

ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

DIMBULAF



Mr Brad Williams

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Walsh River Sports Day









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COMING EVENTS.....

July 17th	Cairns Show Holiday
July 22nd	10.00am Music Recital
July 23 & 24th	Mareeba District Sports Carnival
July 27th-28th	Life Education Van Visiting
July 29th	10am Catholic Education Week Mass
July 29th	3.30pm Sacramental Prep Session
31st July	9am National Evangelisation Team Performance
Every Wednesday	School Counsellor Here



Student of the Week



Prep One Two Class

Livinia Di Salvo for completing her tasks every day.

Sam Williams for working nicely with others.

Year Three Four Class

Year 3/4 for responsible behaviour and fabulous participation.

Clancie Sivyer for being attentive, focused and applying herself in all learning areas.

Nate Campbell for a positive attitude to learning last Friday.

Cooper Kennedy for focused attention when learning.

Nathaniel Exton for putting great effort into creating his book.

Year Five Six Class

Kaiden Anning for working diligently and creating an awesome underwater scene for Art.

John Lamont for presenting superb cursive handwriting and for producing creative pieces of Art works.

Kaitlyn Scapin for working independently and consistently presenting outstanding bookwork.

Lauren Schincariol for showing great persistence, using her initiative and for always helping out.



From the Principal Brad Williams

From our Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3! I trust that over the 2 week break families were able to spend some time together and students were able to rest and relax and prepare for another busy term of learning and fun.

Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week is being celebrated from Monday 27th July to Friday 31st July. St Anthony's will mark this special occasion with a number of events. We will be holding a small liturgy on Monday 27th at Assembly. On Wednesday 29th we are hosting a CEW Mass for representatives from Catholic Education Services, staff and student representatives from St Thomas Mareeba, St Augustine's Mossman, St Joseph's Atherton, St Stephen's Mareeba, Mount Saint Bernard, St Teresa's Ravenshoe, as well as parishioners, parents and community members from St Anthony's and Dimbulah. Mass will begin at 10:00am and will be followed my morning tea. On Friday Ist August members of the National Evangelisation Team will be coming to perform for the students from 9:00am-10:30am. We will follow this with a presentation to Rosie's of the non-perishable goods that have been donated by parents and community members.

Uniform

We have been greeted in this first week back at school by some cold weather, with jumpers and jackets being worn by students to keep them warm. I would like to remind parents that as per our uniform policy, students are required to wear navy jumpers, pants and jackets. I know first-hand how difficult it can be to find plain navy jumpers/jackets and to assist you I have provided a link below to where they can be ordered/purchased: stubbiesschoolwear.com.au

Alternatively, we have a large stock of second-hand jumpers and pants for \$5.00 each.

We also have 6 new shirts (old style) left that we are selling at cost price of \$15.00. We have $2 \times \text{Size } 4$, $2 \times \text{Size } 6$ and $2 \times \text{Size } 20$ left.

A reminder that school hats need to be worn and as per our head lice policy, spare hats will not be given to those without their own hat.

I thank you for your cooperation with this.

Student Reports

Student reports went out during the last week of term. If you would like to discuss your child's report or have queries about how you can further support your child at home, please make a time to meet your child's teacher/s.

From our Principal

School Fees

I would like to remind parents that School Fees for Terms I and Term 2 should be up to date. If you are experiencing genuine financial hardship and are finding it difficult to meet payment of fees, it is essential that you make contact with me to discuss a plan of action. Direct debit facilities are available which makes planning for fee payments much easier. The front office staff will be able to assist you in making these arrangements.

Head Lice/Transition of Year 6 Students to High School Policies

The following pages have copies of two new policies that have been drafted. If you have any questions or feedback about the content of the policies please feel to contact me.

Ravenshoe Community

Please continue to keep the Ravenshoe community in your prayers as they continue to rebuild after their recent tragedy. This week we sent all money collected from the Free Dress Day last term (\$236) to support them in their efforts. There will be a special collection at Mass on Sunday which will be offered to Ravenshoe as well.

Please join me in wishing those students competing next week at the Mareeba District Sports Carnival all the best. Good luck!

Next Newsletter: Thursday 30th July

Next Assembly: Monday 20th July - School Captains

Yours in Catholic Education,

Brad Williams

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Principal,

St Anthony's Catholic School

Policies



HEAD LICE POLICY

Rationale:

The incidence of head lice is a familiar occurrence in schools that affects persons of any age, gender or ethnicity. Whilst it is a health issue and is difficult to control it can be as much a social issue as a health one. St Anthony's staff have to be careful how they react to the presence of head lice on students given there are social, emotional and educational consequences for those students. Infestations of head lice are particularly common in primary schools because of young people's habits of playing in close contact.

