



ST CHRISTOPHER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Term 2, Week 3
2 May 2024

Message from the Acting Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Well here we are at the time of the year where we seem to take an umbrella, sunglasses, a beanie and sunhat everywhere we go! We just never know what we are going to get when we step outside and it is a good reminder to perhaps check that all jumpers and jackets still have your child's name visible for this time of the year.

Thank you to our Student Leadership Team who assisted at our ANZAC Day Service last week and to all of our children for the special way that they listened to the messages and readings, prayed together, stood in respectful silence and sang our National Anthem.



This week there was much excitement in our staffroom and out on the yard. On Tuesday, Gavin Brennan visited our school to be welcomed by staff and students alike. He shared in morning tea with our staff and started his journey of starting to learn a lot of new names and roles. Then when he stepped outside to meet the children at 'line-up' time, he was amazed at all of the eager faces looking back at him. Luella (School Captain) and Billie (Vice Captain) welcomed Mr Brennan by letting him know of all of the wonderful things about our school and what he has to look forward to.

Part of what they said to Mr Brennan was as follows:

“We think there are a few things that you might like to know about our school:

- That we are a very kind bunch of kids
- We have amazing staff who are very helpful
- We love sports and activities
- The kids love the resources that we have
- We often pray together

We think you are going to love being here at our school.”

Our Captains then asked Mr Brennan a range of questions so that we could get to know him as well. He shared information about his family, his footy team and the things that he really looks for in a school. Then on behalf of all of our students, they presented him with a small token of our welcome. We look forward to getting to know Mr Brennan even better when he starts at STC on the 27th May.

Next week we will be hosting our Mother’s Day stall and ‘Morning with Mum’ on Thursday the 9th of May. Please look out for the information that has been sent to families about how to order your special treat and how the morning will run. Again we thank our wonderful Parents and Friends for their support and commitment to ensuring that we are able to put on special and meaningful events for our children and families.

All the best,

Colleen Mahoney - Acting Principal
(Deputy Principal of Organisation and Faith)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FROM LAST SUNDAY

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
 My branches bear much fruit.
 Alleluia!

2024 Sacramental Dates

Sacrament	Year Level	Time	Date	Family Workshop Nights (online)
Penance (Reconciliation)	3G & 3B	6pm	Thurs 20th June	Thursday 6th of June
	3M & 3W	7.30pm	Thurs 20th June	
First Eucharist (First Communion)	4G	5pm Parish Mass	Sat 27th July	Thursday 25th July
	4B	5pm Parish Mass	Sat 3rd Aug	
	4M	5pm Parish Mass	Sat 10th Aug	
	4W	5pm Parish Mass	Sat 17th Aug	

Deputy Principal (Students, Staff and Community)

Wellbeing at St Christopher's

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing outcome by our school community with the funds that were raised from our Colour Run.

The tally is in and our school community has raised \$24,143.94! This was raised collectively by 317 students. What an outstanding effort.

We also received \$1,000 in sponsorship (see article below in this newsletter) which brings it to a grand total of \$25,143.94. This is incredible!

Thanks to everyone from our Parents and Friends who did an amazing job of organising the Colour Run, to our students and families who fundraised, and the rest of the community who contributed to the success of the event.

A big congratulations to our top 3 students and their families who have made a tremendous effort in contributing to our total fundraising:



Look how proud they are! Well done Luca, Manaila and Jordann!

1st	Luca Bitonti	GRADE 1 GOLD	\$2570
2nd	Manaila Johnson	PREP MAROON	\$1280
3rd	Jordann Luke	PREP MAROON	\$1000

We also acknowledge our winning three classes:

Rank	Class	Profiles	Online
1st	GRADE 1 GOLD	18	\$5375
2nd	PREP MAROON	16	\$3910
3rd	GRADE 1 WHITE	25	\$2357



ABBOTT WEST

This is 1G...looking very proud!

Our top Junior and Senior winning classes will receive a Fish and Chip lunch organised by our Parents and Friends later in the term. How exciting!
(Junior top class - 1 Gold and Senior top class - 4 Blue).

Assemblies

Our assemblies start this week, with our Junior assembly (Prep-2) tomorrow. These are an opportunity for our children to come together, connect with each other and showcase some of their learning. We welcome parents and carers to join us with gates opening at 2:20 for a 2:30 start. We look forward to seeing you.

Term 2 Assemblies

Junior
(Prep-Year 2)
-3rd of May
-24th of May

Senior
(Years 3-6)
-10th of May
-31st of May

Parents/Carers are
WELCOME
Gates open at 2:20 for a
2:30 start

Thank you for your support.
Keep smiling.



Lina Vescio
Deputy Principal of Students, Staff and Community

ICT/Digital Technology & OHS Leader

Hi STC Families,

A friendly reminder that St. Christopher's Primary School discourages students from bringing mobile phones/smart watches to school. However, in the instance where parents feel it is necessary for their child to have a phone in their possession at school, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian and student to abide by the appropriate use outlined below:

- Using a mobile phone/smart watch during school hours is unacceptable - this includes when the students arrive at school from 8:25 am and are waiting for the 8:40am announcement before they enter their classroom
- Mobile phones/smart watches should be switched off as soon as the students enter the school grounds
- When class time commences students are to hand their mobile phones/smart watch to the classroom teacher and collect it at the end of the day
- Phones/smart watches may be confiscated if students fail to follow these rules
- Parents are reminded that in cases of emergency the school office remains a vital and appropriate point of contact and can ensure your child is reached quickly and assisted in any appropriate way.

