



## Week 2 - Term 2

### Important Dates

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**NAPLAN 10th -  
20th**  
Tuesday 10 May

**Year 1 Excursion**  
Tuesday 24 May

**Reception Excursion**  
Wednesday 25 May

**Principal Tour**  
Monday 30 May

**Pupil Free Day**  
Friday 10 June

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### FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear families,

We have had a relatively smooth beginning to term 2, and at the time of writing, covid wasn't impacting too significantly on St Francis. My thoughts are with all families who are currently sick with covid, and I hope you recover quickly. While we have moved – again – into a new phase of living with covid 19, it continues to be important to maintain protocols around keeping everyone safe and well. Please read carefully, my most recent circular, which outlines the current protocols in place to keep our community safe.

Last week's Mother's Day morning tea was a wonderful celebration of our mums and important female role models in our children's lives. My sincere thanks to the P&F for their great coordination of the event, and to Suzanne Adams, our new communications & community liaison officer for her support!

This week, our year 3 and 5 students have been engaged in this year's NAPLAN assessments. For these cohorts, this is their first attempt at NAPLAN, given the year 5 students didn't complete the tests in 2020 due to covid. NAPLAN assessments provide the school and families with a snapshot of the way students are progressing with their learning. We use the data gained from NAPLAN, along with a wide range of other datasets and teacher judgement, to shape the learning experiences we provide for the children. Hopefully, results will be available later this year. My thanks to Nives Kresevic for her excellent coordination of the assessments.

As we have commenced term 2, our year 3 and year 6 students have been provided with brand new devices to support their learning! The year 3's all have an iPad, while the year 6 students have brand new Mac Books. The roll out of this new technology was delayed in term one due to ongoing licencing issues, however this was resolved late last term. The children and their teachers are very excited by these new devices, which represent a significant investment in our ICT capability. Other classes in R-2 and year 5 and 4 have benefitted as well, with the students now having either 1:1 or 1:2 laptop and iPad devices to use in support of their learning. We will continue to invest in our ICT capability into 2023 and beyond. My thanks to David Giannotti for his hard work in getting everything up and running.

## Federal Election 2022

Education is an important topic at every election. As we head towards the Federal Election on May 21, Catholics are being asked to consider how their vote will benefit the whole community. It is essential that everybody who cares about Catholic schools understands the key issues. A number of resources are available at [Federal Election](#).

## Catholic Education Week

Is being celebrated in Catholic schools throughout South Australia from 9 – 15 May 2022. This week is an opportunity to thank the people that make our schools special and work hard Raising Hearts and Minds every day.

Join us on social media this week in sharing a 'thank you' post to our staff and teachers using the hashtag #LoveMyCatholicSchool.

## Raising Hearts and Minds Prayer

Loving God,

Guide us to know life in its fullness, to raise our hearts and minds to know God's love.

Raise our hearts and minds to be inspired by Jesus, the Catholic faith and tradition.

Raise our hearts to be loving, compassionate and respectful.

Raise our minds to be inquisitive, capable and seek truth.

May we be aware of listening to the stirring of our hearts to prompt action.

Guide us to respond to the needs of others and all of God's creation.

In all our thoughts, words and actions, help us raise our hearts and minds

in creating the world you desire.

Loving God hear our prayer

Amen

**Phil Schultz**

## FROM THE DEPUTY



# ANZAC Day April 25th

Our special thanks to Miriam, Sidney and Angus Fisher who represented St Francis School at the Hilton RSL Dawn Service this year.

107 years have passed since Australia's involvement in the First World War. ANZAC commemorates Australia's involvement in World War I and remembers anyone who has served in a war or conflict as well as those men and women still serving in the Defense Forces today. ANZAC Day is when we remember the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli in 1915. It is also the day we remember all Australians who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. The spirit of ANZAC, with its human qualities of courage, "mateship", and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

John 15: 12-13

**Lest we forget.**

**God Bless**

**Nives Kresevic**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### CATHOLIC IDENTITY

#### JESUS HAS RISEN ALLELUIA!

*"He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would." (Mtt 28:1-10)*



**Risen Jesus Artwork by Year 6 students**

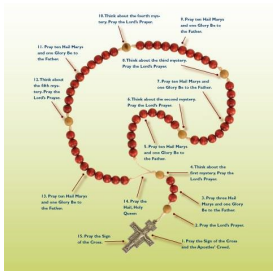
#### Catholic Education Week Raising Hearts and Minds Prayer

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### Month of May

In the Catholic Church the month of May is **Mary's month**. It's the month we honour Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother. This devotion dates back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. There are many special events which honour Mary during the month of May.