Parents have the prime responsibility for the detections and treatment of head lice on their children.

Advice from Queensland Health is that a whole-school approach is the most effective in the management (not the eradication) of head lice within the school community.

Implementation/Procedure:

St Anthony's will:

- Ensure parents understand the school's guidelines and assist in communicating information about the prevention, detection and treatment of head lice.
- Not allow the sharing of hats.
- Where possible, minimise head contact.
- Notify all parents of an outbreak of head lice via a letter.
- Encourage parents to refrain from sending children back to school until one day after treatment.
- In the event a staff member suspects head lice infestation, initiate a physical inspection, making sure to respect the privacy of the student and checking with both the student and a parent/guardian that there are no objections with the inspection.
- In the event a student is found to be infested with head lice, that student will remain in class and contact via telephone or letter will be made with a parent/guardian requesting immediate treatment to be commenced.
- Undertake treatment of head lice only under exceptional circumstances when the Principal has determined it necessary for a student's well-being and educational development. Treatment must have parental/carer approval.
- Offer advice to parents about treatment but will not promote products for individual benefit.

Parents will:

- Advise and inform St Anthony's if they have detected head lice in one of their children who attend school.
- Inspect all members of the family and carry out any treatment.
- Understand that treatment is their responsibility and that St Anthony's will only undertake treatment in very exceptional circumstances.
- Only send children back to school one day after treatment has been administered.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed in 2016.

Policies



TRANSITION POLICY - YEAR 6 TO HIGH SCHOOL

Rationale:

Transition visits from Primary School to High School are a crucial element of the transition process. These visits enable students' to build friendships, experience the routines of the institution and help to reduce anxiety about moving from one school to another.

Students' from St Anthony's are able to choose between Mareeba State High School, St Stephen's and Dimbulah State School for their secondary education. Attending Transition Visits helps to clarify the decision-making when it comes to selecting which school to attend.

Implementation:

In term 2, both St Stephen's and Dimbulah State School invite all Year 6 students to attend a Transition Day.

Teachers at St Anthony's will:

- Send the invitation to parents, via students, together with the cover letter and additional information provided by the high school.
- Send a letter to parents from St Anthony's outlining expectations in regards to attendance, behaviour and uniform.
- As a last resort, and only if alternative arrangements can't be made, accompany students on a bus to and from St Stephen's, whereby TRS will be provided by St Stephen's.

Students will:

- Be free to attend both Transition Days to assist them in making a decision about which High School to attend for the following year.
- Be expected to attend school at St Anthony's as per normal if not attending the Transition Day.
- Be expected to wear full school uniform on the Transition Day and demonstrate high standards of behaviour at all times.

Parents will:

• Inform St Anthony's if their child is attending the Transition Days by completing return slips.

Another Transition Day will be held in Term 4 by both the Dimbulah State School and St Stephen's.

Teachers at St Anthony's will:

- Send the invitation to parents, via students, together with the cover letter and additional information provided by the high school.
- Send a letter to parents from St Anthony's outlining expectations in regards to attendance, behaviour and uniform.
- As a last resort, and only if alternative arrangements can't be made, accompany students on a bus to and from St Stephen's, whereby TRS will be provided by St Stephen's.

Students will:

- Only attend the Transition Day to the school that they will be going to the following year.
- Be expected to attend school at St Anthony's as per normal if not attending the Transition Day.
- Be expected to wear full school uniform on the Transition Day and demonstrate high haviour at all times.

Parents will:

Inform St Anthony's if their child is attending the Transition Days by completing return slips.

*At present, Mareeba State High School does not offer a Transition Program for St Anthony's students.

Evaluation: This policy will be reviewed in 2016.







"Life is so much brighter when we focus on what truly matters"

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Parish Weekend Mass Times

St Anthony's – Dimbulah – Sunday 8.00am

St Thomas of Villanova – Mareeba – Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 10.00am

St Christopher's – Kuranda – Sunday 6.00pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to term three (where is the time going?) and I hope that you all had a lovely and relaxing break. This term sees us very busy in the Liturgical calendar, so please keep your eye out for upcoming events and masses.