Thank you for continually supporting the school decisions and actions regarding mobile phones/smart watches at St Christopher's Primary School.

Warm regards,

Steph Zammit
ICT/Digital Technologies, OHS and Compliance Leader

Interschool Sports

Fri 19th April 2024

STC vs St Therese's

We are so proud to say that it was another great week of sport at St Christopher's. All the students played to the best of their ability in all formats of the game. It was extremely close throughout all the games.

Here are the scores for round 1 of the winter season:

Volleyball boys: St Christopher's 2 sets St Therese's 0 sets

Volleyball girls: St Christopher's 0 sets St Therese's 2 sets

Mixed AFL :St Christopher's 14 St Therese's 34

Girls netball : St Christopher's 0 St Therese's 21

Boys netball: St Christopher's 10 St Therese's 24



STC vs St Peter's

A day of perfect conditions for all games where we played away and faced an evenly matched St Peter's in all games. See the results below:

Round 2 Results

Girls Netball: STP 12 def STC 2

Mixed Netball: STP 23 def STC 9

Girls Volleyball: STP 0 def by STC 2 sets

Mixed Volleyball: STP 0 def by STC 2 sets

AFL SCORES: STP 14 def by STC 23



Important Notices

BEFORE SCHOOL

Between 8:25 am and 8:40 am ALL students (and family members who are staying on the grounds) are to stay in Yard 1 and Yard 2.

- Please do not congregate near classroom doors
- NO BALL GAMES and NO PLAYING ON PLAY EQUIPMENT during this time.

The announcement at 8:40am will indicate that students can proceed to walk to their classes.

Thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter

KEY UPCOMING DATES 2024

Friday 3 May	Junior Assembly
Thursday 9 May	Mother's Day Stall and Morning Tea
Friday 10 May	Senior Assembly
Friday 24 May	Junior Assembly
Monday 27 - 28 May	Year 4 Camp
Friday 31 May	Senior Assembly
Monday 10 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Thursday 20 June	Penance (Reconciliation) 3G and 3B - 6:00 - 7:00PM 3M and 3W - 7:30 - 8:30PM

Friday 28 June	End of Term 2 - 12PM Finish
Monday 15 July	School Closure Day
Tuesday 16 July	Start of Term 3

Community Information

A Message From One of Our Fabulous Colour Run Sponsors Matt who is an ex-student of STC.

Attention parents of St Christopher's...



Do you find yourself worrying about how your actions might affect your children's well-being?

Kids are like little sponges, soaking up everything they see... Let's face it, sometimes that can be a bit daunting. After all, harmful behaviours today could lead to risky choices tomorrow.

At You4ia Health, we're here to lend a hand in cultivating those positive behaviours. Together, we'll create a ripple effect of healthy habits that you can proudly pass on to your children.

Hi parents and friends of St Christopher's, my name is Matt Sipala the owner of You4ia Health & Active Living. I am the guy on the left. To the right is our head coach Noah. We are a private personal training/ small group training studio in Airport West. At You4ia our mission is simple: To

empower parents with young children to incorporate and enjoy sustainable movement. Through our private group training sessions (max 6 people per class) we foster a sense of community allowing like minded parents to work towards setting a greater example for their children.

As a welcome offer to our Airport West community we are offering 20% off our group membership. Helping kick start your wellness in 2024!

To redeem contact Matt from You4ia Health on 0407 333 720 OR email Hello@you4iahealth.com.au

This offer expires on Friday 10th May 2024.

See you soon!

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COOL CODERS CLUB

Monday After School Online Coding Class

Teacher: Elizabeth Moran



Dear parents,

I have had numerous enquiries about the weekend 'Cool Coders' online classes.

Parents have been requesting an after school weekday session that won't clash with childrens' weekend sport activities.

I am currently scheduling the **Term 2 Cool Coders** timetable. This term, I can offer a Monday online evening class from **5pm - 5:30pm**.

There will be 8 Monday coding classes for the remainder of this term.

The dates are:



Monday, 6th of May
Monday, 13th of May
Monday, 20th of May
Monday, 27th of May
Monday, 3rd of June
Monday, 10th of June
Monday, 17th of June
Monday, 24th of June



If you would like more information, feel free to contact me via email on coolcoders2024@gmail.com

The Saturday morning classes are currently full but if your child is interested in learning computer coding you are welcome to place their name on the waiting list.

Thank you,

Elizabeth Moran



PEGS HOCKEY CLUB



JUNIORS GIRLS & BOYS CALL FOR PLAYERS



**Interested in playing Junior Hockey in 2024?
BEGINNERS WELCOME | WRIGHT RD ,KEILOR**

**We have a place for all children
in a safe and inclusive environment**

PEGS hockey Club has the following teams entered in the 2024 Season

Under 8/10 Under 12 Boys & Girls

Under 14 Shield A Girls & Under 14 Pennant Boys

CONTACT FOR MORE DETAILS

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