



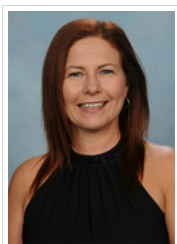
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19 June 2019

## Principals Report



Dear Parents,

We have come to the end of another very busy term and I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the students for their enthusiasm for school and their ability to make each of us smile every day, the staff for their unwavering commitment to each of your children and you as parents for your support of our beautiful school.

## Prep Open Day

Next Thursday 27th June we are holding an open morning for our 2020 Prep students. Invitations have gone out but if you know of anyone who may be interested to attend please pass on the information.

**ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL**  
DIMBULAH  
A Catholic Parish Primary School serving the Dimbulah region

### Prep Open Day

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Come and join us for a morning of fun and activities and experience our school for yourself!

9:00	Welcome to Classroom
9:15	Literacy Fun
10:00	Brain Food & Obstacle Course
10:20	Numeracy Fun
10:45	Morning Tea & Finish

RSVP to Cathy at the Office by Wednesday

**ALL WELCOME!**  
Please bring a healthy snack & water bottle

## St Anthony's Feast Day

Last Sunday we gathered as a community to celebrate St Anthony's Feast Day. People come from as far away as Port Douglas each year to attend this event. The generosity of Aloise and the choir to take time to travel and sing at our Mass provides us with that extra special atmosphere. Our parishioners spend a lot of time getting ready for the day and keeping this tradition alive in our community. They are getting on in age and it is our hope that we can continue to keep this tradition going for the benefit of all who have experienced this celebration. This year the Mass was made extra special when a past student, Anthony Brazzale, who was born on St Anthony's Day and named after the Saint, requested to have his own son Ryan Baptised into our church on this special day. Those who have a long association with the school know that Dr Anthony still holds many sporting records at our school with his sister Jesslyn. We welcome Ryan into our Parish and hope that his parents continue their association with the Dimbulah Parish into the future.

## Welcome

Last week we welcomed Rydah and Caden Sands and their father Lewis into our school community. We hope that they settle into life in Dimbulah. Please make them feel welcome and part of the school community.

## Report cards

Next week we will be sending home report cards. Remember that nothing in the report should be a surprise. If you have a concern please make an appointment to speak with your child's teacher. I am very proud of the effort our children have put in and encourage you to talk with your child about their work. The year 5/6 children are now able to show you their work and results through their shared google drive folder so please ask them.

## Mission, Vision and Values Survey

Thank you to the parents who assisted us by filling in the Survey for our Mission, Vision and Values. One of our school goals is to re-contextualise who we are as a school by starting with

rewriting our Mission, Vision and Values statements. This data helps us to know your thoughts and feelings on the future direction of the school. If you have not filled it in it is not too late to do so.

## SRS Survey

As part of our ongoing commitment to continuously improving the school, we believe it is critical to seek each parent and guardian's opinion on a range of issues relating to St Anthony's School. Your feedback is very important to us as we continue to build a successful school and strengthen our reputation as an 'educator of choice'.

As such, we have engaged the professional services of MYP Corporation to undertake a strictly private and confidential School Results Survey on our behalf. The survey should take approximately 10 - 15 minutes and will need to be completed online between 15th July and 4th August. There are no correct answers and we ask that you respond honestly to each statement. Some statements will not necessarily suit the context of our school but you have the option of recording N/A as a response.

Please note that this survey will be confidential. No member of the leadership team will have access to your individual responses. We will be provided with a summary of collated results only.

MYP Corp will undertake the following process to ensure anonymity:

1. Parents and guardians will be emailed individual survey logins.
2. Results will be collated externally.
3. A summary of collated results will be provided to the school leadership team.

On the survey start date, survey instructions and a personalised login link will be emailed to all parents. You will continue to send friendly reminders during the survey period until you have submitted the survey. If you do not receive your survey instructions on the survey start date, please check your spam and junk email folders.

We thank you in advance for your feedback.

## School Photos

Please remember school photos on Monday. It is important that the children are in correct uniform including black shoes and navy socks. Girls can wear either navy or black hair ties. Your support is appreciated.