Firstly, in week three we are celebrating Catholic Education Week (26 July—1 August). This annual event is held to promote the special ethos of Catholic schools and to highlight the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day. The theme for this year's celebrations is: Engaging Minds. Igniting Hearts. Serving Others..."let your light shine". Catholic education strives to make a difference in the lives of those in our schools and in the wider community by challenging young people to live out the message of Jesus and to reach their full potential as compassionate, contributing, life-giving members of society. This year St Anthony's has been given the honour of hosting the Western Deanery



Mass for Catholic Education Week, where we will be joined by the following schools—St Thomas of Villanova, St Stephen's, St Joseph's, St Teresa's, Mount Saint Bernard's and St Augustine's. The mass will take place on Wednesday, 29 July at 10am followed by a BBQ and light refreshments back at the school. All are very welcome to attend (please RSVP for catering purposes).

May God's Spirit be with you always Rachelle De Iacovo

Upcoming Masses:

- 22nd July—Prep/1/2 class Mass
- 5th August—St Mary MacKillop Mass (whole school attending)
- ♦ 12th August—5/6 class anointing Mass
- 19th August—3/4 class Mass



In the words of Saint Mary MacKillop



"God will protect and work with us"

1885

Look Closer

Abundance. When God promises to provide, he provides in lavish abundance until we are fully satisfied. But we have to trust in him. This can be difficult as it takes great faith. Yet faith in God's providence brings true freedom—the freedom to take risks and follow in his footsteps.

How does God provide for you in your life?



"Let Your Light Shine"



Catholic Education Week Mass Western Deanery

To The Saint Anthony's School Community - All Family and Friends

you are warmly invited to come along and join us at

St Anthony of Padua's Church, Dimbulah Wednesday, July 29th at 10:00am

for a celebration of

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and afterwards at

St Anthony's Parish School, undercover area

for a BBQ and light refreshments

For catering purposes please RSVP by Wednesday 15 July 2015

Phone 40935319 or email rdeiacovo@cns.catholic.edu.au



From our APRE

Catholic Education Week

26 July – 1 August



"Engaging Minds. Igniting Hearts. Serving Others."

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year for Catholic Education Week we have a couple of activities planned, which we are hoping you can help us out with.

Firstly, after discussion with our students, we would like to carry out part of this year's theme "Serving Others" by supporting "Rosies". Rosies is an organisation which cares for the less fortunate by providing basic needs – food, clothing, accommodation.

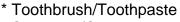
We would like to help support this organisation by asking if you are able to kindly donate any of the following items:

Life-long milk
Polystyrene cups
Tins of Milo
Cordial

Cups of Noodles

* Blankets





* Shampoo/Conditioner

* Bars of soap













The items can be brought into your classroom teachers and will then be presented to representatives from Rosies on Friday, 1st August to conclude the week of celebrations.

Secondly, as we are hosting this year's Deanery Mass, we are inviting all to come back to the school for a BBQ and light refreshments. We would like to make up fruit platters, so if anyone is able to provide/donate fruit produce for this, can you please let Brad or Rachelle know as soon as possible.



Thank you for your continued support



From our Counsellor



Bringing up Great Kids

Overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be!

Positive Self-Identity

This workshop promotes positive and nurturing parent-child relationships.

We use mindfulness and reflection to support you to review and enhance parental communication, promote respectful interactions and encourage the development of your children's positive self-identity.



Independent evaluation concluded that the Bringing up Great Kids program is an effective intervention for building positive parent-child relationships, reducing parenting stress and minimising the possibility of harmful parental behaviours towards their children.

When: Monday August 10 – Monday August 31, 2015 (4 week duration)

Time: 9.30am to 12pm (2.5hrs)

Where: UnitingCare Community 98 Birch Street. Manunda. 4870

Contact: 07 4050 4955 (bookings required)

Cost: Free of charge

*please note we have no capacity for child minding.

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This is an extract from a great website on **How Sensory Processing Issues Affect Kids in School and what parents and teachers can do to help them.** I recommend reading this article and have included the web address.

Your son's second grade teacher calls to say she's concerned about some of his behaviours in school:

- He can't sit still through a half-hour lesson and disrupts the class.
- He often seems distracted and doesn't pay attention to what she's saying
- He bumps into kids in the lunch line, making them angry.
- He can't hold a pencil correctly, so he struggles with handwriting.
- He gets upset when asked to switch from one activity to another
- He melts down during assemblies and has to leave the gym.

You had started noticing this type of behaviour when your child was a toddler, but now it's hurting his progress in school. You've been wondering if he might have ADHD. But his teacher tells you she thinks he may have sensory processing issues.

