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*Annunciation Catholic Primary School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all students.*

## NEWSLETTER

### REFLECTION

#### *A Prayer for a New Term*

*Father, we thank you for our holidays and for the good times that we had.*

*We thank you for the break from school, for the sleep-ins and the family and friends.*

*We ask your blessing on all that we do in this coming term. Help us to know that you are with us always, celebrating with us when things are great, and comforting us when things are not so great.*

*With the guidance of your Holy Spirit, may we strive to do our best throughout this term, using the gifts that you have given us.*

*Amen*

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello all

I hope Term 4 has started well for you all. I'm not sure if it is the weather or if it is daylight savings but lots of students and staff have started the Term looking very tired! Hopefully when the weather picks up so will all our energy levels!

Term 4 is an exciting but busy term. Please take note of the attached calendar to ensure you have marked in all the events that come up towards the end of the year.



It is a particularly exciting term for our Grade 6 students as they prepare for Secondary School next year. I hope they enjoy every moment of their last term with Annunciation. Most will get to spend some time at their new school later this term which I'm sure will help the transition process.

Please note that students should all be wearing school hats now as outlined in our Sunsmart Policy.

Have a lovely weekend.

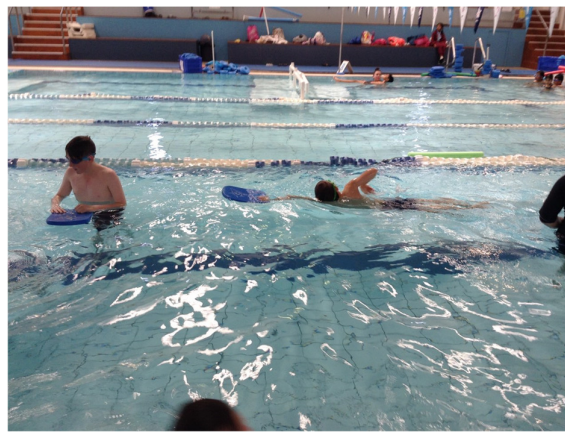
Robyn Kelly  
Principal

## THE TERM AHEAD

Thursday Oct 31st	Grades F/1/2/3/4 excursion to Legoland
Monday November 4th	<b>SCHOOL CLOSURE</b>
Tuesday November 5th	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY MELBOURNE CUP</b>
Wednesday Nov 6th	Grades 3/4 off to Marina Aged Care Center
Thursday November 7th	Maths Fun day at school followed by a fun workshop with families Please mark this in your diary as a family workshop is planned for after school (We are just confirming a time)
Friday November 8th	Grades 4 & 5 Soccer day at Emmanuel College
Tuesday November 19th	1st Prep Orientation morning
Monday November 25th	Grade 6 transition Day (Most Grade 6 students will head off to their Secondary schools for the day)
Tuesday November 26th	2nd Prep Orientation morning
Tuesday December 3rd	P& F Meeting and thankyou
Tuesday December 10th	Graduation Night for Grade 6 at 6:30pm
Tuesday December 17th	Christmas Concert for whole school at 6:30pm
Wednesday Dec 18th	End of Year Mass 10am <b>School finishes at 1pm (No After School Care)</b>

## SWIMMING PROGRAM

Swimming has started well and the students have been organised and enthusiastic.



## SEESAW APP

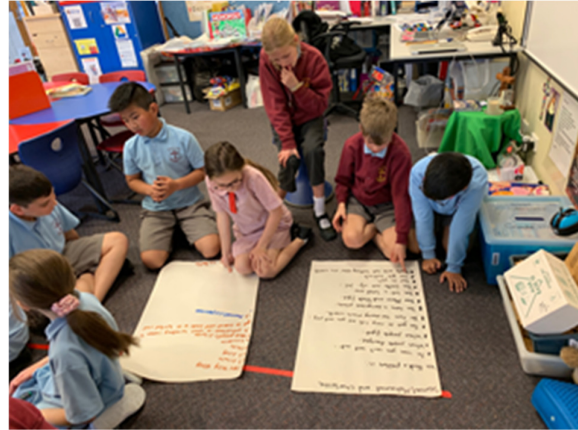
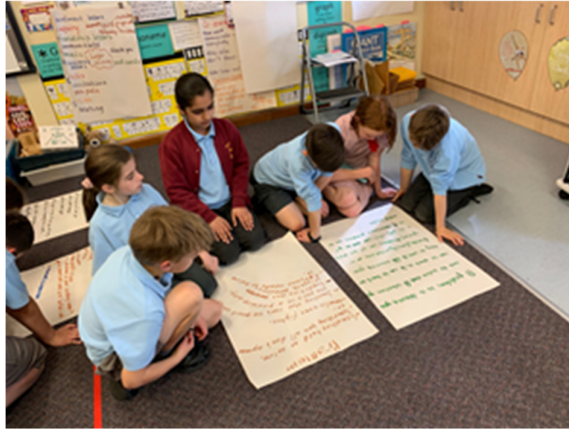


Next year we are going to introduce SEESAW which is an App that provides each child with a digital portfolio. During the day children can take photos or film what they are learning and share it directly to their parent's phones. Each staff member is trialling this with one family this term (so we can iron out any issues) and then we will ask parents to download the APP. I have used this in a previous school and it is

a wonderful tool to see what your child is learning and for them to be able to share work which they are proud of. Stay tuned for updates.