May is also a very good month to pray the rosary, this link from the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney will explain in two minutes how to pray the rosary <https://youtu.be/GuT7HI7ZvfA>



# Winter Appeal

Last week you will have received a notice on the SZapp about our Winter Appeal. The Adelaide Day Centre for Homeless Persons have asked for our support in donating clothing items or cans of soup for the homeless. As many of the homeless are predominately **adults** we ask that you please adhere to the following list in **adult sizes**:

- Raincoats
- Jackets
- Gloves
- Scarves
- Hats
- Track pants
- Socks
- Small umbrellas

## The greatest need is for Blankets and Sleeping Bags

The Winter Appeal will **commence Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May** and continue **until Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022**.

*As Pope Francis said, “To rebuild our wounded world in the face of so much pain, our only course is to imitate the Good Shepherd who showed us how to restore community by lifting up the fallen for the sake of the common good.”.*

## The Ascension of The Lord, May 21<sup>st</sup>

Mark 16:15-20 (paraphrased)

*“Jesus showed himself to the Eleven, and said to them, ‘Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good news to all creation.’*

*And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.”*

Ascension has always been a part of the joyful celebration of the fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost but was singled out for commemoration on the fortieth day (see Acts 1:3) toward the end of the 4th century. The feast develops the glory of the resurrection by acclaiming the exaltation of Christ as Lord of heaven and earth. It serves to prepare the Church, toward the end of the season of Easter, for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

### God Bless

Angela De Nadai

Assistant Principal: Religious Identity and Mission

## P.E/SPORT

### School Teams

With the start of the new term bring with it the start of our school winter sports season. Netball and Basketball will continue in the final term of season 1 please continue to follow your game fixtures on the Game Day App. School soccer will begin this Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, yesterday all families involved would have received information regarding their team, who’s coaching and how to register on the new NWJSA app to view the team fixtures. Please make sure you sign up to this app so you are aware of your child game times each week.

## SAPSASA Softball News

The Airport and Western SAPSASA districts combined together to put a team into the Division 1 Softball competition and they competed in week 10 of Term 1. The team improved a lot over the three day event and did well to place equal 5th. They had great weather and all girls really enjoyed the experience. Well done to Sophie Luttrell who represented our district and school.



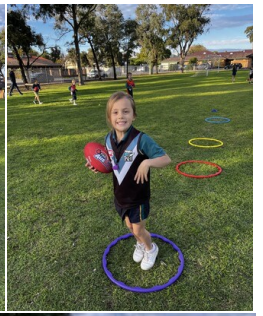
## Auskick Program

Last night was the first session for this terms Auskick program. Our school has 48 students registered to take part in the SANFL run program. All of the students involved had a wonderful time learning the skills of AFL and having fun at the same time.

**James Daley**

**Sports Coordinator**







# Playgroup News

After what was a very up and down term during term one for many of our playgroup families it has been wonderful to have started off this term with all sessions up and running. Both of our groups are operating at full capacity and the children have been enjoying the new room and meeting our new families who have started this term and towards the end of last term. Last week we made some very special Mothers Day craft items and this week the children loved making marble art with the paint. We continue to enjoy growing our minds, exploring our school environment and meeting and making new friends along the way.

**James Daley**

**Playgroup Coordinator**





## KINDERGYM PROGRAM 0-5 YEAR OLDS

Are you looking for a sport or activity for your child that stimulates the mind and body?

**Hourly sessions held between 9.00am & 2.30pm  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

KinderGym

Head to the timetable on our website for more information and available session times: [www.gymwest.com](http://www.gymwest.com)

Email: [kindergym@gymwest.com](mailto:kindergym@gymwest.com) or call 8353 4770 to arrange your free 'Come & Try'

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