To read more go to:- www.childmind.org/en/posts/articles/2014-4-28-how-sensory-processing-issues-affect-kids-school

Sporting News



Walsh River Sports

A great day was had by all at the Walsh River Sports day at Dimbulah State School last term. St Anthony's collected 2nd place to DSS in the Aggregate Points and won the Average Aggregate Trophy. Congratulations to Toby Brown who broke the 11 Year Boys Shot Put Record with an amazing throw of 11.33m. Congratulations also to the following students who won Age Champions Trophies:

Beau Hatfield — I I Year Boys Cara Dryden — I I Year Girls Neve Godfrey — I O Year Girls



Best wishes to those 10, 11 and 12 year students who now travel with the Walsh River Team to compete at the District Trials in Mareeba next week. There will be a training session this Thursday afternoon for those athletes who want to have one final practice run.





Ball Games Carnival

All students will be practising ball games for our Inter-House Ball Games Carnival later this term. At present Wolfram hold the Athletics and Cross Country trophies and Mulligan hold the Swimming and Marching trophies.

Lawn Bowls

We are hoping that our Year 5/6 Students will be part of an inter-school lawn bowls competition in Week 6 of this term. I will provide more details when this information is confirmed.

P.E.

This term all students will be practising ball handling skills in preparation for the Ball Games Carnival and also using these skills in modified ball games including court and net games and using bats and racquets. Thank you to our P&F who have approved a submission for the upgrade of our sports equipment. It will be well used.



Woolworths Earn & learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for your local primary school. Last year more than 14500 schools benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries and music rooms to name a few. Its simple to participate. From 15th July to 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect a Woolworths Earn & Learn

Sticker Sheet or you can pick one up from St Anthony's. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent. Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box in the office at St Anthony's.



Community News

ONandOFFthe page writing workshops





Dr Kate Costigan is a Brisbane-based writer offering workshops for aspiring, emerging and established creative writers. Individuals and groups of all ages and experience are welcomed. The workshops are provided in rural and regional areas. They cover a wide range of genres and include writing and editing skills; identification and development of writers' networks and strategies for promotion, sales and successful publication. The workshops are tailored to meet the needs and interests of local participants and include writing poetry, short stories, biography and song.

Kate's next workshops are from 10am - 4.30pm on the 25th July at Dimbulah Community Centre, 26th July at Julatten Community Centre, and 1st August, 2015, at Kuranda Neighbourhood Centre

This event is supported by the Mareeba Regional Council's, Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF). Kate's recent RADF sponsored workshops in Roma and Yungaburra received overwhelmingly positive feedback.

To book your place contact Kate at kcostiga@gmail.com or Ph: 0400 000 968



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Community News



FREE! FREE! FREE!

We are offering FREE Certificate III in Business Administration & Adult Literacy, Numeracy and **Basic Computer Course**



We are offering a free Certificate III in Business Administration (C3G) for those who have not completed a Certificate III or higher qualification, through flexible delivery. Students will be following the General Administration stream and will have access to the trainer through support classes, one-on-one visits, email and phone.

We are also offering a free Adult Literacy, Numeracy and Basic Computer course (eligibility criteria apply) for those who would like to develop these skills to feel more confident in everyday life or in the current workforce. This course is catered to your personal needs!

Classes for both courses run:

Monday 9.30am - 3.00pm at the Innisfail Baptist Church Tuesday 10am - 1pm at the Dimbulah Community Centre Thursday 9.15am - 2.45pm at the Mareeba PCYC Friday 10am - 1pm at the Mossman Library

You can join at any time and classes continue weekly throughout the year excluding school

There are limited places available so please contact me ASAP! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Bryony on 0420806388

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For further information contact Lorelle Carey on 40935450





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Dimbulah Rhyme Time

Join us at Dimbulah Library for our NEW

Rhyme Time Program

Enjoy songs, rhymes & stories while bonding with your baby & meeting other local families

This is a fun filled session for children from 0-4 years designed to develop early literacy skills. This program is delivered by Mareeba Shire Library Service and is funded under the Best Start grant by the State Library of Queensland

> For more information see Helen, phone 07 4093 5963 or visit www.msc.qld.gov.au/libraries

The Dimbulah rhyme time sessions will run during school terms from 9:30am - 10:30am on the first Wednesday of each month (unless the first Wednesday falls during school holidays).

- W ednesday 6th May 2015
 W ednesday 3rd June 2015
 W ednesday 15th July 2015

- ➤ Wednesday 5th August 2015
 ➤ Wednesday 2nd September 2015
 ➤ Wednesday 7th October 2015
- Wednesday 4th November 2015





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