## Respectful Relationships

This week the Year 3/4 class explored what constitutes a 'problem'. They worked in groups of three, to record their ideas and formulate a definition of a 'problem'. The students then explored the use of problem solving skills to assist in solving them.



## MATHS DAY and NIGHT Thursday Nov 7th:

We are having a Maths group visit our school where children will get to explore Maths using small planks of wood. The focus is on many Mathematical concepts such as shape, design, engineering and problem solving. **Followed by this we are inviting families to come to a workshop after school** where you will be able to create and design with your children. This promises to be loads of fun so please put this date in your diary and we will give you more details later.

**(Examples of what the students will do)**



## EXCITING NEWS

Recently our students were asked to design a mascot for the charity group "Friend in Me". This wonderful charity holds events that promotes being inclusive for all children.

We have just heard that Evan Pace in Grade 6 had his design chosen and as we speak the mascot's costume is being made. The mascot will make his debut at our school on Friday December 13 from 2:30pm. We are so proud of Evan and we can't wait to see his design come to life!

## Bottle Tops:

**Grade 3/4 are collecting plastic bottle tops for the Envision hands Project.**

The Envision Hands project recycles plastic bottle lids bound for landfill and turns them into colourful, super hero hands for children in need in Australia and around the world! Their mission is to create 100 bespoke aids out of bottle caps, with 3D printers. PLEASE SEND ALL BOTTLE TOPS TO THE GRADE 3/4 ROOM- These are the lids mainly from plastic milk bottles



### **PLAYGROUP – HERE AT ANNUNCIATION, EVERY THURSDAY MORNING**

A Playgroup called 'Brooklyn Fun for Tots' is operating in the Community Room each Thursday

Enquiries - Phone Lauren 0411 895 775 or Michelle 0432 517 222

*Annunciation After School Care - Daily - 3.30pm. - 6.00pm.*

*(not during school holidays or the last day of term)*

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM**

“Looked After” has now introduced their software and this is who we are using now to sign students into after school care. If you would like to use the program we have all the details at school. It is very easy to use.

If you intend on using the after school care program you must register online first. (Details can be obtained from the office.) If you have already registered and want to put your child in care could you please make sure that you go online and book them in for the day, the night before. If it is an emergency situation and you haven't booked your child in you can ring the office.

**REMEMBER IF YOU WANT TO USE THE PROGRAM WHETHER IT BE AS ONGOING OR CASUAL YOU MUST BE REGISTERED.**

#### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOKLET**

Entertainment Publications is the publisher of the popular Entertainment Books and the brand new Entertainment Digital Memberships. These products are excellent guides to all the things you love to do...dining, attractions, shopping, travel and more!

Filled with up to 50% off or 2-for-1 style offers, they are a great way to discover new favourites and enjoy the value at the same time.

The school now has these books available for purchase (current 2019/2020). Each book is \$70 and you only need to use it 2 to 3 times to get your money back. There is a sample in the foyer for you to look at and see what great deals are available. You can also check out the website for more details. These books really are great value.



Best wishes to the Class of 2019 as they commence their final weeks of classes, following the trial exam program conducted over the term break and to those completing Language Oral and Performing Arts external assessments. Well done to students who will represent the College in this term's interschool chess, cricket, tennis, volleyball, soccer, football, basketball, and netball competitions.





# HANDS ON

*with Coding and Robotics*

Introduce your child to the basics of **PROGRAMMING CODE** and **Robots** in this hands on interactive workshop. Participants will work in small groups to complete a number of challenges involving the programming language Swift as well as block coding and controlling several robots including our very own Star Wars robot R2-D2!

**Tuesday October 29th**  
**4.30pm - 6.00pm**

**St Aloysius College STEM Centre**  
31 Curran Street North Melbourne

**Free session:** Book at <https://www.trybooking.com/BGEJU>  
For further information please contact the College on 9325 9200

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**WILLIAMSTOWN SWIMMING & LIFE SAVING CLUB**

# NIPPERS

Sunday Summer Fun!

EST. 1920

Come & Join Us  
for Beach &  
Lifesaving Fun!



**HAVE A GO!**

Sunday 27 Oct, 9.30am  
The Clubhouse Lawn  
Free Sausage Sizzle!

## INFO SESSIONS

Sunday 20 Oct, 11am  
Thursday 24 Oct, 6.30pm  
Saturday 26 Oct, 2pm



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