## P and F

Thank you to the P and F who have kindly agreed to fund new desks in the year 3/4 and 5/6 classes to match the P12 whiteboard desks this year. It was put to the children and teachers to decide what they would like in their classroom and the decision was to this year replace the desks and for each room to have tidy drawers for schoolbooks. They have been ordered and should arrive next week.

Most outside jobs have been completed or are about to be completed in the school to ensure we maintain our facilities

and show our pride in our school through its surroundings. Our next project is to upgrade the inside of each room to reflect the Innovative Learning that is happening in our school. Discussions with our expert in technology has meant that more research and time is needed before making a final decision on either replacing our Interactive Whiteboards with a newer version or to put Interactive Televisions in our classrooms. Some visits to schools currently using either system is needed to ensure we make the right decision for our school.

Technology is always upgrading and as such we will also be investing in a considerable outlay with new Chromebooks ordered for 2020. While our old ones are not broken and are still usable it is important to always renew after 3 years as technology changes. We did have enough devices for each child at our school to be able to access their own computer but with our sudden growth we now need more so our plan is to make sure everyone will have access in 2020.

As this is the last newsletter for this Term, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a safe and restful holiday time with family. Spend as much time with them as you can as they are so precious. Garry and I will be having family visiting and we can't wait to show them around and enjoy time with them.

Have a great break,

**God Bless,**



**Kath Porter**  
**Principal**

## Upcoming Events

24 Jun	School Photos 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
27 Jun	NAIDOC Celebrations All day
	Prep Open Day All day
	Ducklings All day Recurring event

## Students of the Week



## APRE Report



Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe how fast this term has gone by. The children throughout the term have been extremely busy in their classrooms and have truly demonstrated the ability to work tough, producing many wonderful pieces of work to be proud of.

Thank you to all our families who were able to attend and support the Saint Anthony's Feast Day on Sunday. It was a fantastic afternoon; buying delicious foods and produce in the auction, listening to the amazing tunes of the Tropical Queensland Oratorio Society choir and just being able to spend time relaxing and catching up with friends. Also, a massive thank you to our amazing parishioners who work extremely hard in the months leading, to make sure the event is a successful one and enjoyed by all. It was certainly an afternoon that was thoroughly enjoyed by all, as we celebrated the Feast of our school's patron Saint – Saint Anthony of Padua.

On Sunday 23rd June we will celebrate Corpus Christi. Corpus Christi is Latin for the Body of Christ. It focuses on the Eucharist as a symbol of unity and emphasizes the joy of the institution of the Eucharist. As you receive communion, be conscious not only of Christ's presence in the Eucharistic host, but his presence in those receiving communion with you.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Enjoy spending quality time with your family and friends, resting and relaxing. I look forward to seeing and working with you all again next term.

Have a wonderful week and in words of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop...

***"When I could not see my way God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right"***



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

## Sporting News

Last Sunday and Monday three of our students competed in the Peninsula Track and Field Championships in Cairns.

Shayla Jerome competed in the 1500m, 800m, 200m and 100m events.

Cayde Miller competed in the u12 Shot Put.

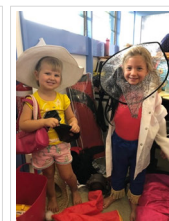
Brayth Miller competed in the u10 Boys Shot Put.

All three did very well and have made St Anthony's so very proud.



## Playgroup

Zoe and Mackenzie playing Dress Up's at Playgroup last week. Next week Ms Shannah will have a photo booth in operation. Hope to see you all there.





## Well Women's Clinics (These clinics are available to Medicare eligible clients)

**Mareeba Hospital – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019** Ph: 4092 9311  
Service includes Cervical Screening Tests (Pap Smears), Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Bowel Health, Domestic Violence, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Women's Health Nurse.



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**FETE**

3 August 2019 Amusement Rides - Kids games - Stalls - Raffles  
4PM : 9PM Tug-of-War Comp \$1000 First Prize - Great Food - Bar

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