winning the district perpetual trophy 'Best Team Award' for 'getting along'. The prize included a $200 voucher for the school. Well done children, coach and parents – we all know how important your attitudes are and consequently what is then displayed by our children.

SCHOOL UNIFORM TERM 4
Please note that Term 4 is "back to Summer" uniform. However, if we have a cold 'snap', Winter uniform may be worn for the first two weeks.

FINAL ASSEMBLY FOR TERM 3
1.30 PM, Siena Hall. We wish all families a very safe and rejuvenating holiday break.
Wishing you every blessing
Terry Kluzek Principal

DEAR SAINT AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL COMMUNITY
As Term 3 draws to a close, so does my time here at Saint Augustine's Parish School. I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting many of you this term and having the privilege of working alongside your children. I thank you for being the welcoming community that you are and wish you all the very best for the remainder of the year.
With every blessing,
Sara Scungio
Acting Deputy Principal

CONGRATULATIONS
FAITH JOURNEY
WHAT CHILDREN NEED
What children need is a healthy balance of independence and cooperation. Our children need to be at ease with their own sense of self and know that they can trust their choices, rather than parrot the thoughts of the prevailing pop culture or reflect the influences of undesirable peers. We can help them by coaching and guiding them to make choices for themselves and reach their full potential.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to those students who, by the time you read this newsletter, would have participated in the Catholic Schools Music Festival. Unfortunately, due to Mrs. Mulraney having to leave school before the end of term, the students in this choir have had to be self sufficient and practice by themselves with Ms Rothall (the Music Festival Choir Director), coming in to help with last minute preparations. It is a credit to Mrs. Mulraney that the choir were so well rehearsed that this was able to happen.

END OF TERM MASS
This Friday 30 September at 9.30 am, is the last school Mass presided over by Father John, as he leaves shortly to study in Rome. It is also an opportunity to say goodbye to Ms Scungio who has held the "ruck" together whilst the vice-captain has been away.”
Yours in Christ Joyce Mee (APRIM)

$$$$$$$$ FINANCE NEWS $$$$$$$

SCHOOL CARD
A reminder to all families eligible for school card. If you have not received notification from School Card Department by now, please contact us for assistance in following up your application.

SCHOOL FEES – REMINDER 2011 FEES ARE DUE IN FULL BY 28TH OCTOBER
School holidays are now upon us but you are still able to pay your school fees by utilising the BPAY system.
At the bottom of your statement, there is a BPAY section showing the school's BPAY (Biller) ID and your individual reference number. This reference number is unique to your bill.
Just contact your financial institution (Bank) to find out how easy this is to set BPAY up if you do not already have this facility. BPAY makes it easy to pay your bills from the convenience of your home telephone or internet any time of the day by using your Cheque, Savings or Credit Card account.

Liz Poljonker – Business Manager
Hi All
Great job on collecting the Coles and Woolies vouchers. So far we have 25,005 Coles points and 13,495 Woolies points. Keep it up over the school holidays. Please try and return them by 20 October 2011. If you have any spare time on Monday, the first day back to school, some help counting the Coles vouchers would be appreciated, in the Caroline Chisholm Centre from 9:00 am. Thank you and keep up the great job.
Regards  Kate (P & F Chairperson)

STUDENTS PLEASE return YOUR Term 4 Saturday Kanga or School Cricket Forms to the office.

Mr Canavan
Sports Co-Ordinator

Canteen

Term 4 Week 1 : 17 – 21 October
Monday  Cheryne
Tuesday  Louise
Wednesday  Edith
Thursday  Lee, Lucy
Friday  Louise, Sue

Thank you to Louise, Sue and Janet who helped with the special lunch on Tuesday

Term 4 Week 2 : 24 – 28 October
Monday  Cheryne
Tuesday  Louise
Wednesday  Edith
Thursday  Lee, Lucy
Friday  Louise, Leanne

Mathematics CMaD - Year 4

The year 2 team have been focusing on the strategies children use to solve mental computations. Some of these strategies include counting on from the largest number (4 + 5 = 9 count from 5, 6, 7, 8, 9), doubles (know 2 + 2 = 4) and rainbow facts (1 + 9 = 10, 2 + 8 = 10 etc).

Greek Orthodox Community SA - Odyssey School Holiday Fun October 10-14
For more information call 82314307 or view at gocga.org.au

Centacare sessions available: ‘Smack Free’, ‘Mum’s House Dad’s House’ ‘When your kids push your buttons’ and other parenting courses. Phone 8210 8200

Parent information session – Mathematics

A special thank you, to all the parents who attended the parent information session on Mathematics. Please keep an eye out for Mathematic activities to do with your child at home, in coming newsletters. There will be three prizes per newsletter.